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EDUCATION

- PhD** Linguistics Anticipated May 2027
George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA
Title: Variation of the Turkish rhotic: Acoustic analyses and pronunciation modeling
Advisor: Dr. Matthew C. Kelley
- MA** English with a concentration in Linguistics May 2022
George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA
- BA** Interdisciplinary Studies May 2020
Cognates: Teaching English as a Second Languages & Global Studies
Minor: Linguistics
Certificate: Teaching English as a Second Language
Summa Cum Laude
Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia, USA

PUBLICATIONS

- Miklas, J.A. & Kelley, M.C. (2026). A pilot corpus acoustic analysis on the alveolar tap in Turkish. *Proceedings of Meetings on Acoustics*, 56(060009), 1–8. <https://doi.org/10.1121/2.0002209>.
- Miklas, J.A. & Kelley, M.C. (2024). Closure duration vs. f0 perturbation as a cue to underlying stops for the American English intervocalic flap. *Proceedings of Meetings on Acoustics*, 54(060005), 1–10. <https://doi.org/10.1121/2.0001972>.
- Miklas, J.A. (2023). Turkish Morphology Acquisition: A comparative study of L1 and L2 acquisition processing models. *Working Papers in Language and Linguistics*, 11, 1-14. https://orgs.gmu.edu/wpill/texts/issue_11/Miklas_2023.pdf.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- Miklas, J.A. & Kelley, M.C. (in prep.). A corpus spectrotemporal analysis and interpretation of mel frequency cepstral coefficients for the Turkish rhotic.
- Miklas, J.A. & Kelley, M.C. (in prep.). Pronunciation variation of the Turkish rhotic by L1 and L2 speakers in the United States.
- Miklas, J.A. & Kelley, M.C. (in prep.). Spectrotemporal comparison of native, heritage, and non-native pronunciation variation of the Turkish rhotic.

- Miklas, J.A. & Kelley, M.C. (in prep.). Influence of native and non-native Turkish language variation on pronunciation modelling.
- Miklas, J.A. & Lukyanenko, C. (in prep.). L1 Arabic-L2 English speakers use subject-verb agreement cues in real-time comprehension of English.
- Miklas, J.A., Edalatishams, I., and Bryant, K. (in prep.). Exploring the multiplicity of identities perceived by multilingual graduate writers at the writing center.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Presenting author(s) indicated in bold

- Miklas, J.A.** & Kelley, M.C. (2026, May). *Interpreting mel frequency cepstral coefficients for frication on the Turkish rhotic*. The 190th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA. <https://doi.org/10.13021/MARS/15340>.
- Kelley, M.C.**, Cutter, A.A., Kelly, S., Kidd, J.A., Soldati, G.M., & Miklas, J.A. (2026, May). *Signal properties of amplified speech outdoors*. The 190th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA. <https://doi.org/10.13021/MARS/15326>.
- Miklas, J.A.** & Kelley, M.C. (2025, Dec.). *A cross-linguistic corpus analysis of rhotics*. The 189th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. <https://doi.org/10.13021/MARS/15228>.
- Miklas, J.A.** & Lukyanenko, C. (2025, Nov.). *L1 Arabic-L2 English speakers use subject-verb agreement cues in real-time comprehension of English*. Boston University Conference on Language Development, Boston, Massachusetts, USA. <https://doi.org/10.13021/MARS/15227>.
- Miklas, J.A.** & Kelley, M.C. (2025, May). *A pilot corpus acoustic analysis on the alveolar tap in Turkish*. The 188th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. <https://doi.org/10.13021/MARS/14869>.
- Miklas, J.A.** & Kelley, M.C. (2024, May). *Closure duration vs. f0 perturbation as a cue to underlying stops for the American English intervocalic flap*. The 186th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Ottawa, Canada. <https://doi.org/10.13021/MARS/14870>.
- Miklas, J.A.** (2024, Feb.). *Perfectly Puzzling: Using a mnemonic to teach the present perfect to adult ELLs*. TESL and Applied Linguistics Graduate Student conference, East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina, USA.
- Miklas, J.A.** & Edalatishams, I. (2022, Oct.). *Understanding Multilingual Writer's Self-Perceptions of Identity to Inform Writing Center Practices*. International Writing Centers Association conference, Vancouver, Canada.
- Edalatishams, I., Miklas, J.A., & Bryant, K.** (2022, Apr.). *Fostering Multilingual Writers' Identity in the Writing Center: A Study of the ESL Opt-In Program*. Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association conference, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, USA.

Miklas, J.A. & Nguyen, C.M. (2020, Sept.). *Oral Language Development in an Isolating Digital World*. International Virtual Conference on Language and Literature Empowering the Future of ELT, Language Center of State Polytechnic of Malang, Indonesia.

Miklas, J.A. (2020, Jan.). *Don't Forget "S": A Comparative Study of English and Thai*. Network for Undergraduate Research in Virginia conference, Hampton Sydney College, Hampton Sydney, Virginia, USA.

Miklas, J.A. (2018, Mar.). *Definitely Distinct or Specifically Similar: A Case Study of Turkish and English*. Big South Undergraduate Research Symposium, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia, USA.

