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Education

University of Maryland

PHD COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS

- Advisors: Dr. Naomi Feldman, Dr. Bill Idsardi
- Research Interests: Machine Learning, (Second-Language) Speech Perception, Speech Technology
- Relevant Coursework: Natural Language Processing, Computational Audition

College Park, MD

August 2025 - present

Indiana University

B.S. COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS, MINOR SECOND LANGUAGE STUDIES

- Honors: *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa
- Graduate-Level Coursework: Second Language Phonology, Applying Machine Learning Techniques in Computational Linguistics, L2 Laboratory Phonology, Morphological Analysis

Bloomington, IN

August 2021 - May 2025

University of Massachusetts Amherst

LINGUISTICS SOCIETY OF AMERICA SUMMER INSTITUTE

Amherst, MA

June 2023 - July 2023

Peer-reviewed Proceedings Papers

Shankwitz, A. (in press). Small Neural Networks as Models of Cross-Linguistic Speech Perception. Proceedings of the Society for Computation in Linguistics, 9.

Presentations

Summer 2026. *Small Neural Networks as Models of Cross-Linguistic Speech Perception*. Poster. Society for Computation in Linguistics (SCiL 2026). San Diego, CA.

Fall 2024. *A Templatic Analysis for Two Dialect of Löffelsprache, a German Language Game*. Poster. 29th Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

Spring 2024. *Löffelsprache: A Typologically Unusual Language Game*. Talk. 8th Annual Berkeley Undergraduate Linguistics Symposium, University of California Berkeley.

Spring 2024. *Comparing Computational Models of Monosyllabic Word Acceptability*. Talk. 5th Annual Emory Undergraduate Linguistics Conference, Emory University.

Spring 2024. *Comparing Computational Models of Monosyllabic Word Acceptability*. Poster. Center of Excellence for Women & Technology Women's Research Poster Competition, Indiana University.

Fellowships and Grants

Fall 2026 - present **National Science Foundation**, Graduate Research Fellowship. Award total: \$159,000

Teaching Experience

Spring 2025 **LING-L 307: Phonology**, Teaching Assistant

Indiana University

Skills

Programming Languages: Python

Software: Praat, PsychoPy, LaTeX