

Rick Nouwen

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Current

Dr. Rick W.F. Nouwen

Associate Professor (Dutch: "Universitair Hoofddocent")

Department of Languages Literature & Communication, Humanities Faculty, Utrecht University

Career

2014-.... Associate Professor, Linguistics/AI, Humanities Faculty, Utrecht University

2011 Post-doctoral associate, Linguistics and Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, US

2008-2013 Postdoc/Assistant Professor, Principle Investigator NWO VIDI, Linguistics/AI, Humanities, Utrecht University

2008-2011 Docent, Communication and Information Sciences, Humanities Faculty, Utrecht University

2005-2008 Postdoc, Principle Investigator NWO VENI, Humanities Faculty, Utrecht University

2004-2005 Postdoc, Graduiertenkolleg Satzarten, J.W. Goethe Universitaet Frankfurt/Main, Germany

2003-2004 Postdoc, Niels Stensen project, School of Informatics, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

1999-2003 PhD candidate, Utrecht Institute for Linguistics, Promotores: H. de Swart & J. van Eijck, defended 21-11-2003

Academic Qualifications

2021 Ius Promovendi

2020 Senior Teaching Qualification (Dutch: "senior kwalificatie onderwijs")

2018 Qualification for teaching in English (Dutch: "basiskwalificatie engelstalig onderwijs")

2013 Senior Research Qualification (Dutch: "senior kwalificatie onderzoek")

2012 Junior Teaching Qualification (Dutch: "basiskwalificatie onderwijs")

Academic Tasks

2022- Faculty contact person for research integrity

2022- Programme coordinator research master Linguistics

2021- Member of the Research Council for the Utrecht Institute for Linguistics / Institute for Language Sciences

2021- Research Group leader of the research group Language, Logic and Information

2019- Tutor for junior teaching qualification

2020- Member of the curriculum committee MSc Artificial Intelligence

2017-2019 Member of the steering programme council MSc Artificial Intelligence

2016-2019 Chair of the curriculum committee BSc Artificial Intelligence

2014-2019 Track-coordinator "Reasoning" MSc Artificial Intelligence

2014-2016 Member of the board of examiners for research master programmes in humanities

Research Funding

2018-2024 NWO Vrije Competitie, 750k euro (sole applicant)

2013-2018 ERC Starting Grant - Consolidator stage (FP7), 1.3m euro (sole applicant)

2008-2013 NWO VIDI, 600k euro (sole applicant)

2005-2008 NWO VENI, 200k euro (sole applicant)

2004 Niels Stensen, 50k euro (sole applicant)

PhD Supervision

(year indicates the (expected) defence)

2024 Ying Liu

2024 Tijn Schmitz

2023 Jan Winkowski

2019 Dominique Blok

2018 Stavroula Alexandropoulou

2014 Anna Chernilovskaya

2013 Lisa Bylinina

Academic Service

2013-2021 “Editor in chief”, Journal of Semantics, Oxford University Press

2014-2022 Member of advisory board, Semantics and Pragmatics, Linguistic Society of America

2009-2013 Editor, Journal of Semantics, Oxford University Press

2010-2013 Editor, Semantics and Pragmatics, Linguistic Society of America

2010-2015 Chair of the Dutch Linguistic Society

2014-2016 Member of selection committee NWO-VIDI

2013-2016 Member of selection committee XPrag.de Deutsche Forschungs Gemeinschaft.

2014 Jury-president for “Habilitation a diriger des recherches” (École Normale Supérieure, France)

2014 Jury-lid for “Habilitation a diriger des recherches” (École Normale Supérieure, France)

peer review

- for national funding agencies: Catalunya, Germany, Flanders, Israel, Canada, Czechia, UK
- journals: Journal of Logic Language & Information, Journal of Philosophical Logic, Natural Language Semantics, Journal of Semantics, Lingua, Glossa, Linguistic Inquiry, Linguistics & Philosophy, Research on Language & Computation, Synthese, Semantics & Pragmatics, Journal of Computer and System Sciences, Discourse Processes, Journal of behavioral decision making.

