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# Expérience professionnelle

2017– Chercheur postdoctoral, Laboratoire de Sciences Cognitives et

Psycholinguistique, École Normale Supérieure.

2015–2017 Chercheur postdoctoral, Language, Logic and Cognition Cen-

ter, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

2016 Chercheur invité, Institut Jean Nicod, École Normale

(juin 25 – juil. 27) Supérieure.

Sponsor: Benjamin Spector

# ÉDUCATION

2010–2015 Ph.D., Linguistique, Université McGill.

Thèse: Maximality in the Semantics of Modified Numerals

Comité de thèse: Luis Alonso-Ovalle (co-directeur), Bernhard Schwarz

(co-directeur), Michael Wagner (membre)

2014 Étudiant étranger, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Sponsor: Kai von Fintel

2009–2010 Qualifying Year Program, McGill University.

(Permet aux bons candidats de combler des lacunes en lingquistique en

suivant des cours au premier cycle.)

2004–2008 B.S., Mathématiques, Honors College, Loyola University

Chicago.

B.A., Lettres classiques, Honors College, Loyola University

Chicago.

1999–2004 Jesuit High School New Orleans.

#### Universités d'été

2013 European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Informa-

tion (ESSLLI 2013), Düsseldorf, Germany.

2012

North American Summer School of Logic, Language, and Information (NASSLLI 2012), Austin, TX.

# RECHERCHE

#### Articles dans des revues et manuscrits

soumis Emmanuel Chemla, Brian Buccola, and Isabelle Dautriche.
Connecting Content and Logical Words. 2018. URL: http://semanticsarchive.net/Archive/WVhYzUwM/Chemla-

Buccola-Dautriche-ConnectWords.html.

en révision Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. Obligatory Irrelevance

and the Computation of Ignorance Inferences. 2017. URL:

http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/003600.

en révision Brian Buccola. Bare Numerals, Collectivity, and Genericity:

A New Puzzle. 2017. URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/

003400.

en révision Brian Buccola, Manuel Križ, and Emmanuel Chemla. Con-

ceptual Alternatives. 2016. URL: http://ling.auf.net/

lingbuzz/003208.

2016 Brian Buccola and Benjamin Spector. Modified Numerals

and Maximality. In: *Linguistics and Philosophy* 39.3 (2016), pp. 151–199. DOI: 10.1007/s10988-016-9187-2. URL: http:

//ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/002528.

Bernhard Schwarz, Brian Buccola, and Michael Hamilton.

Two Types of Class B Numeral Modifiers: A Reply to Nouwen 2010. In: *Semantics and Pragmatics* 5.1 (2012), pp. 1–25. DOI:

10.3765/sp.5.1.

#### Articles dans des actes de conférence avec comité de lecture

2017 Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. Expressing Indifference in

German. In: Amsterdam Colloquium. Vol. 21. 2017, pp. 165–174.

URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/003763.

2017 Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. A Surface-Scope Analysis

of Authoritative Readings of Modified Numerals. In: *Sinn und Bedeutung*. Vol. 21. 2017. URL: http://ling.auf.net/

lingbuzz/003173.

Brian Buccola. Severing Maximality from fewer than: Evidence

from Genericity. In: *Sinn und Bedeutung*. Ed. by Nadine Bade, Polina Berezovskaya, and Anthea Schöller. Vol. 20. 2016,

pp. 127-144. URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/002847.

Brian Buccola. Variable Monotonicity and *less than*: When Van Benthem's Problem is Not a Problem. In: *North East Linguistic Society (NELS)*. ed. by Thuy Bui and Deniz Özyıldız. Vol. 45. 2015, pp. 125–134. URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/002512.

Brian Buccola. On the Expressivity of Optimality Theory versus Ordered Rewrite Rules. In: *Formal Grammar*. Ed. by Glyn V. Morrill and Mark-Jan Nederhof. Vol. 8036. Lecture Notes in Computer Science. Heidelberg, Germany: Springer, 2013, pp. 142–158. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-642-39998-5\_9. URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/002513.

