

EDUCATION

Harvard University Ph.D. in Linguistics Dissertation: <i>Fine-tuning (in)definiteness in the absence of articles: Experimental investigation of Russian</i> Committee: Gennaro Chierchia (chair), Kathryn Davidson, Veneeta Dayal	Cambridge, MA 2020–2026
HSE School of Linguistics M.A. in Linguistics, <i>cum laude</i> Thesis: <i>Syntax of non-finite relative clauses in Kazym Khanty</i> Advisor: Svetlana Toldova	Moscow, Russia 2016–2019
Lomonosov Moscow State University B.A. in Linguistics Thesis: <i>Indefinite pronouns in Moksha Mordvin</i> (in Russian) Advisor: Oleg Belyaev	Moscow, Russia 2012–2016

EMPLOYMENT

Harvard University Associate	Cambridge, MA June-Dec 2026
Harvard University Teaching Fellow	Cambridge, MA 2022–2025
Harvard Library Judaica Collection Student Library Assistant	Cambridge, MA 2023–2024
HSE School of Linguistics Research Assistant, Formal Models in Linguistics Laboratory	Moscow, Russia 2019–2020
All-Russia Exhibition Center Scientific Consultant – Content development for Polytechnic Museum and the Museum of Cyrillic Writing (contract)	Moscow, Russia 2018
Gymnasium 1505 English Teacher – Teaching ESL in primary school (age 6-11)	Moscow, Russia 2018

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- **Broad:** Experimental semantics, syntax-semantics interface, linguistic typology
- **Narrow:** bare arguments, (in)definiteness, finiteness, differential subject marking, agreement systems
- **Languages of interest:** Uralic and Turkic spoken in Russia; Russian

SKILLS

- **Data analysis:** R, SQL, MS Excel; linear models, clustering analysis, Bayesian statistics
- **Programming tools:** Python, C#, Java, Git and command line, HTML; ClaudeCode and agentic workflows
- **Annotation and linguistic tools:** FieldWorks, Elan, Praat, Speech Analyzer, Cool; annotation schema design
- **Ontology and knowledge engineering:** OCLC, Library of Congress Subject Headings, Protégé

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed publications:

1. Chrabaszcz, Anna, Antropova, Julia, **Bikina, Daria**, Anisimova, Vera, Menukhova, Anna, Mirabo, Sarah, Odnoshivkina, Victoria, Tikhomirova, Anna, Shcherbakova, Anna, and Tatiana Zmiievskaja (2023). Creating communities of practice for fostering second language learning in people in crisis. *East European Journal of Psycholinguistics* 9(2).
2. **Bikina, Daria**, Rakhman, Denis, Potseluev, Vsevolod, Starchenko, Aleksey, and Svetlana Toldova (2022). Non-finite constructions in Khanty: their unity and diversity. In *Multifunctionality and syncretism in non-finite forms*, eds. K. Shagal, A. Volkova, and P. Rudnev. *Folia Linguistica* 56. De Gruyter Mouton.
3. **Bikina, D. A.** (2018). Neopredelennye mestoimenija. [Indefinite pronouns]. In *Elementy opisaniya mokšanskogo jazyka*, eds. Toldova S., Tatevosov S., Kozlov A., Privizentseva M., and M. Kholodilova. Pp. 183–204.
4. Kashkin, E. V., Bagryanskaya, U. Ju., Bibaeva, M. A., **Bikina, D. A.**, Bobrënkova, A. A., Egorova, A. D., Zakirova, A. N., Kozlov, A. A., Muravyeva, A. M., Nikiforova, S. O., Novikova, E. S., Privizentseva, M. Ju., Sidorova, M. A., and T. A. Shalganova. (2018). Priznakovaya leksika [Attributive lexical vocabulary]. In *Elementy opisaniya mokšanskogo jazyka*, eds. Toldova S., Tatevosov S., Kozlov A., Privizentseva M., and M. Kholodilova. Pp. 806–835.
5. **Bikina, D. A.** (2018). Dvojnoe markirovanie neopredelennosti v gornomarijskom jazyke. [Double indefiniteness marking in Hill Mari]. In *Acta Linguistica Petropolitana. Transactions of the Institute for Linguistic Studies* 14 (2), ed. Golovko E. Saint-Petersbourg: ILS RAN. Pp. 37–60.
6. **Bikina, D. A.**, and A. M. Starchenko. (2019). Otnositel'naja klauza ili nominalizovannaya klauza: dannye xantyjskogo yazyka. [Relative clause or nominalized clause: the evidence from Kazym Khanty]. *Typology of Morphosyntactic parameters* 2 (1). Pp. 49–69.
7. **Bikina, D. A.** (2016). Grammatikalizacija russkix zaimstvovanij v mokšanskom jazyke: pokazatel' kat'i. [Grammaticalization of Russian borrowings in Moksha Mordvin: the marker kat'i]. *Typology of Morphosyntactic parameters* 2, ed. Lyutikova E., Zimmerling A., and M. Konoshenko. Moscow: MPSU. Pp. 16–27.

