

Curriculum Vitae

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1 Employment

1.1 *Academic*

- 2017-2018 Guest professor in the special research unit (SFB) on Information Density at Universität des Saarlandes, Saarbrücken.
- 2016-2020 Principal investigator (with Manfred Krifka) in the MelaTAMP project, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG): Corpus-based research on TAM and polarity expressions in Oceanic languages of Melanesia.
- 2014-2016 Postdoctoral research fellow at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.
- 2013-2014 Postdoctoral research fellow in Project PB3, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS) Berlin: Investigating clause-embedding predicates in Bislama.
- 2009-2012 Researcher in the DoBeS-Project “Ambrym”, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS) Berlin: Documentation of the languages Daakaka and Dalkalaen on Ambrym, Vanuatu.
- 2008-2009 Researcher in the Special Research Unit 632, Potsdam University: Investigations into information structure in Mandarin Chinese.
- 2006-2008 Student assistant, TU Berlin (Introduction to linguistics, online introduction to syntax)

1.2 *Other*

- 2005-2006 Language expert, Microsoft Research Center Beijing (research on Text-to-Speech technology, phonology workshops for developers)

1.3 *Parental leave*

- One child, Leonhard von Prince, born in 2014 in Berlin
- Parental leave: February 2014 to September 2014

2 Education

2009-2012 HU Berlin, Comparative Linguistics, **Ph.D.** The Ph.D. thesis is a descriptive grammar of the Oceanic language Daakaka, based on data collected by myself during fieldwork. Defended on July 11, 2012; *summa cum laude*

2003-2008 TU Berlin, General Linguistics, **M.A.** (major); The subject of the thesis was a corpus-based, comparative, syntactic analysis of attributive structures in Swahili, Hindi and Mandarin Chinese. Grade: 1,0.

2003-2008 FU Berlin, Sinology (minor); Grade: 1,0.

2002-2008 FU Berlin, General and Comparative Literature (minor); Grade: 1,0

2005-2006 Beijing Foreign Studies University (北京外国语大学)

3 Grants, Awards, Scholarships

2016 Honorable mention for the Franz Boas Award.

2016-2019 Research Grant (Sachbeihilfe) by the German Research Foundation (DFG); main author and principal investigator with Manfred Krifka (577,500 €).

2015/2016 Fellowship, SIAS summer institute, The Investigation of Linguistic Meaning: In the Armchair, in the Field, and in the Lab, National Humanities Center and Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin. (Acceptance rate 18%)

since 2015 Affiliate member of the ARC Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language, Australia (CoEDL).

2004-2008 Full scholarship, German National Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes).

2005-2006 Full scholarship for one year at Beijing Foreign Studies University, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

2005 Scholarship for a Russian language course (advanced) in Saint Petersburg, Irmgard Ulderup Foundation.

4 Publications

4.1 Monographs

von Prince, Kilu. 2015. *A grammar of Daakaka*. Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter Mouton.

4.2 In preparation/ submitted

von Prince, Kilu, Krajinović, Ana, Krifka, Manfred, Franjeh, Michael and Guérin, Valérie. in prep. *The MelaTAMP storyboards*.

von Prince, Kilu and Anna Margetts. in prep. *Expressing possibility in two Oceanic languages*.

von Prince, Kilu. under review at *Linguistics and Philosophy*. *Counterfactuality and past*.

4.3 Journal articles (peer-reviewed)

- von Prince, Kilu. With Ana Krajinović, Anna Margetts, Nick Thieberger and Valérie Guérin. to appear. Habituals in four Oceanic languages of Melanesia. *Language Typology and Universals*.
- von Prince, Kilu. to appear. A dictionary of Daakaka. *Dictionaria*.
- von Prince, Kilu. 2017. Dozing eyes and drunken faces: Nominalized psych-collocations in Daakaka. *Studies in Language*, 41:2, 502--520 .
- von Prince, Kilu. 2016. Alienability as control: the case of Daakaka. *Lingua*, 182, 69–87. SI: Understanding Possession.
- von Prince, Kilu. 2012. Predication and information structure in Mandarin Chinese. *Journal of East Asian Linguistics*, 21(4), 329–366.

