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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- 2021 (expected) **Ph.D. in Anthropology & Linguistics**, The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, School of Anthropology and Department of Linguistics
Dissertation: Neoliberalism and linguistic practice in Amman, Jordan
Advisors: Qing Zhang and Natasha Warner
- 2018 **M.A. in Linguistics**, The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, Department of Linguistics
- 2013 **M.A. in Sociolinguistics of the Arab World**, University of Essex, Colchester, UK, Department of Languages and Linguistics
- 2012 **B.I.S in Middle Eastern Studies**, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, Middle East Institute

ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK

- 2017 **Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute**, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
- 2010-2011 **Palestine and Arabic Studies Program**, Birzeit University, Birzeit, West Bank

PUBLICATIONS (titles linked to published versions where available)

Refereed Articles and Chapters

(Accepted pending revisions)

“The voice of this coffee”: Moral economies and enduring inequality in professional barista competitions. *Signs and Society*.

(Accepted pending revisions)

The Arabic Dialect of Gaza City. *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*.

- 2018 **Cotter, William M.** and Mary-Caitlyn. Valentinsson. Bivalent class indexing in the sociolinguistics of specialty coffee talk. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 22(5): 489-515.
- 2017 Hall-Lew, Lauren, Mirjam Eiswirth, Mary-Caitlyn Valentinsson, and **William M. Cotter**. Northern Arizona Vowels. *American Speech* 92, Supplement (102)1: 59-82. (Publication of the American Dialect Society - Speech in the Western States, Volume 2: Inland West).
- 2017 **Cotter, William M.** Not-so-strange bedfellows: Language documentation and sociolinguistics in Gaza. *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 62(4): 596-613.

- 2017 **Cotter, William M.** Gaza at the margins? Legibility and indeterminacy in the Israel-Palestine conflict. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 27(1): 54-70.
- 2016 Horesh, Uri. and **William M Cotter.** Current research on linguistic variation in the Arabic speaking world. *Language and Linguistics Compass* 10(8): 370-381.
- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** (q) as a sociolinguistic variable in the Arabic of Gaza City. In Haddad, Youssef and Eric Potsdam (eds.). *Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics XXVIII. Papers from the Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics, Gainesville, Florida, 2014.* Amsterdam: John Benjamins. 229-246.
- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** One piece of the puzzle: notes on the historic interdental fricatives [t^h], [d^h], and [ð^h] in the Arabic dialect of Gaza City. *Journal of Arabic and Islamic Studies* 16: 149-162.
- 2015 **Cotter, William M.** and Uri Horesh. Social integration and dialect divergence in coastal Palestine. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 19(4): 460-483.

Book Chapters

(to appear)

Cotter, William M. Dialect Contact and Phonological Change. In Lucas, Chris and Stefano Manfredi (eds). *Arabic and contact-induced change: A handbook.* Berlin: Language Science Press.

(to appear)

Haeri, Niloofar and **William M Cotter.** Form and Ideology Revisited. In Al-Wer, Enam and Uri Horesh (eds). *The Routledge Handbook of Arabic Sociolinguistics.* New York: Routledge.

(to appear)

Cotter, William M. and de Jong, Rudolf E. Regional Variation. In Al-Wer, Enam and Uri Horesh (eds). *The Routledge Handbook of Arabic Sociolinguistics.* New York: Routledge.

Conference Proceedings

- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** A sociophonetic account of morphophonemic variation in Palestinian Arabic. *Proceedings of Meetings on Acoustics* 26: 060001.

Encyclopedia Entries

(to appear)

Cotter, William M. Linguistic diversity and plurality in the Middle East and North Africa. In James Stanlaw (ed). *The International Encyclopedia of Linguistic Anthropology.* Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

- 2015 Horesh, Uri. and **William M. Cotter.** Sociolinguistics of Palestinian Arabic. In Edzard, Lutz and Rudolf de Jong (eds.) *Encyclopedia of Arabic Language and Linguistics (Online).* Leiden: Brill.

