

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal data

Name Simon Aerts
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Education

2017 – 2021 Doctor of Linguistics – Ghent University
Dissertation (supervisors: G. Galdi, M. Taverniers, K. Bentein):
Latin tense and aspect in 3D: a corpus-based, Systemic Functional description of the narrative tenses in the language of Livy and Gregory of Tours

2014 – 2015 Specific Teacher Training Programme in Linguistics and Literature
Ghent University – *cum laude*

2013 – 2014 Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature: Latin–Greek
Ghent University – *summa cum laude*
Dissertation (supervisors: K. Bentein, M. Janse):
A Systemic Functional 'Three-Dimensional' Approach to Aspect in Thucydides' Histories III

2011 – 2014 Postgraduate Studies in Linguistics and Literature: Ancient Greek
Ghent University – *magna cum laude*

2012 – 2013 Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature: English–Latin
Ghent University – *cum laude*
Dissertation (supervisors: W. de Melo, M. Janse):
Tense and Aspect in Caesar's De Bello Gallico IV–V

2009 – 2012 Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature: English–Latin
Ghent University – *cum laude*

Work experience

10/2021 – 09/2024 Postdoctoral research fellow in Latin Linguistics (Ghent University) (100%)
Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)
Research project: "Tracing change and reaction in the Latin tense system: an empirical analysis of language-internal and language-external influences on the development of morphological innovations and form-function pairings from Early Latin to Early Romance."

01/2021 – 08/2021 Scientific collaborator (Latin Linguistics) – Ghent University (30%)
05/2021 – 06/2021 Classics Teacher – O.-L.-V.-college Zottegem (45%)
04/2021 – 06/2021 Classics Teacher – Hartencollege Ninove (20%)
01/2021 – 04/2021 Classics Teacher – Óscar Romerocollege Dendermonde (85%)

01/2017 – 12/2020	PhD student in Latin Linguistics – Ghent University (100%)
Research stays:	
- 04 – 06/2018	University of Amsterdam (FWO travel grant)
- 03 – 07/2019	Uppsala University (FWO & U4 travel grants)
- 02 – 03/2020	University of Oxford (FWO travel grant)
09/2016 – 12/2016	Classics Teacher – Sint-Jozefcollege Aalst (95%)
09/2015 – 06/2016	Classics Teacher – Óscar Romerocollege Dendermonde (100%)

Honours and awards

József Herman Award 2018, for the best presentation of a paper by a young scholar during the 13th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin in Budapest (3–7 September 2018).