Published Books

- 2012 - Sinn und Bedeutung, redactie met Ana Aguilar en Anna Chernilovskaya. MIT Working papers in Linguistics.
- 2011 - Linguistics in the Netherlands, edited with Marion Elenbaas. AvT Publications 28. Benjamins.
- 2011 - Vagueness in Communication, edited with Hans-Christian Schmitz, Robert van Rooij & Uli Sauerland. Springer LNCS.
- 2010 - Linguistics in the Netherlands, edited with Jacqueline van Kampen. AvT Publications 27. Benjamins.

- 2008 - Syntax and Semantics of Spatial P, edited with Anna Asbury, Berit Gehrke and Jakub Dotlacil. *Linguistik Aktuell/Linguistics Today* 120, Benjamins.
- 2003 - Plural pronominal anaphora in context: dynamic aspects of quantification, Dissertatie, Landelijke Onderzoeksschool Taalkunde, LOT-84, 193 pages. ISBN90-76864-45-4.

Published Articles (peer-reviewed, from 2018)

- under review - Semantic accessibility and interference in pronoun resolution. [With T. Schmitz, J. Dotlacil, J. Winkowski and M. Hoeks]
- under review - Searching for semantic distance effects. [With J. Winkowski and J. Dotlacil]
- under review - Meiosis and hyperbole as scalar phenomena.
- under review - The semantics and probabilistic pragmatics of deadjectival intensifiers.
- 2022 - Unknown Numbers. In: **Measurements, Numerals and Scales**. Springer.
- 2020 - Numeral Semantics. **Language and Linguistics Compass** 14:e12390, Wiley. [With L. Bylinina, co-first author]
- 2020 - Is there any licensing in non-DE contexts? **Sinn und Bedeutung** 24, [With Stavroula Alexandropoulou en L. Bylinina]
- 2020 - Multidisciplinary and Interdisciplinary Teaching in the Utrecht Artificial Intelligence Program: Why and How? **IEEE Pervasive Computing**, 10.1109 [With Chris Janssen, Krista Overvliet, Frans Adriaans, Sjoert Stuit, Tejaswini Deoskar en Ben Harvey]
- 2020 - E-type pronouns: congressmen, sheep and paychecks. **The Companion to Semantics**. Wiley.
- 2020 - Degree modification across categories in Afrikaans. **Linguistic Variation**. [With R. Berghoff, L. Bylinina & Y. McNabb]
- 2019 - Scalar vagueness regulation and locative reference. **Snippets**.
- 2018 - Notes on moderate excess. In: **A coat of many colours**. <http://dj60.be>
- 2018 - On "zero" and semantic plurality. **Glossa** 3(1). [With L. Bylinina, co-first author]
- 2018 - Free choice and distribution over disjunction: the case of free choice ability. **Semantics & Pragmatics** 11.
- 2018 - Experimental work on the Semantics and Pragmatics of Modified Numerals. In: **Handbook of Experimental Semantics and Pragmatics**, OUP.
- 2018 - Cumulative comparison: experimental evidence for degree cumulation. In: **The semantics of gradability, vagueness and scale structure**. [With J. Dotlacil, co-first author]

Full list available via ricknouwen.org or [google scholar](https://scholar.google.com/).

Presentations

- Keynotes at conferences: European Summerschool in Language Logic and Information (2023), Amsterdam Colloquium (2017), Pallmyr (2017, 2007), Semantics and Linguistic Theory (2017), Sinn und Bedeutung (2012), Semantics and Philosophy in Europe (2014), CONSOLE (2014).
- Invited talks (colloquia, workshops, etc.): >30
- Selected conference presentations: >40

Teaching (from 2013)

year	course title	programme
'21, '22	Language meaning and use	BA Linguistics
'21, '22, '23	Natural Language Processing	Msc AI
'20,'21, '22	Formele en Natuurlijke Talen	Bsc AI
'19,'20,'21, '22, '23	Reasoning about meaning	RMA Linguistics
'18,'19,'23	Finite State Automata, Numerus fixus-selectie / Matching	Bsc AI
'16,'17	Experimentation in Linguistics and Psychology	Msc AI
'15,'16,'17,'18,'19,	Inleiding Taalkunde voor KI	Bsc AI
'13	Logic, Language and Cognition	Msc AI
'13,'14,'15	Linguistic Modeling and Experimentation	Msc AI
'14,'15,'16,'17,'18	Semantics and Pragmatics	RMA Linguistics
'15,'16,'17	Cognitive Modeling	Msc AI
'18	Methods in AI Research	Msc AI