

**CURRICULUM VITAE**

Lea Meriläinen

**Education**

- Doctor of Philosophy, University of Eastern Finland, English language and culture, 2010. Thesis: *Language transfer in the written English of Finnish students*. Awarded with: laudatur (7/7)
- Licentiate in Philosophy, University of Joensuu, English language, 2006
- Master of Arts, University of Joensuu, 2004 (major: English, minors: German, education)

**Previous work experience**

- Senior Lecturer, foreign language pedagogy. School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education, University of Eastern Finland, 8/2017–
- Post-doctoral researcher, *Changing English: Users and learners world-wide* (Finnish Academy funded research consortium). University of Eastern Finland, 1/2017–7/2017.
- Post-doctoral researcher, English language and culture, University of Eastern Finland, 1/2013–12/2016 (on parental leave 3/2014–11/2014, on part-time parental leave 2/2015–7/2015)
- Senior Lecturer, English language and culture, University of Eastern Finland, 9/2012–7/2013.
- Post-doctoral researcher, *Global English: Typological, contact-linguistic and second-language acquisition perspectives* (Finnish Academy funded research consortium). University of Eastern Finland, 1/2012–8/2012, 9/2010–8/2011
- Senior Lecturer, English language and culture, University of Eastern Finland, 9/2011–12/2011
- Grant researcher, English Language and Culture, University of Eastern Finland, 1/2010–8/2010, 1/2006–10/2008
- Lecturer, English Language and Culture, University of Joensuu, 8/2009–12/2009
- Senior Assistant, English Language and Culture, University of Joensuu, 10/2008–6/2009
- Various positions as English language teacher at elementary and Upper Secondary school levels in 2004-2006 and at the University Language Center (part-time) in 2006-2008

**Merits in teaching and pedagogical competence**

- Subject teacher's pedagogical studies (60 ects) as a part of MA degree
- Teaching various courses that form a part of foreign language teacher's pedagogical studies and the MDP in Early Language Education (2017–2019)
- Teaching various courses at the subject of English language and culture and in MDP in Linguistic Sciences (2008–2016)
- Supervisor of BA and MA theses
- Member of teaching skills evaluation group, Language Center, University of Eastern Finland, 2018 and 2019 and Joensuun normaalikoulu (UEF teacher training school), 2019.
- Member of the working group on curriculum development. University of Eastern Finland, School of Humanities, 2012–2013.

**Scientific expert positions**

- Referee for *Applied Linguistics*, *International Journal of Learner Corpus Research*, *International Journal of Bilingualism*, *Language Learning*, *Language, Culture and Curriculum*, *AFinLA Yearbook*.
- Member of the organizing committee: *The sixth International Conference of the International Society for the Linguistics of English* (2020), *Changing English: Integrating Cognitive, Social and Typological Perspectives* (2015), *Crossling Symposium: Language Contacts at the Crossroads of Disciplines* (2013), *Methods and Languages in Contact: Crossdisciplinary Approaches to Language*

*Contacts, SLA and Translation* (Langnet workshop, 2013), *Finsse 6* (2012), *AFinLA symposium* (2011), *24th Scandinavian Conference of Linguistics* (2010).

- Member of the scientific committee: *English as a Lingua Franca and Changing English* (2017), *Changing English: Contacts and Variation* (2013).
- Faculty representative at a doctoral defense. Philosophical faculty, University of Eastern Finland, 2018.
- Evaluation of applications for the Doctoral Programme in Social and Cultural Encounters, University of Eastern Finland, 2016.
- Vice member of the steering committee for the Finnish Network of Language Education Policies, 2017–
- Board member of the Finnish Association of Applied Linguistics (AFinLA), 2009–2016

### **Research collaboration and networks**

- *Changing English: users and learners worldwide*. Finnish Academy funded research consortium, 2013–2017
- *Louvain International Database of Spoken English Interlanguage (LINDSEI)*. Centre for English Corpus Linguistics, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium. Coordinator for the data compilation from Finnish learners of English, 2012–
- *CROSSLING – Language Contacts at the Crossroads of Disciplines*. A research network at the University of Eastern Finland (funded by the Kone foundation), 2011–2014
- *Global English: typological, contact-linguistic and second-language acquisition perspectives*. Finnish Academy funded research consortium, 2010–2013
- *Langnet* (Finnish doctoral programme in language studies), subprogramme: Language acquisition, 2007–2010

### **Foreign visits**

- Visiting researcher. Centre for English Corpus Linguistics, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium, 10/2016, 1/2012–2/2012
- Visiting researcher. University of Freiburg, Germany, 4/2013–5/2013

### **Grants and awards**

- 1 year doctoral research grant, Kone Foundation, 2007 and 2008
- 1 year doctoral research grant, Finnish Cultural Foundation, North Karelia Fund, 2006 and 2007
- Doctoral research grant (6 months), Faculty of Humanities, University of Joensuu, 2006
- Joensuu University Fund award for success in MA studies, 2005

### **Scientific and societal impact of research**

- 14 scientific articles, 1 forthcoming scientific article, 1 article under review, 4 edited publications and a PhD dissertation (a monograph).
- Over 40 conference and seminar presentations in Finland and abroad
- Invited plenary speaker, Foreign Language Methodology Conference, University of Agder, Norway, 2018.
- Production and distribution of research data
  - The Finnish component of the Louvain International Database of Spoken English Interlanguage (data collected in 2013–2014, to be released in 2019), c. 130 000 words.
  - The Corpus of Finnish Matriculation Examination Compositions (Meriläinen 2010), c. 120 000 words.