

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2004 – 2009 **PhD** Humanities, University of Amsterdam
Thesis: *Parts of speech and dependent clauses: A typological study*
Supervisor: Prof. dr. Kees Hengeveld
- 2002 – 2003 **MPhil Linguistics** (with honours), University of Amsterdam
Thesis: *The explanatory power of typological hierarchies: developmental perspectives on non-verbal predication*
- 1999 – 2002 **MA General Linguistics** (with honours), University of Amsterdam
- 1998 – 1999 Propedeuse **Spanish** Literature and Linguistics, University of Amsterdam
- 1997 – 1998 Propedeuse **Dutch** Literature and Linguistics, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Current and previous positions

- 2017 – current **Assistant Professor of Linguistics**
Department of Cultural Analysis and Linguistics, University of Amsterdam
- 2016 – 2017 **Lecturer Linguistics**
Department of Cultural Analysis and Linguistics, University of Amsterdam
- 2011 – 2016 **Postdoctoral researcher** VENI project
Department of Cultural Analysis and Linguistics, University of Amsterdam
Title: *Nouns and verbs and what it means not to have them.*
- 2014 **Lecturer Linguistics**
Amsterdam University College
- 2009 – 2011 **Postdoctoral research associate** ESF EuroBABEL project
Department of Linguistics and English Language, Lancaster University, UK.
Title: *Referential hierarchies in morpho-syntax*
PI: Prof. Anna Siewierska
- 2003 – 2004 **Researcher**
Meertens Instituut
Title: *Straattaal: meertaligheid en jongerentaal in Nederland.*
- 2002 – 2003 **Student assistant** Steunpunt Nederlands als Vreemde Taal
University of Amsterdam / Nederlandse Taalunie

Grants and prizes

- 2019 NWO Vidi grant (€ 797.332)
- 2017 UvA FGw Aspasia grant to prepare Vidi application;
Blended Learning project (as part of BA course Introduction to Linguistics (€ 2048)
- 2013 Joseph Greenberg Award for best typological dissertation of international
Association for Linguistic Typology (ALT)
- 2011 NWO Veni grant (€ 239.000)
- 2009 ESF grant for workshop organization (€ 2.500)
- 2007 Excellence award, Amsterdam Center for Language and Communication (€ 2.500)

Teaching and supervision

Teaching and curriculum development BA Linguistics / Algemene Taalwetenschap (UvA)

- 2016 - 2019 **Morphology**
Course development, lecturing, examination

First Year Group Project
Supervision of term papers and presentations

Introduction to Linguistics
Course development in the context of English-taught BA (Blended Learning),
course coordination, lecturing, examination

Syntax
Partial course development

Taaltypologie
Complete course development, teaching and examination

Morfologie & Syntaxis
Teaching

Taal- en Spraakmodellen 1 & 2
Teaching and examination

Inleiding taalwetenschap (for BA students Neerlandistiek, English, and Russian)
Teaching and examination

Guest lectures in various courses
Semantiek
Inleiding Taalwetenschap en Nederlandse Taalkunde
Leading questions in Cognition, Language, and Communication

Promotion activities BA Linguistics (UvA)

- 2016 – 2019 Promotion at UvA **BA-day** (twice yearly)
Organisation and partial teaching of **Taster Sessions** (twice yearly)
Organisation and partial teaching/examination of UvA **Matching**

Supervision BA Linguistics (UvA)

- 2016 – 2019 **Intake and tutoring** of first-year (international) students
Supervision of 4 BA **theses**

Teaching and curriculum development rMA Linguistics

- 2016 – 2019 **Perspective on Universals 1 (UvA)**
Co-teaching and partial course development, including term paper supervision
- Perspective on Universals 2 (UvA)**
Co-teaching and partial course development, including term paper supervision
- Current issues 1 (UvA)**
Bi-weekly seminars
- Guest lecture series Linguistic Diversity (Bologna University)**
Three seminars in rMA course on semantics

Supervision rMA Linguistics (UvA)

- 2016 – 2019 2 theses
 1 research internship
 2 tutorials

Teaching at Amsterdam University college, Lancaster University, and UvA

- 2006 – 2016 **Linguistics**, Amsterdam University College (Cognition Track)
Course development, teaching, examination
- Taaltypologie**, BA Algemene Taalwetenschap, 2013
Course development, teaching, examination
- Introduction to linguistics/Inleiding taalwetenschap**, BAs Dutch, English, Spanish
Lecturing
- European Linguistics**, UvA, various BAs
Guest lecture and term paper supervision
- Functional Typology**, BA Linguistics and English Language, Lancaster University
Seminar teaching
- The essence of language**, UvA, various MAs
Co-teaching
- Guest lectures** in courses on cognitive grammar and linguistic universals

