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Summary

My research is centred on historical sociolinguistics. I'm particularly interested in language policy, language standardisation, and language attitudes. In my PhD thesis, I looked at the invisibilisation of Austrian German in the 18th and early 19th century. Currently, I'm working on the emergence of Scots in legal texts in the Medieval and Early Modern Period.

Biography

I studied German and English at the University of Graz (Austria) before doing a PhD in German linguistics at the University of Bristol. I then worked as a research fellow and teaching assistant at the University of Aberdeen and returned to the University of Bristol as a Lecturer in Sociolinguistics in 2017.

Teaching

GERM10039 Language and Power: Introductions to German History

GERM20035 Structures and Varieties of German

MODL20016 General Linguistics

MODL20017 Historical Linguistics

GERM30060 Language Variation and Change in German

and various German language units

Keywords

- Historical Linguistics
- Historical Sociolinguistics
- Language Variation and Change
- Language Ideologies
- Language Attitudes

Memberships

Organisations

Organisational groups

- [Department of German](#)

Selected publications

- Havinga, A, 2018, '[Invisibilising Austrian German: On the effect of linguistic prescriptions and educational reforms on writing practices in 18th-century Austria](#)'. de Gruyter
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- Langer, N & Havinga, A, 2015, '[Invisible Languages in the Nineteenth Century](#)'. Peter Lang, Oxford
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Recent publications

- Havinga, A, 2018, '[The role of 18th-century newspapers in the disappearance of Upper German variants in Austria](#)'. *Journal of Historical Sociolinguistics*.
- Havinga, A, 2018, '[Multilingualism and spelling variation in two Scottish legal sources](#)'. in: *The Multilingual Origins of Standard English*.
- Havinga, A, 2017, '[McLelland, Nicola. 2015. German Through English Eyes. A History of Language Teaching and Learning in Britain. 1500–2000](#)'. *Journal of Historical Sociolinguistics*, vol 3., pp. 111-115

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