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Research interests

corpus linguistics; (critical) discourse analysis; im/politeness; mock politeness; sarcasm and irony; representation of migrants/migration; media discourse; political discourse; persuasion; nostalgia; absence & silence in discourse

Current employment 09/2013 – present

Employer: University of Sussex, School of English
Position: Professor of Discourse and Persuasion (since 2023)
Previous positions at Sussex: Lecturer in English Language and Linguistics (2013-2018); Senior Lecturer in English Language and Linguistics (2018-2023)

Previous posts

10.2016 - 01.2017 Visiting Researcher, Lancaster University
09.2009 - 08.2013 Senior Lecturer in English Language and Linguistics, School of Languages and Area Studies, University of Portsmouth (Lecturer from 09.2009-12.2011).
10.2005 - 08.2009 Research Fellow in English Language and Linguistics, Faculty of Political Science, Siena University
10.2005 - 08.2009 Lecturer and convenor of 'Evaluation in Political Discourse', 'The Structures of English' and 'UK Newspaper Discourse', Siena University (part-time)
01.2004 - 02.2009 Lecturer in TESOL for the English language pathway in the School of Specialisation for Secondary Education and coordinator of the online component (part-time)
03.2001 - 09.2005 English Language Lecturer, University Language Centre, Siena University
11.2004 - 06.2008 Business English teacher, Monte dei Paschi di Siena Bank (part-time)
08.2003 - 09.2003 Pre-sessional Lecturer in EAP, University of Warwick
08.2002 - 09.2002 Pre-sessional Lecturer in EAP, University of Warwick
06.2002 - 08.2002 English Language Lecturer, Henan University, Luoyang, China (summer school)
09.2000 - 02.2001 English Language Teacher, The Oxford School, Siena
09.1999 - 08.2000 English Language Teacher, Academia Britannica, Arezzo

Education

2015 PhD Linguistics, Lancaster University (Topic: Mock Politeness in English and Italian)
2005 MA TESOL, Sheffield Hallam University
2001 Cambridge ESOL DELTA, British Language Centre, Madrid
1999 Cambridge ESOL CELTA, Huddersfield Technical College
1999 BA (Hons) English and Italian Literature (2:1), University of Warwick

Research funding/awards

Challenging the us and them: Rethinking Experiences of Outward Migration and Public Attitudes Towards Immigration in Europe. British Academy. 2022-2023.
European Partnership Development Fellowship. University of Sussex/University of Bologna. 2022-2023.

Participation in funded research projects

Experiments in Democracy. University of Torino. 2022-2023.

Interpreting British Populism, Research Opportunities Fund, University of Sussex. 2015.
Key Words in European Migration Discourses, a networking project financed under the 'Sociétés plurielles' funding initiative, Université Sorbonne-Paris-Cité. 2015.
Researching and Documenting Key Words in European Migration Discourses, a Research Development Award financed by the AHRC, 2012.
Integrated and united? A quest for citizenship in an 'Ever Closer Europe', financed by the European Union within the scope of the 6th Framework Programme, www.intune.it 2005-2009
Corpora and discourse: A quantitative and qualitative linguistic analysis of political and media discourse on the conflict in Iraq in 2003, a national research project involving the universities of Siena, Bologna, and LUISS in Rome financed by the Italian ministry for Education, 2004-2006.
The AICLU project for Linguistic Competence Certification in Italian Universities, a national research project involving nine Italian universities, financed by the Italian ministry for Education, <http://www.aiclu.it/cerclu/>
In the eyes of the beholder: Anti-Americanism in Western Europe and the United States during the recent Iraq crisis, an interdisciplinary project financed by Siena University, 2005-2007.

Contribution to research community

Review for research funding / national research evaluations

Panel member for distribution of research funding

- UKRI ESRC Commissioning Panel (2023-2024)
- UKRI Talent Peer Review College (2023- present)
- Expert panel member for evaluation of funding applications to sub-area 'Culture and Cultural Production', National Science Centre, Poland (2019, 2021, 2022)

Reviewer of funding applications:

- Austrian Science Fund (2024)
- Crisis – Perspectives from the Humanities (organised jointly by CHANSE and HERA) (2024)
- Science Fund of the Republic of Serbia (2023)
- Italian Ministry of Education (Research Projects of National Relevance) (2023)
- Fund for Scientific Research (F.R.S.-FNRS), Belgium (2023)
- Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation – 2022)
- The American University of Sharjah, United Arab Emirates (2022)
- Leverhulme Research Council (2022)
- Research Council of the Université catholique de Louvain (2021)
- AHRC (2020)
- Polish National Science Centre (2015,2020,2023)
- ESRC (2013)
- Expert reviewer for the Italian Ministry of Education's 2016 'Evaluation of Research Quality' (equivalent to UK REF)

