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## Positions and Education

2021-present	<b>Postdoctoral researcher in English Linguistics</b> Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf
2021	<b>Ph.D in Linguistics</b> Yale University
2021	<b>Certificate in College Teaching Preparation</b> Yale University Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning
2016, 2017	<b>M.A., M.Phil in Linguistics</b> Yale University
2013	<b>B.A. in Linguistics, Religion</b> Swarthmore College

## Selected Publications

O'Reilly, Eoin, **Christopher Geissler** & Kevin Tang. 2023. Simulating gestural undershoot in English diphthongs. *Interspeech 2023*. 20-24 August 2023, Dublin.

Weber, Julika & **Christopher Geissler**. 2023. Accommodation to passive exposure in the L2. *Proceedings of the 19<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Phonetic Sciences*. Prague, Czechia.

Kotek, Hadas, Rikker Dockum, Sarah Babinski & **Christopher Geissler**. 2021. "Gender bias and stereotypes in linguistic example sentences." *Language*.

**Geissler, Christopher**, Jason Shaw, Fang Hu & Mark Tiede. 2021. Eccentric C-V timing across speakers of diaspora Tibetan with and without lexical tone contrasts. In Tiede, Mark, Doug Whalen, & Vincent Gracco, Eds. *Proceedings of the 12th International Seminar on Speech Production*. Providence, RI.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2019. Tonal and laryngeal contrasts in Diaspora Tibetan. *Proceedings of the 18<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Phonetic Sciences*. Melbourne, Australia.

Zhang, Muye, **Christopher Geissler** & Jason Shaw. 2019. Gestural representations of tone in Mandarin: Evidence from timing alternations. *Proceedings of the 18<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Phonetic Sciences*. Melbourne, Australia.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2018. Phonological Koinéization in Kathmandu Tibetan. *Proceedings of the Annual Meetings on Phonology*, vol. 5.

## Other Publications

Kotek, Hadas, Rikker Dockum, Sarah Babinski & **Christopher Geissler**. 2021. "Gender stereotypes and inclusion in language teaching." *Babylonia*.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2020. Review of Hill, Nathan W. 2019. *The Historical Phonology of Tibetan, Burmese, and Chinese*. Cambridge University Press. *Phonology* 37(3), p. 495-500.

DeMille, Mellissa MC, Kevin Tang, Chintan M. Mehta, **Christopher Geissler**, Jeffrey G. Malins, Natalie R. Powers, Beatrice M. Bowen, Andrew K. Adams, Dongnhu T. Truong & Jan C. Frijters. 2018. Worldwide distribution of the DCDC2 READ1 regulatory element and its relationship with phoneme variation across languages. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 115(19). 4951–4956.

## Conference Presentations

O'Reilly, Eoin, **Christopher Geissler** & Kevin Tang. 2023. Uncover articulatory correlates of acoustic duration with analysis-by-synthesis: the case of diphthongs. *Phonetics and Phonology in Europe 2023*. Nijmegen, Netherlands.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2022. From gestural landmarks to analysis-by-synthesis: tone-driven timing in Diaspora Tibetan. Poster presented at 18th Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum. Bielefeld, Germany.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2021. Backward-designing a graduate phonology seminar. Poster presented at Workshop on Teaching Phonology, *Annual Meeting on Phonology 2021*.

**Geissler, Christopher** and Jason Shaw. 2020. Eccentric C-V timing across speakers of diaspora Tibetan with and without lexical tone contrasts. *12th International Seminar on Speech Perception*. Online.

**Geissler, Christopher**, Jason Shaw, Fang Hu & Mark Tiede. 2020. Consistent C-V timing across speakers of diaspora Tibetan with and without lexical tone contrasts. *94th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America*. New Orleans, LA.

Kotek, Hadas, Rikker Dockum, Sarah Babinski & **Christopher Geissler**. 2020. Gender bias in linguistic example sentences. *94th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America*. New Orleans, LA.

**Geissler, Christopher A.** 2019. Phonetic timing and Tibetan consonant, vowel, and tone contrasts. *Phonology of the Northeast 2019*. New Haven, CT.

**Geissler, Christopher A.** 2018. VOT in Tibetan is conditioned by tone. *The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America* 143(3). 1756–1756. Minneapolis, MN.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2018. Deriving three surface VOT categories from a two-way phonological contrast in Tibetan. *26th Manchester Phonology Meeting*. Manchester, UK.

Whalen, Doug H., Christian DiCanio, **Christopher Geissler** & Hannah King. 2016. Acoustic realization of a distinctive, frequent glottal stop: The Arapaho example. *The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America* 139(4). 2212–2213.

**Geissler, Christopher**. 2016. Semi-Creole Language Typology in Tibeto-Burman. *4th Himalayan Studies Conference*. Austin, TX.

**Geissler, Christopher.** 2016. Identifying semi-creoles in Tibeto-Burman. *Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics*. Washington, D.C.

Whalen, Doug H., Christian DiCanio, **Christopher Geissler** & Hannah King. 2016. Acoustic realization of a distinctive, frequent glottal stop: The Arapaho example. *Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas*. Washington, D.C.

