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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research primarily focuses on information structure and its interaction with (i) the morphosyntax and (ii) prosody of British English. Working in Functional Discourse Grammar, I approach these issues from a functional and corpus-based perspective.

## EDUCATION

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| 2021 – 2025 | <b>PhD</b> in English Linguistics, University of Vienna<br>Thesis: <i>A functional approach to the prosody of information packaging</i> | Advisor: Evelien Keizer |
| 2017 – 2020 | <b>MA</b> in English Linguistics, University of Vienna  | Advisor: Nikolaus Ritt  |
| 2013 – 2018 | <b>BA</b> in Slavonic Studies (Russian), University of Vienna   |                         |
| 2013 – 2017 | <b>BA</b> in English and American Studies, University of Vienna   |                         |

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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| 2026 – present | <b>University Assistant (post-doc)</b> , Department of English & American Studies<br>University of Vienna, Austria |  |
| 2025 – present | <b>External Lecturer</b> , Department of English & American Studies<br>University of Vienna, Austria               |  |
| 2021 – 2025    | <b>University Assistant (pre-doc)</b> , Department of English & American Studies<br>University of Vienna, Austria  |  |

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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| 2025 | Doktoratsfertistellungsstipendium [Doctoral Scholarship]<br>Literar Mechana, Austria                | Amount: 3000€ |
| 2018 | Leistungsstipendium [Merit-based scholarship]<br>Austrian Ministry of Science and Research, Austria |               |
| 2016 | Leistungsstipendium [Merit-based scholarship]<br>Austrian Ministry of Science and Research, Austria |               |
| 2015 | Leistungsstipendium [Merit-based scholarship]<br>Austrian Ministry of Science and Research, Austria |               |
| 2014 | Leistungsstipendium [Merit-based scholarship]<br>Austrian Ministry of Science and Research, Austria |               |

## PUBLICATIONS

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

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|------|---|--|
| 2021 | Mittendorfer Matthias. 2021. A case for phonology in Cognitive Grammar: Vowel reduction in Standard Southern British. <i>VIEWS: Vienna English Working Papers</i> 30, 1-26. |  |
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## CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDITED VOLUMES

- In prep. Mittendorfer Matthias. In prep. Contrast and contrastiveness in structural parallelism.
- In prep. Mittendorfer Matthias. In prep. The pragmatics, word order and prosody of preposing constructions: Evidence from spoken British English. In Gerard O'Grady (ed.), *The Management of the Information Flow of Naturally Produced Speech*.
- 2025 Mittendorfer Matthias. 2025. Discourse functions, placement and prosody: An FDG analysis of left- and right-dislocation in British English. In Elnora ten Wolde, Riccardo Giomi, & Kees Hengeveld (eds.), *Linearization in Functional Discourse Grammar*. Berlin: De Gruyter, 194-223.

## CO-EDITED BOOKS

- In prep. Hengeveld, Kees; Mittendorfer, Matthias; Serafim, Monielly (eds.). In prep. *The Interpersonal Level in Functional Discourse Grammar*.

## PRESENTATIONS

### CONFERENCES

- March 2026 Mittendorfer, Matthias; ten Wolde, Elnora. 2026. The intonation of clause combining: The case of 'so (that)' purpose and result adverbials.  
Talk at **International Workshop on Adverbial Clauses and Prosody**, University of Potsdam, Germany
- July 2025 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2025. On Contrast and contrastiveness in structural parallelism.  
Talk at **IW-FDG-2025**, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- May 2025 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2025. Contrast and Contrastiveness in structural parallelism.  
Talk at **AAUTE**, University of Salzburg, Austria
- August 2024 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2024. Mismatches between information structure and prosody: Contrast-marking in spoken British English.  
Talk at **SLE57**, University of Helsinki, Finland
- July 2024 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2024. Exploring the prosody of information packaging in British English: An FDG account.  
Talk at **IC- FDG2024**, Universidade Federal de São Carlos, Brazil
- August 2023 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2023. Left- and right-dislocation in discourse: discourse functions, word order and prosody.  
Talk at **SLE56**, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- July 2023 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2023. Discourse functions, placement and prosody: An FDG analysis of left- and right-dislocation in British English.  
Talk at **IW-FDG2023: Linearization in Functional Discourse Grammar**, University of Graz, Austria
- June 2023 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2023. Discourse functions and placement: An analysis of dislocation in English.  
Talk at **ISLE7**, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, online
- February 2023 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2023. Identifying Contrast in corpus data: Challenges and possible solutions.  
Talk at **20. STaPS**, online

## INVITED

- December 2024 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2024. The information packaging-prosody interface: A functional perspective.  
Talk at the **FDG Online Lecture Series**, online
- November 2024 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2022. The pragmatics, word order and prosody of preposing constructions: Evidence from spoken British English.  
Talk at the **Roundtable on the Information Structure of Speech**, University of Cardiff, UK, online
- May 2023 Functional Discourse Grammar: An introduction (with Felix Berner).  
Talk as part of a lecture by Professor Lotte Sommerer at the English Department, University of Freiburg, Germany, online

## OTHER

- June 2025 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2025. A functional approach to the prosody of information packaging.  
Talk at **LingLunch**, Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
- May 2023 Berner, Felix; Keizer, Evelien; Kojadinović, Zlatan; Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2023. The lexical-grammatical distinction in FDG.  
Talk at **LingLunch**, Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
- December 2022 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2022. Towards an operationalisation of Contrast.  
Talk at the **FunCog Research Group**, online
- October 2022 Mittendorfer, Matthias. 2022. A prosodic approach to information packaging in Functional Discourse Grammar.  
Public faculty presentation (FöP) at **Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies**, University of Vienna, Austria

## TEACHING

- 2025 **Proseminar Linguistics 2: English Intonation**, Undergraduate course  
Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
- 2022 – 2025 **Proseminar Linguistics 1: Syntax**, Undergraduate course  
Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
- 2023 – 2025 **Introduction to the Study of Language 2** (with E. Keizer), Undergraduate lecture  
Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
- 2023 – 2025 **Phonetic Transcription**, Undergraduate course  
Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria
- 2018 – 2020 **Tutorial (Grammar in Use)**, Undergraduate course  
Department of English & American Studies, University of Vienna, Austria

## SCIENTIFIC AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- 2022 – present **Co-editor** of *VIEWS: Vienna English Working Papers*

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

April 2024

### **Basics of project management**

Webinar offered by the talent acquisition and development unit at the University of Vienna

## SOFTWARE

LaTeX | Praat

## LANGUAGES

German (native) | English (C2) | Russian (B1/B2) | Slovak (A1/A2)