Editorial work

Co-editor of *Journal of Corpora and Discourse*

Member of the editorial board for the following journals: *Applied Corpus Linguistics*; *Corpora*; *Discourse, Context & Media*; *Journal of Corpora and Discourse Studies*; *Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict*; *Journal of Language and Discrimination*; *Journal of Language and Politics*

Member of the editorial board for the Cambridge University Press book series *Elements in Corpus Linguistics* and the Bloomsbury series *Corpus and Discourse*

Chief-editor of *CADAAD Journal* & member of the executive committee for CADAAD, 2016-2020.

During my period as editor, I introduced book reviews, added a shared job role for review editor, made the editorial post a shared role, moved the journal to a new platform, formalised payment

for the copy-editor, introduced a yearly special issue and widened the pool of peer reviewers to make it more accessible and representative.

Peer review

Reviewer of book proposals and manuscripts for Bloomsbury, Cambridge University Press, John Benjamins, Palgrave Macmillan, Routledge

Reviewer for *Applied Linguistics*; *CADAAD Journal*; *Corpora*; *Critical Discourse Studies*; *Discourse, Context & Media*; *Discourse & Society*; *ESP across Cultures*; *Humor*; *International Journal of Applied Linguistics*; *International Journal of Corpus Linguistics*; *International Journal of English Studies*; *International Studies Quarterly*; *Journal of Corpora and Discourse*; *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*; *Journal of Politeness Research*; *Journal of Pragmatics*; *Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict*; *Journal of Risk Research*; *Journal of Specialised Translation*; *Journalism*; *Language & Communication*; *Language & Gender*; *Language Sciences*; *Lingua*; *Linguistics: An interdisciplinary journal of language sciences*; *Medical Humanities*; *Metaphor & Symbol*; *Research in Corpus Linguistics*; *Sage Open*; *Sexuality and Gender*; *SKASE Journal of Theoretical Linguistics*; *System*; *Text & Talk*; *Textus*

Conference organisation

Lead organiser of *Approaches to Migration, Language & Identity* conference (University of Sussex 2021). Three-day online conference with c. 200 delegates and 8000 views of the free-to-access website during the conference.

Lead organiser of *Corpora & Discourse* (University of Sussex 2020, revised to online format due to Covid-19). Three-day online conference with c. 250 delegates.

Member of the Scientific and Organising committees for *Corpora & Discourse* (University of Bologna 2022; University of Siena 2016; University of Bologna 2012); *Language in the Real World* (University of Portsmouth, 2012).

Member of the Scientific Committee for *Corpus Linguistics 2021*, University of Limerick; *CADAAD 2020*, Huddersfield University; *Corpus Linguistics 2019*, University of Cardiff; *Corpus Linguistics 2017*, University of Birmingham; *ICAME38* (2017), Charles University, Prague; *Corpus Linguistics 2015*, Lancaster University; *International Conference on Corpus Linguistics and Technological Advancement 2015*, Hong Kong Institute of Education.

Publications (2014-2024)

Books

Taylor, C. & F. Heritage (eds). 2024. *Analysing Representation: A corpus and discourse textbook*. Routledge

Dunmore, S., Krosiak & C. Taylor, C. (eds). 2024. *Language and Identity in Contexts of Migration*. Routledge.

Taylor, C. & A. Marchi (eds.). 2018. *Corpus Approaches to Discourse: A critical review*. Routledge. (Reviewed in *Applied Linguistics*, *Discourse Studies*, *Critical Discourse Studies*)

Schroeter, M. & C. Taylor (eds). 2018. *Exploring Silence and Absence in Discourse: Empirical approaches*. Palgrave Macmillan. (Reviewed in *Discourse Studies*; *European Journal of Communication*; *Language in Society*)

Partington, A. & C. Taylor. 2017. *The Language of Persuasion in Politics*. Routledge.

Taylor, C. 2016. *Mock Politeness in English and Italian: A corpus-assisted metalanguage analysis*. Pragmatics and Beyond Series, John Benjamins. (Reviewed in *Corpus Pragmatics*, *Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict*).

Duguid, A., A. Marchi, A. Partington & C. Taylor (eds) 2015. *Gentle Obsessions: Literature, Linguistics and Learning: In Honour of John Morley*. Roma: Artemide Edizioni.

