

Dr. James Joshua Pennington

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Education (Degrees):

- Ohio State University 2006-2011 Columbus, OH
- PhD in Slavic Linguistics, summa cum laude
 - Specialization in Corpus Linguistics
 - Specialization in Historical Linguistics
 - Taught 1st- and 2nd-year Russian and Russian Individualized Instruction
 - Taught 1st-year Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian
 - Taught numerous Russian and Slavic culture and literature courses (listed below)
 - Dissertation: *The Synchrony and Diachrony of BCS Adjectival Long-form Allomorphy* (Adviser Dr. Brian Joseph)
 - Dissertation Fieldwork – Croatia and Serbia, September 2009
- Ohio State University 2003-2006 Columbus, OH
- MA Slavic and Eastern European Languages and Literatures,
 - Specialization in Linguistics
 - Taught 1st- and 2nd-year Russian
 - Taught Russian culture courses
 - Thesis: *If the U Fits: “Yusage” in the Miroslav Gospel* (Adviser Dr. Brian Joseph)
- Ohio University 1999-2003 Athens, OH
- BA Russian Language

Education (Workshops/Study Abroad):

- Seminari xxviii ndërkombëtar për gjuhën, letërsinë dhe kulturën shqiptare
(28th International Seminar in Albanian Language, Literature and Culture)
Albanian August 2010 Prishtina, Kosova
- Pittsburgh University
Advanced Mastery of BCS Summer 2010 Pittsburgh, PA
- Seminari xxvii ndërkombëtar për gjuhën, letërsinë dhe kulturën shqiptare
(27th International Seminar in Albanian Language, Literature and Culture)
Albanian August 2009 Prishtina, Kosova
- OSU Albanian Mini-Institute (Course on Albanian Linguistics and
Conversational Albanian)
Albanian July 2009 Columbus, OH

Indiana University SWSEEL (Summer Workshop in Slavic and Eastern European Languages)		
Intermediate Czech	Summer 2008	Bloomington, IN
St. Petersburg State University		
Study Abroad (Russian)	Summer 2005	St. Petersburg, Russia
Medieval Slavic Summer Institute, Ohio State University		
OCS (w/ Glagolitic) palaeography	Summer 2004	Columbus, Ohio
Moscow State University		
Study Abroad (Russian)	Winter 2002	Moscow, Russia

Academic Employment:

2020-
Concordia College (Concordia Languages Village) – Russian Language Instructor, All levels

2017-2018
Miami University – Visiting Lecturer of Linguistics

2012
University of Pittsburgh’s SLI (Summer Language Institute) –Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Level I Instructor

2004-2011
Graduate Teaching Associate at the Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Arizona State University's Critical Languages Institute – Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Level II Instructor

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Linguistics
Russian, All levels
Bosnian-Croatian-Montenegrin-Serbian
Eastern European Experience in America
Russian Culture
19th-century Russian Literature
Soviet cinema, literature
Russian Folklore

Awards and Grants:

2018

Title VIII Grant for the study of Kazakh Language

2010

Graduate Research Small Grant, College of Humanities, The Ohio State University

2010

ACLS Grant/Additional Scholarship Money for the Advanced Mastery of Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian

2008

Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Scholarship

Intermediate Czech Language, Indiana University, SWSEEL

-1st Place, ACTR, Russian essay competition

2005

Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Scholarship

Superior Russian Language, St. Petersburg State University, Russia

2004

Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Scholarship

Advanced Russian Language, Indiana University, SWSEEL

Professional Memberships:

American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages (AATSEEL)

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES; formerly

AAASS), Slavic Linguistics Society (SLS)

Other Employment:

2020-2021

International Center for Governance Studies, Belgrade (unpaid affiliation)

Semiring Inc., Associate

Peerwith – editor/translator/transcriber,

Freelance Russian, BCS, Czech/Slovak, French, German, Spanish legal, business, social sciences translation/editing

2017-2019

Peerwith – editor/translator/transcriber

Unbabel – Polish language annotator

Transpiral – Czech, German, Spanish, Russian expert

Freelance Russian, BCS, Czech/Slovak, French, German, Spanish legal, business, social sciences translation/editing

Peerwith – editor/translator/transcriber

2014-2017

Brill Publishers – Large volume Copy Editor

Journal of Greek Linguistics – Assistant Editor

Freelance Russian, BCS, Czech/Slovak, French, German, Spanish legal, business, social sciences translation/editing

2013

Western Post-Secondary High School – Russian Language Instructor (Levels 9-12), Baltimore, MD

Freelance Russian, BCS, Czech/Slovak, French, German, Spanish legal, business, social sciences translation/editing

2012

November: Interpreter for Serbian Open World Delegation Workshop on Asset Forfeiture Practices in Serbia and the United States

Eclectic Translations, St. Petersburg, Russia – Russian Language Transcriber/Editor/Proofreader/Translator

