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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

MSc Social Science of the Internet (UK 69.3%, thesis A-) Oct 2010 - Aug 2011

KING'S COLLEGE LONDON

MA in Digital Humanities (Distinction: UK 72.8%, thesis A+) Oct 2009 - Sept 2010

UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN

BA Philosophy of a Specific Discipline (Cum Laude: th. 9.5, 8.6 avg. eq. to 1st: GPA 4) Sept 2005 - Aug 2009

BA Information Science (Cum Laude: thesis 10, 8.7 avg. eq. to 1st: GPA 4) Sept 2003 - June 2009

BA History (Cum Laude: thesis 9, 8.2 avg. eq. to 1st: GPA 4) Dec 2002 - Aug 2009

UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE

First year of Technical Computer Science (completed: 7.6 avg. eq. to GPA 3.8) Sept 2002 - Jul 2003

SCHOLARSHIPS

PRINS BERNHARD CULTUURFONDS

Carolus Magnus Scholarship Oct 2010 - Aug 2011

FULBRIGHT PROGRAMME

Fulbright Scholarship (awarded but not claimed, preferred to go to Oxford Internet Institute) Sept 2010 - Aug 2011

HUYGENS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

HSP Talents Scholarship Sept 2009 - Aug 2010

KING'S COLLEGE LONDON

King's College International Humanities Scholarship Sept 2009 - Aug 2010

PUBLICATIONS

Wybo Wiersma: [A Quest for Critical Mass](#). Submitted (Oct 2010) to *Literary and Linguistic Computing* DH 2010 special.

Wybo Wiersma, John Nerbone and Timo Lauttamus: [Automatically Extracting Typical Syntactic Differences from Corpora](#), *Literary and Linguistic Computing*, Oxford University Press (Oct 2010, to appear in the next issue).

Timo Lauttamus, John Nerbonne and Wybo Wiersma: [Filled Pauses as Evidence of L2 Proficiency: Finnish Australians Speaking English](#). Submitted (and accepted) to Clive Upton et al. *Proceedings of the XIIIth Methods in Dialectology Leeds*, Aug. 2008.

John Nerbonne, Timo Lauttamus, Wybo Wiersma and Lisa Lena Opas-Hänninen: [Applying Language Technology to Detect Shift Effects](#). In Muriel Norde, Bob de Jonge and Cornelius Hasselblatt (eds.) *Language Contact. New Perspectives*, Amsterdam, Benjamins, 2010. 27-44.

Wybo Wiersma and Bruno Sarlo: [LogiLogi: A Webplatform for Philosophers](#). In *Digital Humanities 2008, Book of Abstracts*, Oulu, June 2008. 221-223.

Timo Lauttamus, John Nerbonne and Wybo Wiersma: [Detecting Syntactic Contamination in Emigrants: The English of Finnish Australians](#). In *SKY Journal of Linguistics* 21, 2007, 273-307. SKY (Suomen kielitieteellisen yhdistyksen aikakauskirja) is the Journal of the Linguistic Association of Finland.

John Nerbonne and Wybo Wiersma: [A Measure of Aggregate Syntactic Distance](#). In: J.Nerbonne & E.Hinrichs (eds.) *Linguistic Distances Workshop at the joint conference of the International Committee on Computational Linguistics and the Association for Computational Linguistics*, Sydney, July, 2006. 82-90.

PRESENTATIONS

Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi: The Quest for Critical Mass](#). Poster at [Digital Humanities 2010](#), London, July 8, 2010., Awarded [European Science Foundation bursary](#).

Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi: a minimalistic platform for philosophical discussions](#). Invited talk at [Second Workshop on Scientific Knowledge Creation, Dissemination, and Evaluation](#), Ovronnaz, Switzerland, February 5, 2010.

John Nerbonne, Wybo Wiersma and Timo Lauttamus: [Detecting syntactic differences in the syntax of spontaneous conversation](#). At the [Middle and Modern English Corpus Linguistics Conference](#), Innsbruck, July 8, 2009.

Wybo Wiersma and Stefano David: [Two Scholarly Web-Agoras: The LogiLogi and Talia/Philospace Approaches \(presentation, paper\)](#). At the [European Computing and Philosophy Conference 2009](#), Barcelona, July 4, 2009.

Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi Platonism as a Working Product](#). At the [Philosophers Rally - Future of Philosophy](#), Enschede, May 13, 2009.

Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi and Freedom on the Brave New Web](#). At the [Free and Open source Software Developers' European Meeting](#), Brussels, February 8, 2009.

