

Curriculum Vitae

Personal Information

Name: Giacomo Iazzetta

Nationality: Italian

Date of Birth: 09/09/1995

Current Position

- Research Grant Holder | Principal Investigator

Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, Dipartimento di Studi sull'Asia e sull'Africa Mediterranea (DSAAM)

Dorsoduro 3426, 30123 Venezia VE.

01/04/2024 – 31/03/2026

Research Project 2024/2025: " Sociolinguistic Profile of Arab Students and Language Policy in North-Eastern Italy"

Research Project 2025/2026: "Multilingualism in Islamic Education in Italy"

Secondary Positions

1. Adjunct Professor

Università di Bologna, Dipartimento di Beni Culturali (DBC)

Via degli Ariani 1, 48121 Ravenna RA

1) Module: Arabic Language (85507)

Course: International Cooperation on Human Rights and Intercultural Heritage (Second cycle degree programme)

29/09/2025 – 30/09/2026

2) Moduel: Lingua e letteratura araba 2 (93599)

Course: Storia, società e culture del mediterraneo (First cycle degree programme)

02/02/2026 – 30/09/2026

2. Adjunct Professor

Università degli Studi di Milano, Dipartimento di Lingue, Letterature, Culture e Mediazioni (DLLCM)

Piazza Indro Montanelli 1, 20099 Sesto San Giovanni MI

1) Module: Lingua araba 2 e mediazione

Course: Mediazione linguistica applicata all'ambito economico, giuridico e sociale (First cycle degree programme)

2) Module: Lingua araba e traduzione

Course: Lingue e culture per la cooperazione internazionale (Second cycle degree programme)

Work Experience

1. Co-Investigator Study of Arabic Language Programs (SALP) Research Project

Qatar Foundation International (QFI)

Institute of International Education (IIE)

Country Level Team Italy – Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia

2. Teaching Assistant Senior

Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, DSAAM

Dorsoduro 3426, 30123 Venezia VE

03/02/2025 – 17/09/2025

1) Course: Ancient Civilizations for the Contemporary World (LT7).

2) Course: Lingue, Culture e Società dell'Asia e dell'Africa Mediterranea (LT40). Module: Istituzioni giuridiche dell'Asia orientale (LT0150).

3. Adjunct Professor

Università di Pisa, Dipartimento di Filologia, Letteratura e Linguistica (FILELI)

Palazzo Matteucci, Piazza Evangelista Torricelli, 2, 56126 Pisa PI

03/03/2025 – 14/09/2025

Course: Lingue, Letterature e Comunicazione Interculturale. Module: Laboratorio di Metodologia del Lavoro Scientifico – CECIL (2196Z)

4. Trainer

Gruppo COGES Don Milani. 172 30173 Mestre (VE), Italy.

14/05/2025; 26/09/2025

Trainer for social service professionals working with individuals from migrant backgrounds – Training course on Arab worlds

5. English Teacher (TESOL)

University of Essex, UK, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom

03/2023 – 05/2023

Conducted intensive English language courses for native Chinese speakers in collaboration with Northwest University (China).

6. Assistant Lecturer (Linguistics)

University of Essex, UK, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom

01/2023 – 05/2023

Module: Understanding Data in Linguistics (LG113) – Prepared, delivered lectures in linguistics, provided student support and assessed mid-term and final exams.

7. Assistant Lecturer (Sociolinguistics)

University of Essex, UK, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom

01/2022 – 05/2023

Module: Foundations of Sociolinguistics (LG114); Prepared, delivered lectures in sociolinguistics, provided student support and assessed mid-term and final exams.

8. Italian Language Tutor (Italian)

University of Essex, UK, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom

01/2022 – 05/2022

Module: Advanced Italian (LA660). Assisted a non-native Italian student with their bachelor's thesis.

9. Italian Language Assistant (Italian)

University of Essex, UK, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom
12/2021 – 05/2022

Module: Intermediate Italian (LA640). Assisted with lesson planning and teaching in the Italian Language module.