4.4 Papers in peer-reviewed conference proceedings

- von Prince, Kilu. preprint available. Paradigm-induced implicatures in TAM-expression: A view from the Daakaka distal. In: *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 21*.
- von Prince, Kilu. 2017. Indefinites in Daakaka (Vanuatu). *Pages 126–137 of: Hohaus, Vera, & Rothe, Wanda (eds), Proceedings of TripleA 3. Fieldwork perspectives on the semantics of African, Asian and Austronesian languages.*
- von Prince, Kilu. 2012. Nominal possession in Daakaka: Transitivity vs. linking. *Pages 156–170 of: Clemens, Lauren Eby, Scontras, Gregory, & Polinsky, Maria (eds), Proceedings of AFLA 18 (Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association).* Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University.
- Franjeh, Michael, & von Prince, Kilu. 2011. From possessive classifiers to agreement markers: micro-variation and diachronic depth. In: *Language documentation and linguistic theory 3*. London: SOAS.

4.5 Published Reviews

- 2012 Review of Su, Xiaoqin 2011. Reflexivität im Chinesischen: Eine integrative Analyse. *Cahiers de Linguistique Asie Orientale*, 41:2, 353–362.
- 2012 Review of Schneider, Cynthia 2010. *A grammar of Abma: a language of Pentecost Island, Vanuatu*. Pacific Linguistics. Canberra: The Australian National University; *Oceanic Linguistics* 51:2, 597–601.
- 2012 Review of Moyse-Faurie, Claire and Sabel, Joachim 2011: Topics in Oceanic Morphosyntax; in *LinguistList* issue 23.2290 .
- 2011 Review of Alexiadou, A. and Rathert, M. 2010: The Semantics of Nominalizations across Languages and Frameworks; in *LinguistList* issue 22.1701.

4.6 Online teaching materials

- 2008 Einführung in die Syntax (*Introduction to generative syntax*). <http://fak1-alt.kgw.tu-berlin.de/call/linguistiktutorien/syntax/index.html>.

4.7 Literacy materials

- 2012 An illustrated dictionary of Daakaka.
2012 An illustrated dictionary of Dalkalaen.
2012 ed. *Sorousian ne vilye Ambrym*. ISBN: 978-1479148769. 124 pages. Kilu von Prince (A collection of stories in Daakaka and Dalkalaen).
2018 with Bongmyal, Filip and Bweangtan, Esther and Bongnaem, Angela and Bong, Grem and Bweangtan, Mata and Massing, Tio Bang. *Sorousian mwelili*. ISBN: 978-1720586210. 108 pages. Kilu von Prince (A collection of storyboards in Daakaka).
2018 with Malwakon, Jonas and Saave, Belang and Bonglipu, Amos and Lipu, Bong. *Siwiisian kikei*. ISBN: 978-1721593286. 106 pages. Kilu von Prince

4.8 Unpublished manuscripts

- with Elisa Kellner: Complement Clauses in Bislama and Kamtok.
2008. Attributive Linkers in Three Languages. MA thesis, TU Berlin.

5 Talks

5.1 Invited Talks

- 2018 April. *How dense can you get? Correlates of information density as factors in cross-linguistic comparison*. Universität des Saarlandes, Saarbrücken.
2017 December. *The role of corpora in comparative research. Case studies from the MelaTAMP project*. Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History. Jena.
2017 December. *Multi-verb constructions – is there a continuum?*. Workshop on Multi-verb constructions. Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.
2017 June. *Tagging tense and modality. FEAST*, Universität des Saarlandes, Saarbrücken.
2017 April. *The future is what the universe wants*. Workshop on imperatives, ZAS, Berlin.
2017 January. *Modalität und Tempus aus ozeanischer Perspektive*. Linguistischer Arbeitskreis, Köln. (unable to attend).
2016 June. *Eine ozeanische Perspektive auf Modalität und Tempus*. Colloquium, Kiel.
2016 April. *Prioritizing entries and choosing example sentences*. Dictionaria workshop, Leipzig.
2015 June. *In defense of events as a defining property of serial verb constructions*. TripleA (The Semantics of African, Asian and Austronesian Languages, Potsdam).
2014 *Possessive Splits*. Semantics Colloquium, Universität Tübingen.
2014 *The dawning place and the dozing eyes – nominalizing weather events and medical states in Daakaka*. Invited talk at a workshop on *Lexical Flexibility in Oceanic Languages*, Amsterdam. (unable to attend).
2014 *Lexical relationality and the alienability distinction*. GLOW 37, workshop on *Understanding possession*, Brussels.
2013 *Sprachdokumentation im Pazifik*. Colloquium, Universität Potsdam.
2013 *Meanings of TAM Markers in Daakaka*. Colloquium, Universität Potsdam.
2012 *Transitivität als Wortart-übergreifende Kategorie? – Evidenz aus Daakaka*. Universität Regensburg.

