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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Experimental pragmatics, figurative language, metaphor comprehension and production, computational methods, discourse linguistics, language acquisition.

## EDUCATION

2022 -	University of Toronto	<b>Doctor of Philosophy</b> (PhD) in Linguistics
2020 - 2021	University of Edinburgh	<b>Master of Science</b> (MSc) by Research in Linguistics <i>with Merit</i>
2017 - 2020	McGill University	<b>Bachelor of Arts</b> in Linguistics & French Literature <i>First Class Joint Honours</i>
2015 - 2017	Dawson College	<b>Collegial studies</b> in Modern Languages <i>First Class Graduation Honours List</i>

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2024 - 2025	Ontario Graduate Scholarship	15,000 CAD	University of Toronto
2023	John MacRory Fellowship	5,000 CAD	University of Toronto
2020	Joan Nelson Study Abroad Award	6,613 CAD	Golden Key International Honours Society
2020	Moyse Travelling Scholarship	5,800 CAD	McGill University
2019	Undergraduate Mobility Award	1,500 CAD	McGill University
2017 - 2018	J.W. McConnell Scholarship	3,500 CAD	McGill University
2017	Outstanding Achievement in Arts & Sciences Award	500 CAD	Dawson College

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Publications

Beekhuizen, B., & Raihert, C. (under review) Two context effects on metaphor usage. A computational, corpus-based approach. *Metaphor & Symbol*. [not included in public CV]

## Conference Proceedings

**Raihert, C.**, & Grigoroglou, M. (2024). Metaphor Comprehension in Preschoolers: A Pragmatic Skill. In L. K. Samuelson, S. L. Frank, M. Toneva, A. Mackey, & E. Hazeltine (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society* (pp. 5295-5301).

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**Raihert, C.** & Grigoroglou, M. (2024, November). *The role of relevance in early metaphor comprehension*. Boston University Conference on Language Development (BUCLD), Boston, United States. (poster)

**Raihert, C.** & Grigoroglou, M. (2024, September). *Inferences of relevance in early metaphor comprehension*. 5<sup>th</sup> Experimental Pragmatics Conference in Italy (XPrag.it 2024), Venice, Italy. (talk)

**Raihert, C.**, & Grigoroglou, M. (2024, July). *Metaphor comprehension in preschoolers: a pragmatic skill*. 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci 2024), Rotterdam, Netherlands. (poster)

Beekhuizen, B., & **Raihert, C.** (2024, June). *Studying metaphor-in-context computationally: From ad hoc to systematic variation across genres*. Inaugural Conference of the Cognitive Linguistics Association of North America (CLANA), Montreal, Canada. (talk)

**Raihert, C.**, & Beekhuizen, B. (2023, August). *Speaking figuratively across genres: discourse, metaphor, and variation*. 16<sup>th</sup> International Cognitive Linguistics Conference (ICLC), Düsseldorf, Germany. (talk)

**Raihert, C.** (2021, June). *Bridging the debate on metaphor: a network-based account of abstraction in predicate metaphor processing*. Linguistics & English Language Postgraduate Conference (LELPGC) 2021, Edinburgh, United Kingdom. (talk)

**Raihert, C.** (2021, June). *Metaphor and connectedness: the use of metaphorical language as a cultural glue*. GradNet Conference 2021, Southampton, United Kingdom. (talk)

## UNREFEREED PRESENTATIONS

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(\*denotes student mentee)

Joulaei, S.\*, **Raihert C.**, & Grigoroglou, M. (2024, March). *Metaphor Comprehension in Young Children*. Research Opportunities Program (ROP) Research Fair, Toronto, Canada. (poster)

Tang, R.\*, **Raihert C.**, & Grigoroglou, M. (2023, March). *Did Rose Really Sink? Metaphor Comprehension in Children*. ROP Research Fair, Toronto, Canada. (poster)

**Raihert, C.** (2021, April). *Some metaphors are more equal than others: extending the debate on metaphor to verbs*. Cognitive Linguistics Research Group, Edinburgh, United Kingdom. (talk)

## RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

2022 -	Dr. Barend Beekhuizen University of Toronto	<b>Project:</b> Studying discourse patterns in metaphor use with computational corpus methods.
2023	Dr. Myrto Grigoroglou University of Toronto	<b>Project:</b> Designing experiments to study children's early metaphor comprehension skills.
2019	Prof. Heather Goad McGill University	<b>Project:</b> Analysing the speech of bilingual infants (French, English) using the Praat software.

## RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS

2020	Building 21 Lab McGill University	<b>Project:</b> Studying how category-learning interacts with social skills in the autism spectrum disorder (ASD).
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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistance	University of Toronto
2024 (Fall)	<b>LINB29:</b> Quantitative Methods in Linguistics
2024 (Winter)	<b>LIN241:</b> Introduction to Semantics
2023 (Fall)	<b>LIN232:</b> Syntactic Patterns
2023 (Winter)	<b>LIN102:</b> Intro to Linguistics: Sentence Structure and Meaning
2022 (Fall)	<b>LIN101:</b> Intro to Linguistics: Sound Structure

## EDITORIAL SERVICE

2023 -	Co-editor of the Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics (TWPL) Journal Vol. 46 (2023) University of Toronto
2019 - 2020	Co-editor of the university's French literary magazine <i>Lieu Commun</i> Vol. 14 (2020), Vol. 15 (2020) McGill University

## OTHER SERVICE

2024	Volunteer	Workshop on Structure & Constituency in Languages of the Americas (WSCLA)	Toronto
2022	Co-organizer	COP15: Candlelight Vigil for the Tapanuli Orangutans	Montreal
2022	Volunteer	Global Day for Climate Justice: Solidarity with First Peoples	Montreal

## LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

2024	Event and Fundraiser Organizer <b>Linguistics Coffeehouse</b> University of Toronto	Raising 1,407 CAD for the Onkwawenna Kentyohkwa language revitalization school; co-organizing a musical charity event.
2023 - 2024	Project Lead <b>Future of Cities</b> Building 21 Lab, McGill University	Creating an interdisciplinary research program about innovating futures cities, in consulting with the City Board of Montreal.
2022 - 2023	Project Lead <b>Radical Futures</b> Building 21 Lab, McGill University	Organizing and chairing a series of guest talks and discussions open to the public about sustainability and the economy.

## LANGUAGES & RELEVANT SKILLS

- **Softwares:** R, PClbex Farm, Praat
- **Programming languages:** Python, R
- **Statistical analysis:** Multilevel Analysis, General Linear Models
- **Natural languages:** French: C2 English: C2 Spanish: C1 Romanian: Native