## Courses Taught

### As Instructor at Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf:

- Introduction to English Linguistics, Part II. Summer 2023.
- Laboratory Phonology (advanced seminar). Summer 2023.
- Introduction to English Linguistics, Part I. Winter 2022/2023.
- Laboratory Phonology (method module). Winter 2022/2023.
- Experimental Phonetics (M.A. seminar). Summer 2022.
- Languages of the United States (advanced seminar). Summer 2022.
- The Phonetics-Phonology Interface (advanced seminar). Winter 2021/2022.
- Morphology/Word-Formation (intermediate seminar). Winter 2021/2022.

### As Instructor at Yale University:

- Topics in Phonology: The Phonetics-Phonology Interface. Spring 2021.
- Introduction to Linguistics. Yale Summer Session 2020

### As Teaching Assistant at Yale University:

- Language and Mind. Fall 2020. Instructor: Maria Piñango
- Grammatical Diversity in U.S. English. Spring 2020. Instructor: Raffaella Zanuttini
- Introduction to Linguistics, Fall 2019. Instructor: Jason Shaw
- General Phonetics, Spring 2018. Instructor: Jonathan Manker
- Introduction to Linguistics, Fall 2017. Instructors: Jim Wood, Matt Barros
- General Phonetics, Spring 2017. Instructor: Jason Shaw
- Introduction to Phonological Analysis, Fall 2016. Instructor: Ryan Bennett

## Supervisions

Weber, Julika. 2023 (anticipated). M.A. Thesis: *Phonological accommodation in the L2*. Heinrich Heine University.

Stein, Anna Sophia. 2023 (anticipated). B.A. Thesis, *Modeling reduction with Naïve Discriminative Learning*. Heinrich Heine University. (co-advised with Kevin Tang)

Nguyen, Lena. 2023. B.A. Thesis: *The Stylistics of Morrison and Hurston - A comparative and corpus-based style analysis of African-American fiction*. Heinrich Heine University. (second reader)

Smith, Slater. 2021. B.A. Thesis: *Sounds in flux: modeling post-vocalic laryngeals in Mayan languages*. Yale University. (second reader)

## Grants and Awards

Heinrich Heine University “E-Learning Förderfonds”  
Title: Choose Your Own Adventure: Teleporting to a Virtual Phonetics Laboratory  
Role: Co-applicant (with Kevin Tang and Eoin O’Reilly)  
Awarded February 2023  
2023-2024  
9,727.78 EUR

Heinrich Heine University “E-Learning Förderfonds”  
Title: Interactive web-based review units for phonetics and phonology  
Role: Co-applicant (with Kevin Tang and Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao)  
Awarded February 2022  
2022-2023  
9,423.69 EUR

National Science Foundation  
Title: *Doctoral Dissertation Research: Articulatory and Corpus Study of Relative Timing among Consonants, Vowels, and Tones in Tibetan.*  
Role: Co-Principal Investigator  
Principal Investigator: Jason Shaw  
Awarded July 2019  
2019-2022  
\$9,903.55

**University Fellowship.** Yale University. 2014-2021

**South Asia Council Field Research Award.** Yale University. July 2014

## Membership and Affiliations

LSA - Linguistic Society of America  
LSA Special Interest Group: Scholarship of Teaching and Learning  
ASA - Acoustical Society of America  
LabPhon - Association for Laboratory Phonology  
ANHS - Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies

## Service

**Co-organizer**, “AI for Social Good”, presentation at Night of Science 2022, Düsseldorf

**Graduate Affiliate**, Branford College, Yale University. 2015-2020

**Student Co-organizer**, Phonology of the Northeast conference (PhoNE), 2015 and 2019

**Organizer**, Yale Phonology Group, 2015-2018

**Website Manager**, Department of Linguistics, Yale University. 2015-2017

**Representative**, Graduate Student Assembly, Yale University. 2014-2016

## Invited Presentations

“Tone and Articulatory Timing: Evidence from Tibetan.” Invited talk at Ludwig Maximilians University München. June 29, 2022.

“Meet the Authors: Gender Bias & Stereotypes in Linguistics Research and Teaching” webinar of the Linguistic Society of America. January 28, 2022

“Articulatory Phonology: example studies.” Invited guest lecture in Phonology II course (instructor: Emily Gasser), Swarthmore College. January 29, 2021.

Babinski, Sarah & **Christopher Geissler**. 2020. *Gender bias and stereotypes in linguistic example sentences*. Talk given to Yale University Department of Linguistics. September 25, 2020.

EMA workshop at Department of Linguistics & Cognitive Science, University of Delaware, May 2019

“Linguistics and the Tibetan Language,” Namgyal Higher Secondary School, Kathmandu. Aug. 2016

## Other Experience

**Languages:** English (native), French (proficient), Tibetan (A2), German (A1), Biblical Hebrew (reading)

**Programming:** R (intermediate), Python (basic), Matlab (basic)

UVa Summer Language Institute Intensive Tibetan Program, Charlottesville, VA. 2014

Work as Researcher, Endangered Language Alliance, New York, NY. 2013-2014

Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute 2013, Ann Arbor, MI

Emory University Tibetan Studies Semester, Dharamsala, India. 2012

Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute 2011, Boulder, CO