



სოციოლინგვისტიკის საზაფხულო სკოლა, თსუ, 21-26 ივლისი, 2025

Summer School in Sociolinguistics, TSU, July 21–26, 2025

21 July

9.00 Opening Ceremony

Acad. Jaba Samushia - Tbilisi State University Rector

Prof. Darejan Tvaltvadze - Dean of the Faculty of Humanities

Prof. Giorgi Alibegashvili - Head of the State Language Department

State Language Strategy of Georgia

Slots Date	21 July	22 July	23 July	24 July
Independent Slot	9.30 – 11.00	9.30 – 11.00	9.30-11.30	9.30-11.30
LANGUAGE IN (POST)COLONIAL SETTING Henning Radke Amsterdam University	Language and Colonialism. Colonial language policies and linguistic hierarchies. Language shift, maintenance, and loss. Pidgins, creoles, and mixed languages	Power, Identity, and Resistance. Language as a tool of control and liberation. Indigenous language revitalization	Postcolonial Language Policies. Official and national languages in independent states. Educational policies: monolingualism vs. multilingualism	Globalization and Linguistic Futures. English as the only global language? Digital communication and postcolonial languages
11.00 -11.30 Coffee Break				
Independent Slot	11.30 – 13.00	11.30 – 13.00	11.30 – 13.00	11.30 – 13.00
HISTORICAL SOCIOLINGUISTICS AND MULTILINGUALISM Matthias Kappler University of Ca’ Foscari	Theoretical frames about a historical perspective in sociolinguistics	Diachronic aspects of language contact and multilingualism.	Substratum, language shift, elite multilingualism.	Case studies I (mainly from the Ottoman Empire) Case studies II (Cyprus)
13.00-14.00 Lunch				
Parrallel Slots	14.00 – 15.30	14.00 – 15.30	14.00 – 15.30	14.00 – 15.30
SECOND LANGUAGE	Introduction to the Field. The goals of Language	Teaching Grammar, Vocabulary, Writing and	Learner Strategies in SLA. Individual Learner Differences	The Native Speaker Norm. Teaching Styles

SOCIOLINGUISTICS Dick Smakman Leiden University	Teaching. Models of L2 Learning	Pronunciation		
LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS OF THE CAUCASUS Thomas Wier Tbilisi Open University	What are Caucasian languages? (Linguistic Geography; the Caucasus as a classical residual zone)	Structures - sounds and shapes (phonological and morphosyntactic features of Caucasian languages)	Origins and diversity (areal, historical and typological questions of the Caucasus as a Sprachbund)	Multilingualism, Gender, and Language death
15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break				
Independent Slot	16.00 – 17.30	16.00 – 17.30	16.00 – 17.30	16.00 – 17.30
LANGUAGE SITUATION IN GEORGIA Tinatin Bolkvadze Tbilisi State University	Retrieval of sociolinguistic data from modern and old sources	Elaboration and codification of literary language norms	Monolingualism, bilingualism and diglossia in Georgia	Sociolinguistic questionnaires and analyses of survey results
25 July 11.00-15.00	Student Presentations Closing Ceremony Awarding of certificates			
26 July 9.00-	Excursion, Banquet			