### **Présentations**

Conférences avec comité de lecture

2017	Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. Expressing Indifference in German. Talk presented at the 21st Amsterdam Colloquium. Amsterdam, Netherlands, Dec. 21, 2017.
2016	Brian Buccola. Bare Numerals and Scalar Implicatures in Generic Sentences. Talk presented at the Logic in Language and Conversation (LogiCon) workshop. Utrecht, Netherlands, Sept. 19, 2016.
2016	Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. A Surface-Scope Analysis of Authoritative Readings of Modified Numerals. Talk presented at the Logic in Language and Conversation (LogiCon) workshop. Utrecht, Netherlands, Sept. 20, 2016.
2016	Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. A Surface-Scope Analysis of Authoritative Readings of Modified Numerals. Talk presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 21. Edinburgh, Scotland, Sept. 5, 2016. URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/003173.
2016	Brian Buccola. Modified and Unmodified Numerals: Lessons from Genericity. Talk presented at the workshop on the semantic contribution of Det and Num. (In)definiteness, genericity, and referentiality. Barcelona, Spain, May 28, 2016.
2015	Brian Buccola. Severing Maximality from <i>fewer than</i> : Evidence from Genericity. Talk presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 20. Tübingen, Germany, Sept. 11, 2015.
2015	Brian Buccola. Modified Numerals, Plurality, and Boundedness. Talk presented at the Syntax and Semantics of Numerals workshop, at the 48th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguis-

tica Europaea. Leiden, Netherlands, Sept. 3, 2015.

Brian Buccola. Global Economic Constraints: The Case of Van 2014 Benthem's Problem. Poster presented at the 45th Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS). Cambridge, MA, Oct. 31, 2014. 2014 Brian Buccola and Morgan Sonderegger. On the Expressivity of Optimality Theory versus Rules: An Application to Opacity. Talk presented at the 88th Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America. Minneapolis, MN, Jan. 3, 2014. Brian Buccola and Morgan Sonderegger. On the Expressivity 2013 of Optimality Theory versus Rules: An Application to Opaque Patterns. Poster presented at Phonology 2013. Amherst, MA, Nov. 9, 2013. 2013 Brian Buccola. On the Expressivity of Optimality Theory versus Ordered Rewrite Rules. Talk presented at the 18th conference on Formal Grammar. Düsseldorf, Germany, Aug. 11, 2013. Ateliers 2016 Brian Buccola and Andreas Haida. Authoritative Readings of Superlative Modified Numerals. Poster presented at the annual Edmond & Lily Safra Center for Brain Sciences (ELSC) retreat. Ein Gedi, Israel, Jan. 24, 2016. Brian Buccola. Less than, Lower Bounds, and Distribu-2014 tivity/Collectivity. Talk presented at the Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal semantics workshop (TOM 7). Toronto, Canada, Apr. 12, 2014. Brian Buccola. A Mathematical Demonstration that Classic Op-2013 timality Theory is Expressively Weaker than Ordered Rewrite Rules. Talk presented at the Montreal-Ottawa-Toronto phonology workshop (MOT). Ottawa, Canada, Mar. 16, 2013. Brian Buccola. The Nature of Ignorance Implications Arising 2012 from Superlative Quantifiers. Talk presented at the Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal semantics workshop (TOM 5). Ottawa, Canada, Mar. 10, 2012. Brian Buccola. Phrasal and Clausal Comparatives: The di 2011 vs. che Puzzle in Italian. Talk presented at the Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal semantics workshop (TOM 4). Toronto, Canada, Apr. 9, 2011.

