

EMPLOYMENT OFFER – POST-DOC

Position: post-doc – postdoctoral researcher in NCN GRIEG-1 (UMO-2019/34/H/HS2/00495)

Institution: Adam Mickiewicz University (AMU) in Poznań, Faculty of English

Employment type: job agreement, full time

Period of employment: 7 months

Salary: 10 000 PLN (gross gross) per month

Position starts in September 2023

Principal investigator (PI): prof. UAM dr hab. Magdalena Wrembel

Project title: Across-domain investigations in multilingualism: Modeling L3 acquisition in diverse settings (ADIM)

Date of announcement: 19.06.2023

Deadline for application: 10.07.2023

How to apply: Please send an application by e-mail to magdala@amu.edu.pl

About the position:

A postdoctoral researcher position is available in the Faculty of English, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań. The position is affiliated with the project ADIM (Across-Domain Investigations in Multilingualism), a Polish-Norwegian project financed by EEA Norway grants. ADIM is a collaborative project between three institutions, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań (AMU), UiT The Arctic University of Norway in Tromsø, and NTNU Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim. In addition to two postdoctoral researchers at AMU, there will be a corresponding position at UiT and at NTNU. The project must be completed by April 30, 2024.

Formal requirements (in accordance with the NCN regulations for post-doc positions):

- 1) The candidate should have the doctoral degree awarded by a different university than the one at which the position is being offered,
- 2) The period of employment should not be shorter than 6 months,
- 3) During the period of employment in the project as a postdoctoral researcher the candidate cannot be a recipient of any remuneration stemming from other research projects financed by NCN.

Qualifications

Successful candidates should fulfill the following requirements:

1. have a PhD in linguistics
2. specialize in phonetics and phonology, foreign language acquisition, multilingualism and/or neurolinguistics
3. have documented research experience in linguistics and language acquisition,
4. have experience with designing and conducting phonological experiments as well as data analysis,
5. have excellent familiarity with phonetic segmentation and annotation of audio recordings,
6. have native or near-native competence in English and Polish (preferably), and working knowledge of other foreign languages (preferably Norwegian),

7. have a good knowledge of statistics and experience of working with new statistical tools, e.g. R software,
8. have a well-documented publication record,
9. be able to collaborate in an interdisciplinary research team,
10. be conscientious, enthusiastic, creative and well organized.

Additionally, the following assets are welcome:

1. broader interest in other linguistic domains (e.g. syntax and/or neurolinguistics),
2. familiarity with multilingual acquisition contexts,
3. experience in conducting research involving multilingual participants.

Scope of responsibilities

The scholar to be hired as a postdoctoral researcher at AMU will have the following range of tasks:

1. Collaborating with the PI on research design, data collection and data analysis.
2. Paying research visits to the Norwegian partner institutions to consult research design, the collection of phonological/syntactic/neurophysiological data and collaborative data analysis.
3. Managing participants' recruitment process and data collection in Poland and Norway.
4. Being responsible for the analysis of the phonetic/phonological data. Assist with the analysis of neurophysiological data.
5. Involvement in the dissemination of results via conference presentations and journal publications.
6. Participation in the preparation of conference presentations and writing up papers.
7. Being responsible for project data management.
8. Being responsible for the co-creation of a multilingual speech corpus.
9. Assisting in administration of the project website.
10. Participation in the organization of workshops and other events in the project.
11. Carrying out other project-related tasks suggested by the PI.
12. The successful candidate will be expected to work in close collaboration with the postdoctoral fellows hired at UiT and NTNU in Norway.

Additional information

Project title: Across-domain investigations in multilingualism: Modeling L3 acquisition in diverse settings (ADIM) (UMO-2019/34/H/HS2/00495)

Project description:

The scientific investigation of multilingual language acquisition is vibrant and growing. However, studies typically focus exclusively on one language domain in a selected acquisition setting. What is missing is a broader picture of multilingual acquisition, processing and use. Especially the phenomenon of cross-linguistic influence (CLI) investigated across different domains in multilingual acquisition still remains largely unexplored. The ADIM project aims to bridge this gap by addressing these issues in an interdisciplinary and comprehensive manner.

ADIM focuses on three groups of multilingual learners who share the same language repertoire but vary in their specific profiles with respect to the setting and stage of acquisition. Participants are L1 speakers of Polish with English as L2 acquiring Norwegian as an L3 in instructed and naturalistic settings respectively, both at initial and advanced stages of acquisition, and Polish/Norwegian L1 bilinguals acquiring English as an L3. While L3 research has so far predominantly been based on e.g. acceptability judgement tasks (for syntax) or perception/production tests (for phonology), the ADIM project will supplement these with methodology that has so far generally not been common in this field, EEG/ERPs and eyetracking. The novelty of the present project pertains to how electrophysiological evidence combined with more traditional behavioral methods can inform the theory of L3 acquisition, in particular, to examine transfer source selectivity in L3/Ln. ADIM will further test and modify existing theoretical models of L3 acquisition so that they offer an optimal explanatory framework which can account for the complexity of the acquisition process in the multilingual mind. The project will thus contribute to a greater understanding of multilingual competence and its acquisition and processing in general, but it will also document the speech patterns of Polish-Norwegian multilingual communities with different constellations of stage and setting of acquisition. The project is innovative as it has an unprecedented broad scope, it is interdisciplinary and applies cutting-edge technologies alongside a range of more traditional research methods. It is based on a close international co-operation between active research groups from three renowned European universities (i.e. AMU in Poznań, UiT in Tromsø and NTNU in Trondheim), with each partner institution specializing in one of the selected linguistic domains. The project will provide comprehensive research on a complex topic that is currently very significant to the research community and to the general public.

For further information, please contact the project PI prof. UAM dr hab. Magdalena Wrembel, magdala@amu.edu.pl

Documents required:

- a detailed CV,
- copy/ copies of the diploma(s),
- a cover letter,
- a list of publications,
- a description of past research experience and scholarly interests,
- a letter of recommendation,

- Consent to the processing of one's personal data: "In accordance with Article 6(1)(a) of the General Data Protection Regulation of 27 April 2016 (Journal of Laws of the EU L 119/1 of 4 May 2016) I agree to the processing of personal data other than those indicated in Article 221 of the Labour Code (name(s) and surname; parents' names; date of birth; place of residence; address for correspondence; education; previous employment), included in my job offer for the purpose of current recruitment."

Copies of the diploma(s) confirming the Candidate's degree/s granted at foreign universities must fulfill the equivalence criteria as specified in art. 328 act of 20.07.2018 of the Polish Law on higher education and science (Dz.U. z 2021 r. poz. 478).

Applications should be submitted by e-mail to the project PI prof. UAM dr hab. Magdalena Wrembel, magdala@amu.edu.pl

The recruitment procedure will be conducted through an open competition in accordance with the NCN regulations specifying the selection and employment of post-doctoral researchers. The short-listed candidates will be invited to an online interview. Results will be announced: by e-mail.

Information clause for jobseekers

Pursuant to Article 13 of Regulation (EU) No. 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC - General Regulation on data protection (Official Journal of the European Union L 119/1 of 04.05.2016) I hereby inform you that.

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