

Employment

04/2026 - present **Doctoral Researcher in SFB 1760: SiNoSi (Project A01)**
University of Konstanz, Germany

Education

04/2026 - present **Doctor of Philosophy, General Linguistics**
University of Konstanz, Germany
Thesis title: Null Arguments and Ellipsis in Diachrony
Reviewers: Prof. Dr. George Walkden (main) & Prof. Dr. Maribel Romero

04/2023 - 11/2025 **Master of Arts, General Linguistics**
University of Konstanz, Germany
Thesis Title: Investigating Purpose and Reason in Turkish *diye* Clauses
Reviewers: Prof. Dr. Maribel Romero (main) & Prof. Dr. George Walkden

10/2022 - 03/2023 **Master of Arts, Speech and Language Processing**
University of Konstanz, Germany

09/2018 - 08/2022 **Bachelor of Arts (with High Honors), Linguistics**
Boğaziçi University, Turkey

Summer Schools

06/2026 **Edinburgh Theoretical Historical Linguistics Summer School (ETHL)**
University of Edinburgh, Scotland

08/2024 **DGfS Summer School 2024**
Form-Meaning Mismatches in Spoken and Visual Communication
Georg-August University of Göttingen, Germany

07/2023 **The 5th Crete Summer School of Linguistics**
University of Crete, Greece

Summer Courses

07/2023 **Portuguese Language and Culture Online Summer Course**
C1 Level
University of Coimbra, Portugal

07/2021 **Portuguese Language and Culture Online Summer Course**
B2 Level
University of Minho, Portugal

Research interests

Broad: Syntax-semantics interface, historical syntax, morphosyntax, linguistic typology

Narrow: Null arguments and ellipsis, indexical shift, perspective-sensitive phenomena and logophoricity in reason clauses, say-complementation/subordination constructions, development of agreement markers

Publications

Barrientos, F., Bajuk, L., **Gökkaya, M.** (2026). The role of the prosodic hierarchy on learning phonological rules: /b d g/ spirantization by L1 German learners of Spanish. *Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism*. 16(2), 233-250.

Presentations

Gökkaya, M. (2025). Null Elements in Mewati. (Online) Conference talk at *39th South Asian Languages Analysis Roundtable (SALA-39)*. Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland

Gökkaya, M. (2023). (When) Does the Portuguese Imperative become Passive? A Diachronic Study of the Portuguese Imperative in Culinary Recipes. Poster presentation at *The 5th Crete Summer School of Linguistics*. University of Crete, Greece

Teaching

04/2025 - 08/2025

Teaching Assistant, English Syntax

Instructor: Dr. Nadine Bade

University of Konstanz, Germany

04/2024 - 08/2024

Teaching Assistant, English Syntax

Instructors: Dr. Marc Meisezahl and Dr. Raquel Montero Estebaranz

University of Konstanz, Germany

11/2023 - 02/2024

Teaching Assistant, Praat Scripting

Instructor: Dr. Fernanda Barrientos

University of Konstanz, Germany

05/2023 - 09/2023

Teaching Assistant, English Syntax

Instructors: Prof. Dr. Colin Davis and David Diem

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Awards & Scholarships

06/2023

Portuguese Language and Culture Course Scholarship

Instituto Camões, Portugal

04/2023

Exemption from paying tuition fees for particularly gifted international students

University of Konstanz, Germany

06/2021

Portuguese Language and Culture Course Scholarship

Instituto Camões, Portugal

Language Skills

Turkish (native), **English** (fluent), **Portuguese** (advanced), **German** (advanced), **French** (intermediate)

Data Collection

- **Turoyo (Neo-Aramaic)** in Istanbul at Boğaziçi University
- **Mewati (Indo-Aryan)** in Konstanz at University of Konstanz

Konstanz, 23.08.2026