Journal of Greek Linguistics – Assistant Editor

Languages Spoken:

English (Native), BCS (Superior), French (Advanced-High), Russian (Superior Proficiency), German (Advanced), Czech (Intermediate), Slovak (Intermediate), Turkish (Intermediate), Albanian (Intermediate), Kazakh (Intermediate), Farsi (Intermediate)

Working knowledge of:

Ancient Greek, Avestan, Bulgarian, Macedonian, Polish, Ukrainian, Belorussian, Japanese, Latin, Lithuanian, Old Church Slavonic, Slovenian, Sanskrit

Computational proficiency in:

R, Python, Javascript, IBEXfarm

Publications (Peer Reviewed)

Articles/Book Chapters:

Pennington, James J. 2021. “Jinguistics in Croatia, past and present”, *Balkanistica* 34, 121-146.

Pennington, James J. Forthcoming, 2021. “Today’s Grammaticalization Theory is Yesterday’s Grammaticalization: A(nother) Strike Against the Unidirectionality Hypothesis”. In: Alan Timberlake & Steven Franks, *Festschrift for Peter Kosta*, Peter Lang, xx-xx.

Pennington, James J. 2019a. “Introduction.” In: Pennington, James J., Victor A. Friedman & Lenore A. Grenoble, *And Thus You Are Everywhere Honored: Studies Dedicated to Brian D. Joseph*. Bloomington: Slavica Publishers, 1-6.

- Pennington, James J. 2019b. "What Controversy? Word-Final Nasal Delabialization in Čakavian and Its Repercussions for Lexical Diffusion Theory." In: Pennington, James J., Victor A. Friedman & Lenore A. Grenoble, *And Thus You Are Everywhere Honored: Studies Dedicated to Brian D. Joseph*. Bloomington: Slavica Publishers, 287-300.
- Pennington, James J. 2013. "Wackernagel's Looking Glass: The Mirror Principle and BCS Adjectival Long-Form Allomorphy." *Scando-Slavica*, 59(2), 234-249.
- Pennington, James J. 2012. "If the U Fits: An Orthographic Anomaly in the Miroslav Gospel." *Palaeoslavica: International Journal for the Study of Slavic Medieval Literature, History, Language and Ethnology* 20.1 (2012): 277-290.
- Pennington, J. 2012. "The Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Adnominal Possessive Dative at the Syntax-Pragmatics Interface." *Slavia Centralis* 2012(1). Mariboru. Slovenia, 104-121.

Books/Monographs:

- Pennington, James, J., Victor A. Friedman & Lenore A. Grenoble, (eds.), 2019. *And Thus You Are Everywhere Honored: Studies Dedicated to Brian D. Joseph*. Bloomington: Slavica Publishers, (ISBN-10: 089357497X ISBN-13: 978-0893574970), 460 pp.
- Pennington, James J. 2011. "The Synchrony and Diachrony of Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Adjectival Long-form Allomorphy. Unpublished dissertation, The Ohio State University.

Book Reviews:

- Darden, Bill J. Studies in Phonological Theory and Historical Linguistics. *Russian Language Journal*, 2019(2), pp. 159-162.
- Šipka, Danko. 2020. Lexical Layers of Identity: Words, Meaning, and Culture in the Slavic Languages. *The Slavic and Eastern European Journal*, vol. 2, 2020, pp. 137-139.

Blind Reviews

Collaboration with *Diachronica* and Brill Academic Publishers as an expert on Slavic and Balkan historical linguistics and sociolinguistics. Occasionally receive articles and volumes for blind review.

Translated Books

- Pavišić, Tanja. 2019. [Serbian-English]. *Kunbaja*, Sarajevo: Art Rabic, pp. 399.

Conference Presentations (Peer Reviewed)

International

“From Old Novgorod to the Balkans: Debunking Grammaticalization Theory in the Slavic Context”. Paper presented at the Central Slavic Conference, March 13, 2021.

“Cyclical suppletion in Slavic: What priming effects reveal about velar alternations in Czech and Bosnian, Croatian, Montenegrin, Serbian,” Paper presented at the (virtual) Slavic Linguistics Society 15, September 4-6, 2020.

“Surprise, Surprise, Surprise, ... Surprise! Bosnian-Croatian-Montenegrin-Serbian also Ø an (Ad)mirative!!” Slavic Linguistics Society, 14, September 14, 2019. Postdam, Germany.

“Adhocities in Post-Yugoslavian Croatian Grammars: Sublimated Aversion to Historical Linguistics?”. Conference on Linguistic and Intercultural Education (CLIE) 2019, July 4, 2019. Alba Iulia, Romania.

“Pests before Pets: Digging up the Etymological Dirt on Old Russian *XOMĭKъ* ‘hamster’”. Presented at the Slavic Linguistics Society 2012. August 24, 2012. Lawrence, KS.