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- Taylor, C. 2022. The affordances of metaphor for diachronic CADS: WATER metaphors & migration. *International Journal of Corpus Linguistics*. [online first]
- Taylor, C. & J. Kidgell. 2021. Metaphors of flu-like pandemics pre-Covid. *Discourse, Context & Media* 41.
- Taylor, C. 2021. Metaphors of migration over time. *Discourse & Society* 32(4): 463-481.
- Taylor, C. & D. del Fante. 2020. Comparing across languages in corpus and discourse analysis: some issues and approaches. Special issue of *Meta* 65(1): 29-50.
- Taylor, C. 2020. Representing the Windrush generation: Metaphor in discourses then and now. *Critical Discourse Studies* 17:1, 1-21.
- Jiayi, W. & C. Taylor. 2019. The conventionalisation of mock politeness in British & Chinese online forums. Special issue of *Journal of Pragmatics* 142: 270-280.
- Taylor, C. 2017. Women are bitchy but men are sarcastic?: Investigating gender and sarcasm. *Language and Gender* 11(3): 415-445.
- Taylor, C. 2017. The relationship between irony and sarcasm: Insights from a first-order metalanguage investigation. *Journal of Politeness Research* 13(2): 1612-5681.
- Taylor, C. 2016. Mock politeness and culture: Perceptions and practice. *Intercultural Pragmatics* 13(4): 463-498.
- Taylor, C. 2015. Beyond sarcasm: The metalanguage and structures of mock politeness. *Journal of Pragmatics* 87: 127-141.
- Taylor, C. 2014. Investigating the representation of migrants in the UK and Italian press: A cross-linguistic corpus-assisted discourse analysis. *International Journal of Corpus Linguistics* 19 (3): 368-400.

Book chapters

- Taylor, C. 2023. Disinformation & migration discourses. In Maci, M., Demata, M. (Eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Disinformation*. Routledge.
- Taylor, C. 2021. How to use corpus linguistics in the study of political discourse. In A. O'Keeffe & M. McCarthy (Eds.). *The Routledge Handbook of Corpus Linguistics*. Routledge pp. 602-614.
- Taylor, C. 2021. Investigating gendered language through collocation: The case of mock politeness. In J. Baxter and J. Angouri (Eds.). *The Routledge Handbook of Language, Gender and Sexuality*. Routledge pp 572-586.
- Taylor, C. 2019. Conflict and categorisation: A corpus & discourse study of naming participants in forced migration. In L. Jeffries & J. Driscoll. *The Routledge Handbook of Language & Conflict*. Routledge pp 128-144
- Schröter, M., M. Veniard, C. Taylor & A. Blätte. 2019. A comparative analysis of the keyword multicultural(ism) in French, British, German and Italian migration discourse. In Andreas Musolff & Lorella Viola (eds.), *Migration and Media: Crisis Communication about immigration in Europe and the world*. John Benjamins. pp.13-44
- Taylor, C. 2018. Similarity. In Taylor, C. & A. Marchi (eds.). *Corpus Approaches to Discourse: A critical review*. Routledge pp 19-37.
- Taylor, C. 2017. Togetherness or othering?: COMMUNITY and *comunità* in the UK and Italian press. In J. Chovanec & K. Molek-Kozakowska (Eds.) *Representing the Other in European Media Discourses*. John Benjamins. pp.55-80
- Taylor, C. 2015. Irony and sarcasm: British behaviours? In Duguid, A., A. Marchi, A. Partington & C. Taylor (Eds.), *Gentle Obsessions: Literature, Linguistics and Learning: In Honour of John Morley*. Artemide Edizioni.

Keynote papers

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- Diachronic perspectives on migration discourses*. Roundtable on representing migrations. University of Castellon. 19-20 April 2024
- WATER metaphors in the press: What's the norm?*. Waterphors. University of Lyon, 4-5 April 2024

Discourse, memory and migration. Language and Memory. Nottingham Trent University. 5-6 June 2023

'Long-distance' corpus & discourse studies. Corpus and Discourse. University of Bologna, August 2022

Speaking to the present: Contemporary resonance of historical news discourse. Conference on Historical News Discourse (CHINED). University of Augsburg, June 16-18, 2022

Nostalgia in migration discourses. Centre for Language and Communication Research (CLCR) PGR conference, Cardiff University, June 2022