Book Reviews

- 2018 **Cotter, William M.** Thank You for Dying for Our Country: Commemorative Texts and Performances in Jerusalem. Chaim Noy. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015. 274 pp. Hb (9780199398973) US \$105.00 / Pb (9780199398980) US \$41.95. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 28(2): 243-44.

- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** Language and Identity in Modern Egypt. Reem Bassiouney. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2014. 416 pp. Hb (9780748689644) US \$120.00 / Pb (9780748699940) US \$40.00. *Al-'Arabiyya* 49: 163-166.
- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** Making Waves: the Story of Variationist Sociolinguistics. Sali Tagliamonte. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, 2015. 224 pp. Hb (9781118455166) US \$99.95 / Pb (9781118455166) US \$54.95. *LINGUIST List* 27.3402.
- 2015 **Cotter, William M.** Language, Migration, and Identity: Neighborhood talk in Indonesia. Zane Goebel. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010. 240 pp. Hb (9780521519915) US \$103.00 / Pb (9780521519915) US \$45.99. *LINGUIST List*: 26.1967.

Web-based Publications

- 2018 **Cotter, William M.** Author Interview with Alex E. Chavez about Sounds of Crossing: Music, Migration, and the Aural Poetics of Huapango Arribeno. Durham: Duke University Press. *CaMP Anthropology*.
- 2017 **Cotter, William M.** Do Military Leaflets Save Lives or Just Instill Fear? *SAPIENS Magazine*.
- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** and Mary-Caitlyn Valentinsson. A seat at the bar: Issues of race and class in the world of specialty coffee. *Anthropologies 22: thoughts on food, animals, and anthropology* as part of *Anthrodendum*.
- 2014 **Cotter, William M.** Navigating the Ph.D. Application Season. *GradHacker - Inside Higher Education*.

Other Publications

- 2016 **Cotter, William M.** Political conflict as a catalyst for language change: The case of Palestinian Arabic. *Babel - The Language Magazine* 14: 38-44.

GRANTS and FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019 Bilinski Foundation Fellowship, Bilinski Educational Foundation (\$29600)
- 2018 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, Cultural Anthropology Program, National Science Foundation (Award 1823719). Co-PI; PI: Natasha Warner (\$4460, direct costs).
- 2018 U.S. Student Fulbright Research Grant - Jordan, United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. (\$29600)
- 2018 Research Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$1000)
- 2018 Travel Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$945)
- 2018 Dissertation Grant, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute (SBSRI), University of Arizona (\$1989)
- 2018 Research Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$1000)
- 2017 Travel Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$750)
- 2017 Fellowship, Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Kentucky (\$1990)
- 2017 Travel Grant, Arabic and Contact Induced Change Workshop, International Conference on Historical Linguistics, School of Oriental and African Studies (\$500)
- 2016 Professional Opportunities Development Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$1500)
- 2016 Travel Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$750)
- 2016 Research Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$1000)

- 2016 Student Travel Grant, Acoustical Society of America (\$145)
- 2016 Travel Grant, New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAY) 45, University of Victoria and Simon Fraser University (\$530)
- 2016 Travel Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$750)
- 2015 Pre-doctoral Research Grant, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute (SBSRI), University of Arizona (\$500)
- 2015 Travel Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$750)
- 2015 Research Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$1740)
- 2015 Postgraduate Student Bursary, Forum for Arabic Linguistics, University of Essex (\$183)
- 2014 Professional Opportunities Development Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$1500)
- 2014 Graduate Access Fellowship, Graduate College, University of Arizona (\$10000)
- 2014 Graduate Fellowship, Graduate College, University of Arizona (\$6000)

