

CV of David NATHAN

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Publications & projects

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Roles

- Current/ongoing:* Freelance language multimedia resource design and development: projects for Charles Darwin University and Catholic Education NSW
- 09/2016-02/2022 Linguist, Groote Eylandt Language Centre, Anindilyakwa Land Council
Responsibilities: Work with the Language Centre to maintain and document the Anindilyakwa language, especially the development of digital resources. Achieved: developed dictionaries and website; recorded, edited, and published media; developed extensive community information resources for COVID and related issues; curate and build community digital archive and database of over 50,000 items.
- Other roles Co-Managing editor, EL Publishing
Responsibilities: editorial team, design, develop, maintain Drupal catalogue. Achieved: high-visibility online open access journal.
- Multimedia developer (consultant), Charles Darwin University
Responsibilities: collaborate, design, develop, innovative interactive language learning app. Achieved: key CDU courseware, part of prize-winning package.
- Lexicography data management (consultant), Dieri Aboriginal Council
Responsibilities: propose and implement methods for creating machine readable data from legacy colonial manuscripts. Achieved: completed migration of full 1000-page resource - work ongoing.
- Research Associate, Ethno-ornithology World Archive, University of Oxford
Responsibilities: Principal Investigator in ethnoscience/digital project, bringing archival and interface design skills. Achieved: adoption of strong archival qualities and adoption of access-protocol principles.
- 6/2015–6/2016 Language Co-ordinator, Centre for Australian Languages and Linguistics, Batchelor Institute, Australia
Responsibilities: Progress development of Centre for Languages & Linguistics; support WANALA Language Centres in training and advocacy, develop websites, run training. Achieved: increased membership, networking, and activities of WANALA, promoted advocacy for regional language centres to discussion at national level.
- 12/2009–12/2014 Consultancy: Gamilaraay/Yuwaalaraay Project, Catholic Education NSW
Responsibilities: design and develop interactive multimedia in partnership with linguist, community, and graphic designer. Achieved: state-of-the-art multimedia extensively used in language revitalisation.

- 1/2004–2/2014 Director, Endangered Languages Archive, SOAS, University of London
 Responsibilities: founding Archivist and Director of archive team.
 Achieved: successful development of multi-faceted facility for archiving, training, and documentation support. Built network of links and collaboration with documenters and archives internationally. Developed and led training team that trained a generation of ELDP-funded language documenters. Pioneered innovative, large-scale archive system, conceptualised and developed around usability and protocol for negotiated access to audio, video and text documentation, the world's first archive using social networking dynamics to manage protocol and access.
- 9/2002–1/2004 Foreign Professor, Foreign Language Center, Tsukuba University, Japan
 Responsibilities: develop curriculum and resources, teach English to undergraduate students. Achieved: inspired some students to 'find their identity' through expressing in English.
- 4/2001–8/2002 Lecturer, School of IT, University of Sydney
 Responsibilities: develop new course and textbook for first year undergraduate IT students. Achieved: wrote and published new textbook, ran team of 17 tutors and taught 700 students.
- 7/1995–12/2000 Visiting Research Fellow, Interactive Technology. AIATSIS, Canberra
 Responsibilities: continue development of ASEDA Australian languages digital archive; research impacts of emerging digital technologies for Indigenous communities; lead AIATSIS team to develop its website; research and develop apps and websites. Achieved: co-created world's first web dictionary (for Kamilaroi), led AIATSIS onto WWW, created innovative language apps.
- 9/1997–8/1998 Visiting Associate Professor, ILCAA, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Tokyo, Japan
 Responsibilities: research and publish on multimedia for language support. Achieved: in collaboration developed Spoken Karaim, first comprehensive interactive multimedia language documentation resource.
- 7/1994–7/1995 General Editor, Project Officer, Australian Indigenous Languages Framework, SSABSA, SA
 Responsibilities: member of team developing Australian Indigenous Languages Framework. Achieved: co-ordinated, led and edited textbook *Australia's Indigenous Languages*, the only national textbook written for teaching (about) Aboriginal languages in schools, which is still in use.
- 1/1993–7/1994 English Course manager: ESL for Computing. Brunswick Community Education Project, Melbourne
 Responsibilities: teach English to refugees, as bridging course to further education. Achieved: developed innovative materials and methods, today known as Content-based Instruction.

- 6/1985–12/1994 Researcher/programmer, La Trobe University. Indigenous Languages Lexicography Database Project.
 Responsibilities: design and program database for Western Australian Aboriginal languages lexical data, write programs for exporting dictionaries. Achieved: new system for computer-generating dictionary finderlists.
- 6/1993–6/1994 Author of *Study Guide to Macquarie Aboriginal Words* (for AIATSIS)
- 1/1993–6/1993 Tutor, Academic Skills and Literacy, La Trobe University
- 1/1992–/1993 ESL instructor, Sussex Neighbourhood House, Coburg
- 7/1991–12/1992 Lecturer, *Linguistics and Computing*, Linguistics Dept, La Trobe University
- 1/1991–7/1991 Lecturer, *Cognitive Science*. Dept of Psychology, University of Melbourne
- 1/1990–12/1991 Tutor: Phonology, Semantics, Syntax, University of Melbourne

Educational qualifications

- 2015 Certificate Lang101x: Language Revival - Securing the Future of Endangered Languages, University of Adelaide
- 2005-2006 Diploma of Management, Chartered Management Institute, UK
- 1987-1988 Master of Arts (Linguistics), University of Sussex, UK
- 1988 TEFL Certificate, Brighton Polytechnic, UK
- 1983-1986 Bachelor of Arts (Honours, Linguistics), La Trobe University

Relevant memberships

Member, AIATSIS (Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies)

Committee member, Australex (Australasian Association for Lexicography)

Committee member, Top End Linguistic Circle

Awards and prizes

- 1987-1988 British Commonwealth Scholarship for UK study (CSFP)
- 1986 D M Myers University Medal, La Trobe University
- 1971 Distinction, HSC Victoria - Physics

Referees

Referees available on request.