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ABOUT ME

I have a strong interest in typology and the application of corpus-based methods to analyze patterns in indigenous languages worldwide, particularly in how these patterns manifest cross-linguistically. My focus lies especially in areas such as discourse analysis, referentiality, and definiteness.

EDUCATION

Doctorate's degree in Typology 2026-now
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Project: Discourse-managing and referential functions nominal classifiers in Amazonian languages

M.A General and Comparative Linguistics 2022-2025
Regensburg University
Thesis: "Referentiality in Hup"
Note: 1,0

B.A. Translation Studies and Interpreting 2016-2020
Universidade Nove de Julho (UNINOVE), São Paulo, Brazil
Emphasis: Sociolinguistics in discourse
Note: 10,0 (1,0 in the German system)

PUBLICATIONS

- de Moura Alves, Luiza, Becker, Laura & Johannes Helmbrecht. **Published**. The intangible demonstrative yu- in Hup: A versatile marker of discourse relations. Language Typology and Universals.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- **(Dec/2025-now) Research associate, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universtität München, Allgemeine und Typologische Sprachwissenschaft, Faculty 13, Dep. II.**

- **(2025) Student assistant:** analysis of grammaticalization pathways in indigenous languages of South America. University of Regensburg, Department for General and Comparative Linguistics.
- **(2023) Presentation at the Congresso Internacional de Americanistas:** Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil. Topic of presentation: "Definiteness in Hup", presenting a small-scale corpus research. Developed in collaboration with Prof. Dr. Johannes Helmbrecht (†). All travel expenses werre covered by DAAD.
- **(2019) Volunteer - University Nove de Julho:** Teacher for Portuguese as a second language for refugees and immigrants (A1 and A2 levels).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Sprachtypologie und Kognition 2: Sprachen des Amazonas**,Seminar, Summer semester 2026, Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (Univ. Prof. Dr. Laura Becker), *Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München.*
- **Kategorien der Sprache 1: Klassifikatoren**, Seminar, Winter semester 2026/27, Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (Univ. Prof. Dr. Laura Becker), *Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München.*

SKILLS

- **Languages : Portuguese (C2, Native), English (C2), Deutsch (C2), Spanish (B2), Frecnh (Basic reading skills)**
- **Writing & Collaboration: MS Office, LaTeX, Overleaf**
- **Softwares: ELAN, AntConc, Trados, AtoCC, CATMA, TYPO3, Photoshop**