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Education

2021-2025	PhD – Automated Assessment of Spontaneous Speech in English as a Foreign Language : the Role of Pauses and Lexical Stress in Speaker Comprehensibility. Univ. Grenoble Alpes, France. Under the supervision of M. Masperi, S. Rossato, and T. Kato.
2017-2019	MSc in Natural Language Processing Master Sciences du Langage Parcours Industries de la Langue, Univ. Grenoble Alpes. Thesis: Proximité rythmique entre apprenants et natifs du français - Évaluation d'une métrique basée sur le CEFC. Supervised by S. Rossato.
2018	DELF Examiner Certification (A1-B2) CUEF, Univ. Grenoble Alpes.
2016	TCF Examiner Certification for Oral Proficiency Alliance Française de Sendai, Japan.
2014-2016	MSc in Teaching French as a Foreign Language Master Didactique des Langues Parcours Français Langue Étrangère, Univ. Grenoble Alpes. Thesis: Remédiation phonétique et phonologique en FLE par une approche multimodale chez les apprenants japonophones. Supervised by J.-M. Colletta & S. Rossato.

Experience

2021-pres.	PhD Researcher Univ. Grenoble Alpes, Doshisha University, Japan.
2020-pres.	Full-Stack Web Developer Univ. Grenoble Alpes, Univ. Lumière Lyon 2 (France) Development of online multimodal tools for foreign language phonology learning (ALEM Project).
2019-2021	R&D Manager for the Language Placement Test SELF Univ. Grenoble Alpes. Technical and pedagogical support, computer support for SELF data exploitation, mediation with software developers, coordination of psychometric analyses.
2019	Intern in Natural Language Processing Univ. Grenoble Alpes. Modelling rhythm in native and non-native spontaneous French using machine learning techniques.
2017-2019 2015-2016	Pedagogical Engineer for the Language Placement Test SELF Univ. Grenoble Alpes. Test contents design for SELF Japanese, coordination of psychometric analyses.
2016-2017	Educational Coordinator Alliance Française de Sendai, Japan. French language teaching, translation and interpretation for cultural events (Japanese and French), certification test administration (DELF/DALF, TCF)

Teaching Activity

2020-2023	NLP for Computer Assisted Language Learning (MSc courses, Univ. Grenoble Alpes)
2020-2021	Git and GitLab (MSc courses, Univ. Grenoble Alpes)
2019-2020	XML corpus (BSc courses, Univ. Grenoble Alpes)
2019-2020	Web Development (BSc courses, Univ. Grenoble Alpes)
2018-2019	French A1 (CUEF, Univ. Grenoble Alpes)
2016-2017	French A1, A2 (Alliance Française de Sendai, Japan) French I, II (Tohoku Medical University, Japan) French I (Tohoku Gakuin University, Japan)
2015	French B2 (Alliance Française de Grenoble, France)

Affiliations

2021-pres.	LIG - Grenoble Computer Science Lab., Univ. Grenoble Alpes
2017-pres.	LIDILEM - Laboratory of Linguistics and Didactics of Foreign and Mother Tongues, Univ. Grenoble Alpes
2023-2024	SLPL - Spoken Language Processing Lab., Doshisha University, Japan

Research Groups

- [EV·AL – Language Acquisition Assessment group](#) (LIDILEM, BCL Univ. Nice, MdL Univ. Picardie Jules Verne, DIT Bologna Univ.)
- [ALeM – Language Learning and Multimodality](#) (LIDILEM, ICAR Univ. Lumière Lyon 2)
- [Seminars on Multimodal Pedagogies](#) (LIDILEM, co-direction)

Main Publications

- Coulange, S., Kato, T., Rossato, S., Masperi, M. (2024). Exploring Impact of Pausing and Lexical Stress Patterns on L2 English Comprehensibility in Real Time. Proceedings of Interspeech 2024, Sep. 2024, Kos, Greece. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Fries, M.-H., Masperi, M., Rossato, R. (2024). A corpus of spontaneous L2 English speech for real-situation speaking assessment. Proceedings of the 2024 Joint International Conference on Computational Linguistics, Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC-COLING 2024), May 20-25, Torino, Italy. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Kato, T., Rossato, R., Masperi, M. (2024). Enhancing Language Learners'Comprehensibility through Automated Analysis of Pause Positions and Syllable Prominence. Languages 9, no. 3: 78. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Kato, T., Rossato, R., Masperi, M. (2023). フランス人学習者による自発 L2 英語発話における語彙アクセント自動測定 [Automatic Measurement of Lexical Stress in Spontaneous L2 English Speech of French Learners]. 第37回日本音声学会全国大会 [The 37th General Meeting of the Phonetic Society of Japan], Sep 2023, Sapporo, Japan. pp. 126-131 [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Kato, T. (2023). Pause position analysis in spontaneous speech for L2 English fluency assessment. 日本音響学会第 150 回研究発表会 [Autumn Meeting of the Acoustic Society of Japan], Sep. 2023, Nagoya, Japan. pp. 991-994 [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S. (2023). Computer-aided pronunciation training in 2022: When pedagogy struggles to catch up. Proc. 7th International Conference on English Pronunciation: Issues and Practices, May 2022, Grenoble, France. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S. (2023). Conception d'un module de diagnostic automatique de la prononciation. In Soubre, V. (eds.) L'évaluation en tant que soutien d'apprentissage, Synergies France n°17, Gerflint. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Jouannaud, M.-P., Perret, A.-C. (2021). Piloting an automatic clustering algorithm to supplement placement test results for large groups of students. Proc. ALTE 7th International Conference, apr 2020, Madrid, Spain. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Jouannaud, M., Cervini, C., Masperi, M. (2020). From placement to diagnostic testing: Improving feedback to learners and other stakeholders in SELF (Système d'Evaluation en Langues à visée Formative), Language Learning in Higher Education, 10(1), 195-205. [\[PAPER\]](#)
- Coulange, S., Rossato, S. (2020). Rhythmic Proximity Between Natives And Learners Of French – Evaluation of a metric based on the CEFC corpus. Proc. 12th Edition of the Language Resources and Evaluation Conference (LREC), apr 2020, Marseille, France. [\[PAPER\]](#)

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