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Research Interests

(Morpho)syntactic theory, Syntactic micro- and macro-variation, Computational modeling of linguistic competence and variation

Employment

2024. **Goethe University, Frankfurt**
present Research Collaborator, CRC 1629 “Negation in Language and Beyond”.

Education

- 2021–2024 **Goethe University, Frankfurt**
Doctoral researcher, Research Training group on “Nominal Modification”.
Dissertation title: “Locative nouns and the morphosyntax of bareness”
- 2018–2020 **University of Padua**
MA in Linguistics. Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*
Thesis: “Spelling Out a covert D: ‘slim’ DPs and article-drop in Fodom locative PPs”. Supervisors: Cecilia Poletto and Laura Vanelli
- 2015–2018 **La Sapienza University, Rome**
BA in Classics. Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

Publications

Peer-reviewed publications

- 2026 Tommaso Mattiuzzi and Cecilia Poletto. “There Is No First Phase of the Jespersen Cycle”. In: *Transactions of the Philological Society* (2026). accepted
- 2025 Francesco Pinzin and Tommaso Mattiuzzi. “Word-Order Information in the Lexicon”. In: *Glossa: a journal of general linguistics* 10.1 (2025), p. 18521. ISSN: 2397-1835. DOI: 10.16995/glossa.18521
- 2024 Tommaso Mattiuzzi, Giacomo Presotto, and Viktor Koehlich. “Influential Inflection. Testing the Role of Overt Morphology in the Distribution of Italian Colour Adjectives”. In: *ConSOLE XXXI: Proceedings of the 31st Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (22-24 February 2023, Bielefeld University)* 1–24 (2024). Ed. by Iva Kovač et al., pp. 109–132
- 2022 Tommaso Mattiuzzi. “This Might Be the PLACE. Spelling out a Covert D in Fodom Spatial PPs”. In: *Isogloss. Open Journal of Romance Linguistics* 8.2 (2022), pp. 1–20. ISSN: 2385-4138. DOI: 10.5565/rev/isogloss.125

Conference presentations

- 2026 with C. Poletto. “On the polymorphous nature of Emphatic Negation: a Focus-based approach”. *PRAGMASOPHIA 5*, University of Messina, Messina

- 2026 with G. Presotto and C. Poletto. “From Big DP to Big NegP: Explaining the Anti-Non-strict Gap”. *PLC 50 (Penn Linguistics Conference 50)*, Philadelphia
- 2026 with G. Presotto and C. Poletto. “Divide et Impera: Negative Concord as Quantifier Splitting” (poster). *IGG 51 (51° Incontro di Grammatica Generativa)*, University of Udine, Udine
- 2025 with C. Poletto. “Emphatic Negation as Focus”. *Going Romance 2025*, Ca’ Foscari University of Venice, Venice
- 2025 with C. Poletto, M. Sailer and N. Lamoure. “Emphatic negation and discourse disalignment”. *CSSP 2025 (16th Syntax and Semantics Conference in Paris)*, Université Paris 8 & SFL, Paris
- 2025 with F. Pinzin. “Word-order information in the lexicon”. *NanoDays II*, Brussels
- 2023 “Bare doesn’t mean weak: Ladin article-drop with ‘locative’ nouns”. 38. *Romanistentag*, Universität zu Leipzig, Leipzig
- 2023 “The morphosyntactic sources of bareness: bare ‘locative’ nouns in Ladin”. *LSRL 53 (53rd Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages)*, INALCO, Université Paris Cité, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, and Université Paris Saclay, Paris
- 2023 “Hidden deixis and the grammar of Bare Nouns: a view from Italian PPs” (poster) *CGG 32 (Colloquium on Generative Grammar)*, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU), Vitoria-Gasteiz
- 2023 with V. Koehlich and G. Presotto. “Influential inflection. Testing the role of overt morphology in the distribution of Italian colour adjectives” (poster) *ConSOLE 31*, University of Bielefeld
- 2022 “Ladin article-drop in spatial PPs: ‘locative’ nouns and the variety of ‘slim DPs’ ”. *WoSSP 2022. 18th Workshop on Syntax, Semantics and Phonology*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (remote)
- 2022 ‘Locative’ common nouns as ‘slim DPs’: Ladin article-drop in spatial PPs”. *CIDSM16. (Cambridge Italian Dialectal Syntax and Morphology Meeting)*, “Federico II” University, Naples
- 2020 “Special nouns or prepositional intruders? Article-drop in locative PPs in Fodom”. *Going Romance 34*, special session on *Preposition-determiner interactions in Romance*, Paris, France (remote)

Other Skills and Training

Field work experience on Italo-Romance and Rhaeto-Romance varieties.

Good command of \LaTeX and R for data wrangling, statistical analysis and visualization, working knowledge of Python libraries for data science and the automatic and manual creation and annotation of textual databases.

Machine Learning specialization, DeepLearning.AI and Stanford University (online)

Honors & Awards

- 2015 First prize at the 4th *Praemium Aristophaneum*, national high-school competition for the translation of Aristophanes’ plays from Ancient Greek

Languages

Italian: *mothertongue*
English: *fluent* (C1 CAE)
German: *advanced knowledge* (B2/C1)

Ancient Greek: *working knowledge*
Latin: *working knowledge*
Ladin varieties: *fieldwork*