WORKSHOPS AND INVITED TALKS

Miklas, J.A. (2025, Sep.). *Virtual world eye-tracking analysis: A workshop in R*. Workshop for the Processing and Acquisition of Language Lab at Mason Lab Meeting (George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2025, Sep.). *Add SOAP: A workshop on second language learning in children and adults*. Workshop for the BEACON for English Language and Literacy Annual Teacher Training (Manassas, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2025, Aug.). *Working on the sentence level*. Workshop for New Writing Center Consultant Training Week (George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2025, Aug.). *Working with multilingual writers in the writing center*. Workshop for New Writing Center Consultant Training Week (George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2025, Apr.). *Working on the sentence level*. Guest lecture in ENGL 389 - Tutoring Writing in the Disciplines (George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2025, Apr.). *Working with multilingual writers in the writing center*. Guest lecture in ENGL 389 - Tutoring Writing in the Disciplines (George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2024, Sep.). *Teach strategically: A workshop on child vs. adult language learning*. Workshop for the BEACON for English Language and Literacy Annual Teacher Training (Manassas, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2020, Oct.). *Don't Forget 's': A comparative study of English and Thai*. Guest presentation in TESL 373 - Applied Grammar (Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, USA).

Miklas, J.A. (2019, Sep.). *The Importance of Linguistics in TESOL*. Guest presentation in LING 301- Introduction to Linguistics (Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, USA).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

George Mason University (Fairfax, VA, USA)

Linguistics Program, Department of English

- Research Assistant
 - Graduate Summer Research Fellow: Summer 2026
 - Processing and Acquisition of Language at Mason Lab: Spring 2023, Spring 2024
- Research Volunteer
 - Phonetics and Phonology Lab: Fall 2024—present
 - Processing and Acquisition of Language at Mason Lab: Summer 2023, Fall 2025—present
 - Language Documentation Lab: Spring 2023—present

TEACHING & CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

George Mason University (Fairfax, VA, USA)

Linguistics Program, Department of English

- Principal Instructor:
 - Human Language (LING 100): Fall 2024
 - Introduction to Linguistic Analysis (LING 306): Spring 2025, Spring 2026
 - Phonetics (LING 331): Fall 2025
- Teaching Assistant:
 - Introduction to Linguistics (LING 306): Fall 2022
 - First Language Acquisition (LING 480/580): Fall 2023
 - Applied Linguistics: TESOL Pedagogy (LING 521): Fall 2022, Fall 2023

George Mason University (Fairfax, VA, USA)

Writing Center, Department of English

- Graduate Writing Coordinator: Summer 2026—present
- Interim ESOL Program Coordinator: Spring 2025
- Graduate Writing Consultant, ESOL Specialist: Fall 2020—Summer 2022

Prince William County Public Libraries (Prince William County, VA, USA)

- ESOL Curriculum Developer and Administrator: December 2025—present

Song Nguyen Academy (Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam)

- ESOL Teacher and Curriculum Developer, remote: April 2020—December 2020

Baptist Student Center (Bangkok, Thailand)

- ESOL Teaching Intern: Spring 2019

Jiguchon International School (Dongbaek, South Korea & Lynchburg, VA, USA)

- ESOL Tutor (VA): January—December 2018
- ESOL Tutor (South Korea): June—August 2017

EDITORSHIP

- Associate editor, Working Papers in Language and Linguistics at George Mason University (Virginia, USA): Fall 2025—present

PEER REVIEWING

- Cambridge University Press
- Working Papers in Language and Linguistics at George Mason University (Virginia, USA)

HONORS & AWARDS

- Graduate Summer Research Assistantship, Provost Graduate Education Office, George Mason University (Virginia, USA), 2026
- Graduate Student Travel Award, Office of the Provost, George Mason University (Virginia, USA), 2026
- Best Student Poster Award, 189th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, ASA Speech Communication Technical Committee (Hawaii, USA), 2025
- Research Award, Linguistics Program and CHSS Office of Graduate Academic Affairs, George Mason University (Virginia, USA), 2025
- Best Student Poster Award, 188th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, ASA Speech Communication Technical Committee (Louisiana, USA), 2025
- Critical Language Scholarship, U.S. Department of State and American Councils, Ankara University TÖMER Language Learning and Research Institute (Ankara, Türkiye), 2024
- Graduate Student Travel Award, Office of the Provost, George Mason University (Virginia, USA), 2024
- Outstanding Graduate Student in Linguistics, Linguistics Program and CHSS Office of Graduate Academic Affairs at George Mason University (Virginia, USA), 2022

RESEARCH INTERESTS AND SKILLS

Research interests

- Acoustic phonetics
- Speech perception
- Sociophonetics
- Language variation
- Language acquisition
- Turkic language studies

Experimental and research methodologies

- Lexical decision
- Laboratory speech recording
- Field elicitation and recording
- Forced alignment
- Eye-tracking
- Statistical analysis and modeling

Technological skills

- Scripting (R, Praat, Julia, Python)
- Website design

LANGUAGE SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

- English: Native Language
- Turkish: High Intermediate
- French: Intermediate
- Thai: High Novice

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- The Acoustical Society of America (USA), Student member, 2023—present
 - Linguistics Society at George Mason University (Virginia, USA), President: Spring 2025—present
 - Linguistics Society at George Mason University (Virginia, USA), Vice President: Fall 2024
 - Phi Kappa Phi, George Mason University Chapter (Virginia, USA), 2022-2023
 - The Society for Collegiate Leadership and Achievement (USA), 2021—present
 - TESL International Association (USA), 2020
 - The National Society for Leadership and Success (USA), 2018—present
 - Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society (USA), 2017—present
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