2012 *Event argument serializations in Daakaka, fast and slow*. Colloquium, Universität Leipzig.

5.2 Conference talks (refereed)

2018 April. With Vera Demberg. *POS tag perplexity as a measure of syntactic complexity*. Measuring Linguistic Complexity (satellite workshop at EVOLANG), Torun.

2018 February. Poster with Ana Krajinović and Manfred Krifka. *Storyboards for the elicitation of TAM contexts in Melanesia*. Linguistic Evidence, Tübingen.

2017 December. With Ana Krajinović (presenter). *Comparable corpora for qualitative and quantitative comparison of under-documented languages*. ALT, Canberra.

2017 July. With Ana Krajinović (presenter). *What makes a mood-prominent language in the Oceanic context?*. COOL 10, Honiara.

2017 June. With Anna Margetts. *Expressing possibility in Saliba-Logea and Daakaka*. APLL 9, Paris.

2016 December. *Past and counterfactuality in the Daakaka distal*. workshop on Past tense, Göttingen.

2016 July. *Paradigm-induced implicatures in TAM-expression: A view from the Daakaka distal*. Sinn und Bedeutung 21, Edinburgh.

2016 July. *Epistemic indefinites in Daakaka*. Triple A, Tübingen.

2013 *Diagnosing clausal boundaries in serial verb constructions*. Language Documentation: Past – Present – Future, Hanover.

2011 *On the Daakaka modal system: The distal*. Speaking of Possibility and Time, Göttingen.

2011 *On the Daakaka modal system: imperatives and futures*. Chronos 10, Aston University, Birmingham.

2008 *Nominal modification in three languages*. ICLC 5, Leuven.

2008 *Attributive Linkers*. SWL 3, Berlin.

5.3 Internal talks

2017 November. *The syntax-morphology trade-off*. Language Science Colloquium. Universität des Saarlandes.

2017 October. *Information density, complexity and cross-linguistic variation*. Colloquium; Universität des Saarlandes.

2017 September. *Werkzeuge und Workflows im MelaTAMP-Projekt*. CLARIN-D F-AG 3 Workshop. Datenmanagement und Korpuserstellung: Workflows und Werkzeuge; HZSK, Hamburg.

2017 July. *Storyboards for the MelaTAMP project*. MelaTAMP workshop, University of the South Pacific, Port Vila, Vanuatu.

2017 March. with Ryan Bochnak and Anne Mucha. *Towards an ontology of modal flavors – introduction*. Saarbrücken, DGfS.

2015 *Definiteness and specificity cross-linguistically*, SIAS Summer Institute. ZAS Berlin

2015 *When the mood is tense*, SIAS Summer Institute. ZAS Berlin.

2015 *Conditionals in a many-worlds semantics*. ZAS Berlin.

2013 *Introduction to Bislama*. ZAS Berlin.

- 2013 *Problems with and solutions to consolidating corpus data from fieldwork*. Exploring data from language documentation, ZAS Berlin.
- 2013 with Manfred Krifka. *Modality in Daakaka and Daakie*. ZAS Berlin.

