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| EDUCATION     | <b>McGill University</b> , Montréal, Canada<br>M.A., Linguistics<br>Thesis: <i>v-al-ency: Two sources of causation in the Wolof Causative-Benefactive syncretism</i><br>Committee: <a href="#">Martina Martinović</a> and <a href="#">Luis Alonso-Ovalle</a>   | 2023 – 2025    |
|               | B.A., Computer Science & Linguistics<br>Thesis: <i>A Negative Alternation: Negation Head Movement Allomorphy in Igala</i><br>Supervisor: Martina Martinović  | 2019 – 2022    |
|               | <b>Vanier College</b> , Montréal, Canada<br>D.C.S., Computer Science Technology  | 2016 – 2019    |
| NON DEGREE    | <b>ESSLLI</b> , Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Bochum, Germany<br>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. [ <a href="#">pre-pub</a> ]<br><br>2023. Unravelling the ‘not’: left peripheral blocking of negation in Kirundi. <i>Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics</i> , 46(1). [ <a href="#">paper</a> ]   |                |
| PRESENTATIONS | <b>Conferences &amp; Workshops</b><br><br>2024. Irrealis mood enclosed negation in Igala. <i>Sentential Negation Across the Globe Workshop (SNAG 2024)</i> . Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle, Université Paris Cité, Paris, France. September 5-6. [ <a href="#">handout</a> ]<br><br>2023. A negative alternation: Negation head movement allomorphy in Igala. <i>54th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 54)</i> . University of Connecticut, Storrs, USA. June 12-14. [ <a href="#">handout</a> ]<br><br>2022. Focusing on Negation in Kirundi. <i>1st Toronto-Montreal Bantu Colloquium (Ba-ToM 1)</i> . University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada. May 27-28. [ <a href="#">handout</a> ] |                |
| OTHER         | <br><b>Other</b><br><br>2022. Igala Sentence-Final Particles at the edge of vP. <i>Arts Undergraduate Research Event</i> . McGill University, Montreal, Canada. October 18. [ <a href="#">poster</a> ]<br><br>2022. Genealogic Approach to Low-Resource Language Modelling. <i>Natural Language Understanding with Deep Learning (COMP 599) Poster Presentation</i> . MILA (Quebec AI Institute), Montreal, Canada. April 26.  |                |
| AWARDS        | <br><b>Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel (GREAT) Award.</b> <i>Travel funding for SNAG Workshop in Paris</i> . Funded by the Faculty of Arts at McGill University via the Department of Linguistics. September 5-6 2024. \$750 (CAD).<br><br><b>Canada Graduate Scholarship - Master's (CGS-M).</b> <i>Left-peripheral properties of Negation in Niger-Congo</i> . Funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). 2024–2025 (12 months). \$27,000 (CAD).<br><br><b>Graduate Mobility Award (GMA).</b> <i>Travel funding for 5 weeks of Thesis-related fieldwork in Senegal</i> . 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).

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| EMPLOYMENT | <b>Teaching Assistant</b> , McGill University<br>LING 371 - Syntax 1<br>LING 360 - Introduction to Semantics   | Winter 2025<br>Fall 2024                      |
|            | <b>Research Assistant</b> , Martina Martinović, <a href="#">MULL Lab</a><br>Igala (Volta-Niger) and Wolof (Atlantic) elicitation and annotation<br>Build and maintain <a href="#">Igala Wiki</a> and <a href="#">MULL Lab Website</a>  | 2021 – 2023                                   |
| FIELDWORK  | <b>Igala (Yoruboid; Volta-Niger)</b> , remotely (Nigeria & UK)<br>Supervision by Martina Martinović  | May 2021 – Aug 2024                           |
|            | <b>Wolof (Senegambian; Atlantic)</b> , Saint-Louis & Dakar, Senegal<br>Fieldwork for collaborative project<br>M.A. thesis fieldwork<br>Research assistant for Martina Martinović   | June 2025<br>Jun – Jul 2024<br>Apr – May 2023 |
|            | <b>Kirundi (JD.62; Great Lakes Bantu)</b> , Montréal<br>As part of <a href="#">Jessica Coon's</a> Field Methods class (LING 415)   | Jan – Jun, 2022                               |
| SERVICES   | <b>Mentorship &amp; Outreach</b><br><a href="#">GitHub Website Workshop</a> for Linguistics Graduate Students, McGill<br>Co-organizer<br><a href="#">NACLO</a> (NA Computational Linguistics Open Competition), Montreal<br>Training session leader<br><a href="#">PURL</a> (Program for Undergraduate Research in Linguistics), McGill<br><a href="#">Emma Custer</a> (mentee): Syntax of Igala perfectives | Winter 2025<br>2024, 2025<br>Winter 2024      |
|            | <b>Reading Groups &amp; Labs</b><br><a href="#">Syn-Sem Reading Group</a> , McGill<br>Co-organizer<br><a href="#">MULL Lab</a> (Montreal Underdocumented Languages Linguistics Lab)<br>(Co-)organizer  | 2023, 2024<br>2023, 2024                      |
|            | <b>Conferences &amp; Colloquia</b><br><a href="#">McGill Linguistics Colloquium Series</a><br>Co-organizer<br><a href="#">ACAL 55</a> (55th Annual Conference on African Linguistics), McGill<br>Organizing committee  | 2024, 2025<br>2023 – 2024                     |
|            | <b>Workshops &amp; Hackathons</b><br><a href="#">Software for Endangered Language Science Hackathon</a> , Online<br>Designing a universal IGT (Interlinear Glossed Text) data model  | October 25, 2025                              |
|            | <b>Reviewing</b><br><a href="#">ACAL 55</a> (55th Annual Conference on African Linguistics), McGill<br>Abstract reviewer   | 2023  |

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TECHNICAL  
SKILLS

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

**Languages:** Python, R, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Java/TypeScript, SQL, Bash, Kotlin, Java, PHP

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NATURAL  
LANGUAGES

**Native:** Français (Québécois), English

**Intermediate:** 日本語

**Elementary:** Deutsch, Wolof, Русский, español

**Passive:** Kreyòl ayisyen

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