Publications

- Aerts, S. (in prep.). *Latin Tense and Aspect in 3D: An SFL-inspired Recategorization of Verbal Categories in Antiquity and Beyond*. Routledge Advances in Functional Linguistics.
- Aerts, S. (accepted). "Alea iacta est. Insights from corpus semantics into the diachrony of the Latin passive." In *Varietate delectamur: Multifarious Approaches to Synchronic and Diachronic Variation in Latin. Selected Papers from the 14th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin (Ghent, 2022)*, edited by G. Galdi, S. Aerts and A. Papini. Turnhout: Brepols. [expected Summer 2024]
- Galdi, G., S. Aerts, and A. Papini (eds.). (in prep.). *Varietate delectamur: Multifarious Approaches to Synchronic and Diachronic Variation in Latin. Selected Papers from the 14th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin (Ghent, 2022)*. Turnhout: Brepols. [expected 2024]
- Aerts, S. (submitted). "Dormivit et resurgit. A 'language-ecology' approach to the diachrony of the Latin ingressive perfect." Journal article.
- Aerts, S., Butet, L.-M. & Carlier, A. (forthc.). "Possession." In *Bridging the gap between Late Latin and Old French: A handbook of morphosyntactic change*, edited by A. Carlier et. al. Berlin: De Gruyter. [expected August 2024]
- Aerts, S. (forthc.). "De Gallo-Romeinse pastor: Gregorius van Tours." In *De vergeten auteurs. Tweeduizend jaar Latijns schrijverschap*, edited by W. Verbaal and J. De Gussem. Eindhoven: Damon. [expected Autumn 2023]
- Aerts, S. (forthc.). "SFL and learning Latin: on authentic reading and language awareness". In *Language, Knowledge and Literacy. Views from Within and Around Systemic Functional Linguistics*, edited by M. Freddi. Text and Social Context. London: Equinox.
- Aerts, S. (2021c). "Servientia servanda. A functionalist and quantitative approach to the survival of grammatical aspect in the language of Gregory of Tours." *Revue belge de Philologie et d'Histoire* 99 (1), 161–196.
- Aerts, S. (2021b). "Multidimensionality in Livy's tense system: Towards a functional systematicity of the Latin narrative tenses." *Listy Filologické – Folia Philologica* 144 (1–2), 43–82.
- Aerts, S. (2021a). "Per varia ad classica. Klassieke grammatica herhalen en remediëren met niet-klassieke teksten." In *Latijn anders? Waarom er nood is aan ander Latijn in de klas (Didactica Classica Gandensia 54)*, edited by T. Velle and Y. Maes, 75–91. Gent: Skribis.
- Aerts, S. (2020). "De Latijnse werkwoordstijden in 3D: over authentiek interpreteren en taalbewustzijn stimuleren." *Handelingen – Koninklijke Zuidnederlandse maatschappij voor taal- en letterkunde en geschiedenis* 72, 3–21.
- Aerts, S. (2019b). "A three-dimensional, Systemic Functional analysis of tense usage in Gregory of Tours' *Decem libri Historiarum*." *Acta Antiqua Academiae Scientiarum Hungaricae* 59, 327–339.
- Aerts, S. (2019a). "Cotextual cues for the annotation of perspective in Livy's *Ab urbe condita*." *Philologia Classica* 14 (2), 216–238.
- Aerts, S. (2018). "Tense, aspect and Aktionsart in Classical Latin: towards a new approach." *Symbolae Osloenses* 92, 107–149.
- Aerts, S. (2014). "A Systemic Functional "three-dimensional" approach to aspect in Thucydides' *Histories* III." *Symbolae Osloenses* 88, 2–41.

Research interests

Classical Latin Linguistics, Late Latin Linguistics, Latin tense system, Ancient Greek Linguistics, Systemic Functional Linguistics, Discourse Analysis, Semantics, Corpus Linguistics, Synchronic and Diachronic Linguistics, Tense Aspect Systems, Aktionsart, Greek and Latin Historiography, Classics Education.

