# Laurestine Bradford

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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 AND AWARDS

- 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**

- L. Bradford, H. Kohut, and Y. Mooroogen (2022). Large Subsets of Euclidean Space Avoiding Infinite Arithmetic Progressions. To appear in *Proceedings of* the American Mathematical Society.
- G. Thomas, G. Antono, A. Kiss, L. Bradford, and D. Winkelman (2021). Switch reference and its role in referential choice in Mbyá Guaraní narratives. Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory, https://doi.org/10.1515/cllt-2020-0028
- L. Bradford and Y. Mooroogen (2021). CUMC: Conference for Students by the Students. CMS Notes 53(3), 7-9.
- L. Bradford and Y. Mooroogen (2020). Teaching during COVID-19: A time capsule from July 2020. CMS Notes 52(6), 12-14.

Presentations • 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 presentation 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

Teaching Assistant, McGill University

LING330 - Phonetics Winter 2023

Teaching Assistant, University of Toronto

LIN200 - Introduction to Language Winter 2021 LIN203 - English Words Fall 2020

MAT137 - Calculus with Proofs Fall 2019 - Winter 2020

# Supervised

# Fields Undergraduate Summer Research Program

Summer 2019

Research Fields Institute for Research in the Mathematical Sciences

Building and analyzing a random intersection graph model of interpersonal trade.

Supervised by Professor Aziz Guergachi.

### Jackman Scholars-in-Residence

Summer 2019

University of Toronto

Corpus analysis and experiment on sound symbolism in personal names in Armenian and Kutchi.

Supervised by Professor Yoonjung Kang.

## LIN496 - Digital Humanities Team Research Project

Fall 2018

2022

Summer 2018

University of Toronto

Annotating texts for discourse information and analyzing coreference in Mbyá Guaraní. Supervised by Professor Guillaume Thomas.

### Outreach

North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad

McGill University Site Coordinator 2022 - present McGill University Site Volunteer 2022 2018 - 2020 University of Toronto Site Coordinator

Society of Linguistics Undergraduates at McGill Future Week

Future Week Panel Participant

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

HUMAN LANGUAGES English (native), Spanish (advanced), Modern Standard Arabic (beginner), Japanese (beginner), French (beginner)

Computer

Python, R, Java, Bash

LANGUAGES