Proceedings:

1. **Bikina, Daria**. (2023). How abstract is the abstract noun? Gender agreement in Russian restrictive relative clauses. *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics. Proceedings of the 46th Annual Penn Linguistics Conference*. Vol 29.

Editing:

1. **Bikina, Daria A.**, and Hande Sevgi (ed.). *Proceedings of the Workshop on Turkic and Languages in Contact with Turkic*. Vol. 8 (2023).

Other:

1. Martin, Joshua, and **Daria Bikina**. Intersectivity at the interface: the syntax and semantics of Russian adjectives.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Harvard University Dissertation Completion Fellowship 2025–2026
- Mind Brain Behavior Graduate Student Research Award 2022–2023
- Harvard Graduate Student Council Conference Grant 2023
- Kathryn W. and Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Russian Fellowship 2020–2021
- Harvard Graduate Student Fellowship 2020–2025
- Oxford Russia Fellowship 2016–2017
- Higher School of Economics Full Tuition Scholarship 2016–2019
- Lomonossov Moscow State University Enhanced Fellowship for Academic Excellence 2013–2016
- Lomonossov Moscow State University Full Tuition Scholarship 2012–2016

TEACHING

- **Main Instructor** at Harvard Summer School Summer 2026
LING S-101: The Science of Language: An Introduction
- **Teaching Fellow** at Harvard University, main instructor Grace Lin Fall 2024, Spring 2025
PSY 1900: Introduction to Statistics for Behavioral Sciences
- **Teaching Fellow** at Harvard University, main instructor Kathryn Davidson Spring 2023, Spring 2024
LING 83: Language, Structure, and Cognition
- **Teaching Fellow** at Harvard University, main instructor Jonathan Bobaljik Fall 2023
LING 104: Word Structure
- **Main Instructor** at Harvard University Spring 2023
LING 97R: Sophomore Tutorial. Introduction to Typology and Linguistic Research
- **Teaching Fellow** at Harvard University, main instructor Yağmur Sağ-Parvardeh Fall 2022
LING 101: The Science of Language: An Introduction
- **Instructor** at Lomonossov Moscow State University Spring 2019
Khanty (non-official prep course for prospective fieldworkers)
- **Instructor** at HSE School of Linguistics Fall 2018
Language Diversity
- **Teaching Assistant** at HSE School of Linguistics, main instructor Alexey Kozlov Fall 2017
Syntax (undergraduate)
- **Instructor** at MSU Summer School in Natural Sciences “Chimera” Summer 2014
Introduction to Linguistics; ages 13-16
- **Camp counselor** at Vesnianka Choral Studio 2012-2017
various educational activities and lectures, including some about linguistics; ages 11-17

INVITED TALKS

1. Uniqueness without articles: what Russian bare singulars tell us about (in)definiteness. Language Cognition Talk Series, Harvard University, March 2026.
2. Language Documentation. Invited lecture for LING 101: The Science of Language, main instructor Dr. Yuhan Zhang. Harvard Summer School, August 2024.
3. Historical Linguistics. Invited lecture for LING 101: The Science of Language, main instructor Dr. Yuhan Zhang. Harvard Summer School, August 2024.

