

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

2008– Studies in university pedagogy, Åbo Akademi University (ÅÅ),
Turku, Finland

07/01/07–12/31/2007 **Visiting scholar**, Division of Speech Pathology, School of
Rehabilitation Sciences, University of Queensland (UQ), Australia

2005– **PhD Studies** in Finnish language, Finnish Department, ÅÅ, Turku,
Finland

06/21/2005 **Master's Degree**; Majoring in Finnish language and literature, ÅÅ
2004–2005 -Master's Thesis: "*Language as the mirror of national identity.
Code-switching and dialect in the language of Finns and Italians
living in Oslo*". The highest possible grade laudatur, ÅÅ

2003–2004 -Finnish language and literature, advanced course, ÅÅ

2003 Practical Norwegian, foundation course, University of Oslo (UiO),
Oslo, Norway

2002 Medicine, UiO

02/04/2003 **Candidata Magisterii Degree**; Majoring in Finnish language and
literature, UiO

2002 -Finnish language and literature, foundation and intermediate
course, UiO

2002 -Italian language and literature, foundation course, UiO

2001 -English language and literature, foundation course, UiO

2000 -Norwegian for foreigners, foundation course, UiO

1999 -Norwegian life and society, foundation course, UiO

1999 -Norwegian for foreigners, level IV, UiO

1999 -Examen Philosophicum and Examen Facultatum,
linguistic variant, (UiO)

05/31/1998 **High school Diploma**; Advanced classes in English, mathematics,
physics and chemistry, Pudas High School, Tornio, Finland

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

February 2008 Finnish Cultural Foundation

August 2007 Waldemar von Frenckell Foundation

February 2007 Finnish Cultural Foundation

January 2007 Foundation for Åbo Akademi University

February 2006 Finnish Cultural Foundation

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

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| July–December 2007 | Teacher in Finnish as a second and foreign language, Brisbane Finnish School, Brisbane, Australia |
| September 2006–April 2007 | Teacher in Norwegian as a second language, Åbo Swedish Workers' Institute, Turku, Finland |
| September 2006 | Translator (Norwegian–Finnish), Finso Language Services, Helsinki, Finland |
| June–July 2006 | High school credit facilitator in Finnish as a second language, Finnish Language Village, Concordia Language Villages, Bemidji, MN, USA |
| January–June 2006 | Consultant in Norwegian language, Continuing studies in conference interpreting, University of Turku (TY), Turku, Finland |
| April 2005 | Translator (Finnish–Norwegian), Department of Psychology, Åbo Akademi University (ÅA), Turku, Finland |
| November–December 2004 | Substitute teacher in English as a foreign language, Lauri School, Mynämäki, Finland |
| October 2004–May 2006 | Translator (English–Norwegian, Finnish–Swedish/Norwegian, Swedish/English–Finnish), Sportingbet, Turku, Finland |
| June–August 2004 | Research assistant, Research Department, Research Center for Domestic Languages (Kotus), Helsinki, Finland |
| June–July 2003 | High school credit teacher in Finnish as a second language, Finnish Language Village, Concordia Language Villages, Bemidji, MN, USA |
| February–August 2003 | Nurse's assistant, Silurveien Nursing Home, Oslo, Norway |
| June–July 2003 | Camp counselor in Finnish as a second language, Finnish Language Village, Concordia Language Villages, Bemidji, MN, USA |
| October 2000 | Interpreter (English–Finnish), YWAM Finland, Porvoo, Finland |

OTHER EDUCATION

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| August–October 2007 | Photography studies, Michael James Brown, Fine Art Photography, Brisbane, Australia |
| July 2002 | Preclinical practice, Thorax Surgical Department, University Hospital of Turku, Turku, Finland |
| March–April 2001 | Foundation course in conference interpreting, Nifin, Rovaniemi, Finland |
| 1996–2006 | Private singing lessons |
| 1990–1997 | Art School |
| 1991–1995 | Private flute lessons |
| 1986–1998 | Private piano lessons |

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

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| Finnish | mother tongue |
| English | fluent (August 4 th 2006, TOEFL iBT, 117/120) |
| Norwegian | fluent (December 15 th 1999, University of Oslo, highest level course in Norwegian language, grade 1,9 i.e. laudabilis) |
| Italian | fluent (August 31 st 2005, University of Turku (TY), Italian grammar course, grade 5/5) |
| Swedish | fluent (May 24 th 2003), ÅA, Swedish language test, 193/200) |
| German | good (May 31 st 1998, high school language course, grade 9/10) |
| French | good (May 31 st 1998, high school language course, grade 10/10) |
| Spanish | basics (May 31 st 1998, high school language course, grade 9/10) |
| Portuguese | basics (2005, TY, beginner's course) |
| Hungarian | basics (2004, TY, beginner's course) |
| Latin | basics (1998, high school language course, grade 9/10) |
| Polish | basics (2008, ÅA, beginner's course, grade 5/5) |

REFERENCES

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More references on request.