Dr. Sky Onosson

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

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

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

- 1. **Vowel production and variation in Manitoba:** Investigation of vowel production differences in Manitoba with a focus on ethnolinguistic variation
- 2. **Vowel dynamics** Investigation of the dynamic properties of vowels, especially diphthongs, including the development of innovative methodology to compare complex acoustic and articulatory trajectories currently focused on variation across and within Western North American English dialects
- 3. **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
- 4. **Acoustic analysis of Indigenous Languages of the Americas:** Acoustic descriptions of speech production in several diverse languages including the Coast Salish language *Hul'q'umi'num'* and the Dene language *Tŝilhqot'in* in British Columbia, and the Ecuadorian mixed language Media Lengua

PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)

- 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
- Bird, S. & Onosson, S. (under review). **A phonetic investigation of Tŝilhqot'in** /**z**/ **and** /**z**¹/. *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*.
- Onosson, S. (under review). **Prevelar front-vowel merger in Winnipeg English.** *Journal of English Linguistics.*
- Onosson, S. (under review). The interaction of yod retention with /u/-fronting in Victoria. The Canadian

- Journal of Linguistics.
- Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (under review). Suppressing biases in correlate identification in acoustic data: The case of Media Lengua. *Laboratory Phonology.*
- Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (under revision). The effects of language contact on non-native vowel sequences in lexical borrowings: The case of Media Lengua. *Language and Speech*.

PUBLICATIONS (IN PREPARATION)

- 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)

- 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

- 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. Catharine's ON.
- 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

- 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	Phonetics and Phonology LING-2001/ANTH-2401/ENGL-2803 (scheduled)	U. Winnipeg
2020	Language Acquisition LING/PSYC 3860	U. Manitoba
2019	Language and the Media LING-1620	U. Manitoba
_	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
_	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

GRANTS & AWARDS

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

Canadian funds unless otherwise noted

SERVICE & RESEARCH SUPPORT

2020	Group leader, Coding for Linguistics Discussion Group	U. Manitoba
_	Peer reviewer, Language Variation and Change	
_	Peer reviewer, Glossa: a journal of general linguistics	
2018-2019	Research assistant, Language 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, New Ways of Analyzing Variation 45	Simon Fraser
	http://web.uvic.ca/~ddenis/NWAV%2045%20Booklet.pdf	& U. Victoria
2015	Organizing committee, 31st Annual NorthWest Linguistics Conference	U. Victoria
2014-2015	Editor, Working Papers of the Linguistics Circle of the University of Victoria	U. Victoria
2003-2004	Research Assistant, X's X Project, 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

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

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, RStudio, Praat, LaTEX, Microsoft Office, Logic Pro X

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

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