Metaphors of migration: Continuity & change in the British press 1800-2018. Text and language analysis from a diachronic perspective: corpus and discourse insights. University of Modena, 22 November 2019

Mock politeness: Probing the gap between perceptions and practice, Warwick International Conference in Applied Linguistics, University of Warwick, 24-25 June 2019

Comparing across languages in corpus and discourse analysis: some issues and approaches. 4th International Roundtable on Discourse Analysis and Translation and Interpreting Studies. Alcala University, Spain, 13-14 November 2018

Blind spots and dusty corners: (self)-reflections on partiality in corpus & discourse studies. Corpus & Discourse International Conference 2018. Lancaster University, 22-24 June 2018 [co-presented with Anna Marchi]

The state of the art in corpus and gender research. BAAL Corpus Special Interest Group. Oxford Brookes University, 18 May 2018

Apples and oranges? Comparing across multilingual corpora, Corpus Linguistics & Multilingualism, Birkbeck, 4 March 2017

Language & gender: The corpus linguistics contribution 10 years on. BAAL Language, Gender and Sexuality Special Interest Group, Liverpool Hope University. 8 April 2016

Invited talks

The structural role of nostalgia in migration discourses. Manchester Metropolitan University. 2024

Failure and falsification. University of Pisa. May 2024

Discourse, memory & migration. Discourse and Text research group, Lancaster University. 2023

Names, constructs and concepts. Theories and methods for the corpus-assisted analysis of discourse: from language that denotes to language that expresses phenomena. Summer school, University of Bologna, September 2023. [three-day workshop]

Metaphors of migration. University of Innsbruck. June 2023.

Rhetorics of nostalgia in political discourse. University of Dortmund, January 2023.

Migration discourses and metaphor. University of Oslo, November 2022

Applying corpus linguistics to investigate nostalgia in migration discourses. University of Leeds, November 2022

Corpus Linguistics and discourses of migration. Corpus Linguistics and Applied Linguistics Research Seminar Series, Universidad de Murcia, November 2022

Disinformation & migration discourses. Discourse and Corpus Research (DISCORE) Group, Middle East Technical University, May 2022

Migration discourses and nostalgia. Hong Kong University, March 2022

Metaphors of influenza pre-covid. University of Catania, February 2022

Corpora in discourse analysis. [Lancaster Symposium on Innovation in Corpus Linguistics](#), Lancaster University, June 2021

Organising Virtual Conferences. 16 September 2020. <https://eng.inn.no/conferences/organizing-virtual-conferences>

Metaphors of migration in the British press 1800-2018. Edgehill University, March 2020. [postponed due to COVID-19]

Metaphors of migration: 200 years of discourse framing. University of Warwick, 16 October 2019

Representing the Windrush generation: Then and now, University of the West of England. 5 December 2018

Discourse keywords of migration: The case of community. Language & Power Research Group, University of Kent and Canterbury Christchurch University, 15 March 2017

Mock politeness: Perceptions vs practice, University of Reading, 14 February 2017

Mock politeness: Perceptions vs practice, Edgehill University, 27 October 2016

A short history of corpus linguistics. University of Lancaster, 14 July 2016

'You shall know a word by the company it keeps': Applying collocation analysis to investigate the relationship between language and gender. King's College London. 3 June 2016

Conspicuous by absence? UCREL, University of Lancaster 29 February 2016.

Mock politeness: Perceptions and Practice. University College London, 2 December 2015.

Analysing absence: some whys and hows. Language, text and power research group, University of Reading, 16 October 2012.

Corpus approaches to similarities and differences: the representation of BOY and GIRL in the nineties and noughties. Research on language and linguistics seminars, University of Sussex, 17 May 2010.

Some knotty problems working with corpus data. Siena English Language and Linguistics Seminars, Siena University, 30 January 2009

Anti-Americanism. Euromasters & TransAtlantic Masters Program, Siena University, March 2008.

Exploiting internet resources in language teaching. Scientific High School Galilei, Siena, March 2006

Teaching exam preparation courses. The New Oxford School, Siena, 3 December 2005.

Guest workshops

Investigating nostalgia. Theories and methods for the corpus-assisted analysis of discourse: from language that denotes to language that expresses phenomena. Summer school, University of Bologna, September 2023. [three-day workshop]

Doing critical discourse analysis. Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, Indonesia, 17-19 July 2023. [three-day workshop]

Masterclass in corpus-assisted discourse studies: Investigating impoliteness. University of Bologna, May 2023 [guest lecture and seminar]

Analysing political discourse. University of Valencia, 3-4 February 2020. [two-day workshop]

English language and politics. University of Valencia, 5-6 March 2019 [two-day workshop]

Corpus pragmatics. University of East Anglia, 14 July 2017 [one-day workshop for CHASE network]

Conference papers

I have presented at 40 conferences in the period 2005-2024 in Austria, Germany, France, Greece, Italy, Poland, Switzerland, UK, and online.