Education

1. PhD in Sociolinguistics

University of Essex, Department of Language and Linguistics
04/2021 – 06/2024

Thesis Title: Understanding the role of language policy in the construction and maintenance of inequalities in Tunisia and Morocco

2. Master's Degree in Languages and Cultures of Asia and the Mediterranean Africa

Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, DSAAM
12/2017 – 07/2020

Thesis Title: Lingua e identità nella Tunisia postcoloniale

3. Bachelor's Degree in Languages, Cultures, and Societies of Asia and the Mediterranean Africa

Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, DSAAM
09/2014 – 07/2017

Thesis Title: Energy development in Morocco

Training

1. Ethics Issues in Research

Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia
18/03/2025

2. Workshop: Impact Academy – Academy Public Engagement

University of Essex
08/12/2022

3. Seminar: Linguistic Ethnography

University of Essex
10/2022

4. Course: Professional Development for Research Students LG595

University of Essex
04/2021 – 12/2022

5. Summer School

Università per Stranieri di Siena

07/2022

Focus: Language Policy and Language Planning – Education and Migration Contexts

6. Course: Stats training, Data Analysis (LG981)

University of Essex

04/2021 – 06/2021

7. Workshop: The Publishing process

University of Essex

26/05/2021

8. Workshop: Citations - How to reach academic and public audiences

University of Essex

18/05/2021

9. Workshop: Introduction to copyright

University of Essex

12/05/2021

10. Workshop: Introduction to reference software (Mendeley, Zotero)

University of Essex

07/05/2021

11. English Language Course

Wall Street English di Ferrara

08/2020 – 09/2020

12. Advanced Level Arabic Language Course

Université de Tunis El Manar - Instiut Bourguiba des Langues Vivantes

04/2020 – 06/2020

13. Intermediate Level Arabic Language Course

Université Mohammed V de Rabat – Faculté des Sciences de l'Éducation

07/2018

Linguistic Skills

Italian: Native Speaker

English: Excellent

Arabic: Good

French: Good

German: Good

Farsi: Basic

Spanish: Basic

Latin: Basic

Skills and Competencies

- Cross-cultural sensitivity and adaptability in diverse educational settings.
- Experienced in academic teaching, field research, and conference organization.
- Proficient in educational software, data analysis tools for sociolinguistic research, and virtual classroom management.
- Academic writing, creative writing, and contributing to scientific and research publications.

Membership in Professional Organizations and Research Groups

African Languages Research Group (University of Essex)

African Special Interest Research Group (University of Essex)

Arabic Sociolinguistic Research Group (University of Essex)

Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe (AIDA)

British Association of Applied Linguistics (BAAL)

Centro di Studi sul Medio Oriente Contemporaneo (CEM) (Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia)

Didattica dell'Arabo in Ricerca (DAR) (Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia)

European Network for Teaching Arabic (ENTA)

Società per gli Studi sul Medio Oriente (SeSaMo)

Additional Information

Teaching Qualification

27/07/2023: Attainment of AFHEA Fellowship (Associate Fellowship A2 – UK)

Awards

1. Travel Research Scholarship awarded by Qatar Foundation International for the *Multilingual and Multicultural Learning: Policies and Practices 4*. Universidad Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Spain). 16-17/10/2025.

2. Travel Scholarship for young researcher for the conference *15th AIDA (International Association of Arabic Dialectology) Conference*. University of Malta (Malta). 05/2024

3. Conference Award for presentation at “Translation: Above and Beyond Wor(l)ds” (Durham University, Essex University, University of York). 05/03/2022

4. Mobility Scholarship for research with the Overseas programme. Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia. Research at Université Moulay Ismail de Meknes. 02/2017 – 05/2017

Conference Organizer and Reviewer

LangUE Conference, University of Essex, UK
01/2022 – 06/2022

Organized and reviewed submissions for the *LangUE Conference* (virtual format).

Reviewer for the volume *Bringing the outside in. Multilingual realities and education*. 2023/2024

Guest Lectures

1. Lecture "*Language Policies and Socioeconomic Inequalities in Tunisia and Morocco*" for the module *Understanding Data in Linguistics (LG113)*, University of Essex, UK
30/01/2023

2. Lecture "*Politiche linguistiche in Nord Africa: dai protettorati al giorno d'oggi*" for the module *Ideologia della lingua nel mondo musulmano (LM2180)*, Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, Dipartimento di Studi sull'Asia e sull'Africa Mediterranea 05/12/2024