5.4 Public talks, exhibitions

- 2014 *A Melanesian perspective on time and reality*. STATE Experience Science Festival.
- 2013 Bislama für Anfänger (Bislama for beginners). Long night of sciences (Lange Nacht der Wissenschaften), ZAS Berlin.
- 2011-2016 With Soraya Hosni, Manfred Krifka und Friederike Kitschen: Multimedia installation about the DoBeS project “Ambrym”, Humboldtbox Berlin.
- 2011 Science Slam, invited by the Robert-Bosch-Stiftung, Bonn.
- 2010 Science Slam in Berlin (Lido).
- 2007, 2008 Talks and design of interactive lessons at the respective Long Nights of Science (Lange Nacht der Wissenschaften), at the institute for General Linguistics, TU Berlin.

6 Teaching

6.1 Regular classes

- 2017 TAM im Sprachvergleich (*Tense, aspect and modality in crosslinguistic comparison*), Linguistics (SE, Masters); HU Berlin.
- WS 2015/16 Dimensionen sprachlicher Variation (*Dimensions of linguistic variation*), Linguistics (Lecture, Bachelor), HU Berlin.
- WS 2014/15 Possessive Strukturen im Sprachvergleich (*Possessive structures in cross-linguistic comparison*), Linguistics (SE, Masters) HU Berlin.
- WS 2014/15 Dokumentation bedrohter Sprachen (*Documenting endangered languages*), Linguistics (SE, Masters), Potsdam University.
- SS 2013 Dokumentation bedrohter Sprachen (*Documenting endangered languages*), Linguistics (SE, Bachelor), Potsdam University.
- Februar 2013 Sprachdokumentation (*Language documentation*), Methods workshop HU Berlin.
- SS 2012 Serialverbkonstruktionen (*Serial verb constructions*), Linguistics (SE, Masters, Module: Morphosyntax), HU Berlin.
- WS 2010/11 Modus und Modalität (*Mood and Modality*), Linguistics (SE, Masters, Module: Typology), HU Berlin.
- SS 2009 Fokussementik (*Focus semantics*), Linguistics (SE, Bachelor), Potsdam University
- WS 2008/09 Schriftsysteme (*Writing systems*), Language and Communication (Masters), TU Berlin.

6.2 Teaching in workshops

- 2016 *Language documentation*, Methods workshop HU Berlin.
- 2014 *TEXworkshop*, workshop organized by myself for HU students, HU Berlin.
- 2014 *Language documentation*, Methods workshop HU Berlin.

- 2013 *LaTeXfor beginners and advanced users*, workshop organized by myself for HU students, HU Berlin.
- 2013 *Language documentation*, Methods workshop HU Berlin.
- 2012 *Language documentation*, Methods workshop, HU Berlin.
- 2012 *LaTeXworkshop*, ZAS Berlin.
- 2012 *Making linguistic maps*, ZAS Berlin, organized by myself.
- 2010 *LaTeXworkshop*, ZAS Berlin (Doktorandenkolloquium).

6.3 Supervision

- 2018 Ulrich Krause: *Conjunction in Nafsan*, MA thesis (second supervisor).
- 2017 Benni Butz: *Daakaka vowel length and duration*, MA thesis (second supervisor).
- 2016 Theresa Travelstead: *Conlang Kviglivok. An introductory grammar*, BA thesis (second supervisor).
- 2016 Jens Hopperdietzel: *On the relation between morphology and syntax in polysynthetic languages*, MA thesis (second supervisor).

7 Organization of workshops

- 2018 With Stefania Degaetano-Ortlieb and Elke Teich: *Perspectives on Low-Resource Languages and Language Varieties*. Saarbrücken, Universität des Saarlandes.
- 2017 With Ana Krajinović: *MelaTAMP workshop* (funded by DFG). Introducing the MelaTAMP storyboards and conventions. Port Vila, Vanuatu. University of the South Pacific.
- 2017 with Anne Mucha and Ryan Bochnak: *Towards an ontology of modal flavors*. At Universität des Saarlandes, at the 39. DGfS meeting.
- 2013 with Cristina Villari: Workshop on negation. At ZAS Berlin.
- 2013 with Felix Rau: Exploring data from language documentation. At ZAS Berlin, funded by Clarin-D, FAG 3.
- 2012 Making linguistic maps. Taught by myself, using GMT and Inkscape.

