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Research Interests

Language revitalization and maintenance, language documentation, language shift and endangerment, sociolinguistics, languages in Cameroon.

Education

2020	PhD, Linguistics, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa <i>Dissertation: <u>Sociolinguistic Documentation of Language Shift and Maintenance in Iyasa</u></i>
2010	MA, Applied Linguistics, Boston University
2008	BA, Linguistics and English Literature, Boston University

Professional Positions

2024-Present	Executive Director, <u>Endangered Languages Project</u>
2020-Present	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
2018-2024	Program Manager, Endangered Languages Project
2011-2013	Assistant Project Manager, The LINGUIST List at Eastern Michigan University

Publications

2025	Ojong Diba, Rachel and Anna Belew. Language Endangerment and Destabilized Language Ecologies in Two Cameroonian Contexts. In Evgeniya Gutova and Alireza Korangy (eds.), <i>Multilingualism, Identity, and Language Endangerment in Africa</i> . Berlin: Springer.
2025	Roche, Gerald and Anna Belew. Language Shift, Endangerment, and Revitalization. In Joseph Lo Bianco and Adrian Lundberg (eds.), <i>Bloomsbury Applied Linguistics Volume 2: Language Policy and Planning</i> . New York: Bloomsbury.

- 2025 Deen, Kamil, Anupama Reddy, Anna Belew, Peter Chong, Keiko Hata, Kavon Hooshlar, Ryan Henke, Grant Muagututi'a, Anongnard Nusartlert, Jennifer Sou, and Sarah Uno. Presenting the Tool for Assessing Intergenerational Transmission (TITA) Within Endangered Language Communities. In Aditya Yedetore et al. (eds.), *Proceedings of the 49th annual Boston University Conference on Language Development*. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Press.
- 2025 Chase, Bridge, Anna Belew, and Amanda Holmes. *Say It with Respect: Reporting on Indigenous & Minoritized Languages, Language Endangerment, and Language Revitalization*. Endangered Languages Project white paper no. 2.
- 2023 Belew, Anna and Amanda Holmes. *A Linguist's Code of Conduct: Guidelines for Engaging in Linguistic Work with Indigenous Peoples*. Endangered Languages Project white paper no. 1.
- 2020 Belew, Anna. *The Endangered Languages Project (ELP): Collaborative Infrastructure and Knowledge-Sharing to Support Indigenous and Endangered Languages*. *Proceedings of the International Conference on Language Technologies for All (LT4All)*. Paris: UNESCO.
- 2018 Belew, Anna. *Discourses of Speakerhood in Iyasa: Linguistic Identity and Authenticity in an Endangered Language*. *Language Documentation & Conservation* 12: 235-273.
- 2018 Belew, Anna and Sean Simpson. The Status of the World's Endangered Languages. In Campbell, Lyle and Kenneth Rehg (eds.). *The Oxford Handbook of Endangered Languages*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 2018 Belew, Anna and Sean Simpson. Language Extinction Then and Now. In Campbell, Lyle and Anna Belew (eds.). *Cataloguing the World's Endangered Languages*. London: Routledge.
- 2018 Belew, Anna, Yen-ling Chen, Lyle Campbell, Russell Barlow, Bryn Hauk, Raina Heaton, and Stephanie Walla. The Endangered Languages of the World and Their Status. In Campbell, Lyle and Anna Belew (eds.). *Cataloguing the World's Endangered Languages*. London: Routledge.
- 2018 Campbell, Lyle and Anna Belew. Introduction: Why Catalogue Endangered Languages? In Campbell, Lyle and Anna Belew (eds.). *Cataloguing the World's Endangered Languages*. London: Routledge.

Edited Volumes

- 2018 Campbell, Lyle and Anna Belew (eds.). *Cataloguing the World's Endangered Languages*. London: Routledge.

Teaching

- 2023 Instructor, LING105: Language Endangerment
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 2021 Co-Instructor, LING680: Introduction to Language Documentation
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 2021 Assistant Instructor, LING680: Language Documentation and Reclamation in
Hawai'i and Beyond
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 2015 Instructor, LING102: Introduction to the Study of Language
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 2012 Co-Instructor, LNGE240: Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the U.S. Eastern
Michigan University.

Presentations

Conference presentations

- 2026 Belew, Anna. Reducing Barriers and Growing Networks of Knowledge Sharing in
Language Documentation and Revitalization. Discoveries and Insights in Skills
Training in Intergenerational Language Sustainability (DISTILS-01), Edmonton,
May 2026.
- 2025 Belew, Anna and N. Ha'alilio Solomon. Growing International Networks of
Support for Language Revitalization with ELP. WAVES 2025: Global Indigenous
Languages Summit, Ottawa, August 2025.
- 2024 Belew, Anna. Directions in Global Language Revitalization. (Keynote.) 1st
International Research Conference of Culture, Arts, and Sports. Cebu City
(online), November 2024.

