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Bio

I am a driven fourth-year undergraduate student at Georgia State University. My main research interests surround Language and Cognition, Social Construction of Reality, and Semantics and Pragmatics, particularly in the context of Slavic Languages.

Education

Georgia State University   *Jan 2021 – May 2025*
BA in Applied Linguistics

- GPA: 3.55/4.0 - Dean's list
- Dual Degree Program: BA/MA
- Undergraduate Certificate: Teaching English as a Foreign Language (EFL)
- Study Abroad: Exploring the Teaching of English in Buenos Aires
- **Relevant Coursework:** Morphology and Syntax, Semantics and Pragmatics, Second Language Acquisition

Research Experience

Undergraduate Research Assistant   *Atlanta, Georgia*
Georgia State University   *Fall 2024*

Collaborated with Dr. Viviana Cortes on multiple projects, including:

- Reviewing current literature within multimodal discourse analysis
- Performing qualitative data analysis
- Analyzing linguistic corpora

Undergraduate Research Assistant   *Atlanta, Georgia*
Georgia State University   *Summer 2024*

Worked under the supervision of Dr. YouJin Kim on mutiliple projects, including:

- Aligned complex datasets involving audio, transcription, and categorization within TextGrid files
- Evaluating and scoring the comprehensibility of multimodal digital literature produced by English language learners

Projects

Sociolingusitics Course Paper

- Conducted an in-depth exploration of the historical, linguistic, and literary expressions of the Russian Soul concept
- Developed a theoretical framework integrating linguistic relativity, semantic relativity, and social construction of reality
- Applied this framework to position the Russian Soul concept as a language ideology

Undergraduate Internship Course Paper

- Conducted a comprehensive cross-analysis of popular digital phonetic analysis tools, evaluating their functionality and user experience
- Synthesized findings from existing studies on the application of these tools in Second Language Acquisition (SLA) research
- Provided recommendations for tool selection based on specific research needs in SLA studies

Work Experience

Fine Dining Server   *Atlanta, Georgia*
Saints + Council   *February 2022 - Present*

  - Provided attentive, personalized service in a high-volume, 300+ seat restaurant
  - Demonstrated ability to multitask and prioritize in a fast-paced, high-pressure environment
  - Collaborated effectively across departments to achieve common goals

Languages Spoken

English (native speaker); Russian (low intermediate); Spanish (high beginner)