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Education

PhD   Linguistics and Multilingual Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, 2024 – present

Research areas: Ethnomethodological Conversation Analysis, Interactional Linguistics, Kazakh

MA   Eurasian Studies, Nazarbayev University, Astana, Kazakhstan, 2022–2024

Research areas: Discourse & Grammar, Kazakh

Thesis: The distribution of relative clauses in modern spoken Kazakh
Supervised by Dr. Giorgia Troiani (UC Santa Barbara/Nazarbayev University), Dr. Andrey Filchenko (Nazarbayev University), Dr. Sandra Auderset (University of Bern)
Grade: Graduated with Honors

BA   World Languages, Literature and Culture, 2018–2022
Thesis: Relative clauses in modern spoken Kazakh
Supervised by Dr. Andrey Filchenko (Nazarbayev University)
Grade: Magna Cum Laude

Publications

Akanov, A. (2026). Russian 'vot' as an interactional practice in bilingual Kazakh conversations. *International Journal of Bilingualism*. https://doi.org/10.1177/13670069251396260

Troiani, G., Du Bois. W. J., Sarseke G., Filchenko A., Salimzianov I., Mikhailov N., Moldashova F., **Akanov A.**, Bizhanova, M., Koishybayeva, D., Khamitova, A., Nurgalieva, T., Seiilbek, A., Seitak, B., Tursunova, B., & Yelubay A. Remote Workflow as Educational Opportunity: The Experience of the Multimodal Corpus of Spoken Kazakh Language. (2022). *Coyote Papers.* https://repository.arizona.edu/handle/10150/665201

Conference Presentations

Akanov A. (2025, May 16). *Russian 'vot' as an interactional practice in bilingual Kazakh conversations.* KIMEP University, Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Akanov, A. (2023, October 19–22). *The distribution of relative clauses in Kazakh conversation.* Annual Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, USA.

Troiani, G., Filchenko, A., Du Bois, J. W., Sarseke, G., Salimzianov, I., Mikhailov, N., **Akanov, A.**, Aubakirova, S., Bizhanova, M., Duisenova, L., Kelessova, M., Khamitova, A., Krapivina, A., Mamayeva, G., Nurgalieva, T., Seiilbek, A., Seitak, B., & Tursunova, B. (2021, October 15–17). *The innovative nature of remote data collection for lesser-studied varieties: The experience of the Multimodal Corpus of Spoken Kazakh Language*. Arizona Linguistics Circle 15, University of Arizona, Tucson, USA.

Professional experience

2026 – present	Teaching Assistant at the Department of Linguistics and Multilingual Studies, Nanayang Technological University, Singapore
2021 – 2025	Research Assistant at Multimedia Corpus of Modern Spoken Kazakh Language (PI: Andrey Filchenko, Nazarbayev University)

Languages

Kazakh	Native
English	C2, IELTS Academic – 8.5/9.0
Russian	Fluent
Mandarin	Intermediate, HSK 4 (Pass), HSKK (Pass)

Technical Skills

RStudio	Good
Python	Basic
ELAN	Good