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Education

- 2018 **Ph.D. Linguistics**, University of Victoria. Advisors: Sonya Bird & Alexandra D'Arcy. *An acoustic study of diphthong-raising in three dialects of North American English*.
- 2010 **M.A. Linguistics**, University of Manitoba. Advisor: 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

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.

Publications

- Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (forthcoming). **The effects of language contact on non-native vowel sequences in lexical borrowings: The case of Media Lengua**. *Language and Speech*. <https://onosson.github.io/pdf/Onosson,%20Stewart%20-%202021%20-%20Language%20and%20Speech%20proof.pdf> (preprint)
- Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (accepted). **A multi-method approach to correlate identification in acoustic data: The case of Media Lengua**. *Laboratory Phonology*.
- 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
- 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
- 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 (non-peer-reviewed)

- 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, U. 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, U. Manitoba. <https://mspace.lib.umanitoba.ca/handle/1993/4260>

Articles in Progress

- Bird, S. & Onosson, S. **A phonetic investigation of Tšilhqot'in /z/ and /z^h/.** *Journal of the International Phonetic Association* (under-review).
- Front-vowel merger in Winnipeg English.** *Journal of English Linguistics* (under-review).
- The interaction of yod retention with /u/-fronting in Victoria.** *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* (under-review).
- Onosson, S., Rosen, N. & Li, L. **Canadian Shift amidst demographic shift: Ethnolinguistic effects in Western Canadian English vowels.**
- Thompson, C. & Onosson, S. **Phonetic change in the grammaticalization of Brazilian Portuguese *tipo*.**
- Thompson, C. & Onosson, S. **Topicalization in Brazilian Portuguese: Subject-doubling constructions.**

Conference Presentations

- Thompson, C.P. & Onosson, S. (2021). **Phonetic change in the grammaticalization of Brazilian Portuguese *tipo*.** *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Linguistic Association.*
- 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.
- 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.
- Onosson, S. (2014). **Analyzing complex vowel articulations from acoustic data.** *Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics*, University of Victoria.

Presentation downloads available at Onosson.com

Invited Talks and Workshops

2019	Workshop on Statistics for Linguistics (workshop series)	U. Manitoba
2019	Exploring ethnolinguistic variation in Manitoba English through the Languages in the Prairies Project (colloquium)	U. Manitoba
2019	Acoustic Phonetics & Language Revitalization in the Hul'q'umi'num' Community (project update)	Simon Fraser
2014	Phonation and Complex Vowel Analysis (guest lecture)	U. Victoria
2014	Seminal Papers in Historical Linguistics (lecture series)	U. Victoria
2011	The Acoustics of Canadian Raising (colloquium)	U. Winnipeg

Teaching

2021	Topics in Language Acquisition LING 480	Simon Fraser
2021	Phonetics and Phonology LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2020	Language Acquisition LING/PSYC 3860	U. Manitoba
2019	Language and the Media LING-1620	U. Manitoba
2019	Phonetics and Phonology LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2015	Language Acquisition LING/PSYC 3860	U. Manitoba
2014	Acoustic Phonetics LING 380 (Lab Instructor)	U. Victoria
2014	Cognitive Neuroscience of Linguistics LING 370C (Teaching Assistant)	U. Victoria
2013	Phonetics and Phonology LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2012	Phonetics and Phonology LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803	U. Winnipeg
2011	Introduction to Linguistics LING-1001	U. Winnipeg
2007	General Phonetics LING 138 (Teaching Assistant)	U. Manitoba
2006	Language and Gender LING 142 (Teaching Assistant)	U. Manitoba

Instructor/lecturer, unless otherwise noted

Service & Research Support

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

Grants & Awards

2019–2021	Postdoctoral Fellowship #756-2019-0627, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	\$90,000
2020	Arts Endowment Fund , University of Manitoba	\$1,754
2020	Dean's Office Research Fund , University of Manitoba	\$500
2019	Travel Bursary , International Phonetic Association	GBP £600
2019	Arts Endowment Fund , University of Manitoba	\$1,800

2015–2018	Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship #767-2015-1048, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	\$105,000
2017	President's Research Scholarship , University of Victoria	\$4,000
2016	President's Research Scholarship , University of Victoria	\$4,000
2016	Robert W. Ford Graduate Scholarship , University of Victoria	\$1,700
2016	Alexander & Helen Stafford MacCarthy Muir Grad. Scholarship , U. Victoria	\$550
2016	Student Travel Grant , American Dialect Society	USD \$500
2016	Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel Grant , University of Victoria	\$600
2015	Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel Grant , University of Victoria	\$600
2014	Graduate Award , University of Victoria	\$6,000
2014	Henry & Michiko Warkentyne Grad. Scholarship in Linguistics , U. Victoria	\$775
2014	Graduate Award , University of Victoria	\$5,000
2013	Fellowship , University of Victoria	\$16,500
2013	Outstanding Graduate Entrance Award , University of Victoria	\$5,000

Canadian funds unless otherwise noted

Work Experience

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

Press & Media

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>

Professional Memberships

- The Canadian Linguistic Association
- The International Phonetic Association
- The Society for Caribbean Linguistics

Languages Studied

- *French*: basic (spoken) to intermediate (reading)
- *Brazilian Portuguese* and *Spanish*: basic to intermediate

- *Japanese* and *Mandarin*: intermediate but unused
- *Korean* and *Hindi*: vestigial

Software

Proficient in the use of:

- R and RStudio
- Praat
- L^AT_EX
- Microsoft Office
- Logic Pro X



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