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Research interests

Variation and change in spoken French especially in phonetics, but also in syntax and lexicon. Sociolinguistics. Social and stylistic variation. Perception and language attitudes. Mechanisms of linguistic change in general.

Educational background

1997 Assistant Professor Programme in Teaching and Pedagogical Competence (Adjunktpædagogikum) at the University of Copenhagen
1996 PhD in French Linguistics, University of Copenhagen ("Les voyelles nasales du français parisien moderne. Aspects linguistiques, sociolinguistiques et perceptuels des changements en cours")
1990 Cand.mag. (MA) in French and Information Science for the Humanities, University of Copenhagen
1988-1989 Studies in Paris at Paris V René Descartes, Paris VIII Saint-Denis, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (Sorbonne) and Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales
1985-1986 Studies at the University of Ottawa (Canada)
1985 BA in French, University of Copenhagen

Present and latest employment

2000- Associate Professor (2000-2004: Dept. of Romance Studies, 2004-now: Dept. of English, Germanic and Romance Studies)
1999 Assistant Professor (ammanuensis), University of Copenhagen, Dept. of Romance Studies
1996-1999 Assistant Professor (adjunkt), University of Copenhagen, Dept. of Romance Studies
1991-1994 PhD Scholarship, University of Copenhagen
1990-1991 Research assistant for Professor Lita Lundquist, Copenhagen Business School

Fellowships, awards and funding

2018 Carlsbergfondet. "Semper Ardens" Fellowship within the Humanities and the Social Sciences. 1. januar - 31. december. 677.800 DKK. Projekt-titel: "Variation and Change in the pronunciation of Parisian French - a multifaceted approach". Arbejde på monografi-manuskript mhp forsvar for doktor disputats
2017 "Caïx-legatet". Dronning Margrethe og Prins Henriks Fond. 56.000 DKK. Projekt-titel: "Digitalisering af båndoptaget materiale af parisisk udtale af fransk". Båndoptagelser fra 1989-93 digitaliseret for at kunne sammenlignes med optagelser fra 2011-2015.
2010 Carlsberg Foundation: 80.000 DKK for travel expenses in connection with the research project "Phonetic change in Parisian French: internal/external mechanisms of change and new norms of pronunciation" (grant no. 2010_01_0537)
2005 "Einar Hansens Legat för framstående humanistisk forskning": 100.000 DKK (awarded for: Work on spoken French with the special mention of having introduced and developed the study of social variation in French pronunciation at the University of Copenhagen)
1999 NOS-H project "Corpus-based analysis of spoken French in the Nordic Countries": 50.000 DKK (co-application)
1998 International Seminar "Le français parlé : corpus et résultats", SHF: 31.000 DKK, Institut Français: 5.000 DKK, The Faculty of the Humanities: 6.183 DKK, Dept. of Romance Studies: 4.289 DKK
1996-1997 Grants for publication of PhD thesis (Brøndal: 15.000 DKK, Birte og Knud Tøgebys Fond: 10.000 DKK, SHF: 15.000 DKK)
1995 "Professor Viggo Brøndal og Hustrus Legat": 25.000 DKK
1993 "Professor Viggo Brøndal og Hustrus Legat": 20.000 DKK
1992 French state grant: 9900 FFR (2 month's stay in "Den danske stats legatbolig")
1988 "Caïx Legatet": 30.000 DKK
1988 Carlsberg Foundation: 75.000 DKK (scholar stipendium no. 88-0334)

International relations and research networks

- 2012- International project "Interphonologie du français contemporain", directed by Sylvain Detey, Yuji Kawaguchi, Jacques Durand and Isabelle Racine
- 2011-2015 Cooperation with Professor Françoise Gadet, University of Paris 10, Nanterre
- 2009- Member of the SLICE project (Standard Language Ideology in Contemporary Europe) at the LANCHART (Language Change in Real Time) Centre at the University of Copenhagen
- 2000- International project "Phonologie du français contemporain", directed by Chantal Lyche, Bernard Laks and Jacques Durand
- 1999-2003 Network for Research in spoken French (Scandinavian network)
- 1989-2011 Cooperation with Professor Caroline Juillard, University of Paris V, René Descartes

Leadership experience (research and administration)

- 2012- Coordinator of the research group "Norm, Variation, Language Change" at the Dept. of English, Germanic and Romance Studies (except Nov 2014-June 2015)
- 2005-2007 Director of the French Study Board
- 2002-2005 Vice-director of the French Study Board

Review activities

Journals: Journal of French Language Studies, Language Variation and Change, Revue Romane, Acta Linguistica Hafniensia, International Review of Applied Linguistics. Conferences: 2012 DIA II, Copenhagen, 2010 NWAV 39, San Antonio, 2009 NWAV 38 Ottawa, 2007 ICHL Montréal, 2006 Phonologie du français contemporain, Louvain-la-Neuve, 2005 Le français parlé au XXIème siècle, Oxford.

Other research qualifications

- 2007 Co-organiser of workshop "Language Change" at the ICHL-conference, Montreal
- 2006- Member of the committee of the Linguistic Circle of Copenhagen (Lingvistkredsen)
- 2005- Co-editor with associate professor Hanne Jansen of Etudes Romanes
- 2005-2012 Member of research network in "Sociolinguistics and Historical Linguistics" at the level of the Dept. of English, Germanic and Romance Studies, University of Copenhagen
- 2001 Co-organiser of international conference on spoken French in Copenhagen: "Structures linguistiques et interactionnelles du français parlé"
- 1998 Co-organiser of international conference on spoken French in Copenhagen: "Le français parlé: Corpus et résultats"