AWARDS and HONORS

- 2018 Ethnographic Poetry award (Second Place), Society for Humanistic Anthropology, American Anthropological Association (\$75)
- 2018 Research Award, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$300)
- 2018 Professional meeting award, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$200)
- 2018 Travel Award, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$200)
- 2017 Graduate Student Paper Award, Society for Linguistic Anthropology (Honorable Mention)
- 2017 Professional meeting award, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$660)
- 2017 Traditions Scholarship, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$420)
- 2017 Travel Award, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$300)
- 2017 Professional meeting award, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$1580)
- 2017 Travel Award, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$200)
- 2017 Blue Chip Faculty and Staff Appreciation Award (Teaching), University of Arizona
- 2017 Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership Award, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona (\$125)
- 2016 Travel Award, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$200)
- 2016 Travel Award, Center for Middle East Studies, University of Arizona (\$250)
- 2016 Professional meeting award, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$1600)
- 2016 Traditions Scholarship, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$384)
- 2015 Professional meeting award, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$600)
- 2015 Travel Award, Center for Middle East Studies, University of Arizona (\$250)
- 2015 Professional meeting award, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$1600)
- 2015 Traditions Scholarship, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona (\$1600)
- 2015 Graduate Scholarship, Center for Middle East Studies, University of Arizona (\$100)
- 2014 Travel Award, Center for Middle East Studies, University of Arizona (\$250)
- 2014 Travel Award, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$125)
- 2014 Graduate Scholarship, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona (\$2739)
- 2013 Young Scholars Award, Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe (AIDA) (\$260)

INVITED TALKS

- 2019 Codeswitching, The University of Jordan, February XX
- 2017 Race and Class in the Language of Coffee, Western Kentucky University, November 20

- 2017 Undergraduate Workshop on Graduate School & Career Prospects, Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Kentucky, July 12
- 2014 Gaza: The effect of space, violence, and displacement on Palestinian Arabic, Northwestern University, October 27
- 2014 Learning Arabic, Learning Palestine, Middle East Institute, Georgia State University, October 9
- 2014 w/Uri Horesh - Language variation and change in two Palestinian Arabic varieties: Gaza and Jaffa, University of Chicago Workshop on Language Variation and Change, February 10
- 2013 Gaza City: Research, obstacles, and challenges, Northwestern University, November

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Conferences Organized

- 2018 Conference organizing committee: New Start Program, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, July 11-12
- 2017 Organizer: Sandrizona X, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, February 18-19
- 2016 Conference organizing committee: New Start Program, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, July 13-14
- 2015 Co-Organizer: Sandrizona VIII, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, February 14-15
- 2013 Organizer: Sociolinguist Essex XVIII, University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom, June 21

Panels Organized

- 2015 w/Mary-Caitlyn Valentinsson. Materiality in and Through the Lens of Food, 114th American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Denver CO, November 18-22

Papers and Posters Presented

- 2018 Investigating negative marking in Palestinian Arabic as a site of contact-induced syntactic change, 32nd Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics, Tempe AZ, February 23-25
- 2017 Voicing the farmer: moral economies and enduring inequality in the world of specialty coffee, Society for Linguistic Anthropology Graduate Student Paper Prize panel, 116th American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Washington DC, November 29 – December 3
- 2017 Sugar, we're going down: Vowel lowering in Gaza City Arabic, Workshop on Arabic and Contact-Induced Change: International Conference on Historical Linguistics, San Antonio TX, July 31 - August 4
- 2017 Refugee migration, dialect contact, and morphophonemic change in Palestinian Arabic, Linguistic Society of America annual meeting, Austin TX, January 5-8
- 2016 Morphophonemic convergence and divergence in Palestinian Arabic, Poster: New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 45, Vancouver, Canada, November 3-6
- 2016 The voice of this coffee: Negotiating the moral economy of specialty coffee in professional barista competitions, 115th American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Minneapolis MN, November 16-20
- 2016 A sociophonetic account of morphophonemic variation in Palestinian Arabic, Poster: Acoustical Society of America, Salt Lake City UT, May 23-27

