

Rory Turnbull

'Stuff affects language, you know?' – Abby Walker

Education

In progress **PhD Program, Linguistics, Ohio State University.**

2009 **MA (hons) Linguistics & English Language, University of Edinburgh, First Class Honours.**

Thesis title: *On Phonetic Variability and Phonological Gradience: A Study in Category Mismatch*

Publications & Presentations

Ad-hoc publications

2010 **Proyecto de documentación lingüística del otomí de Acapulco [Acapulco Otomí Linguistic Documentation Project], Ndöngüü yühü: Guía de aprendizaje principiante del idioma otomí de San Jerónimo Acapulco, Estado de México. [Beginner's Guide to Acapulco Otomí],** Self-published.

Presentations

2011 **Rory Turnbull, Rebecca Morley & Elizabeth Hume, Empirical Assessment of an Information-Theoretic Approach to Nasal Place Assimilation,** presented at Mid-Phon 17, Champaign-Urbana, IL.

Elizabeth Hume & Rory Turnbull, Redundancy in Sound Systems, presented at Workshop on Information-Theoretic Linguistics at 2011 Linguistic Institute, Boulder, CO.

Rory Turnbull, Towards an understanding of Acapulco Otomí phonology: phonetic evidence, presented at The Ohio State University Congress on Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics (OSU CHiLL), Columbus, OH.

Magnus Pharo Hansen, Rory Turnbull & Ditte Boeg Thomsen, From academic salvage linguistics to community-based documentation in only three weeks: Report from a collective and interdisciplinary fieldwork on Acapulco Otomí, presented at 2nd International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation, Honolulu, HI.

Rory Turnbull, Magnus Pharo Hansen & Ditte Boeg Thomsen, How a moribund dialect can contribute to the bigger picture: Insights from Acapulco Otomí, presented at CUNY Conference on the Phonology of Endangered Languages, New York City, NY.

2010 **Rory Turnbull & Yuliia Aloshecheva, Word Frequency and Second Mention Effects on Phonetic Reduction in Russian,** 5th Annual Slavic Linguistic Society Conference, Chicago, IL.

Experience

Teaching

- Winter 2012 **Linguistics 286**, *Analyzing the Sounds of Language*.
Instructor of Record
- Winter 2011 **Linguistics 201**, *Introduction to Language in the Humanities*.
Instructor of Record
- Autumn 2010 **Linguistics 201**, *Introduction to Language in the Humanities*.
Instructor of Record

Fieldwork

- Summer 2010 **Acazulco Otomi**, phonetics and phonology.
Oto-Pamean language of Central Mexico
- Spring 2010 **Temne**, phonology and morphology.
Atlantic-Congo language of Sierra Leone

Service

- 2011–Present **President**, *Student Linguistics Association*.
- 2009–2011 **OSU Laboratory and Computing Committee (LCC)**, *Member*.
- 2009–2011 **Summer Linguistic Institute for Youth Scholars (SLIYS)**, *Committee Member*.

Professional Memberships

- 2010–Present **Slavic Linguistics Society**, *Member*.
- 2009–Present **Linguistic Society of America**, *Member*.
- 2007–Present **Association for Bahá'í Studies – North America**, *Member*.

Awards and Honors

- 2009 **Ohio State University**, *University Fellowship*.
One year of full funding

Languages

Natural

Native	English
Elementary	Acazulco Otomi
	Arabic
	French
	Sanskrit
	Spanish
	Temne

Computer

Programming	MATLAB
	Perl
	Python
	R
Scripting	praat
	PHP
Markup	L ^A T _E X 2 _ε
	XML
	CSS

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