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EDUCATION	McGill University , Montréal, Canada M.A., Linguistics Thesis: <i>v-al-ency: Two sources of causation in the Wolof Causative-Benefactive syncretism</i> Committee: Martina Martinović and Luis Alonso-Ovalle	2023 – 2025
	B.A., Computer Science & Linguistics Thesis: <i>A Negative Alternation: Negation Head Movement Allomorphy in Igala</i> Supervisor: Martina Martinović	2019 – 2022
	Vanier College , Montréal, Canada D.C.S., Computer Science Technology	2016 – 2019
NON DEGREE	ESSLLI , Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Bochum, Germany 36th European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information	Jul – Aug 2025
PAPERS	In Press. A Negative Alternation: Negation Head Movement Allomorphy in Igala. <i>Selected papers from the 54th Annual Conference on African Linguistics</i> . Contemporary African Linguistics: Language Science Press, 12. [pre-pub] 2023. Unravelling the ‘not’: left peripheral blocking of negation in Kirundi. <i>Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics</i> , 46(1). [paper]	

PRESENTATIONS

Conferences & Workshops

2026. Generic argument-structure head in the Wolof causative-benefactive syncretism. *13th edition of the TripleA workshop series (Semantics of Languages of Africa, Asia, Australia and Oceania; SULA-TripleA 2026)*. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. May 12-15.
2024. Irrealis mood enclosed negation in Igala. *Sentential Negation Across the Globe Workshop (SNAG 2024)*. Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle, Université Paris Cité, Paris, France. September 5-6. [[handout](#)]
2023. A negative alternation: Negation head movement allomorphy in Igala. *54th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 54)*. University of Connecticut, Storrs, USA. June 12-14. [[handout](#)]
2022. Focusing on Negation in Kirundi. *1st Toronto-Montreal Bantu Colloquium (Ba-ToM 1)*. University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada. May 27-28. [[handout](#)]

Other

2022. Igala Sentence-Final Particles at the edge of vP. *Arts Undergraduate Research Event*. McGill University, Montreal, Canada. October 18. [[poster](#)]
2022. Genealogic Approach to Low-Resource Language Modelling. *Natural Language Understanding with Deep Learning (COMP 599) Poster Presentation*. MILA (Quebec AI Institute), Montreal, Canada. April 26.

AWARDS & PRIZES

- Best Submission - Challenge 1: Unified Data Model.** *Designing a universal IGT (Interlinear Glossed Text) data model* at [Software for Endangered Language Science Hackathon](#). October 25, 2025.
- Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel (GREAT) Award.** *Travel funding for SNAG Workshop in Paris*. Funded by the Faculty of Arts at McGill University via the Department of Linguistics. September 5-6 2024. \$750 (CAD).

Canada Graduate Scholarship - Master's (CGS-M). *Left-peripheral properties of Negation in Niger-Congo.* Funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). 2024–2025 (12 months). \$27,000 (CAD).

Graduate Mobility Award (GMA). *Travel funding for 5 weeks of Thesis-related fieldwork in Senegal.* Funded by the Government of Quebec via McGill University. Summer 2024. \$1,800 (CAD).

Undergraduate Arts Research Internship Award (ARIA). *Igala Sentence-Final Particles at the edge of vP.* Funded by the Faculty of Arts at McGill University. Summer 2022. \$5,000 (CAD).

EMPLOYMENT	Teaching Assistant , McGill University LING 371 - Syntax 1 LING 360 - Introduction to Semantics	Winter 2025 Fall 2024
	Research Assistant , Martina Martinović, MULL Lab Igala (Volta-Niger) and Wolof (Atlantic) elicitation and annotation Build and maintain Igala Wiki and MULL Lab Website	2021 – 2023
FIELDWORK	Igala (Yoruboid; Volta-Niger) , remotely (Nigeria & UK) Supervision by Martina Martinović	May 2021 – Aug 2024
	Wolof (Senegambian; Atlantic) , Saint-Louis & Dakar, Senegal Fieldwork for collaborative project M.A. thesis fieldwork Research assistant for Martina Martinović	June 2025 Jun – Jul 2024 Apr – May 2023
	Kirundi (JD.62; Great Lakes Bantu) , Montréal As part of Jessica Coon 's Field Methods class (LING 415)	Jan – Jun, 2022
SERVICES	Mentorship & Outreach GitHub Website Workshop for Linguistics Graduate Students, McGill Co-organizer NACLO (NA Computational Linguistics Open Competition), Montreal Training session leader PURL (Program for Undergraduate Research in Linguistics), McGill Emma Custer (mentee): Syntax of Igala perfectives	Winter 2025 2024, 2025 Winter 2024
	Reading Groups & Labs Syn-Sem Reading Group , McGill Co-organizer MULL Lab (Montreal Underdocumented Languages Linguistics Lab) (Co-)organizer	2023, 2024 2023, 2024
	Conferences & Colloquia McGill Linguistics Colloquium Series Co-organizer ACAL 55 (55th Annual Conference on African Linguistics), McGill Organizing committee	2024, 2025 2023 – 2024
	Reviewing ACAL 55 (55th Annual Conference on African Linguistics), McGill Abstract reviewer	2023

TECHNICAL
SKILLS

Systems/Software: ELAN, Praat, Git, Docker, Linux

Languages: Python, R, L^AT_EX, Java/TypeScript, SQL, Bash, Kotlin, Java, PHP

Native: Français (Québécois), English

Intermediate:

Elementary: Deutsch, Wolof, , español

Passive: Kreyòl ayisyen

Fieldwork/Structure: Igala (Volta-Niger), Wolof (Atlantic-Congo), Kirundi (Bantu), Tseltal and Tsotsil (Mayan), Tlingit, Eyak, and Navajo (Na-Dene)