

## Dr. SKY ONOSSON

### Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

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- 2018 | **Ph.D. Linguistics**, University of Victoria. Advisors: Dr. Sonya Bird & Dr. Alexandra D'Arcy  
*An acoustic study of diphthong-raising in three dialects of North American English*
- 2010 | **M.A. Linguistics**, University of Manitoba. Advisor: Dr. Robert Hagiwara  
*Canadian Raising in Manitoba: Acoustic effects of articulatory phasing and lexical frequency*
- 1994 | **B.A. Linguistics and Asian Studies**, University of Manitoba

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Phonetics, diphthongs, vowel dynamics, sociolinguistics, sociophonetics, dialectology, ethnolinguistics, phonology, phonetics-phonology interface, computational linguistics, statistical methods, research methods, field methods, Canadian English, Brazilian Portuguese, Indigenous languages of the Americas, Caribbean Englishes, East Asian Languages

## ACTIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS

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- **Vowel production and variation in Manitoba:** Investigation of vowel production differences in Manitoba with a focus on ethnolinguistic variation
- **Vowel dynamics in N. American English:** Investigation of the dynamic properties of vowels, especially diphthongs, involving methodology to compare non-linear acoustic and articulatory trajectories, with a focus on variation across North American English regional dialects
- **Variation in contemporary Brazilian Portuguese:** Collection and analysis of a large multimedia corpus of interviews with urban middle-school children in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, with a focus on sociolinguistic variation and innovations linked with grammaticalization processes
- **Acoustic and phonological analysis of Indigenous Languages of the Americas:** Acoustic descriptions of speech production and phonological analyses involving several lesser-researched Indigenous languages including the Coast Salish language *Hul'q'umi'num'*, the Dene language *Tsilhqot'in*, both spoken in British Columbia, and the Ecuadorian mixed language Media Lengua.

## PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)

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- Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (accepted). **The effects of language contact on non-native vowel sequences in lexical borrowings: The case of Media Lengua.** *Language and Speech*.
- Onosson, S. & Bird, S. (2019). **Differences in Diphthong Production Between L1 and L2 Speakers of Hul'q'umi'num'.** *Proceedings of the 19th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Melbourne, Australia 2019*. [https://assta.org/proceedings/ICPhS2019/papers/ICPhS\\_1033.pdf](https://assta.org/proceedings/ICPhS2019/papers/ICPhS_1033.pdf)
- Onosson, S., Rosen, N. & Li, L. (2019). **Ethnolinguistic Differentiation and the Canadian Shift.** *Proceedings of the 19th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Melbourne, Australia 2019*. [https://assta.org/proceedings/ICPhS2019/papers/ICPhS\\_417.pdf](https://assta.org/proceedings/ICPhS2019/papers/ICPhS_417.pdf)
- Roeder, R., Onosson, S. & D'Arcy, A. (2018). **Joining the western region: Sociophonetic shift in Victoria.**

*Journal of English Linguistics*, 46(2). <https://doi.org/10.1177/0075424217753987>

## PUBLICATIONS (UNDER PEER-REVIEW)

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Bird, S. & Onosson, S. **A phonetic investigation of Tâilhqot'in /z/ and /z<sup>h</sup>/**. *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*.

Onosson, S. **Prevelar front-vowel merger in Winnipeg English**. *Journal of English Linguistics*.

Onosson, S. **The interaction of yod retention with /u/-fronting in Victoria**. *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*.

Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. **Suppressing biases in correlate identification in acoustic data: The case of Media Lengua**. *Laboratory Phonology*.

## PUBLICATIONS (IN PREPARATION)

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Onosson, S. & Rosen, N. **Canadian Shift amidst demographic shift: Ethnolinguistic effects in Western Canadian English vowels**.

Thompson, C. & Onosson, S. **Topicalization in Brazilian Portuguese: Subject-doubling constructions**.

Thompson, C. & Onosson, S. **Phonetic change in the grammaticalization of Brazilian Portuguese *tipo***.

## PUBLICATIONS (OTHER)

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Onosson, S. (2019). **Diversity and the snowball effect in cognate-oriented bilingual studies**. *Lingo*, 6(1). <https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/interdisciplinary-linguistics/docs/lingo06.pdf>

Onosson, S. (2018). **An acoustic study of diphthong-raising in three dialects of North American English**. Doctoral Dissertation, University of Victoria. <https://dspace.library.uvic.ca/handle/1828/9274>

Bird, S., Wang, Q., Onosson, S. & Benner, A. (2015). **Acoustic Phonetics Lab Manual**. <https://dspace.library.uvic.ca/handle/1828/11288>

Onosson, S. (2014). **The prosodic structure of Canadian Raising**. *Proceedings of the 2014 conference of the Canadian Linguistic Association*. <http://cla-acl.ca/wp-content/uploads/Onosson-2014.pdf>