#### Présentations invitées

Brian Buccola. Obligatory Irrelevance and the Computation 2017 of Ignorance Inferences. Invited talk presented at the Département d'Études Cognitives, École Normale Supérieure. Paris, France, Sept. 27, 2017. Based on joint work with Andreas Haida. 2017 Brian Buccola. Conceptual Alternatives: Competition in Language and Beyond. Invited colloquium talk presented at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Jerusalem, Israel, Apr. 25, 2017. Based on joint work with Emmanuel Chemla and Manuel Križ. 2016 Brian Buccola. A Surface-Scope Analysis of Authoritative Readings of Modified Numerals. Invited talk presented at the Département d'Études Cognitives, École Normale Supérieure. Paris, France, July 6, 2016. Based on joint work with Andreas Haida. 2016 Brian Buccola. Bare Numerals and Scalar Implicatures in Generic Sentences. Invited talk presented at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Jerusalem, Israel, Mar. 23, 2016. Brian Buccola. Modified and Unmodified Numerals: Lessons 2015 from Genericity. Invited colloquium talk presented at Tel Aviv University. Tel Aviv, Israel, Nov. 19, 2015. Brian Buccola. Maximal Informativity and Numeral Mod-2015 ifiers: The Case of between. Invited talk presented at the Leiden-Utrecht Semantics Happenings (LUSH) research group. Utrecht, Netherlands, Sept. 7, 2015.

#### Volumes édités

Brian Buccola, Michael Hamilton, Alanah McKillen, and James Tanner, eds. *Proceedings from the Sixth Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal* (*TOM*) *Workshop in Semantics*. Vol. 24. McGill Working Papers in Linguistics 1. McGill University. Feb. 2014. URL: https://www.mcgill.ca/mcgwpl/archives/volume-241-2014.

Alanah McKillen and Brian Buccola, eds. *Proceedings from the First Montreal-Ottawa-Toronto-Hamilton (MOTH) Workshop in Syntax*. Vol. 23. McGill Working Papers in Linguistics 1. McGill University. June 2013. URL: https://www.mcgill.ca/mcgwpl/archives/volume-231-2013.

### Thèse

Brian Buccola. *Maximality in the Semantics of Modified Numerals.* 

PhD thesis. Montreal, Canada: McGill University, July 2015. URL: http://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/003039. Comité de thèse: Luis Alonso-Ovalle (co-directeur), Bernhard Schwarz

(co-directeur), Michael Wagner (membre).

#### Enseignement

# Comme chargé de cours

Summer 2014 Introduction to Linguistics (LING 201), McGill University.

Description du cours: introduction to the techniques of linguistic analysis; topics covered included phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, and

semantics. Nombre d'élèves: 30.

#### Comme assistant

Winter 2014 Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University.

Fonctions: weekly lecture (2 hours/week); office hours; grade assignments,

midterm exam, and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Morgan Sonderegger.

Fall 2013 Semantics (LING 360), McGill University.

Fonctions: three lectures; office hours; grade assignments, midterm exam,

and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Brendan Gillon.

Winter 2013 Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University.

Fonctions: weekly lecture (2 hours/week); office hours; grade assignments,

midterm exam, and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Morgan Sonderegger.

Fall 2012 Semantics (LING 360), McGill University.

Fonctions: two lectures; office hours; grade assignments, midterm exam,

and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Brendan Gillon.

Winter 2012 Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University.

Fonctions: weekly lecture (2 hours/week); office hours; grade assignments,

midterm exam, and final exam. Chargé de cours: Heather Goad.

Fall 2011 Phonology I (LING 331), McGill University.

Fonctions: weekly lecture (1 hour/week); office hours; grade quizzes,

assignments, midterm exam, and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Tobin Skinner.

Winter 2011 Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University.

Fonctions: weekly lecture (2 hours/week); office hours; grade quizzes,

assignments, midterm exams, and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Sara Mackenzie.

Fall 2010 Intro to Linguistics (LING 201), McGill University.

Fonctions: weekly lecture (2 hours/week); office hours; grade quizzes,

assignments, midterm exam, and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Tanya Slavin.

Fall 2010 Neuroscience of Language (LING 370), McGill University.

Fonctions: grade assignments, midterm exam, and final exam.

Chargé de cours: Isabelle Deschamps, Andrea Santi.

