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Education

- 2025 LSA Summer Institute, University of Oregon, Eugene
Instructors: *Balthazar Bickel, Jóhanna Barðdal & Spike Gildea, Jordan Douglas-Tavani & Shahar Shirtz, Simon Greenhill, Stefan Th. Gries, Andrea Sims, Elena Smirnova, Kenny Smith*
- 2024 – Ph.D., Literary and Philological Cultures (Linguistics curriculum). University of Bologna
Provisional thesis title: *A Typology of Distributive Markers*
Supervisors: Prof. Nicola Grandi, Prof. Chiara Gianollo, Prof. Simone Mattiola
- 2024 M.A., Italian Studies, European Literary Cultures, Linguistics. University of Bologna
Thesis title: *Tipologia dei distributivi nelle lingue Native del Nord America* [A typology of distributives in Native languages of North America].
Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*
Supervisors: Prof. Nicola Grandi, Prof. Simone Mattiola
- 2021 B.A., Classical Studies. University of Salento
Thesis title: *Lessico agricolo del dialetto di Galatone* [The Agricultural Lexicon of the Galatone Dialect].
Grade: 110/110
Supervisor: Prof. Marcello Aprile

Research interests

My primary research interest lies in **linguistic typology**. In my work, I aim to adopt a *source-oriented* and *dynamic* approach to investigate how diachronic factors shape the evolution and influence the synchronic properties of the world's languages. I am particularly fascinated by the **Indigenous languages of North America** and by the morphosyntax of grammatical categories (especially number, and primarily its non-canonical values such as distributives and collectives).

Publications

Proceedings (Peer-Reviewed)

- [1] **Sergio, Filippo M.** (under review). *Da DISTRIBUTIVO a PLURALE: uno studio diacronico-tipologico nelle lingue Indigene del Nord America* [From DISTRIBUTIVE to PLURAL: a diachronic-typological study in the Indigenous languages of North America.] In Proceedings of the 58th International Conference of the Italian Linguistics Society (SLI)

Presentations

Peer-reviewed conference presentations and posters (·)

- [1] **Sergio, Filippo M.** (accepted). *Disentangling structural, genealogical, and areal factors in Indigenous North America: An integrated approach to Distributive Markers*. TTM, Transalpyne Typology Meeting, LMU Munich, Germany, November 26-28, 2026.
- [2] **Sergio, Filippo M.** (accepted). *A typological analysis of distributive markers in Na-Dene languages*. SLE, 59th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea, University of Osnabrück, Osnabrück, Germany, August 26-29, 2026.
- [3] **Sergio, Filippo M.** (accepted). *The Na-Dene distributive markers: a converging-evidence account*. ALT, 16th International Conference of the Association for Linguistic Typology, University of Lyon, Lyon, France, July 1-3, 2026.
- [4] · **Sergio, Filippo M.** (2025). *Il ruolo delle costruzioni distributive nella grammaticalizzazione della pluralità: indagine preliminare nelle lingue Indigene del Nord America* [The role of distributive construction for the grammaticalization of plurality: a preliminary investigation in Indigenous languages of North America]. SLI, LVIII Congresso internazionale di studi della Società di Linguistica Italiana, Università degli Studi dell'Aquila, L'Aquila, Italy, September 11-13, 2025.
- [5] **Sergio, Filippo M.**, Mattioli, Simone. (2025). *Distributive constructions in Indigenous languages of North America: A cross-linguistic perspective*. SWL, Syntax of the World's Languages X, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany, September 8-11, 2025.
- [6] **Sergio, Filippo M.**, Mattioli, Simone. (2025). *Towards a typology of distributive markers: Evidence from North America*. SLE, 58th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea, University of Bordeaux Montaigne, Bordeaux, France, August 26-29, 2025.
- [7] **Sergio, Filippo M.**, Mattioli, Simone. (2025). *Distributive constructions in the languages of the Northwest Coast: A contrastive-typological survey*. SNAIL, Symposium on Northwest American Indigenous Languages, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, USA, July 12-13, 2025.
- [8] **Sergio, Filippo M.**. (2025). *From DISTRIBUTIVE to PLURAL: a preliminary diachronic typology*. TTM, Transalpyne Typology Meeting, University of Pavia, Italy, July 1-3, 2025.

Invited presentations

- [1] **Sergio Filippo M.** (2026). *È una questione di qualità (e di quantità): convergenza di sincronia, diacronia e metodi quantitativi in tipologia* [It's a matter of quality (and quantity): convergence of synchrony, diachrony and quantitative methods in typology]. Condividere metodi, costruire

ricerca: Giornata conclusiva del ciclo di Seminari “Discorsi sul Metodo”. University of Pavia, June 5, 2026.

Conference presentations

- [1] **Sergio, Filippo M.**, Pannitto, Ludovica. (2025). *DiVerSiTy: verso un pacchetto Python per il campionamento tipologico bias-sensitive*. [DiVerSiTy: towards a python package for bias-sensitive typological sampling]. CLUB Day 2025 “Cantieri linguistici: il CLUB tra ricerca e innovazione”, University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, May 19, 2025.

Teaching Activities

- *Come costruire un campione tipologico: obiettivi, sfide e soluzioni* [How to build a typological sample: aims, challenges and solutions] - 2hrs lesson within the Language Typology class, University of Bologna, February 26, 2026.
- *A Typology of Distributive Markers in Indigenous languages of North America* - 2hrs lesson within the Language Typology class, University of Pavia, December 16, 2025.
- *Strumenti e metodi per studiare la variazione interlinguistica* [Methods and tools to study cross-linguistic variation] - 2hrs lesson within the Experimental Linguistics Laboratory, University of Bologna, May 15, 2025.

Academic Service

- 11/2025 – Assistant Production Editor for the journal *Linguistic Typology at the Crossroads*.

Member of Organizing Committees

- Member of the Organizing Committee for the Linguistics session of the 3rd International Doctoral Conference of the PhD Programme in Literary and Philological Cultures: “*Margins and Marginality in Philology, Literature, Linguistics, and Book Cultures.*”, University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, January 27-29, 2027.
- Member of the Organizing Committee for the Linguistics session of the 2nd International Doctoral Conference of the PhD Programme in Literary and Philological Cultures: “*Mutatas Dicere Formas. Variation and Change in Philology, Literature, Linguistics, and Book Cultures.*”, University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, October 27-29, 2025.

Memberships in linguistics societies

- 2024 – SLE (*Societas Linguistica Europaea*)
- 2025 – SLI (*Società di Linguistica Italiana*)
- 2025 – SSILA (*Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas*)
- 2026 – ALT (*Association for Linguistic Typology*)

Bologna, June 15, 2026