Nogita, A. & Onosson, S. (2014). **Episodes about the IPA vowel chart and a suggestion for a new diacritic**. *Working Papers of the Linguistics Circle of the University of Victoria*, 24(1). <http://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/WPLC/article/view/13244/4099>

Onosson, S. (2010). **Canadian raising in Manitoba: Acoustic effects of articulatory phasing and lexical frequency**. Master's thesis, University of Manitoba. <https://mspace.lib.umanitoba.ca/handle/1993/4260>

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Onosson, S. (2020). **TRAP-raising and the Canadian/Low-Back-Merger Shift in Prairie English**. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Linguistic Association*, Western University, London ON. Declined: COVID-19.

Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (2020). **The effects of language contact on non-native diphthongs in lexical borrowings: The case of Media Lengua and Quichua**. *Annual Meeting of the Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics*, New Orleans.

Onosson, S. & Rosen, N. (2020). **Ethnolinguistic Vowel Differentiation In Winnipeg, Canada**. *Annual Meeting of the American Dialect Society*, New Orleans.

Onosson, S. & Bird, S. (2019). **Differences in Diphthong Production Between L1 and L2 Speakers of Hul'q'umi'num'**. *International Congress of Phonetic Sciences 2019*, Melbourne.

Onosson, S., Rosen, N. & Li, L. (2019). **Ethnolinguistic Differentiation and the Canadian Shift**. *International Congress of Phonetic Sciences 2019*, Melbourne.

Onosson, S. & Bird, S. (2019). **Acoustic Phonetics and Language Revitalization in the Hul'q'umi'num' Community**. *Prairie Workshop on Languages and Linguistics V*, University of Winnipeg.

- Roeder, R. & Onosson, S. (2018). **Best practices in automatic vowel production analysis**. *Sociolinguistics Symposium 22*, University of Auckland.
- Onosson, S. (2017). **Canadian Raising or Canadian Shortening? Comparing and contrasting dynamic models of vowel duration**. *Workshop on Dynamic Modeling in Phonetics & Phonology*, U. Chicago.
- Thompson, C.P. & Onosson, S. (2016). **Urban youth in Rio de Janeiro: Contemporary linguistic variation in Brazilian Portuguese**. *New Ways of Analyzing Variation 45*, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver.
- Onosson, S. (2016). **Yod variation in Victoria, B.C.: An acoustic-centred approach**. *Annual Meeting of the American Dialect Society*, Washington D.C.
- Onosson, S., Roeder, R. & D'Arcy, A. (2015). **Simultaneous innovation and conservation: Unpacking Victoria's vowels**. *New Ways of Analyzing Variation 44*, University of Toronto.
- Rosen, N., Onosson, S. & Li, L. (2015). **There's a new ethnolect in town: Vowel patterning of Filipino English in Winnipeg**. *New Ways of Analyzing Variation 44*, University of Toronto.
- Onosson, S., Roeder, R. & D'Arcy, A. (2015). **City, province or region: What do the vowels of Victoria tell us?** *Annual Meeting of the American Dialect Society*, Portland OR.
- Onosson, S. (2014). **The prosodic structure of Canadian Raising**. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Linguistic Association*, Brock University, St. Catharines ON.
- Onosson, S. (2014). **Analyzing complex vowel articulations from acoustic data**. *Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics*, University of Victoria.

Presentation downloads available at [Onosson.com](http://Onosson.com)

## INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

- Onosson, S. (2019). **Workshop on Statistics for Linguistics**. Workshop series, University of Manitoba.
- Onosson, S. (2019). **Exploring ethnolinguistic variation in Manitoba English through the Languages in the Prairies Project**. *Department of Linguistics Colloquium*, University of Manitoba.
- Onosson, S. (2019). **Acoustic Phonetics & Language Revitalization in the Hul'q'umi'num' Community**. Guest lecture and project update, Simon Fraser University.
- Onosson, S. (2014). **Phonation and Complex Vowel Analysis**. Guest lecture, University of Victoria.
- Onosson, S. (2014). **Seminal Papers in Historical Linguistics**. Lecture series, University of Victoria.
- Onosson, S. (2011) **The Acoustics of Canadian Raising**. *Student Colloquium in Linguistics*, University of Winnipeg.