Activities for Citizenship

1. Activity *Esplorando la lingua e la cultura araba nella società italiana di oggi*. VenetoNight, La Notte della Ricerca, Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, Italy
27/09/2024

2. Activity *Ponti di parole. La lingua araba e i nuovi italiani*.
In occasione della Giornata Internazionale della Lingua Araba
Scuola Secondaria di Primo Grado “M.M.Boiardo”, Ferrara, Italy. 16/12/2024
Biblioteca “G.Bassani”, Ferrara, Italy 19/12/2024

3. Activity *Il mondo arabo e il Marocco*.
“IIS Giovanni Valle”, Padova, Italy. 03/04/2025

List of publications

1. Iazzetta, G. (2020). *Lingua e identità nella Tunisia postcoloniale. Il ruolo delle politiche linguistiche nella costruzione dell'identità tunisina*. Edizioni Accademiche Italiane.
2. Iazzetta G. (2023). Understanding the role of language policy in the construction and maintenance of inequalities in Morocco and Tunisia. Abstract in Proceedings of *Conference Arabic in Africa: Historical and Sociolinguistic Perspectives*, 12-14/2023, University of Bayreuth.
3. Iazzetta, G. (2024). Understanding the role of language policy in the construction and maintenance of inequalities in Tunisia and Morocco. PhD thesis. University of Essex.
4. Iazzetta, G. (2024). Review of the volume Konerding, P., Wiedemann, F., Behzadi, L. (eds.) (2021). *Approaches to Arabic Popular Culture* (Vol. 14). University of Bamberg Press. *Quaderni di Studi Arabi*, 19(1-2), 313-314.
5. Iazzetta, G. (2024). Review of the volume Golfetto, M. A., Osti, L., Chakrani, B. (eds) (2021). *Arabic Language and Language Teaching: Policies, Politics, and Ideology*, special issue of *Languages Cultures Mediation*, vol. 8, no.2, Milano: LED. *Quaderni di Studi Arabi*, 19(1-2), 320-321.
6. Iazzetta, G. (2025). From Arabization to linguistic pluralism: a critical reading of official documents on Morocco's language-in-education policy. *Quaderni di Studi Arabi*, 20(1-2), 278-292.
7. Iazzetta, G. (2025). Review of the volume Helal, F., Lo Bianco, J. (eds.) (2025). *Language Politics in Tunisia: A Study of Language Ideological Debates*. Multilingual Matters. *Quaderni di Studi Arabi*, 20(1-2), 307-308.
8. Iazzetta, G. (accepted). Tunisian linguistic activism in the current era: obstacles and challenges of L1 education. Accepted for publication as a chapter in the volume *Bringing the outside in. Multilingual realities and education*.
9. Iazzetta, G. (accepted). From Medieval Islamophobia to Modern Jihadism: A Study of Western Political Narratives. Article accepted for publication at *Studime Orientale*.
10. Iazzetta, G. (under review). Stratifying Languages: Public and Private Education in Morocco. Article under review at *Journal of Applied Languages and Linguistics*.
11. Iazzetta, G. (under review). Dynamics of Inclusion and Linguistic Identity: Arabic and Italian in a Center for Unaccompanied Foreign Minors. Abstract accepted for publication in a 2027 special issue of *MediAzioni*.
12. Iazzetta, G. (under review). Language practices and attitudes among Tunisian university students: navigating local monoglossic ideologies in a global multilingual perspective. Paper submitted as a chapter in the volume *Empiring Languages: Critical Perspectives on Nation-Building, History, and Power in Education*.

13. Iazzetta, G. (under review). Sociolinguistic Profile of Arab Students and Language Policy in North-Eastern Italy. Article and under review at *ItalianoLinguaDue*.
14. Iazzetta, G. (in preparation). Moroccan Arabic in Italy: Sociolinguistic Dynamics and Language Attitudes within the Diaspora. Abstract accepted for publication as chapter in the volume *Handbook of Moroccan Arabic Linguistics*.
15. Iazzetta, G. (in preparation). Multilingualism in Islamic Education in Italy. Abstract accepted for publication at *Applied Linguistics Review*.
16. Iazzetta, G. (in preparation). Arabic and Islamic Education in Italy: A door to Interculturalism and Pluralism. Abstract accepted for publication at *Educazione Interculturale*.
17. Iazzetta, G. (in preparation). Researching Language Policy Multilingually in North Africa: Sketches from the Field.
18. Investigating the ethnolinguistic vitality of Arabic in the Italian work context (in preparation).
19. Iazzetta, G. Vitalità etnolinguistica, paesaggio linguistico e politiche linguistiche: immigrazione e multilinguismo a Monfalcone (in preparation).