Presentations, guest lectures and conference papers

29. "*Habeo* and the Latin periphrases: insights from language ecology and corpus semantics." Paper to be presented at the 15th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin (LVLT XV, Munich, 2–6/09/2024).
28. "*Per varia ad classica*: preliminary insights in attitudinal and didactic aspects of late Latin texts in the new Flemish curriculum." Paper to be presented with Morris Callens during the workshop on *Current Challenges in Teaching LVLT* at the 15th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin (LVLT XV, Munich, 2–6/09/2024).
27. "Teaching Latin and Greek in Flanders: an anecdotal approach to three decades of challenges, changes and thoughts for the future." Teachers' seminar at Uppsala University (Erasmus+, 15/09/2023)
26. "Modern linguistic approaches to languages of the past: case studies in Latin synchrony and diachrony." Guest lecture at Uppsala University (Erasmus+, 14/09/2023)
25. "Semantic implications of the 'perfectum' merger in Early and Classical Latin." Paper presented at the 22nd International Colloquium on Latin Linguistics (ICLL 2023, Prague, 19–23/06/2023).
24. "*Alea iacta est*: A 'language-ecology' approach to the diachrony of the Latin passive." Paper presented at the 14th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin (LVLT XIV, Ghent, 5–9/09/2022).
23. "*Alea iacta est*: A 'language-ecology' approach to the diachrony of the Latin passive." Paper presented at the 25th International Conference on Historical Linguistics (ICHL25, Oxford, 1-5/08/2022).
22. "The diachrony of Latin ingressivity: a 'language ecology' approach." Paper presented at the 21th International Colloquium on Latin Linguistics (ICLL 2022, Santiago de Compostela, 30/05 – 03/06/2022).
21. "Restoring the balance: towards a history of form-function pairings in the (eco)system of the Latin tenses." Paper presented at the OIKOS Katwijk Conference (research group *Language of Literature*, Katwijk, 4–5/03/2022).
20. "Tracing change and reaction in the Latin tense system: an empirical analysis of language-internal and language-external influences on the development of morphological innovations and form-function pairings from Early Latin to Early Romance." Project presentation for the DiaLing research group (Ghent, 09/11/2021)
19. "The Latin tense system: on tense, aspect and tense usage." Guest lecture at the University of Oxford (9/03/2020).
18. "On Systemic Functional Linguistics, interpersonal meaning and deictic shifts." Reading group presentation (EVWRIT, Ghent University, 15/10/2019).
17. "An SFL-inspired corpus-based analysis of the combined impact of three-dimensional Latin tense and aspect on verb tense selection in Livy's *Ab urbe condita*." Paper presented at the 20th International Colloquium on Latin Linguistics (ICLL 2019, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, 17–21/06/2019).
16. "Three-Dimensional Tense and aspect in the writings of Livy and Gregory of Tours." Seminar presentation (11/04/2019, Uppsala University).
15. "Sympathy, judgement or dismay? On the Latin tenses and audience involvement." Paper presented at the 2nd LinGhentian Doctorials Conference (Ghent, 18–19/12/2018).
14. "De Laatlatijnse narratieve tijden in 3D. Een Systemisch-Functionele benadering van tempus en aspect bij Gregorius van Tours." Guest lecture at UGent (Ghent, 7/12/2018).
13. "Het driedimensionale betekenispotentieel van de Latijnse werkwoordstijden: op zoek naar een authentieke leeservaring met het oog op de ontwikkeling van het talig bewustzijn." Paper presented at the 2018 Herfstvergadering of the Koninklijke Zuid-Nederlandse Maatschappij voor Taal- en Letterkunde en Geschiedenis (KZM, Ghent, 20/10/2018).
12. "Latin tense and aspect in the writings of Gregory of Tours: A Systemic Functional analysis of tense usage in the *Historia Francorum*." Paper presented at the 13th International Colloquium on Late and Vulgar Latin (LVLT XIII, Budapest, 3–7/09/2018).

11. "Tense and aspect in Latin: towards a Systemic Functional, 'three-dimensional' framework for the reading of (historio-)graphic narratives in educational settings." Paper presented at the 28th European Systemic Functional Linguistics Conference (ESFLC, Pavia, 5–7/07/2018).
10. "Het Latijnse tijdsysteem en het concept 'aspect'." Guest lecture at University of Amsterdam (UvA, 8/05/2018).
9. "Possessive pronouns and determiners in Late Latin." Chapter presentation at the PaLaFra *réunion* (project « Passage du latin au français »; Munich, 3/5/2018).
8. "Cotextual cues for the annotation of perspective in Livy's *Ab urbe condita*." Paper presented at the OIKOS ReMa/PhD day (Ravenstein, 13/04/2018).
7. "A Systemic Functional 'three-dimensional' approach to tense and aspect in Classical and Late Latin historiographical narratives." Project presentation at the U4 Winter School (Athens, 10/03/2018).
6. "*Si ego te generavi*. Een systemisch-functionele 'driedimensionale' analyse van het tijdsgebruik in Gregorius van Tours' *De episcopatu Briccii*." Paper presented at the Latinist day (VU Amsterdam, 26/01/2018).
5. "Tense and aspect in Gregory of Tours' *History of the Franks*: towards an alternative, Systemic Functional approach." Paper presented at the 1st LinGhentian Doctorials Conference (Ghent, 20/12/2017).
4. "De verbale categorieën tempus en aspect bij Livius: een systemisch-functionele analyse van het tijdsgebruik in *De slag bij Cannae* (AUC.22.44–50)." Guest lecture at KU Leuven (Leuven, 11/12/2017).
3. "De verbale categorieën tempus en aspect bij Gregorius van Tours: een systemisch-functionele analyse van het tijdsgebruik in *De episcopatu Briccii* (HF.2.1)." Guest lecture at UGent (Ghent, 8/12/2017).
2. "Een systemisch-functionele 'driedimensionale' benadering van tempus en aspect in klassiek-Latijnse historiografische teksten." Paper presented at the OIKOS Katwijk Conference (research group *Language of Literature*, Katwijk, 17–18/11/2017).
1. "A synchronic and diachronic systemic functional 'three-dimensional' approach to tense and aspect in the writings of Caesar and Gregory of Tours." Project presentation for the DiaLing research group (Ghent, 22/06/2017).