- 2015 w/Mary-Caitlyn Valentinsson Indexicalities of Class in the Materiality of Coffee Talk, 114th American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Denver CO, November 18-22
- 2015 w/Uri Horesh Not-so-strange bedfellows: Language documentation and sociolinguistics in Gaza, New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 44, Toronto, Canada, October 22-25
- 2015 w/Lauren Hall Lew, Mirjam Elswirth, and Mary-Caitlyn Valentinsson Northern Arizona: Sound Change and Dialect Contact, Poster: New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 44, Toronto, Canada, October 22-25
- 2015 A heavy workload: (Q) as a marker of (supra) local identity in Gaza City, Forum for Arabic Linguistics, University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom, July 28-30
- 2015 w/Uri Horesh, Social integration and dialect divergence in coastal Palestine, Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe 11th Annual Meeting, Bucharest, Romania, May 25-28
- 2015 On the status of the interdental fricatives [t], [d], and [d.] in Gaza City, Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe 11th Annual Meeting, Bucharest, Romania, May 25-28
- 2015 Recollective Performativity and Embedded Violence in Gazan Collective Memory, 15th Annual Southwest Graduate Conference in Middle Eastern and North African Studies, Tucson AZ, March 26-28
- 2015 The Embedding of Violence in Gazan Collective Memory, Sandrizona VIII - Linguistic Anthropology Exchange, Tucson AZ, February 14-15
- 2014 Gaza City: Language variation, lesser evil, and the spatiality of violence, Discourses on Death: Conceptualizing Grief, Loss, and Transformative Interaction, Tucson AZ, November 7-8
- 2014 Examining the results of dialect contact among Palestinian communities in Gaza, Poster: New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 43, Chicago IL, October 23-26
- 2014 w/ Uri Horesh - Jaffa Palestinian Arabic: A contemporary and diasporic sociolinguistic analysis, Arabic Linguistics Symposium 28, University of Florida, Gainesville FL, March 13-15
- 2014 [gahwa] - [ʔahwa]: Examining the uvular stop (q) in the Arabic of Gaza City, Arabic Linguistics Symposium 28, University of Florida, Gainesville FL, March 13-15
- 2014 [yazza] vs [yazze]: Vowel raising in the Arabic of Gaza City, Jil Jadid Conference, University of Texas - Austin, Austin TX, February 20-21
- 2013 A sociolinguistic analysis of pausal ima:la in the Gaza Strip, Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe 10th Annual Meeting, Doha, Qatar, November 12-15
- 2013 A sociolinguistic analysis of pausal ima:la in the Gaza Strip - initial observations, SociolinguistEssex XVIII, University of Essex, United Kingdom, June 21
- 2013 SPSS and Rbrul as alternative means for statistical analysis of linguistic variation: a preliminary data- driven workshop, Workshop: LangUE International Students Conference, University of Essex, United Kingdom, June 10

DEPARTMENTAL TALKS

- 2018 Language description and sociolinguistics in the Gaza Strip, School of Middle Eastern & North African Studies, The University of Arizona, March 27

- 2016 Language contact and language change, Oman-Zanzibar teacher curriculum development program, sponsored by Fulbright-Hays and the Sultan Qaboos Cultural Center, Center for Middle East Studies - University of Arizona, February 20
- 2015 /q/ in Gaza City: Are we beating a dead horse?, Department of Linguistics, University of Arizona, February 21
- 2014 The co-construction of systematic workplace norms and authentic exchange in barista culture, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona, December 11

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record at The University of Arizona

- 2018 ANTH150B1: Many Ways of Being Human (Summer session, In person)
- 2018 ANTH383: Varieties of English (Spring session, Online)
- 2017 LING322: The Structure and Meaning of Words (Summer session, Online)
- 2017 ANTH150B1: Many Ways of Being Human (Summer session, Online)
- 2017 ANTH383: Varieties of English (Spring session, Online)
- 2016 ANTH150B1: Many Ways of Being Human (Summer session, In person)
- 2015 LING320: Language and Social Issues (Co-taught, Fall session, In person)

