

Curriculum Vitae, Elizabeth Peterson

1. Personal details; date of the CV

Full name: Elizabeth Peterson
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Current to October 15, 2023

2. Degrees

May 2019, Title of Docent, General Linguistics, University of Helsinki, Finland
May 2004, PhD, Linguistics, Indiana University, Bloomington, USA. Dissertation title: *Social Appropriateness and Language Variation: A study of Finnish requests* (advisors: John Paolillo, Julie Auger)
May 2000, M.A., Linguistics, Indiana University, Bloomington, USA
May 1994, B.A., Communication, Westminster College of Salt Lake City, USA

3. Other education and expertise

Graduate of Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute 1999 (University of Illinois), previous career as a journalist and editor, previous teacher in various adult education programs in Finland

4. Language skills

Native language: US English (General American)
Other language skills: Finnish (CEFR B2), Swedish (B1), French (B1), Estonian (A1)

5. Current employment

January 2010 to present, Senior University Lecturer, Department of Languages, University of Helsinki, Finland

6. Previous work experience and academic positions

October–December 2018, Visiting Researcher, Department of Germanic, Nordic and Slavic Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA
February–April 2017, Visiting Researcher, Department of English, North Carolina State University, USA
2007–2008, temporary University Lecturer, Department of English, University of Helsinki, Finland
2005–2007, University Lecturer, Department of Languages, University of Jyväskylä, Finland
2004–2005, University Lecturer, Department of Foreign Languages, Joensuu University, Finland
2003–2004, Publications Coordinator, Center for Applied Linguistics, Washington DC, USA
2002, Instructor, Department of Linguistics, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, USA

7. Career breaks

September 2008 to January 2010, maternity leave and parental leave

8. Research funding and grants

January 2023–December 2025, Language Attitudes and Ideologies in Finland. Kone Foundation grant for 400 400 euros. PI Elizabeth Peterson.

January 2023–November 2023, Pragmatic borrowings in Finland Swedish. Catalyst grant sponsored by Helsinki Institute for Social Sciences and Humanities for 10 000 euros. PI Elizabeth Peterson.

January 2023–December 2023. Pragmatic Borrowings in Finland Swedish. Future Fund sponsored by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Helsinki for 10 000 euros. PI Martina Huhtamäki.

October 2020–October 2023, Awareness of Students' Skills: An Employability Toolkit for the Humanities. Erasmus+ grant for 449 282 euros. PI Liesbet Hevaerth, KU Leuven.

June 2019–August 2021, Collaborative Research and Creativity Initiative Grant, Grand Valley State University, Michigan, 10 000 US dollars. Co-PIs Elizabeth Peterson and Kathryn Remlinger, Grand Valley State University.

May 2018, funding for DiPVaC4 conference hosted at University of Helsinki, Federation of Finnish Learned Societies, 4 000 euros, PI Elizabeth Peterson.

September–December 2002, research visit to Department of Scandinavian Literature and Languages at the University of Helsinki, Centre for International Mobility, 5 000 euros.

August 2000–May 2001, research visit to Department of General Linguistics at the University of Helsinki, USIA Fulbright award for doctoral research, 10 000 euros.

9. Research output

- 44 academic publications to date including those accepted and/or in press
- 51 peer-reviewed conference presentations