PhD supervision

- 2012 – 2017 Daily supervisor of Marlou van Rijn (with Kees Hengeveld)
Predication and modification within the noun phrase: A typological study

PhD defense committees

- 2015 – 2019 Member of 4 PhD defense committees at UvA and Leiden University

Publications

Peer-reviewed articles

1. **Van Lier, E.** & M. Van Rijn. 2018. Alienability splits in action nominal constructions. *STUF* 71(4). 1–49.
2. **Van Lier, E.** 2017a. The typology of property words in Oceanic languages. *Linguistics* 55(6). 1237–1280.
3. **Van Lier, E.** 2017b. Introduction: Lexical flexibility in Oceanic languages. *Studies in Language*, 41(2). 241–254.
4. **Van Lier, E.** 2016. Lexical flexibility in Oceanic languages. *Linguistic Typology* 20(2). 197–232.
5. **Van Lier, E.**, J. Jansen & A. Witzlack-Makarevich. 2016a. Referential and lexical factors in ditransitive alignment variation. *Linguistics* 54(3). 563–616.
6. Boye, K., **E. van Lier** & E. Theilgaard-Brink. 2015. Epistemic complementizers: a cross-linguistic survey. *Language Sciences* 51. 1–17.
7. **Van Lier, E.** & M. van Rijn. 2013. Argument coding in nominalizations of Central-Eastern Oceanic languages. *Lingue e Linguaggio* 7(2). 279–307.
8. **Van Lier, E.** 2012b. Reconstructing multifunctionality [commentary]. *Theoretical Linguistics* 38(1/2). 119–136.
9. Croft, W. & **E. van Lier**. 2012. Language universals without universal categories [commentary]. *Theoretical Linguistics* 38(1/2). 57–72.
10. **Van Lier, E.** 2012c. Referential effects on the expression of three-participant events across languages. An introduction in memory of Anna Siewierska. *Linguistic Discovery* 10(3). 1–16.
11. Russell, L., I. Genee, **E. van Lier** & F. Zúñiga. 2012. Referential hierarchies in three-participant constructions in Blackfoot. *Linguistic Discovery* 10(3). 55–79.
12. Siewierska, A. & **E. van Lier**. 2012. Ditransitive constructions with two human non-agentive arguments. *Faits de Langues* 39. 141–156.
13. Hengeveld, K. & **E. van Lier**. 2010. A functional map of Parts-of-Speech. In A. Malchukov, M. Cysouw & M. Haspelmath (eds.), *Semantic Maps: Methods and Applications. Special issue of Linguistic Discovery* 7(1). 129–156.
14. Hengeveld, K. & **E. van Lier**. 2008. Lexical and complex heads in Functional Discourse Grammar. *Studies in Language* 32(3). 753–785.
15. **Van Lier, E.** 2006. Parts-of-speech systems and dependent clauses: a typological study. *Folia Linguistica* 40(3/4). 239–304.

Books (edited volumes and monograph)

1. **Van Lier, E.** (ed.) in progress. *The Oxford Handbook of Word Classes*. Oxford University Press. (publication planned for 2021).
2. Rijkhoff, J., & **E. van Lier** (eds.). 2013. *Flexible word classes: a typological study of underspecified parts-of-speech*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. pp. 339.
3. **Van Lier, E.** 2009. *Parts of Speech and Dependent Clauses. A typological study* (LOT dissertation series no. 221). Utrecht. LOT. pp. 482.

Book chapters

1. Siewierska, A. & **E. van Lier**. 2013. Introduce: encoding of a non-prototypical three-participant event across Europe. In E. van Gelderen, M. Cennamo & J. Barðdal (eds.), *Argument structure in flux: the Naples/Capri papers*, 169–200. Amsterdam: Benjamins.
2. **Van Lier, E.** & J. Rijkhoff. 2013. *Flexible word classes in linguistic typology and grammatical theory*. In R. Rijkhoff & E. van Lier (eds.), *Flexible word classes: a typological study of underspecified parts-of-speech*, 1–30. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
3. Don, J. & **E. van Lier**. 2013. Categorization and derivation in flexible and differentiated languages. In R. Rijkhoff & E. van Lier (eds.), *Flexible word classes: a typological study of underspecified parts-of-speech*, 56–88. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
4. Fischer, R. & **E. van Lier**. 2011. Cofán subordinate clauses in a typology of subordination. In P. Muysken, K. Haude, R. van Gijn (eds.), *Subordination in South American Indian Languages*, 221–249. Amsterdam: Benjamins.

