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Education

2014-16	MA in Linguistics, McGill University
2010-13	BA in Linguistics, University of British Columbia
2008-10	AA Creative Writing, Capilano University

Academic work experience

2016	Lecturer: First Nations Studies 220-3: Introduction to Linguistics Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute, Gitwinksihlkw, BC
2016-17	Research Assistant for McGill Ergativity Lab
	McGill University
2016	Teaching Assistant for Linguoco: Introduction to Linguistics
	McGill University (Instructor: Hadas Kotek)
2015	Teaching Assistant for Linguoco: Introduction to Linguistics
	McGill University (Instructor: Meaghan Fowlie)
2013	Research Assistant for Gitksan Research Lab
	University of British Columbia

Non-academic work experience

2011-14	English teacher: Able English Studies
	Vancouver, BC, Canada
2012	Archives Assistant/Technical Writer: Japanese Canadian Citizen's Association
	Vancouver, BC, Canada
2007-13	Baker: Breka Bakery
	Vancouver, BC, Canada
2004-07	Baker: Country Bakery
	Armstrong, BC, Canada

Volunteer experience

2013-2016	Gitksan Research Lab (University of British Columbia)
	Vancouver, BC
2014	Portland Hotel Society
	Vancouver, BC

Grants, honors & awards

- 2015 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC): \$17,500
- Grad Excellence Award in Linguistics: \$7,000
- Leon Fus Memorial Prize: \$700

Papers and publications

- Brown, Colin "Extraction restrictions in Gitksan" (Master's thesis, McGill University)
- Brown, Colin "Syntactic ergativity in Gitksan" proceedings from the 21st annual Workshop on the Constituency of Languages of the Americas (WSCLA 21). UQÁM Montreal, QC

Talks & poster presentations

- Brown, Colin "Revisiting ergativity in Gitksan", The Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas WSCLA 2016 UQÁM Montréal, QC.
- Brown, Colin "A structural account of split ergativity in Gitksan", *Putting Fieldwork on Indigenous Languages to New Uses PFILNU Campinas, Brazil.* (poster presentation)
- Brown, Colin "Absolutive in Tsimshianic", The Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas SSILA 2016 Washington, DC
- Davis, Henry & Brown, Colin "Focus and Negative Ellipsis in Gitksan", International Conference on Salish and Neighbouring Languages ICSNL 48 Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
- Brown, Colin "Towards a unified semantics of clefts and determiners in Tlingit", Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas SULA 8 2014 UBC Vancouver, BC (poster presentation)
- Brown, Colin "Clefts without Presuppositions? Some evidence from Gitksan", Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas SULA 8 2014 UBC Vancouver, BC
- Brown, Colin "The semantics of Gitksan Clefts", UBC Research Seminar Series 2014 UBC Vancouver, BC
- Brown, Colin & Keupdjio, Hermann "Discourse-sensitivity in Nata", *Northwest Linguistics Conference NWLC 2013 UBC Vancouver, BC.* (poster presentation)
- Brown, Colin "Focus in Nata: Denotation vs. discourse-new", Canadian Linguistics Association CLA/ACL 2013 UVIC Victoria, BC (poster presentation)
 - Strang Burton, Rose-Marie Déchaine & Joash Gambarage, with C. Brown, A. Entwistle, E. Guntly, R. Fuhrman, N. Francis, H. Keupdjio, W.M. Lam, J. Ma, A. Osa Gomez del Campo, E. Sadlier-Brown, I. Schniske, D. Si, S. Walters & Y. Yoshino "Using Storyboards to Elicit Information Structure Contrasts in Nata", Canadian Linguistics Association CLA/ACL 2013 UVIC Victoria, BC (poster presentation)

Skills

2013

LaTeX, Praat, Microsoft Office, Apple iWork

Languages

English (native)
Polish (intermediate/heritage language)
French (intermediate)
Gitksan (intermediate/research)
Tlingit (research)