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Title: Historical Sociolinguistics

As historical sociolinguistics is currently one of the strategic research priorities of VUB ('SRP growth funding'), we welcome experienced researchers to work on any aspect of historical sociolinguistics, including (but not limited to) language history from below, standardization, language variation and change, language contact or historical multilingualism, the relationship between norms and usage, orality and literacy in historical data, historical language policy and language planning, etc. Our team mostly works on the historical sociolinguistics of Dutch, but any proposal within the field would be more than welcome if it is more theoretically, methodologically or comparatively oriented. Previous and current projects on historical sociolinguistics at our center have focused, for instance, on norm implementation in top-down standardization; norms, orality and literacy in nineteenth-century pauper letters and other writings from below; French-Dutch language contact; language choice in social domains from a LPP perspective; pluricentricity and pluriareality in Dutch language history; etc. Researchers interested to work on standardization as a historical process are particularly invited to apply.

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