CONFERENCE TALKS

1. Bare noun interpretation in Russian requires syntax: Evidence from topicless structures. Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New Orleans, January 8-11, 2026.
2. General noun modifying constructions in Northern Khanty: from semantics to syntax (in coauthorship: A. Starchenko, D. Bikina). Syntax of Uralic languages 5, University of Hamburg, September 12-13, 2024.
3. (In)definiteness in Russian bare nouns: evidence from presentational contexts. Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics, Indiana University, May 19-21, 2023.
4. (In)definiteness in Russian bare nouns revisited: an experimental study. Workshop on (In)definiteness across Languages, Yale University, May 11, 2023.
5. Chasing pragmatics: an experimental study of bare noun interpretation. Human Sentence Processing, University of Pittsburgh, March 9-11, 2023.
6. How abstract in the abstract noun? Gender agreement in Russian restrictive relative clauses. Penn Linguistics Conference 46, UPenn, March 18-20, 2022.
7. Intersectivity at the interface: the syntax and semantics of Russian adjectives (in coauthorship: J. Martin, D. Bikina). Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics 30, MIT, May 13-16, 2021.
8. Kazym Khanty non-finite forms: multifunctionality and variability in the amount of structure (in coauthorship: D. Bikina, D. Rakhman, A. Starchenko, S. Toldova). 53rd Annual Meeting of Societas Linguistica Europae, online. Aug 26 - Sep 1, 2020.
9. Relative clause or nominalized clause: the evidence from Kazym Khanty (in coauthorship: D. Bikina, A. Starchenko). Typology of Morphosyntactic Parameters, MSU/ILS RAS/Pushkin Institute of Russian Language, Moscow, Oct 16-18, 2019.
10. Possessed relative clauses in Kazym Khanty. 3-FS 2019 poster session, HSE, Moscow. Sep 5, 2019.
11. Voice alternations in Kazym Khanty participial relative clauses. 3rd SOUL (Syntax of Uralic languages), Tartu University, Tartu, Estonia. June 18-19, 2019.
12. Restrictions on the ontological category of indefinite pronoun series in the languages of Europe. XXVI Conference of Student Organisation of Linguistics, UCL, London, UK. Feb 14-16, 2018.
13. Matter borrowing followed by pattern borrowing: evidence from Moksha Mordvin and Beserman Udmurt (in coauthorship: D. Bikina, A. Kozlov), 50th Annual Meeting of Societas Linguistica Europae, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland. Sep 10-13, 2018.
14. Why not why: restrictions on forming indefinite pronouns in the languages of Europe. International Summer School on Typology and Lexicon. HSE (jointly with Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Stockholm University), Moscow, Russia. Sep 2-8, 2017.
15. Indefinite pronouns with two indefiniteness markers and specificity: the case of Hill Mari. Workshop on Pronouns, Debrecen University, Debrecen, Hungary. Feb 24-25, 2017.
16. Discourse-linked indefinite pronouns in Moksha Mordvin. XXV Conference of Student Organisation of Linguistics, Leipzig University, Leipzig, Germany, Jan 4-6, 2017.
17. Dvojnoe markirovanie neopredelennosti v gornomarijskom jazyke [Double indefiniteness marking in Moksha Mordvin]. Nov 24-26, 2016. XIII Conference in Typology and Grammar, Institute of Linguistic Research RAS, Saint-Petersbourg, Russia, Nov 24-26, 2016.
18. Grammatikalizatsija russix zaimstvovanij v mokshanskom jazyke [Grammaticalization of Russian borrowings in Moksha Mordvin]. Typology of Morphosyntactic Parameters, Moscow State Pedagogical University - Institute of Linguistics RAS, Moscow, Russia, Oct 12-14, 2016.

