

# VINCENT N. MARIANI

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## EDUCATION

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<b>PhD Student in Linguistics</b> University of Delaware	August 2023 – Newark, DE
<b>Master of Arts in Linguistics and Cognitive Science</b> The University of Delaware	December 2024 Newark, DE
<b>Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Linguistics</b> The Pennsylvania State University Schreyer Honors College and The College of the Liberal Arts Thesis: <i>Emphasis, Certainty, and Interdiction: Particles in Gisida Anii</i>	May 2023 University Park, PA

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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January 2024 - Present	<b>LGBT+ Slang Study.</b> A study investigating general knowledge of selected LGBT+ slang terminology in the general public, particularly focused on if younger generations are more familiar with LGBT+ slang than older generations, regardless of sexual orientation. The study consists of an online survey, background research, and interviews of participants.
March 2022 - May 2023	<b>Work on Anii.</b> Work towards the undergraduate honors thesis on Anii, a Ghana-Togo Mountain Language spoken in Togo and Benin. Investigated the adverbials <i>shi</i> , <i>cɔɔ</i> , and <i>caa</i> as markers of aspectual emphasis, aspectual certainty, and interdiction and mockery, respectively. Collected data via virtual elicitation. Supervised by Dr. Deborah C. Morton.

## PUBLICATIONS

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2024	“Emphasis, Certainty, and Interdiction: Adverbials in Gisida Anii”. <i>Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America</i> . 9(1): 5659. <a href="https://doi.org/10.3765/plsa.v9i1.5659">https://doi.org/10.3765/plsa.v9i1.5659</a>
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## PRESENTATIONS

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- 11 Jan. 2025 "Is it Giving Gen-Z? A Survey on Knowledge of LGBT+ Slang Across Age Groups". Poster to be presented at the American Dialect Society Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- 5 Apr. 2024 "Serving Survey: A Generational Look at LGBT+ Slang". Talk presented at the Cognitive Science Student Conference, University of Delaware. Newark, DE.
- 7 Jan. 2024 "Emphasis, Certainty, and Interdiction: Particles in Gıdıđa Anii". Talk presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. New York, NY.
- 12 Apr. 2023 "Emphasis, Certainty, and Interdiction: Particles in Gıdıđa Anii". Poster presented at the Undergraduate Exhibition, The Pennsylvania State University. University Park, PA.
- 7 Jan. 2023 "Mirativity as Modality: the Particle *Shı* in Gıdıđa Anii". Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Denver, CO.

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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- 2024 **University Graduate Scholar Award**, Graduate College, University of Delaware. Graduate fellowship working with the undergraduate program in the department of Linguistics and Cognitive Science.
- 2023 **Penn State Undergraduate Exhibition**, First place in the social sciences category for "Emphasis, Certainty, and Interdiction: Particles in Gıdıđa Anii".
- 2022 **Pre-Eminence in Honors Ed.**, Schreyer Honors College, The Pennsylvania State University. \$400 for LSA Conference attendance to present poster "Mirativity as Modality: the Particle *Shı* in Gıdıđa Anii".
- 2022 **Erickson Discovery Grant**, The Pennsylvania State University. \$3500 in research funding for "A Semantic Analysis of Markers in Gıdıđa Anii: *Shı* and *Çöç*" (Undergraduate Thesis, title since changed).

## ACADEMIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

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### University of Delaware

- 2024 - Present **Graduate / Undergraduate Liaison**, Department of Linguistics and Cognitive Science
- 2024 - Present **President**, Linguistics Association of Delaware
- 2023 - 2024 **Committee Member**, 2024 Student Linguistics Conference.
- 2023 - Present **Graduate Advisor**, Undergraduate Linguistics Association.
- Jan. 2024 **Proctor**, North American Computational Linguistics Open Competition.

## EDUCATIONAL AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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### LGBT+ Slang Study Group Supervisor (University of Delaware)

- Spring & Summer 2024 Supervised three undergraduate research assistants (taken for credit) for a study on LGBT+ English slang. Work included online research, data coding, presenting findings, and sociolinguistic interviewing.

### Teaching Assistant (University of Delaware)

Spring 2024 LING101: Introduction to Linguistics.  
 Fall 2023 LING 101 (Honors): Introduction to Linguistics.

### **Tutor (Bucks County Community College)**

Spring 2023 – Reading, writing, study skills, and ESL tutoring (in-person and remotely). Assists students with understanding writing and grammatical concepts, understanding assignment requirements, planning study/work strategies. Holds conversation practice sessions with ESL students.

### **Course Designer (Penn State)**

Fall 2022 \* APLNG 297: Language of the Internet. Course on the effects of the internet on language change, contact, and variation. Designed engaging assignments to enrich and assess learning while allowing students to bring in their existing knowledge and experience as users of the internet.  
 \* Course not run due to unavoidable circumstance.

## **SKILLS**

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### **Software, Tools, and Programs**

- Advanced knowledge of  $\text{\LaTeX}$
- Intermediate knowledge of R
- Intermediate knowledge of Praat
- Basic knowledge of Python and Julia

### **Languages**

- Native speaker of English
- Intermediate knowledge of French
- Basic research knowledge of Anii

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

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2024 - Present **Phi Kappa Phi.** Member, University of Delaware.  
 2023 - Present **American Dialect Society.** Member.  
 2022 - Present **Linguistic Society of America.** Member.  
 2022 - Present **Phi Beta Kappa.** Member, The Pennsylvania State University.

## **OTHER WORK**

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2023 - Present **Tutor (Writing and ESL),** Bucks County Community College  
 2021 - 2022 **Tour Guide,** Penn State  
 2020 - 2022 **Financial Assistant,** Penn State  
 2020 - 2021 **Operations Intern,** World in Conversation (Penn State)  
 2019 - 2020 **Office Assistant,** Penn State