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Research Interests

My research centralises around the San people in Southern Africa, otherwise known as Bushmen. My thesis falls into the category of Anthropological Linguistics and is ethnographic in nature, focusing on language attitudes and language use of the !Xun and Khwe speakers of Platfontein.

I have also worked with the Ju/'hoan people from the Tsumkwe region of Namibia in creating a children's Ju/'hoan picture dictionary, which is trilingual, offering translations from Ju/'hoan into Afrikaans and English.

Other Information

I have worked internationally in Spain, Italy, Australia and the Republic of Kiribati in the South Pacific, during which time I completed my Masters in Applied Linguistics at Griffith University, Australia (Brisbane). I also have a Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA) from Cambridge University which I have used to aide my understanding of language teaching as well as conduct research in code-switching and language teaching pedagogy of culturally and linguistically diverse classes. My classroom research and analysis has centralised around students who have come from a refugee background namely, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Burundi, Burma (Karen students in particular) and Thailand. During my time spent in the island country of Kiribati I was involved in an AusAIDE program teaching Academic English for Nurses using the International Second Language Proficiency Rating (ISLPR) system as well as teaching life skills for students leaving the island to pursue a career in Australia or New Zealand. I am currently pursuing my PhD at UKZN.

Qualifications

Master of Arts – Linguistics - Griffith University, Australia (2008).

Honours – Linguistics – University of KwaZulu Natal, South Africa (2006).

Bachelor of Arts – Linguistics and Psychology – University of KwaZulu Natal (2005).

CELTA – Cambridge University, United Kingdom (2003).

Research Grants

South African Netherlands Research Programme on Alternatives in Development (SANPAD) (2011/2012)

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