

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, phonology, phonetics-phonology interface, sociolinguistics, sociophonetics, dialectology, ethnolinguistics, diphthongs, vowel dynamics, computational linguistics, 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; data drawn from Dr. Nicole Rosen's (U. Manitoba) *Languages in the Prairies Project*.
2. **Vowel dynamics of North American English** Investigation of the dynamic properties of vowels, especially diphthongs, in the context of variation across and within Western North American English dialects, and development of innovative methodology for comparing complex acoustic and articulatory trajectories.
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 (with Christiani Thompson, U. Saskatchewan).
4. **Acoustic analysis of Indigenous Languages of the Americas:** Acoustic descriptions of speech production in lesser-studied languages including the Coast Salish language Hul'q'umi'num' and the Dene language Tsilhqot'in (with Dr. Sonya Bird, U. Victoria), and the Ecuadorian mixed language Media Lengua (with Dr. Jesse Stewart, U. Saskatchewan).

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. (submitted, under review). **A phonetic investigation of Tsilhqot'in /z/ and /zʰ/**. *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*.
- Onosson, S. (submitted, under review). **The interaction of yod retention with /u/-fronting in**

Victoria. *The Canadian Journal of Linguistics.*

Onosson, S. (submitted, under review). **Prevelar front-vowel merger in Winnipeg English.** *Journal of English Linguistics.*

Onosson, S. & Stewart, J. (submitted, under review). **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.**

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

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

Thompson, C. & Onosson, S. **Functional differentiation of tipo in Brazilian Portuguese: Grammaticalization in progress.**

PUBLICATIONS (NON-PEER-REVIEWED)

Onosson, S. (2018). **An acoustic study of diphthong-raising in three dialects of North American English.** Doctoral Dissertation, U. 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 due to 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*, U. of Winnipeg.

Roeder, R. & Onosson, S. (2018). **Best practices in automatic vowel production analysis.** *Soci-*

olinguistics 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*, University of 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*, 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.

COURSES TAUGHT

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

Instructor/lecturer, unless otherwise noted

INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

2019	Workshop on Statistics for Linguistics; Workshop Series: University of Manitoba.
—	Exploring ethnolinguistic variation in Manitoba English through the Languages in the Prairies Project; Linguistics Colloquium: University of Manitoba.
—	Acoustic Phonetics & Language Revitalization in the Hul'q'umi'num' Community; Invited talk and project update: Simon Fraser University.
2014	Phonation and Complex Vowel Analysis; Guest Lecture: University of Victoria.
—	Seminal Papers in Historical Linguistics; Lecture Series: University of Victoria.
2011	The Acoustics of Canadian Raising; Linguistics Colloquium: University of Winnipeg.

GRANTS & AWARDS

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

Canadian funds unless otherwise noted

SERVICE & RESEARCH SUPPORT

2020	Coding for Linguistics Discussion Group , U. Manitoba. <i>Group organizer/manager.</i>
—	Peer Reviewer , <i>Glossa: a journal of general linguistics</i>
2018–2019	Research Assistant , <i>Language in the Prairies Project</i> . PI: Dr. N. Rosen, U. Manitoba
2013–2017	Research Assistant , <i>Victoria's Vowels</i> . PI: Dr. A. D'Arcy, University of Victoria
2016	Organizing Committee , <i>New Ways of Analyzing Variation 45</i> , University of Victoria / Simon Fraser University. <i>Program booklet editor and designer.</i> http://web.uvic.ca/~ddenis/NWAV%2045%20Booklet.pdf
2015	Organizing Committee <i>31st Annual NorthWest Linguistics Conference</i> , U. Victoria
2014–2015	Editor , <i>Working Papers of the Linguistics Circle of the University of Victoria.</i>
2003–2004	Research Assistant , <i>X's X Project</i> . PI: Dr. J. Ghomeshi, University of Manitoba

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- The American Dialect Society
- The Linguistic Society of America
- The Canadian Linguistic Association
- The Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics
- The Society for Caribbean Linguistics
- The Canadian Association of Postdoctoral Scholars

OTHER 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
1990—	Freelance Musician & bassist/keyboardist in Juno-nominated Virgin (Canada) recording artists, <i>The New Meanies</i>

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, L^AT_EX, 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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