19. Konstruktsii s chastitsej *kat'i* v mokshanskom jazyke [Constructions with the particle *kat'i* in Moksha Mordvin]. XIX International Conference for Students in Philology, Saint-Petersbourg State University, Saint-Petersbourg, Russia, Apr 18-22, 2016.
20. Definite indefinites: evidence from Moksha Mordvin. School in Typology, HSE, Moscow, Russia, Apr 11-13, 2016.
21. Kachestvennye priznaki GLUXOJ, SLEPOJ, NEMOJ: k tipologii [Quality feature DEAF, BLIND, MUTE: towards a typology] (in coauthorship: D. Bikina, E. Kashkin, O. Vinogradova). Seminar in Cognitive Semantics and Lexical Typology, Helsinki University, Helsinki, Finland, Dec 1-3, 2014.
22. Sochinennye imennye gruppy s sojuzom *i* v mokshanskom jazyke: osobennosti soglasovanija [Conjoined NPs with *i* in Moksha Mordvin: agreement patterns]. XI Conference in Typology and Grammar, Institute of Linguistic Research RAS, Saint-Petersbourg, Russia, Nov 27-29, 2014.
23. Agreement with conjoined noun phrases in the Moksha language. Indian Summer School in Typology, HSE, Moscow, Russia. Sep 1-5, 2014.
24. K tipologii leksem so znachenijami 'ostrij' i 'tupoj': dannye mokshanskogo jazyka [Towards a typology of lexemes 'sharp' and 'blunt': the data from Moksha Mordvin]. Questions in Lexical-Semantic Typology, Voronezh State University, Voronezh, Russia, Sep 26-27, 2013.

SERVICE

Professional Reviewing

- Award Reviewer: Student Research Paper Competition (NIRS), Higher School of Economics
- Journal paper Reviewer: Russian Language and Linguistic Theory
- Book reviewer: LINGUIST List
- Conference abstract Reviewer: Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting; Formal Description of Slavic Languages; Workshop on Turkic and Languages in Contact with Turkic

Conference and Event Organization

- 8th Workshop on Turkic and Languages in Contact with Turkic, 2023 — Organizer
- The Southern New England Workshop in Semantics (Yale University), 2022 — Organizer
- Universals Talk Series, Harvard University, 2021–2023 — Organizer
- Reading Group in Formal Syntax, HSE School of Linguistics, 2019–2020 — Organizer

Departmental and Union Service

- Graduate Student Representative, Harvard Linguistics Department, 2023–2024
- Departmental Representative, Harvard Graduate Student Union, 2022–2024

FIELDWORK

- **iciBemba, Bantu:** 2022
- **Moksha Mordvin, Uralic:** 2013–2016, 2021
- **Chuvash, Turkic:** 2020
- **Khanty, Uralic:** 2018–2019
- **Negidal, Tungusic:** 2017
- **Hill Mari, Uralic:** 2016–2018

LANGUAGES

- **English:** full working proficiency
- **French:** advanced
- **German:** intermediate
- **Hebrew:** basic
- **Portuguese:** basic
- **Russian:** native
- **Old Church Slavonic, Latin:** linguistic knowledge
- **Sanskrit, Bulgarian, Ossetic, Shiri Dargwha:** forgotten

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

Fall Teaching Conference (2022)	The Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Harvard University
European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (2021)	online
New York-St. Petersburg Institute of Linguistics, Cognition, and Culture(2020, 2025)	online
Fall School in Formal Syntax and Formal Semantics (2020)	HSE Moscow, Russia
Crete Summer School in Linguistics (2019)	University of Crete, Greece
Areal Linguistics and Languages of Russia (summer school, 2018)	HSE Moscow, Russia
Crete Summer School in Linguistics (2018)	University of Crete, Greece
Visiting Student (2015–2016)	Tübingen University, Germany