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EDUCATION	PhD in Linguistics , McGill University	2021 - present
	MA in Linguistics , University of Toronto	2020 - 2021
	HBSc in Mathematics and Philosophy , University of Toronto	2016 - 2020
SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jacobs Research Fund Group Grant (with Zlata Odribets), 2025.• McGill University Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel Award, 2024.• McGill University Graduate Mobility Award, 2024.• Jacobs Research Fund Group Grant (with Zlata Odribets), 2024.• Centre for Research on Brain, Language and Music Student Travel Award, 2023.• Fonds de Recherche du Québec - Société et Culture - Bourse à la recherche, 2023.• Centre for Research on Brain, Language and Music Student Stipend, 2021.• Mary H. Beatty Fellowship, 2020.• St. Michael's College Gold Medal for Academic Achievement in the Sciences, 2020.• John J. Sebisty Scholarship, 2019.• Norman Stuart Robinson Scholarship in Mathematics, 2018 & 2019.• Richard Yee Memorial Scholarship, 2019.• Jackman Scholars-in-Residence Award, 2019.• John MacDonald Scholarship in Philosophy, 2018.• University of Toronto Dean's Excellence Admission Scholarship, 2016.	
PUBLICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• L. Bradford, H. Kohut, and Y. Mooroogen (2023). Large Subsets of Euclidean Space Avoiding Infinite Arithmetic Progressions. <i>Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society</i> 151 (8), 3535–3545, https://doi.org/10.1090/proc/16404• G. Thomas, G. Antono, A. Kiss, L. Bradford, and D. Winkelman (2021). Switch reference and its role in referential choice in Mbyá Guaraní narratives. <i>Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory</i>, https://doi.org/10.1515/c11t-2020-0028• L. Bradford and Y. Mooroogen (2021). CUMC: Conference for Students by the Students. <i>CMS Notes</i> 53(3), 7-9.• L. Bradford and Y. Mooroogen (2020). Teaching during COVID-19: A time capsule from July 2020. <i>CMS Notes</i> 52(6), 12-14.	
PRESENTATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SCiL 2025, University of Oregon• CLA 2025, McGill University• TOM17 Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Semantics Workshop, University of Ottawa• 13 Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina - Brazil• CLA 2024, Carleton University	<ul style="list-style-type: none">July 2025June 2025May 2025October 2024June 2024

- TOM16 Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Semantics Workshop, University of Toronto May 2024
A source of conativity in Tlingit pluractional verbs (20-minute talk)
- WSCLA 2024, University of Toronto May 2024
A source of conativity in Tlingit pluractional verbs (poster)
- SCiL 2023, University of Massachusetts Amherst June 2023
Does a Neural Model Understand the De Re / De Dicto Distinction? (10-minute talk with Gaurav Kamath)
- CogSci 2022, Toronto July 2022
Communicative Need Modulates Lexical Precision Across Semantic Domains: A Domain-Level Account of Efficient Communication. (5-minute flash talk)
- TOM14 Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Semantics Workshop, Online Meeting May 2022
Does a Neural Network Language Model Understand De Re / De Dicto Ambiguities? (poster with Gaurav Kamath)
- AMAZONICAS VIII, Online Meeting May 2021
Switch Reference and Referential Choice in Mbyá Guaraní (30-minute talk with Guillaume Thomas, Gregory Antono, Angelika Kiss, and Darragh Winkelman)
- Canadian Undergraduate Mathematics Conference, Online Meeting August 2020
What information theory can tell us about language. (15-minute expository talk)
- CMS COVID-19 Research and Education Meeting, Online Meeting July 2020
The shifting balance of power between me, my students, and chaos. (5-minute online talk presented during the session “When a Door Closes... The Creative Fallout of the Pandemic”. Invited by Professor Peter Taylor.)
- Diet Graduate Seminar in Mathematics, University of Toronto March 2020
The Dimension of the Vowel Space. (45-minute expository talk)
- Summer Phonology Forum, University of Toronto July 2019
Sound Symbolism of Gender in Personal Names: Western Armenian and Kutchi. (15-minute presentation with Gajathree Ananthathurai, Khadija Jagani, and Yoonjung Kang)

TEACHING	Mathematics and English Tutor, The Study Studio	Fall 2017 - present
	Independent Study Supervisor, McGill University	Winter 2025
	Supervisor, Program for Undergraduate Research in Linguistics	Winter 2024
	Guest Lecturer, McGill University	
	LING201 - Introduction to Linguistics	Fall 2024
	Head Teaching Assistant, McGill University	
	LING201 - Introduction to Linguistics	Fall 2024
	LING330 - Phonetics	Winter 2023 - Winter 2024
	Teaching Assistant, University of Toronto	
	LIN200 - Introduction to Language	Winter 2021
	LIN203 - English Words	Fall 2020
	MAT137 - Calculus with Proofs	Fall 2019 - Winter 2020
SERVICE AND OUTREACH	Canadian Linguistic Association Annual Conference	
	Organizer	2025
	Panel Organizer - AI for Underrepresented Languages	2025
	Na-Dene Research and Reading Group	

Organizer	2024-2025
McGill LINGUA Future Week	
Panel Participant - Graduate Life Panel	2022, 2024, 2025
Toronto Oasis	
Speaker - Grammar and a Linguist's Approach to Language	2025
Dawson College	
Guest Speaker - What is linguistics? (with Massimo Lipari)	2025
North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad	
McGill University Site Volunteer	2022, 2025
McGill University Site Coordinator	2022 - 2024
University of Toronto Site Coordinator	2018 - 2020
Only Human Dance Collective	
Finance Assistant	2025 - present
Choreographer	2023 - present
Performing Member	2017 - present
Creative Director	2024 - 2025
Treasurer	2023 - 2024
University of Toronto MathPlus	
Math Outreach Instructor and Workshop Designer	Fall 2016 - Summer 2020
Summer Institute for Mathematics at the University of Washington	
Teaching Assistant / Counselor	Summer 2018

LANGUAGES	English (native), Spanish (advanced), French (intermediate), Modern Standard Arabic (beginner), Japanese (beginner)
COMPUTER LANGUAGES	Python, R, Java, Bash