Timo Lauttamus, John Nerbonne and Wybo Wiersma: [Pausing as evidence of L2 proficiency: Finnish Australians speaking English](#). At the [Thirteenth International Conference on Methods in Dialectology](#), Leeds, August 7, 2008.

Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi: Combining Openness and Quality of Content](#) At the [Free Knowledge, Free Technology Conference](#), Barcelona, July 16, 2008.

Wybo Wiersma: [A Free Software Implementation of Platonism](#), and Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi: The Return](#) at [RMLL2008](#). At the [Rencontres Mondiales du Logiciel Libre](#), Mont-de-Marsan, July 1 and July 4, 2008.

Wybo Wiersma and Bruno Sarlo: [LogiLogi: A Webplatform for Philosophers](#). At the [Digital Humanities 2008](#), Oulu, June 28, 2008.

Wybo Wiersma and Miguel Lezama: [LogiLogi: Platonism as a Working Product](#). At the [European conference on Computing and Philosophy](#), Montpellier, June 16, 2008.

Wybo Wiersma: [Web 2.0 FOSS-software and the LogiLogi Foundation \(video\)](#). At the [Technical Dutch Open Source Event](#), Eindhoven, October 14, 2007.

Wybo Wiersma: [LogiLogi Manta and Web 2.0 for the Humanities \(video\)](#). At the [Free and Open source Software Developers' European Meeting](#), Brussels, February 2, 2007.

John Nerbonne and Wybo Wiersma: [A Measure of Aggregate Syntactic Distance](#). At the [Linguistic Distances workshop of the Coling/ACL 2006](#), Sydney, July 23, 2006.

Lisa Lena Opas-Hänninen, Pekka Hirvonen, Timo Lauttamus, John Nerbonne and Wybo Wiersma: [Measuring contact effects on syntax: the English of Finnish immigrants to Australia](#). At the [Twelfth International Conference on Methods in Dialectology](#), Moncton, August 3, 2005.

Wybo Wiersma: [Statistical Comparison and the Determination of Differences at the POS-tag Level](#). At the [Tabu-day 2005](#), Groningen, June 3, 2005.

SKILLS

GENERAL SKILLS:

Presenting information and ideas, writing clearly and concisely, team-work, time management, teaching, languages:

→ Dutch and Frisian (native), English (116 on Internet-based TOEFL), beginner-level German and French, some Latin

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Software engineering, Linux system administration, programming and markup languages:

→ C++, Java, Perl, PHP, Prolog, Ruby, Python, Javascript, CSS, HTML, (My)SQL, XML, LaTeX

EMPLOYMENT

ACADEMIA INC, SAN FRANCISCO

Senior Software Engineer (Ruby on Rails development) June 2011 - present

QUALITY ASSURANCE NETHERLANDS UNIVERSITIES

Student Member of Information Sciences Commission (accreditation) Dec 2006 - Apr 2007

UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN

Teaching computer classes of Statistics and Methodology course Sept 2006 - Nov 2006

Teaching computer classes of Statistics I and II courses Feb 2006 - June 2006

Research into statistical method for finding differences in syntax (5 publ.) Oct 2004 - Jul 2005

M@ILPOINT VLIELAND

Programming and system administration Aug 2002 - Sep 2003

BATHHOTEL BRUIN VLIELAND

Housekeeper Feb 2002 - Aug 2002

VOLUNTEER WORK

GOODENOUGH COLLEGE

Secretary of the Members Council Oct 2009 - Jul 2010

Organizing Doc & Talk, bi-weekly documentary screenings followed by discussion Oct 2009 - Jul 2010

MENSA HIGH IQ SOCIETY

Organizing M-Young London, monthly pub-meetings for young mensans Nov 2009 - Jul 2010

Organizing Salon Noord, bi-weekly documentary and discussion evenings Feb 2006 - Aug 2009

UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN

Student Member of the Information Science Department Council Apr 2004 - Jul 2008

THE LOGILOGI FOUNDATION

Developing Free Software (2 publ.) Apr 2003 - present

CULTURAL COLLECTIVE VLIELAND

Performing with musicians and poets (2 poems published) Mar 2002 - Sept 2003

MISCALLENEOUS ACTIVITIES

Debating in Groningen and at the Oxford Union (partook in Harvard World Model United Nations 2009)

Traveling and backpacking (been to India, Indonesia, Australia, Canada, Europe)

Leisure: reading, good conversations, programming, walking

MEMBERSHIPS

[International Association for Computing and Philosophy \(IACAP\)](#)

[Mensa High IQ Society](#)

[Organisation for Free Software in Education and Teaching \(OFSET\)](#)

[Wikimedia Foundation](#)