Fabiana Avais

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Education

Federal University of Paraná   Curitiba, PR
Master of Science in Linguistic Studies.   Mar 2025

State University of Ponta Grossa
Bachelor of Portuguese, English, and Literature (GPA: 3.75)   Jun 2022
- Class representative (2018 - 2022)
- 86+ credits of extracurricular activities

Research Experience

Federal University of Paraná   Mar 2023 - Present
Research Group Member
- Reviewed works on alternation to identify the Holistic/Partitive Effect in Brazilian Portuguese.

Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul   Jun 2024 - Present
Research Group Member
- Engaged in meetings to foster productive collaboration, enhancing understanding and critical thinking.
- Analyzed alternations in Portuguese with peers, debating their grammaticality in Brazilian Portuguese.

Federal University of Paraná   Sep 2023 - Nov 2023
Research Group Coordinator
- Created an open study group, lectured, and led discussions on trajectory verbs in Brazilian Portuguese.
- Organized the syllabus to provide clear structure and expectations for the research.
- Applied the flipped classroom method to integrate members into classes and minimize doubts.
- Guided group discussions to foster a collaborative learning environment and encourage active participation.

State University of Ponta Grossa   Jan 2021 - Jun 2022
Research Group Member
- Blindly re-annotated the ASSIN 2 corpus for the NLI task, analyzing entailments between pairs of sentences.
- Learned Programming, Natural Language Processing, and basic Python to contribute to the field.
- Suggested the usage of the annotation label "loose definition", to decrease the number of annotation failures.

State University of Ponta Grossa   Jun 2019 - Jun 2022
Research Group Member
- Surveyed Epistemology in Innatism and Generativism, identifying similarities between them.
- Researched Language Acquisition in Structuralism and Generativism, comprehending their specificities.

Professional Experience

Versalete Journal   Mar 2023 - Present
Proofreader
- Instructed authors in article submissions, improving text grammar and the organization of ideas.

15° CELSUL Research Meeting   Nov 2023
Proofreader
- Aided 20 authors in publishing their research by providing feedback on the methodology and text coherence.

State of Paraná Office of Education Aug 2022 - Dec 2022
English Teacher
- Planned and lectured didactic classes for more than 400 children, guiding them into active learning.
- Created and graded assignments, essays, and exams to assess student progress and provide constructive feedback.
- Fostered a positive and inclusive classroom environment to encourage participation and respectful dialogue.

State University of Ponta Grossa Jan 2021 - Dec 2021
Teaching Assistant
- Assisted 30 undergraduates in the Morphosyntax course, enhancing their learning through didactic and visual resources (Miro, jsSyntaxTree, Spacy).

Publications

AVAIS, F. S; LEGROSKI, M. C. *Epistemological and Innate in Kant and Chomsky.* Miguilim Journal, v. 10, p. 1218-1236, 2022.

Conference Presentations and Proceedings

AVAIS, F. S. *ASSIN 2 Corpus and the Task of NLP in a Semantic Bias.* 15° Research Seminar of Linguistics Graduate Program, Federal University of São Carlos. 2022.

AVAIS, F. S *Language Acquisition: from American Structuralism to Chomskyan Generativism.* 30° Annual Meeting of Undergraduate Scientific Research, State University of Ponta Grossa. 2021.

AVAIS, F. S *Epistemological Parallels between Immanuel Kant and Noam Chomsky.* 29° Annual Meeting of Undergraduate Scientific Research, State University of Ponta Grossa. 2020.

AVAIS, F. S. *Investigating the existence of the holistic effect in Portuguese.* 3° International Congress of Language Studies, State University of Ponta Grossa. 2019.

Grants & Awards

Merit Graduate Research Scholarship Mar 2023 - Mar 2025
- Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel, CAPES, Brazil.

Awarded for Undergraduate Academic Excellence Jun 2022

Merit Undergraduate Research Scholarship Jun 2019 - Jun 2021
- Institutional Undergraduate Research Scholarship Program, PIBIC, Araucária Foundation, Brazil.

Merit Undergraduate Intern Assistantship Jan 2018 - Dec 2019
- Institutional Assistantship by UEPG Support Foundation, PR, Brazil.

Languages & Memberships

Languages: Native Portuguese, advanced English, intermediate French, intermediate Spanish.

Memberships: Linguistic Society of America (2024 - Present), M60 School by Dr. Tomoto, Harvard (2024 - Present).