10 most important publications

- 1) Peterson, Elizabeth and Kristy Beers Fägersten (eds.) In press, expected November 2023. *English in the Nordic Countries: Connections, Tensions, and Everyday Realities*. New York, NY and Abingdon, UK: Routledge.
- 2) Peterson, Elizabeth. Accepted/In press. Indirect language contact and pragmatic borrowing. In E., Aldridge, A. Breitbarth, K. É., Kiss, A. Ledgeway, J. Salmons, & A. Simonenko (eds.), *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Diachronic Linguistics*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley Blackwell.
- 3) Peterson, Elizabeth, Turo Hiltunen and Johanna Vaattovaara. 2022. *A place for pliis*. In Elizabeth Peterson, Turo Hiltunen and Joseph Kern (eds.), *Discourse-pragmatic variation and change: Theory, innovations, contact*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.
- 4) Peterson, Elizabeth. 2020. *Making sense of "Bad English: An Introduction to Language Attitudes and Ideologies"*. Abingdon, UK: Routledge.
- 5) Peterson, Elizabeth. 2020. The US is not enough: Why the real world of linguistics needs your voice (Response to Charity Hudley et al). *Language* 96:4 e247-e253 doi 10.1353/lan.2020.0076
- 6) Peterson, Elizabeth. 2022. Views on "Good English" and "Nordic Exceptionalism" in Finland. In Alexander Onysko and Peter Siemund, eds. *Englishes in a Globalized World: Exploring Contact Effects on Other Languages*. *Frontiers in Communication – Language Sciences*. Epub 803922. Open access <https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fcomm.2022.803922/full>
- 7) Peterson, Elizabeth and Marika Hall. 2022. English prescriptivism in higher education settings: Focus on Nordic Countries. In Joan Beal, Morana Lukač and Robin Straaijer. (eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Linguistic Prescriptivism*. Routledge.
- 8) Kühl, Karoline and Elizabeth Peterson. 2018. The remains of the Danes: The final stages of language shift in Sanpete County, Utah. *Journal of Language Contact* 11, 208–232. doi 10.1163/19552629-01102003
- 9) Peterson, Elizabeth. 2017. The nativization of pragmatic borrowings in remote language contact situations. In Cristiano Furiassi, Gisle Andersen and Biljana Mišić Ilić (eds.) *The Pragmatics of Borrowing*, *Journal of Pragmatics* 113, 116-126. doi 10.1016/j.pragma.2017.02.012
- 10) Peterson, Elizabeth and Johanna Vaattovaara. 2014. *Kiitos* and *pliis*: the relationship of native and borrowed politeness markers in Finnish. *Journal of Politeness Research* 10:2, 247–269.

10. Research supervision and leadership experience

- Postdoc supervisor of two postdoctoral researchers working on projects concerning language contact, language attitudes and language ideologies, University of Helsinki and Pennsylvania State University 2023–2025
- PhD supervisor for two completed PhDs
- Currently the main supervisor for 3 PhDs, co-supervisor for 5 PhDs

PhD-level thesis supervision

Main supervisor. Laura Hekanaho. *How generic are masculine generics and how singular is singular they? Can you say ze? An online survey on gendered and genderless English 3rd person singular pronouns: Usage, change and attitudes*. Dissertation defended with distinction; winner of Gender Studies thesis of the year and AFinLa thesis of the year.

Main supervisor. Robert Moncrief. *Language Typology and Change - The 'New' Swearing?: "The Most" Obscene or Offensive English*. 2019 to present.

Main supervisor. Katariina Pyykkö. *The role of English in the employment, integration, and social engagement of academically trained migrant women in Finland*. 2022 to present.

Main supervisor. Soila Lehkonen. *About English in Finland: an investigation into normative ideas dominating at "the grassroots" level of Finnish society*. 2023 to present.

Second supervisor. Tommi Niinisalo. *Discourses of Queer Teachers: Variation in Language Use and Interactive Styles as Socially Meaningful Phenomena*. 2022 to present.

Second supervisor. Van Truong. *Individual and interactional fluency of users of English as a lingua franca: toward building a proficiency scale for assessment of spoken interactions*. 2022 to present.

Second supervisor. Bojana Damjanovic. *Language interaction in border region: Relativization in Serbian-Bulgarian transitional dialects*. 2023 to present.

Second supervisor. Gali Bloch. *Hebrew/Russian Heritage speakers in Finland*. 2023 to present.

Third supervisor. Tuuli Holttinen. 2015–2020. *Les requêtes chez les apprenants de FLE comparaison entre les locuteurs non-natifs et natifs du français dans un contexte universitaire*.

MA-level thesis supervision: Main supervisor for 31 MA theses from 2008–2023

BA-level thesis supervision: Supervisor for approximately 94 BA theses, 2006–2023

11. Selected teaching merits

Experience teaching in the USA and Finland at BA, MA and PhD levels, 40 different courses taught and developed independently as well as jointly

Frequent invited guest teacher at European and US universities

Two Erasmus teaching exchanges to the UK: Bangor University (2015), Cardiff University (2023)

Pedagogical training and continuous learning

- UP2: Constructive Alignment in Higher Education (5 ECTS), Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Helsinki, 2018
- Training for teachers of humanities, Indiana University, Bloomington, 1999