Graduate Teaching Assistant at The University of Arizona

- 2017 ANTH150B1: Many Ways of Being Human (Fall session, Instructor: Brian Silverstein)
- 2016 ANTH150A1: Race, Ethnicity, and the American Dream (Fall session, Instructor: Lindsey Feldman)
- 2016 ANTH150B1: Many Ways of Being Human (Spring session, Instructor: Susan Shaw)
- 2015 ANTH303: Gender and Language (Fall session, Instructor: Qing Zhang)
- 2015 ANTH150A1: Race, Ethnicity, and the American Dream (Spring session, Instructor: Maisa Taha)
- 2014 ANTH150A1: Race, Ethnicity, and the American Dream (Fall session, Instructor: Maisa Taha)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2016 University of Arizona, Research Assistant to Elizabeth Stahmer - Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute
- 2015 University of Essex, Research Assistant to Dr. Vineeta Chand and Dr. Enam Al-Wer- Department of Language and Linguistics

MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 2015 (Fall), Jacqueline Dowell & Katherine Juhlin (Undergraduate students)
- 2015 (Spring), Yara Askar & Tasnim Zahlan (Undergraduate students)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Manuscript Review

- 2019 Language & Communication
- 2018 Journal of the International Phonetic Association
- 2017 Language Variation and Change

- 2017 Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics
- 2017 Language Science Press
- 2016 Folia Linguistica
- 2016 Sociolinguistic Studies

Conference Abstract Review

- 2018 Forum for Arabic Linguistics
- 2017 Arizona Linguistics Circle
- 2016 Forum for Arabic Linguistics
- 2016 Arizona Linguistics Circle
- 2015 Arizona Linguistics Circle

UNIVERSITY and DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- 2018 Research and Projects Grant Review, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2018 Travel Grant Review, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2017 Outreach volunteer (Linguistics), Meet Your Major Fair, University of Arizona
- 2017 Travel Grant Review, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2016 Travel Grant Review, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2016 College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Representative, Graduate and Professional Student Council. University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2016 Outreach volunteer (Linguistics), Tucson Festival of Books
- 2016 Vice President, Linguistics Circle, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2015 Undergraduate Liaison, Association for Graduate Students in Anthropology, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2015 Anthropology and Linguistics program liaison, Linguistics Circle, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2015 Travel Grant Review, Graduate and Professional Student Council, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- 2014 Outreach volunteer (Linguistics), Meet Your Major Fair, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2016 Field Observer, Cyclovia, Living Streets Alliance, Tucson, AZ
- 2014 Volunteer Mechanic and Route Monitor, El Tour de Tucson, Perimeter Bicycling Association, Tucson, AZ

MEDIA COVERAGE

- 2019 **Cotter, William M.** Interview on Bliss 104.3: Feel the Music - radio interview about Arabic in Amman.

TEACHING AREAS

Introduction to Sociolinguistics
Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
Language and Society in the Middle East and North Africa
Phonetics
Varieties of English
Language and Gender
Race and Language

LANGUAGES

English: Native proficiency
Spoken Palestinian Arabic (Gaza and Jerusalem varieties): Near-native proficiency
Modern Standard Arabic: Advanced proficiency

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Acoustical Society of America
American Anthropological Association
– Society for Linguistic Anthropology, Committee on Refugees & Immigrants (CORI)
Arabic Linguistics Society
Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe
Linguistic Society of America
Palestinian American Research Center

CERTIFICATIONS

2017 Leader in Classroom Diversity & Inclusion, Certificate, Office for Diversity & Inclusive Excellence, University of Arizona
2016 Safe Zone Training, LGBTQ Affairs, University of Arizona
2016 Course Level Assessment, Office of Instruction and Assessment, University of Arizona
2016 Online Discussions Mini-course, Office of Instruction and Assessment, University of Arizona
2015 Introduction to Teaching Online, Office of Instruction and Assessment, University of Arizona

REFERENCES

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