Teaching, instruction & supervision

2023 – 2024	<p>Main lecturer "Latin linguistics: Specific Problems II" (Ma level, NL)"</p> <p>Workshops on linguistic aspects of including Late Latin texts in high school curricula</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dag van de Klassieke Talen (Kortrijk, 14/10/2023) - GO! Dag van het Latijn (Brussels, 26/10/2023) - Dag van de Klassieke Talen (Leuven, 28/02/2024) <p>Workshop for pupils on pragmatic effects of linguistic choices in war narratives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ghent (07/02/2024) - Bruges (03/2024) <p>Co-supervisor: Master's thesis on code-switching in Latin technical texts</p>
2022 – 2023	<p>Co-lecturer "Latin: Language Proficiency I" (Ba1 level, NL)</p> <p>Co-lecturer "Seminar Classical Languages" (Ba3 level, NL)</p> <p>Main lecturer "Latin linguistics: Specific Problems II" (Ma level, NL)</p>
2021 – 2022	<p>Co-lecturer "Latin: Language Proficiency I" (Ba1 level, NL)</p> <p>Guest lecturer "Latin linguistics: Specific Problems II" (Ma level, NL)</p> <p>Supervisor: Bachelor's essay on the development of tense forms in Late Latin</p>
2019	<p>Supervisor: Student internship on tense semantics in Classical Latin</p>

Training and courses

2019	PhD course "Modern linguistic approaches to languages from the past" Ghent (G.-M. De Schryver, R. Allan, L. Danckaert, P. Petré, W. Vandebussche)
2018	Practical Italian 2 (Ghent University Language Centre) 9th Winter School in Classics: Complexity and Hybridity in Antiquity (U4, Athens)
2017	Practical Italian 1 (Ghent University Language Centre) FLAMES course "Introduction to Categorical Data Analysis with R" (Brussels) FLAMES Summer School on Methodology and Statistics (Antwerp) Int. PhD Course in Latin Linguistics (Munich; H. Pinkster, O. Spevak, C. Kroon, C. Lehmann) BA course "Quantitative research techniques in Linguistics" (Ghent, L. De Cuypere) PhD course "Regression Modeling and extensions with R for linguistics." (Ghent, S. Th. Gries)

Miscellaneous

Extra activities	Board member at Didactica Classica Gandensia at UGent (2021 – present) Webmaster for the research group Dialing and the Latin section at UGent (2017 – present) Member of the organising committee of <i>Latin vulgare – latin tardif</i> XIV (2019 – present) Reviewing for: <i>Acta Antiqua Academiae Scientiarum Hungaricae</i> , <i>Philologia Classica</i> , <i>Listy filologické</i> , <i>Eirene - Studia Graeca et Latina</i>
Language Skills:	Dutch native English excellent French reading and listening: good German reading and listening: good Italian reading and listening: good
Software Skills:	R good MS Excel good MS Access good Regex basic Web development basic
Driver's license:	B