## COURSES TAUGHT

2021	<b>Phonetics and Phonology</b> LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803 (scheduled)	U. Winnipeg
2020	<b>Language Acquisition</b> LING/PSYC 3860	U. Manitoba
2019	<b>Language and the Media</b> LING-1620	U. Manitoba
—	<b>Phonetics and Phonology</b> LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2015	<b>Language Acquisition</b> LING/PSYC 3860	U. Manitoba
2014	<b>Acoustic Phonetics</b> LING 380 (Lab Instructor)	U. Victoria
—	<b>Cognitive Neuroscience of Linguistics</b> LING 370C (Teaching Assistant)	U. Victoria
2013	<b>Phonetics and Phonology</b> LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2012	<b>Phonetics and Phonology</b> LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2011	<b>Introduction to Linguistics</b> LING-1001	U. Winnipeg
2007	<b>General Phonetics</b> LING 138 (Teaching Assistant)	U. Manitoba
2006	<b>Language and Gender</b> LING 142 (Teaching Assistant)	U. Manitoba

*Instructor/lecturer, unless otherwise noted*

## GRANTS & AWARDS

2019-2021	<b>Postdoctoral Fellowship #756-2019-0627</b> , Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	\$90,000
2020	<b>Arts Endowment Fund</b> , University of Manitoba	\$1,754
—	<b>Dean's Office Research Fund</b> , University of Manitoba	\$500
2019	<b>Travel Bursary</b> , International Phonetic Association	GBP £600
—	<b>Arts Endowment Fund</b> , University of Manitoba	\$1,800
2015-2018	<b>Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship #767-2015-1048</b> , Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	\$105,000
2017	<b>President's Research Scholarship</b> , University of Victoria	\$4,000
2016	<b>President's Research Scholarship</b> , University of Victoria	\$4,000
—	<b>Robert W. Ford Graduate Scholarship</b> , University of Victoria	\$1,700
—	<b>Alexander &amp; Helen Stafford MacCarthy Muir Grad. Scholarship</b> , U. Victoria	\$550
—	<b>Student Travel Grant</b> , American Dialect Society	USD \$500
—	<b>Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel Grant</b> , University of Victoria	\$600
2015	<b>Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel Grant</b> , University of Victoria	\$600
2014	<b>Graduate Award</b> , University of Victoria	\$6,000
—	<b>Henry &amp; Michiko Warkentyne Grad. Scholarship in Linguistics</b> , U. Victoria	\$775
—	<b>Graduate Award</b> , University of Victoria	\$5,000
2013	<b>Fellowship</b> , University of Victoria	\$16,500
—	<b>Outstanding Graduate Entrance Award</b> , University of Victoria	\$5,000

*Canadian funds unless otherwise noted*

## SERVICE & RESEARCH SUPPORT

2020	<b>Group leader</b> , <i>Coding for Linguistics Discussion Group</i>	U. Manitoba
—	<b>Peer reviewer</b> , <i>Language Variation and Change</i>	
—	<b>Peer reviewer</b> , <i>Glossa: a journal of general linguistics</i>	
2018-2019	<b>Research assistant</b> , <i>Language in the Prairies Project</i> , Dr. Nicole Rosen	U. Manitoba
2013-2017	<b>Research assistant</b> , <i>Victoria English Project</i> , Dr. Alexandra D'Arcy	U. Victoria
2016	<b>Program booklet editor and designer</b> , <i>New Ways of Analyzing Variation 45</i>	Simon Fraser
2015	<b>Organizing committee</b> , <i>31st Annual NorthWest Linguistics Conference</i>	U. Victoria
2014-2015	<b>Editor</b> , <i>Working Papers of the Linguistics Circle of the University of Victoria</i>	U. Victoria
2003-2004	<b>Research Assistant</b> , <i>X's X Project</i> , Dr. Jila Ghomeshi	U. Manitoba

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- The Canadian Linguistic Association
- The International Phonetic Association
- The American Dialect Society
- The Society for Caribbean Linguistics
- The Canadian Association of Postdoctoral Scholars

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

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2014-2016	Linguistic Consultant, <i>GSD/Google</i>
2008-2009	Freelance Writer, <i>Technologies for Learning Group</i> , Winnipeg MB
2001-2001	English (EFL) Teacher, <i>Oh Sungsik English Club</i> , Yeongwol, South Korea
1990–	Freelance Musician & bassist/keyboardist in Juno-nominated Virgin (Canada) recording artists, <i>The New Meanies</i>

## LANGUAGES STUDIED

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- *French*: basic (spoken) to intermediate (reading)
- *Brazilian Portuguese* and *Spanish*: basic to intermediate
- *Japanese* and *Mandarin*: intermediate but unused
- *Korean* and *Hindi*: vestigial

## SOFTWARE

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Proficient in the use of: R, RStudio, Praat,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Microsoft Office, Logic Pro X

## PRESS & MEDIA

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Sanderson, D. (2014). "Finding our voice: A primer on the Manitoba dialect." *The Winnipeg Free Press*. August 30, 2014. Last accessed: November 9, 2017.  
<https://www.winnipegfreepress.com/breakingnews/finding-our-voice-273288101.html>