

## Marwan Jarrah

Curriculum Vitae (as of March 2018)

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### Current position (since January 2018):

Assistant Professor of Theoretical Linguistics  
Department of English language and literature  
Faculty of Foreign Languages; The University of Jordan

### Research interests

*Main research interests:* Language typology and Syntactic Theory (i.e. the Minimalist Program, with a particular focus on Semitic languages and the syntax of Standard and modern Arabic dialects).

*Other research interests:* The interface between language and mind; Distributed Morphology; Optimality Theory (Parallel vs. Stratal); Relevance Theory (mainly the effort-effect trade-off).

### EDUCATION

- 2013-2017      **Ph.D. in Theoretical Linguistics and English Language.**  
Newcastle University, Great Britain  
(Coursework and thesis track, i.e. a 4-year program)  
Average Grading Classification: *First-class Honours with Distinction*  
PhD thesis title: *Subject extraction in Jordanian Arabic*  
PhD supervisors: Prof Anders Holmberg and Dr Geoffrey Poole
- 2010-2012      **MA in Linguistics** from Yarmouk University, Jordan  
GPA: 90.4%, Excellent with the First Hons.  
MA dissertation title: *The functions of concessive discourse markers in Arabic: A relevance-theoretical approach*
- 2003-2007      **BA in English Language and Literature** from Yarmouk University, Jordan  
GPA: 85.3%, Excellent with Hons.
- 2002-2003      **High secondary school certificate (Tawjihi)** with 93.4%

### Professional courses and workshops (selected)

- ‘Essentials of Project Management for Engineers and Scientists’ held at University of Oxford, UK. April 2016.
- ‘Introduction to Learning and Teaching in Higher Education’ held at Newcastle University, the UK. September 2015
- ‘Academic Publications and Writing’ held jointly by the National Committee of Jordan for Education, Culture and Science and The Islamic Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (ISESCO). November 2012.

### Teaching experience

- A seminar leader and teaching assistant at Newcastle University (2015- 2017) to the following courses:
  - SEL1027: Shaping Sounds and Syntax
  - SEL1007: The Nature of Language.

### Other experience

- I was selected as the co-editor of *Newcastle and Northumbria Working Papers in Linguistics* (2015- 2016).
- I am a reviewer for several journals.
- An Arabic-English interpreter in Immigration Advice Service (*Ias*), London, UK (2014-2017).
- An editorial secretary of academic journals published by the Deanship of Academic research, the University of Jordan, (a full-time employee) from November 2007 till September 2013.

### Main Publications (scholarly Journal papers)

*In press*

**Jarrah, M.** ‘Record your Agree: a case study of the Arabic complementizer *ʔinn*’. *Journal of Linguistics* (Cambridge University Press).

**Jarrah, M.** Al-Jarrah, R. & Abu Dalu, A. M. ‘Assignment of plural modes in Northern Rural Jordanian Arabic. *Dirasat: Human and Social Sciences*. (Published by University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan).

2017

**Jarrah, M.** & Alshamari, M. ‘The syntax of the evidential particle *fikil* in Jordanian Arabic. *Italian Journal of Linguistics/ Rivista di*

*Linguistica*. (Pacini Editore Press, Ospedaletto, Italy).

**Jarrah, M.** 'Temporal/locative inversion in Arabic'. *Yearbook of the Poznan Linguistic Meeting* (published by DE GRUYTER MOUTON, Berlin, Germany). 3: 117–140

**Jarrah, M.** 'A Criterial Freezing Approach to Subject Extraction in Jordanian Arabic'. *Canadian Journal of Linguistics/ Revue canadienne de linguistique*. (Cambridge University Press). 62: 411-448.

2016

**Jarrah, M.** & Zibin, A. 'Syntactic investigation of Nunnation in Haili Arabic'. *SKY Journal of Linguistics* (published by the Linguistic Association of Finland, Helsinki, Finland). 29: 39–62.

**Jarrah, M.** 'Weightlessness Preservation in Jordanian Arabic Varieties: A Stratal OT Analysis'. *Newcastle and Northumbria Working Papers in Linguistics* (published by the Centre for Research in Linguistics and Language Sciences, CRILLS, Newcastle University upon Tyne). 22: 71-85.

2015

Al-Jarrah, R. S., Abu Dalu, A. M. & **Jarrah, M.** 'A relevance–theoretical account of three Arabic pragmatic operators of concession in a political discourse'. *Lodz Papers in Pragmatics* (published by DE GRUYTER MOUTON, Berlin, Germany) 11: 51-76.

**(Select) International Conferences (Oral presentations):**

2017

'*Clausal complements of factive verbs as DPs in Jordanian Arabic*' to be presented in **2017 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain (LAGB)** at Canterbury, University of Kent, 4-7 September.

'*Remarks on  $\Phi$ -feature inheritance and Phase Theory*' presented in **the 12<sup>th</sup> Conference of AIDA (Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe)** at Aix Marseille University, France, May 30- June 2, 2017.

*'Passive VPs as phases in Jordanian Arabic'* presented in **Cambridge conference on Voice (CamVoice)** at University of Cambridge, UK, May 22-24.

2016

*'T<sup>0</sup>- $\Phi$  parameter and agreeing complementizer in Jordanian Arabic'*, presented in **The Second Arabic Linguistics Forum conference** (University of York, UK). 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> December.

*'A Criterial Freezing approach to subject extraction in Some Arabic varieties'*, presented in **The 46th Poznań Linguistic Meeting (PLM 2016)**. Adam Mickiewicz University. Poznan, Poland. From 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> September.

*'Subject extraction in Jordanian Arabic: A Criterial Freezing approach'*, presented in **9th Days of Swiss Linguistics**. University of Geneva, Geneva. Switzerland. from 29<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July.

*'C<sup>0</sup>-subject/object agreement in Jordanian Arabic'*, presented in **North East language and linguistics research away day**. Northumbria University, UK. 24, May

**Other Oral presentations:**

2017

*'A closer look at the syntax of clausal complements of factive verbs in Jordanian Arabic'* presented in **the 24<sup>th</sup> Linguistics and English Language Conference (LEL conference)** at University of Edinburgh, UK, May 29-30.

*'Another look at Agree in Arabic dialects'*, presented in **Arabic clause structure workshop** held at the Department of Linguistics at Newcastle University, UK, 8th May.

*'Agree manifestations in Arabic'* presented in **The Annual Manchester Forum in Linguistics (mFil)**. The University of Manchester, UK. on 28-29 April 2017.

*'Intervention effects in embedded clauses in Jordanian Arabic'* presented in **the 12th Newcastle upon Tyne Postgraduate Conference in Linguistics** (Newcastle University, UK). 30<sup>th</sup> March.