12. Awards and Honors

Staff member of the year, nominated and elected by students of English 2013, 2017, 2022

13. Selected other key academic merits

- PhD Monitoring Committee: Gillian Roberts, KU Leuven, Belgium, 2020-present
- External examiner for PhD Paola Maria Caleffi, University of Verona, 2017
- External reviewer for the Dutch Research Council, 2020
- Peer reviewer for publishers, journals and conferences (post hoc): American Dialect Society, *APPLES Journal of Applied Language Studies*, Cambridge University Press, *Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory*, *International Journal of Bilingualism*, *Language in Society*, *Legon Journal of the Humanities*, *Journal of Pragmatics*, Routledge, *Journal of Sociolinguistics*, *Taal en Tongval*, Workshop on Immigrant Languages in the Americas
- Steering committee member, Discourse-Pragmatic Change and Variation Research network (www.dipvac.org), 2016–2020
- Steering committee member, founding network member, Global Anglicisms Database Network (www.gladnetwork.org), 2015–2020
- Steering committee member, Workshop on Immigrant Languages in the Americas, 2020–2022
- Editor for sociolinguistics and pragmatics, *Ampersand: An international Journal of General and Applied Linguistics*, 2017–2022
- Advisory board member, *Scandinavian Studies in Language*, 2022–present
- Advisory board member, *International Journal of Language Studies* 2016–2021
- Member, Language Variation and Change in English (VARIENG) network, 2019–present
- Communications and Community Relations Committee (YVV), Faculty of Arts, University of Helsinki, 2021–present

(Co-)organizing scientific conferences

- Workshop on Immigrant Languages in the Americas 12, University of Helsinki, October 7–9, 2021
- The Great White North? Critical Perspectives on Whiteness in the Nordics and its Neighbours, University of Helsinki, August 26–28, 2019
- Discourse Pragmatic Variation and Change 5, University of Helsinki, May 28–30, 2018)
- What the Hel? 5th SwiSca Symposium on Swearing, University of Helsinki, November 23–24, 2017
- Politeness Across Languages and Cultures, University of Helsinki, September 9, 2016

Selected invited keynote speeches

- Annual meeting of the Modern Language Society of Finland (Uusfilologinen yhdistys), University of Helsinki, February 15, 2023
- FINSSE 10: National Forum for English Studies, University of Jyväskylä, August 19, 2022 (<https://sites.google.com/jyu.fi/finsse-10/home#h.d56j5whltuj5>)
- DNC4: The Impact of Discourse Studies on the Contemporary World / discourseanalysis. Budapest, Hungary, October 20–22, 2021 (<https://discourseanalysis.net/en/dnc4-cfp>).
- National Forum for English Studies annual meeting, Sweden. Virtual meeting hosted by Södertörns Högskola. April 22, 2021 (<https://www.swesse2021.se/cgi/main.cgi>).
- English as a Lingua Nordica, Nordic Culture Point, Helsinki, April 14, 2021. <http://nordicedit.fi/?p=951>
- Department of English and American Studies 30th Anniversary Conference, Constantine the Philosopher University Nitra, Slovakia, October 2020 (cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic)

14. Scientific and societal impact

- Founding member, advisory board member, and contributor to the Global Anglicisms Database and network: <https://www.nhh.no/en/research-centres/global-anglicism-database-network/>
- Co-founder and member of Language Ideologies and Language Discrimination research and outreach network in Madison, Wisconsin: <https://languageideologies.wisc.edu/>
- Currently designing a language attitudes and language ideologies research group based in Finland, to begin in 2024
- Societal impact for linguistics research and language awareness a key focal point of the Language Attitudes and Ideologies in Finland project, currently underway
- Member of Master's students' network on diversity and inclusion, University of Helsinki
- Frequent guest lecturer for organizations and networks in Finland and abroad, including Meet a Researcher (tutkijataavattavissa.fi), Nordic Editors and Translators Association, FinnBrits Association, Speech and Language Therapists UK, ELL teachers' network in Indiana, etc.
- Frequent consultant for the Language Board of Finland (KOTUS), media consultant for Svenska Yle, Yle, various US, UK and Finnish radio broadcasts and podcasts, etc.
- Frequent blog contributor, language-related presence on social media platforms

15. Other merits

Volunteer Secretary for Democrats Abroad Finland, 2021–2023