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EDUCATION

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

Department of Linguistics

- PhD in Linguistics (Expected) Spring 2029

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Department of English

- MA in Applied Linguistics and ESL Spring 2024

Middle East Technical University, Ankara, TR

Department of Foreign Language Education

- BA in English Language Teaching Fall 2022

EMPLOYMENT

TEACHING

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

Department of English

- ENGL 1101: English Composition-I Fall 2025-Present
- ENGL 1102: English Composition-II Spring 2025
- ENGL 1101: English Composition-I Fall 2024

Department of Linguistics

- LING 2100E: Study of Language (Online) Summer 2025

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Department of English

- EN 102: English Composition-II Spring 2024
- EN 101: English Composition-I Spring 2023
- EN 120: Second Language Writing-I Fall 2022

SUPPORT

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

Department of Language and Literacy Education

- International Teaching Assistant-Test of English Proficiency (ITA-TEP) Scorer Spring 2025-Present

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Department of English

- Front Desk IT Assistant, Website Developer Spring 2024

Academic Writing Center

- Editorial Assistant Fall 2022-Spring 2023

RESEARCH

INTERESTS: PSYCHO-NEUROLINGUISTICS, SYNTAX, SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION, PHONOLOGY/PHONETICS

ONGOING PROJECTS

- Anjum, J., & **Keser, A. E.** (2025). *The Role of Working Memory and Syntactic Complexity in Real-Time Sentence Processing*. UGA Aphasia and Related Conditions (ARC) Lab, Athens, GA [Project ID: PROJECT00013189]
- **Keser, A. E.**, & Kucuk, E. B. (2025). *Structural-Linguistic Variables in Second Language Proficiency Assessment: A Cross-Linguistic Study of TOEFL iBT® Scores*. Second Language Acquisition and Cognition (SLAC) Lab, Athens, GA [Project ID: PROJECT00013080]

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Anjum, J., Niharika, M. K., **Keser, A. E.**, & Scoggins, K. (2025). *A systematic review of Semantic-Feature Based Treatments (SBTs) in bilingual aphasia* [Poster presentation]. Nordic Aphasia Conference, Uppsala, Sweden in June 2025.
- **Keser, A. E.**, & Kucuk, E. B. (2024). *Linguistic Relativity and L2 Performance: The Impact of Language Family Proximity on TOEFL iBT Scores*. Linguistics Society of UGA in Athens, GA in March 2025.
- Selvi, A. F., Kucuk, E. B., & **Keser, A. E.** (2024). *Double-tapping language ideologies in the marketplace: an Instagrammatic exploration of ELT micro-celebrities/Influencers*. TESOL International Convention in Long Beach, CA in March 2025.
- **Keser, A. E.** (2023). *Stakeholder Attitudes toward the use of AI Tools in Academia*. TESOL International Association Graduate Student Forum in Tampa, FL in March 2024.
- **Keser, A. E.**, & Kucuk, E. B. (2023). *Bridging the gap between linguistic diversity and standardized testing: addressing global Englishes in language teaching and assessment*. Southeastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL) XCI and Language Variety in South (LAVIS) V Joint Conference in Athens, GA in April 2024.
- **Keser, A. E.** (2023). *Generative AI, a friend or foe?* Alabama Mississippi TESOL Conference in Tupelo, MS in January 2024.
- **Keser, A. E.**, & Kucuk, E. B. (2021, December). *The effects of personal space on Turkish EFL learners*. Erasmus+ VALIANT Project, Language Technology and Teaching Conference, Ankara, Turkey in December 2021.

PUBLICATIONS

- **Keser, A. E.**, & Kucuk, E. B. (2021). Have the brain studies entered our classrooms in this digital age? A literature review study in Turkey. *Eurasian Journal of Educational Sciences Congress Proceedings*, Aksaray, Turkey, 8(1), (pp. 1203-1215).

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

- **Keser, A. E. (2025)**. *Reflexivity, agreement, and binding domains in Turkish: rethinking the analysis of pronominal structures*. Gilbert Hall, Advanced Syntax Seminar Squib, Athens, GA
- **Keser, A. E.** (2025). *Segmental features of Turkish-accented English: A study of vowel and voiceless stop production across proficiency levels*. Caldwell Hall, Phonetics & Phonology Squib, Athens, GA
- **Keser, A. E.** (2025). *Cross-Linguistic Influence and Proficiency Effects in Bilingual Lexical Access: An Offline Lexical Decision Study*. Psychology Building, Psycholinguistics Squib, Athens, GA
- **Keser, A. E.** (2024). *Does Turkish have an impact on the existence of Romeyka infinitive? An exploratory study the contact between Turkish and Anatolian Greek varieties*. Caldwell Hall, Morphology Squib, Athens, GA

LAB MEMBERSHIP

- Second Language Acquisition and Cognition (SLAC) Lab *Chair, Fall 2025-Present*
- Aphasia and Related Conditions (ARC) Lab *Research Assistant, Spring 2025-Present*

SERVICE

- Second Language Acquisition and Cognition (SLAC) Lab, L2 Writing Systems Acquisition Project *Mentor, Fall 2025-Present*

PROFICIENCY

LANGUAGES

- Turkish (Native), English (Advanced), German (Reading Knowledge)

PROGRAMMING

- R (Proficient), Python (Proficient), JavaScript (Intermediate), MATLAB (Basic)

DATA ANALYSIS & VISUALIZATION

- R Studio, SPSS, JASP, MS Excel

SOFTWARE & TOOLS

- Praat, Eye-Gaze, NYAN, E-Prime, AntConc, TagAnt, PCIBex, PsychoPy

TYPESETTING, PRESENTATION, & DOCUMENT/DATA MANAGEMENT

- LATEX, Office 365 Suite, Box, GitHub

GRANTS & FUNDING

- UGA Graduate School Graduate Assistantship + Tuition Waiver (≈\$50.000/year) *Fall 2024-Present*
- UA College of Arts & Sciences Conference Travel Fund (\$500) *Spring 2024*
- UA Department of English Research & Travel Fund (\$1000) *Fall 2023*
- UA Writing Center Handbook Project Fund (\$1000) *Summer 2023*
- UA Graduate School Graduate Assistantship + Tuition Waiver (≈\$48.000/year) *Fall 2022-Spring 2024*

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL NETWORK

- Linguistic Society of UGA *Fall 2024-Present*
- Linguistic Society of America *Spring 2023-Present*
- TESOL International Association *Fall 2022-Present*
- Turkish Linguistics Association *Fall 2021-Present*

REFERENCES

- At least three references are available upon request.