- 2024 Belew, Anna. Growing Networks of Language Revitalization Across Borders and Boundaries. (Keynote.) 2nd International Conference on Language Endangerment, Manila, October 2024.
- 2023 Akumbu, Pius, Anna Belew, Amanda Holmes, Yulha Lhawa, Yazmin Novelo, and Alexandra Philbin. The Endangered Languages Project's Mentorship Program: Supporting the revitalization and preservation of endangered languages worldwide. 29th LIPP-Symposium: Small Languages on the Big Stage. Munich, December 2023.
- 2023 Belew, Anna and Lyle Campbell. Language Revitalization as a Global Movement in Response to Language Endangerment (Keynote). 11th International Conference on Endangered and Lesser-Known Languages (ELKL-11). Brahmapur (online), March 2023.
- 2022 Belew, Anna. "What I Couldn't Have Done Alone": Language Documentation Webinars as Training, Support, and Global Community. Multi-platform and Connecting Communities: Contemporary Challenges for Minority Language Media. Flensburg, March 2022.
- 2021 Belew, Anna. Variation in the Realization of /t/ in Məɖʊmbɑ: A Change in Progress? Linguistics Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Annual Meeting 2021. Sheffield (online), September 2021.
- 2021 Belew, Anna. Gathering Together for Digital Language Support. (Keynote.) ContribuLing 2021, online, June 2021.
- 2021 Belew, Anna. Towards a Revitalization Helpdesk: A Digital Platform for Knowledge- Sharing and Relationship-Building. 7th International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation. Honolulu (online), March 2021.
- 2020 Belew, Anna. Technology, International Knowledge-Sharing, and Collaboration to Strengthen Indigenous Languages: the Endangered Languages Project and Global Language Revitalization. Grand Cultural Gathering of Indian Indigenous Peoples. Palghar, January 2020.
- 2019 Belew, Anna. The Endangered Languages Project: Supporting Indigenous Languages with Information, Technology, and Community. The Adivasi/Tribal Languages, Culture and Sustainable Development. Bhopal (online), November 2019.
- 2019 Belew, Anna. The Endangered Languages Project: Connecting People, Knowledge, and Resources to Strengthen Endangered Languages. International Year of Indigenous Languages 2019: Perspectives. Fort Wayne, October 2019.

- 2019 Belew, Anna. The Endangered Languages Project: Connecting People, Knowledge, and Resources to Strengthen Languages Worldwide. HELISET TTE SKÁL – ‘Let the Languages Live’. Victoria, June 2019.
- 2019 Pappas, Leah, Olivia Bianchini, and Anna Belew. Facebook Live: A New Platform for Language Documentation Training. 33rd Hawaii Association of Language Teachers Conference. Honolulu, April 2019.
- 2019 Belew, Anna and Sammy Mbipite. Iyasa Éboó: A Youth-Driven Model for Language Documentation and Revitalization. 6th International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation. Honolulu, March 2019.
- 2017 Belew, Anna. Investigating Multilingualism in an Endangered Language Context: The Case of Iyasa in Cameroon. 25th Symposium About Language and Society, Austin (SALSA 25). Austin, April 2017.
- 2017 Belew, Anna. Discourses of Speakerhood in Iyasa. 48th Annual Conference on African Linguistics. Bloomington, March 2017.
- 2017 Belew, Anna. “Who Says We’re Finished?”: Investigating Community Perceptions of Language Endangerment. 5th International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation. Honolulu, March 2017.
- 2016 Belew, Anna, Bryn Hauk, and Kevin Lowe. Introducing the Endangered Languages Project. 4th International Conference on Endangered and Lesser-Known Languages. Agra, February 2016.
- 2015 Belew, Anna. Two “Pidgins,” One Attitude?: Comparing Attitudes towards Cameroon Pidgin English and Hawai‘i Pidgin English among Cameroonians in Honolulu. 8th World Congress of African Linguistics. Kyoto, August 2015.
- 2015 Belew, Anna. Language Endangerment in Africa: Findings from the Catalogue of Endangered Languages (ELCat) Project. 46th Annual Conference on African Linguistics. Eugene, March 2015.
- 2014 Belew, Anna and Raina Heaton. The Catalogue of Endangered Languages: the History, Development, and Future of a Forthcoming Resource on Endangered Languages. Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, January 2014.
- 2012 Belew, Anna. The Catalogue of Endangered Languages: Project Overview with Focus on Africa. 7th World Congress of African Linguistics. Buea, August 2012.

2009 Anghelescu, Andrei, Anna Belew, Nick Danis, Kathryn Franich, and Catherine O'Connor. Medumba Noun Classes. Boston University UROP Symposium. Boston, October 2009.

Selected Invited Presentations and Panels

2026 Belew, Anna. Elements for articulating a global discourse (panelist). BIHAR: International Congress of Minority Language Communities Undergoing Revitalization. Irun, September 2026.

2026 Belew, Anna. Language funding (panelist). Tsitewatá:ti: Let Us Speak Again! Indigenous Languages Symposium. Montreal, April 2026.

2026 Belew, Anna. From Words to Well-being: Strengthening Indigenous Futures Through Language (panelist). United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. New York, April 2026.

2024 Belew, Anna. Ten Years Beyond the Ancestral Code: Growing Into a Model for Sociolinguistic Documentation. University of Chicago Workshop on Language Variation and Change. Chicago (online), February 2024.

2023 Belew, Anna. "I don't feel alone anymore": Building relationships of support and solidarity through language revitalization mentoring. University of California at Berkeley Language Revitalization Working Group. Berkeley (online), April 2023.

2022 Belew, Anna. Continuing Beyond the Ancestral Code: Directions in Sociolinguistic Language Documentation. Society for Endangered Languages Pakistan Lecture Series. Online, October 2022.

2022 Belew, Anna. Digital Gathering Spaces for Sharing Knowledge in Language Revitalization and Activism. Dil Hakları Temelli Dijital Aktivizm Seminerleri. Istanbul (online), April 2022.