Conference participation as a presenter

1. *7th Annual Postgraduate Forum on Applied Linguistic*. York St John University. 23/02/2022
2. *Translation: Above and Beyond Wor(l)ds*. Organized by Durham University, Essex University, University of York (Online). 05/03/2022
3. *Bringing the outside in: multilingual realities and education*. University of Essex. 15/07/2022
4. *25th International Conference on Historical Linguistics*. University of Oxford. 01/08/2022
5. *Giornate di studi Maydan*. University of Turin. 09/02/2023
6. *9th Explorations in Ethnography, Language and Communication Conference*. University College London (UCL). 03/04/2023
7. *Conference Arabic in Africa: Historical and Sociolinguistic Perspectives*. University of Bayreuth. 12-14/04/2023
8. *CCERBAL 2023 Conference. Bilingualism and Multilingualism: transversal competences, mobility, and well-being*. University of Ottawa (Online). 4-6/05/2023
9. *Bringing the outside in: language and inequality*. University of Essex. 21/07/2023
10. *BAAL Language in Africa SIG Annual Conference 2023* (Online). 05/10/2023

11. *15th AIDA (International Association of Arabic Dialectology) Conference*. University of Malta. 21/05 – 24/05/2024

12. *XVI Convegno dell'Associazione per la Storia della Lingua Italiana (ASLI). Lingue, frontiere, esplorazioni e migrazioni*. Università di Trieste. 12/09 – 14/09/2024

13. *XVI Convegno Società per gli Studi sul Medio Oriente (SeSaMo). Attraversamenti e contaminazioni. Pratiche, linguaggi e politiche in transito in Medio Oriente e Nord Africa*. Università di Cagliari. 3/10 – 5/10/2024

14. Conference *L'italiano parlato e chi parla italiano. Teoria, pratica e casi studio*. Università di Torino. 21-22/11/2024

15. Conference *What's research got to do with it? Ultime frontiere della ricerca linguistica, inclusione e impatto sociale*. Università di Bologna. 12-13/05/2025

16. Conference *Multilingual and Multicultural Learning: Policies and Practices 4 (MMLPP)*. Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. 16-17/10/2025

17. *Roundtables on Arabic Language Education organized by Qatar Foundation International*. Università IULM di Roma. 23-24/10/2025.

18. Conference *Language and Mobility in Africa*. University Hassan II of Casablanca. 13-14/11/2025.

Conference participation as an attendee

1. Conference *Bringing the outside in: multilingual realities and education*. University of Essex. 23/07/2021

2. *Language policy and practices in the Global North and South: Challenges, opportunities and future directions*. LUCL Language Policy Online Research Seminars 2: Inaugural Lecture (Online). 06/10/2021

3. *LangUE Conference*. University of Essex. 08/06/2022

4. *75th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: what is the status of the implementation of language rights?*. University of Turin (Online). 29/07/2022

5. *Quarta Giornata di Studi CEM: La relazione tra l'uomo e il cibo nella civiltà del Grande Medio Oriente*. Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia. 08-09/04/2024

6. Incontro del ciclo di seminari online *Islam, società e mondi Musulmani: nuove prospettive epistemologiche e metodologiche* (Online). 10/04/2024

7. Conference *La Letteratura araba per l'infanzia*. Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia. 23/04/2024

8. Conference *Passato prossimo. Memoria, diritti, cultura in area SWANA*. Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia. 14/05/2024

9. Webinar *Linguistic Discrimination in Higher Education: A student-staff collaborative approach tackling accent bias*. Part of Activism In Progress presentation series (Online). 27/11/2024

10. Conference *Linguistic Injustice and Inequalities in the Public Domain*. University of Stirling. 6-7/03/2025

11. *Oxford Qatar Foundation International (QFI) Research Forum II to Strengthen Research-Informed Arabic Language Teaching*. University of Oxford. 16-18/07/2025

Venice, Italy, 30/12/2025

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