Public engagement

Framing migration in political and press discourses. Politics, Critical Discourses and Narrative online conference for A-Level English teachers. *English and Media Centre*, 15th May 2024

Using corpora for discourse analysis. A-Level English Teacher Conference. *English and Media Centre*, March 2021

Framing migration: language, alignment and empathy. An in-conversation event in association with Mac Bauer's exhibition 'Mal Etre/Performance'. De La Warr Pavilion, 13 December 2020

Populist Discourse. Member of discussion panel at University of Cambridge event, 5 December 2019

How we talk about migration and why it matters. *Migrant Lives Matter*. 30 March 2019

'Research is too important to be left to researchers alone': An introduction to using corpus tools to analyse discourse. HEIF-funded workshop for non-academics/non-linguists, 27 February 2016

Migrant or refugee? Why it matters which word you choose. The Conversation, 14 September, 2015

Using corpora in translation. eCPD Webinars, 16 June 2011

Media interactions

Interview with [CorpusCast](#) (July 2024)
Interview with *Royal Geographical Society* [Get it in 10 podcast](#) (March 2024)
Interview with [Lexis podcast](#) (March 2024)
Interview with *Radio Wiltshire* on naming migrants (August 2020)
Interview with *BBC Newsbeat* on [naming migrants](#)
Interview with *The Atlantic* on [naming emigrants](#) (October 2018)

External examining of degree courses

External examiner for BA English Language, Edgehill University, 2019-2024
Chief external examiner at The School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, The American College of Greece (degrees validated with the Open University), 2020-2022
External examiner for BA English Language and Literature, The American College of Greece (degrees validated with the Open University), 2018-2022
External advisor for course approval of Pre-Master's Diploma, Canterbury Christ Church University, 2021.
External examiner for MA TEFL and MA English Language Studies, Swansea University, 2012-2016

Research degree examining

External examining

- 'Xenophobic Hate Speech in Malta', University of Malta, January 2024
- 'Words as Deeds: Gender and Feminist Discourse in British Suffrage Periodicals (1907-1914)', University of Milan, December 2023
- 'From 'homosexual offence' to 'LGBT community': A diachronic corpus-assisted critical discourse analysis of queer representation in The Times between 1957-2017', Lancaster University, November 2023
- 'A Critical Discourse Analysis of the Representation of Migrants on Twitter: The Case of #SaudiArabiaForTheSaudis'. Lancaster University, November 2023
- 'A corpus-assisted approach to apology-like expressions in Japanese computer-mediated discourse'. University of Bologna, June 2023
- 'A corpus-assisted discourse study of the media and political discourse in the lead up to the brexit referendum', University of Birmingham, 2022
- 'A corpus analysis of gender in the computer game series The Witcher', Lancaster University, 2020
- 'The Portrayal of The Arab Spring in online Printed Media: A Critical Discourse Analysis Study', Bangor University, 2019
- 'From prison to presidency: Evolution of Nelson Mandela's political ideology. A critical discourse analysis', University of Peshawar, 2019
- 'Media portrayals of Abrahamic religions in broadsheet newspapers: a corpus-based critical stylistic analysis', University of Huddersfield, 2018
- 'The Language of Employability: a critical corpus-based analysis of UK University web sites', University of Sunderland, 2018
- 'A cross-linguistic corpus-based study of the representation of animals in online newspapers from Romania and the UK', King's College London, 2017
- 'The representation of the Arab Spring narrative in English and Arabic news media', University of Leeds, 2017
- 'A corpus-assisted study of British newspaper discourse on the European Union and a potential membership referendum', University of Birmingham, 2015 [MRes thesis]

Internal examining

- 'Intercultural politeness: the case of first encounter interactions between international postgraduate students', University of Sussex, June 2023
- 'Evidentiality and emotionality in UK government briefings during the Covid pandemic', University of Sussex, May 2023
- 'The association of second language learning motivation and target-like production in English-major female Saudi students', University of Sussex 2021
- 'Narrative theory and the graphic novel', University of Sussex, 2017
- 'Cognitive stylistic approach to cinematic characterization', University of Sussex, 2015

Languages

English, Italian