“Appropriating inappropriately: Potential motivators for the dialectal distribution of oblique adjectival long forms (ALFs) in contemporary BCS”- Presented at the 17th Balkan & South Slavic Conference, April 15-18, 2010, Columbus, OH.

“Sympathy for the Dative: A Case Stacking Constraint in BCS. Presented at the 5th Slavic Linguistics Society meeting. Chicago, IL, 2010.

“Proposing a Theory of Word Formation and its Application to Greek Sports Terminology”- Presented at the 9th International Conference on Greek Linguistics, October 29-31, 2009, Chicago, IL.

“The Triplets of Belgrade: Pronominal Variation in Present-Day Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian”- Presented at the 3rd Slavic Linguistics Society meeting June 12-14, 2008, Columbus, OH.

“*Chewing* on the BCS Future”- Presented at the Second Slavic Linguistic Society 2nd annual meeting, August 22, 2007, Berlin, Germany.

National

“Pests before Pets: the Etymology of 'hamster' and Nationalizing Tendencies in Slavic Linguistics.” Presented at the Central Slavic Conference 56th Annual Meeting, October 2017.

“Trubachev vs. Vasmer. Revisiting Some Peculiar Etymologies in Light of Soviet Language Policy.” Presented at the Midwest Slavic Conference. March 31, 2012.

“Wackernagel’s Looking Glass: BCS adjectival long-form allomorphy (ALFA) and the Mirror Principle. Paper to be presented at the 31st Annual Chicago Slavic Forum, Chicago, IL, May 13-15th, 2010. University of Chicago

“If the *U* Fits: “Yusage” in the *Miroslav Gospel*”- Presented at the 2nd Southeast European Studies Association (SEESA) conference, April 28-29, 2005, Columbus, OH.

“Satori in St. Petersburg? Misanthropy and Enlightenment in Dostoevsky’s *The Notes from the Underground* and *A Dream of a Ridiculous Man*”- Presented at the 2004 Midwest Slavic Conference, April 2004, Columbus, OH.

Regional

“Russian Etymology and its Connection to Central Asian Studies”
2018 WISLI Joint Student Conference, June 30, 2018. Madison, Wisconsin.

“The Sovietization (?) of Initial /h/ in Slavic and the Etymology of ‘hamster’.
Presented at the OSU Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium, January 17, 2013.
Columbus, OH

“Inflectional Variation in BCS: A Sociolinguistic Perspective”- Presented at the 7th Graduate Colloquium on Slavic Linguistics, October 2009, Columbus, OH.

“Allomorphy in the BCS Adjectival Paradigm”- Presented at the 6th Graduate Colloquium on Slavic Linguistics, October 2008, Columbus, OH.

“The Phonetic Reduction of the BCS Future Auxiliary *ću*: A Diachronic Perspective”- Presented at the 5th Graduate Colloquium on Slavic Linguistics, October 2007, Columbus, OH.

“Scribal Practice in the 12th Century Serbian *Miroslav Gospel*”- Presented at the 4th Graduate Colloquium on Slavic Linguistics, October 2006, Columbus, OH.

Invited Talks

“Adhocities in Post-Yugoslavian Croatian Grammars: Sublimated Aversion to Historical Linguistics?”. Talk given for the Belgrade Open School, Belgrade, Serbia. August 2019.

“What the L: “Pests before Pets: the Etymology of 'hamster' and Nationalizing Tendencies in Slavic Linguistics.” Talk given at Miami University, October 2017.

“Historical Linguistic Convergence between Slavic, Indo-European, and Turkic: a Closer Look at the Slavic Lexicon”. Invited talk given at Arizona State University. June 2011.

“Beasts that Go Bump in the Slavic Night: an Overview of the Monsters of Eastern Europe.” Invited talk given at Arizona State University. July 2011.

Works in Progress

“*Jer Wars* or *Yod(a)* in the Coda: An Investigation of End-Stressed Soft-Stem Nouns in Slavic in BCS and Russian.”

“*Predicting Mobile Stress in Russian: The Moscow School of Accentology and its Application to Russian Language Pedagogy.*”

“Suppletion in Slavic: Investigating irregular paradigms through the prism of cognitive linguistics.”

International Research and Travel Experience:

2002-05: Moscow, Russia (2002), St. Petersburg, Russia (2005); Independent travel to: Belgium, Denmark, England, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Mexico, St. Lucia

2006: Worked for the non-profit community *Emmaus* in Nice, France (4 months)

2007: Czech Republic, Slovakia

2008: Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany

2009: Bosnia, Croatia, Germany, Italy, Kosova, Macedonia

2010: Bosnia, Croatia, England, Serbia, Kosova (dissertation research)

2011: Turkey

2013-2015: Czech Republic, Germany, Serbia, Macedonia, Bulgaria, Greece, Montenegro

2016-17: Bulgaria, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia

2018-2019: Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Ireland, The Netherlands, Romania, Serbia. Turkey

2020: Turkey