5. Verhagen, J., **E. van Lier**, S. Dikker, H. Canelas-Cardoso & J. Arends. 2006. On the presence versus absence of morphological marking in four Romance-based creoles. In P. Bhatt & I. Plag (eds.), *The structure of creole words: Segmental, syllabic and morphological aspects*, 223–241. Tübingen: Niemeyer.
6. **Van Lier, E.** 2005. The explanatory power of typological hierarchies: developmental perspectives on non-verbal predication. In C. de Groot & K. Hengeveld (eds.), *Morphosyntactic Expression in Functional Grammar*, 249–280. New York/Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter
7. Dikker, S., & **E. van Lier**. 2005. The interplay between syntactic and conceptual information: Agreement domains in FDG. In J. Lachlan Mackenzie & M. de los Ángeles Gómez-González (eds.), *Studies in Functional Discourse Grammar*, 83–108. Bern: Peter Lang.

Popular publications

1. **Van Lier, E.** 2011. Societal Relevance and what it means (not) to have it. Illustrated booklet with text of invited “Barlaeus Lecture” at the Allard Pierson museum, Amsterdam.
2. **Van Lier, E.** 2004. Straattaal [*Street language*]. In: *Neerlandica Extra Muros. Tijdschrift van de Internationale Vereniging voor Neerlandistiek* [journal for the International Association for Dutch linguistics]. February 2004, Amsterdam: Rozenberg Publishers.

International activities

International positions, research and teaching visits abroad

- 2019 One-week visiting professorship University of **Bologna** (including 4 guest lectures)
- 2009 – 2011 Postdoctoral research associate at **Lancaster** University, collaboration with colleagues from Leipzig, Cologne, Zürich and Oregon (US), including 3 International workshops:
First workshop on referential hierarchies in morphosyntax. Leipzig, March 2010;
Workshop on referential hierarchy effects on the morphosyntax of verbal arguments. Leipzig, August 2010;
Workshop on referential hierarchies in alignment typology. Logroño, September 2011
- 2007 Three-months research stay at the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, **Leipzig**

Further international collaborations

- 2019 – current Collaborative research project on flexible functional categories, with Caterina Mauri and Francesca Masini (Bologna, Italy)
- 2017 – 2019 Collaborative research project on incorporation with researchers from Bolivia, Sweden, France, Germany and Canada
- 2008 – 2015 Research on typology of epistemic complementizers, with Kasper Boye (Copenhagen)

Organization of international workshops

- 2019 Theme session on *Lexical restrictions on grammatical relations in voice constructions* (co-convened with Alena Witzlack-makarevich, Jerusalem University), Pavia (Italy)
- 2015 Workshop on *Multidimensional scaling and statistics in R for typologists*, UvA
- 2014 Workshop on *Lexical Flexibility in Oceanic languages*, UvA
- 2011 Workshop on referential hierarchies in ditransitive constructions, Lancaster University, UK
- 2007 Workshop on languages with flexible word classes, UvA

Other academic activities

Editing

- 2018 – current Editor of *Oxford Handbook of Word Classes*, with over 50 contributions by international scholars
- 2014 – 2017 Guest editor of special issue of *Studies in Language* on Lexical flexibility in Oceanic languages
- 2012 – current Editorial board member of international linguistic journal *Lingue e Linguaggio*
- 2011 – 2012 Guest editor of special issue of *Linguistic Discovery* on Referential effects in three-participant constructions
- 2008 – 2013 Co-editor of volume on *Flexible word classes* (Oxford University Press), with Jan Rijkhoff (Åarhus, Denmark)

Reviewing

- Member of jury for ALT Greenberg Award for best typological dissertation (2018-2019)
- Book manuscripts for *Cambridge University Press*, *John Benjamins Publishing Company*
- Journal articles for: *Linguistic Typology*, *Linguistics*, *Studies in Language*, *Historical Linguistics*, *Folia Linguistica*, *Linguistic Discovery*, *Language Sciences*, *International Journal of American Linguistics*, *Studies in African Linguistics*, *Open Linguistics*, *Alfa Revista Lingüística*.
- Grant application for the *Arts and Humanities Research Council* (UK)
- Abstracts for international conferences of the Association for Linguistic Typology

Local organization

- Delegate for BA and MA Linguistics in the exam committees of the college and graduate school (2019 – 2020)
- (Vice) chair of Program Committee BA Linguistics (2017 – 2019)
- Coordinator of ACLC research group on Language Description and Typology (2012 – current)
- Member for the ACLC board, successively as PhD, Postdoc and Research Group representative (2006 – 2007, 2012 – 2015, 2017 – current)

Memberships

- Member of the Association for linguistic typology
- Member of the *Societas Linguistica Europaea*

Career breaks

- 01-11-2015 – 01-03-2016 and 01-02-2012 – 01-06-2012 Maternity leave