8 Service

8.1 Administrative service

- 2015-present Women's representative at the Institute for German Language and Linguistics, HU Berlin.
- 2008 Student representative at the review board for professorship applicants, TU Berlin.

8.2 Service to the profession

- 2018 Coach for German candidates to the International Linguistics Olympiad.
- 2017 Proofreading and editing of readers in Daakaka and Dalkalaen.
- 2017 Member of program committee for Triple A 4.
- 2017 Member of program committee for Sinn und Bedeutung 22.
- 2016 (December) Participant at the experts-only conference on *Open Access - Open Data*, Cologne.

2016 Proofreading and editing of readers in Daakaka and Dalkalaen.
 since 2016 Proofreader for Language Science Press.
 2013 Panelist at *Language Documentation: Past – Present – Future*, Hanover.
 2013 Member of the scientific committee for *International Conference on Endangered Languages in Europe*.
 2012 Coach for German candidates to the International Linguistics Olympiad.
 2011-2012 Linguistic advisor to composer Thomas Lauck, who has set one of my Daakaka recordings to music.
 since 2011 Member of working group F-AG 3, part of the CLARIN-D-Project.
 2011-2014 Member of the DoBeS steering committee.
 2010 Design of tests for the pre-selection of German candidates for the International Linguistics Olympiad.

8.3 Editorial work

2016 Member of editorial board for *Semantic Fieldwork Methods*.
 2016 Stand-in as editor during Eva van Lier’s maternity leave for a special issue of *Studies in Language*.

9 Reviewing

- Journals
 - Language Documentation and Description (1)
 - Linguistic discovery (1)
 - Glossa (1)
 - Studies in Language (1)
 - Faits de langue (1)
- Book manuscripts
 - Language Science Press (2)
- Grants
 - Endangered Languages Documentation Program (ELDP) (4)
- Conferences
 - CLS (1)
 - TripleA (5)
 - Glow (1)
 - AFLA (1)
 - Sinn und Bedeutung (4)
 - Vanuatu languages conference (1)

10 Current memberships

- Deutscher Hochschulverband (DHV)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS)
- Association for Linguistic Typology (ALT)

11 Media appearances, interviews

- 2014 Sprachenkiller Internet? (*Does the internet kill language?*). ZDFinfo, Elektrischer Reporter.
- 2013 Forscherin rettet gefährdete Sprachen (*researcher saves endangered languages*). Deutschlandradio Kultur.
- 2013 Interview zu bedrohten Sprachen (*Interview about endangered languages*). Tagesspiegel.
- 2012 Einmal um die Welt für eine Doktorarbeit (*Once around the World for a dissertation*). Deutschlandradio Kultur.

12 Fieldwork in Vanuatu

- 2017/07/16-2017/08/06 Emyotungan, Malver, Port Vila.
- 2012/09/03-2012/09/25 Emyotungan, Wuro, Luganville.
- 2011/07/31-2011/10/15 Wuro, Port Vila.
- 2010/05/09-2010/08/31 Emyotungan, Sesivi, Wuro, Port Vila.
- 2009/08/07-2009/11/23 Emyotungan, Sesivi, Baiap, Port Vila.

13 Languages

- German (native)
- English (fluent)
- Chinese (highest attested level corresponds to B2, 2006)
- Bislama (fluent)
- Daakaka (passively fluent, good conversational skills)
- Dalkalaen (good passive and active knowledge)
- French (good passive and active knowledge)
- Hindi (basic)
- Swahili (basic)
- Russian (basic)
- Latin (Latinum, rudimentary since)
- Sanskrit (passed the basic exam at FU Berlin, rudimentary since)
- Structural knowledge: Japanese, Turkish, Greek

14 Computational skills

- Scripting
 - Unix
 - ack
 - perl
 - GMT (Generic Mapping Tools)
 - XSLT
 - MySQL
 - R
- Software
 - T_EX, L^AT_EX, X_YL^AT_EX
 - HTML, XML
 - ANNIS
 - ELAN
 - Praat
 - Toolbox
 - AntConc
 - Inkscape
- Mark-up

- MS Office (Word, Excel), Libre Office