## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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After leaving university Inouk had several jobs in the education sector. She worked as a teacher of Dutch language for foreigners, a project manager for second language learners, an education consultant, and a language counselor in primary education. In 2012 she started her PhD research at the Department Educational Neuroscience of the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. This thesis encompasses the results of this research. Inouk combined her PhD research with her job as a teacher of Dutch language didactics at the University of Applied Sciences iPabo, which is a teacher education university for primary education. Currently, she works as a teacher and researcher at the University of Applied Sciences iPabo in Amsterdam.