### SERVICE

# Au département

2015–2017	Organizer (with Andreas Haida), LLCC Semantics-Pragmatics Research Group, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
2015	Department publications manager, McGill University.  Compiled and managed a database of department publications for 2014, in BibTeX format, for the department's Annual Report.
2013–2015	Organizing committee, Syntax-Semantics Research Group, McGill University.
2012-2014	Co-editor, McGill Working Papers in Linguistics (McGWPL).
2013	Organizing committee, Exploring the Interfaces 2: Implicatures, Alternatives, and the Semantics-Pragmatics Interface (ETI 2), McGill University.
2012	Graduate student representative for syntax job hire, McGill University.
2011–2012	Co-editor, McGill Linguistics Blog (McLing).

# À la profession

2016–	Member of the Editorial Board of Semantics and Pragmatics.
Reviewer (books)	The MIT Press (1 book manuscript, 2016).
Reviewer	Acta Linguistica Academica (1 journal article manuscript, 2017),
(journals)	Glossa (1 journal article manuscript, 2017), Journal of Seman-

Glossa (1 journal article manuscript, 2017), Journal of Semantics (2 journal article manuscripts, 2015–2016), Semantics and

*Pragmatics* (2 journal article manuscripts, 2016–2017).

Reviewer (conferences)

GLOW in Asia (2016), Israel Association for Theoretical Linguistics (2016–2017), North East Linguistic Society (2015–2017), Semantics and Linguistic Theory (2018), Sinn und Bedeutung (2017).

### Prix

Faculty of Arts Graduate Student Teaching Award (\$500).

Nomination-only award, which "recognizes outstanding teaching in the

Faculty by graduate students."

2014 Centre for Research on Brain, Language and Music (CRBLM)

Graduate Travel Award (\$700).

Application-based award given to CRBLM student members to present

their scientific results at an international conference.

2013 Graduate Student Travel Award, McGill University (\$1,500).

A "competitive award designed to support graduate student travel by both MA and PhD students for the purposes of research and the dissemination

of research."

2013 Lara Riente Memorial Prize in Linguistics, Department of Lin-

guistics, McGill University (\$500).

"Awarded by the Faculty of Arts Scholarships committee on the recommendation of the Department of Linguistics on the basis of high academic standing to a graduate or an undergraduate student enrolled in a full-time

degree program in Linguistics."

2012–2013 Cremona Memorial Fellowship in Linguistics, Department of

Linguistics, McGill University (\$8,479).

"Awarded by the Department of Linguistics to an outstanding graduate

student registered in the Ph.D. or M.A. program in Linguistics."

2012 NASSLLI full scholarship (\$410).

Application-based stipend covering tuition, fees, accommodation, and

travel.

2004–2008 National Merit Finalist Scholarship, Loyola University Chicago

(~\$100,000).

Full-tuition scholarship awarded to students who have been named Na-

tional Merit finalists by the National Merit Corporation.

# MENTIONS ET ASSOCIATIONS

2016 (joined) Israel Association for Theoretical Linguistics (IATL).

2015 (joined) Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE).

2012 (joined) Centre for Research on Brain, Language and Music (CRBLM),

Montréal, Canada.

2012 (joined) Linguistic Society of America (LSA).

2008 (inducted) Phi Beta Kappa.

2004 National Merit Scholar.

1999 (accepted) Mensa.

### Langues

English Native
Italian Advanced

French, Conversational; proficient in reading, writing

German

Latin, Greek Proficient in translation; research
Spanish Working knowledge; research

Hebrew Beginner

# Compétence technique

Programming Linux shell (Bash, Zsh); Haskell, Python, R; Git; LATEX, BibTEX;

HTML, CSS

Linguistics Ibex; Praat

software

# **AUTRES PASSIONS**

History and philosophy of math and science.

Early American blues (Delta) and jazz (New Orleans).

Linux, LaTeX, and other computery things.

Brewing beer, cooking.

Chess, puzzles.