

RAINA O'SHIELDS

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Education:

- **Ph.D. in Linguistics**
 - Imaginary University, Imaginary City, State
 - Dissertation: "The Syntax and Semantics of Fictional Languages"
 - Completed: May 2015
 - **M.A. in Linguistics**
 - Imaginary University, Imaginary City, State
 - Thesis: "Phonological Variations in Constructed Languages"
 - Completed: May 2010
 - **B.A. in English**
 - Fictional College, Imaginary City, State
 - Graduated: May 2008
 - Magna Cum Laude
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Academic Positions:

- **Associate Professor of Linguistics**
 - Fictional University, Department of Linguistics
 - August 2020 – Present
 - **Assistant Professor of Linguistics**
 - Fictional University, Department of Linguistics
 - August 2015 – July 2020
 - **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
 - Imaginary University, Department of Linguistics
 - August 2010 – May 2015
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Research Interests:

- Syntax and semantics of constructed languages
 - Phonology and phonetics of minority languages
 - Language documentation and preservation
 - Computational linguistics in language modeling
 - The intersection of linguistics and literature
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Publications:

Books:

- O'Shields, R. (2022). *Language in Fiction: The Art of Constructing Linguistic Worlds*. Fictional Press.
- O'Shields, R. (2018). *Phonological Patterns in Constructed Languages*. Imaginary University Press.

Journal Articles:

- O'Shields, R. (2023). "Syntactic Structures in Imaginary Languages: A Comparative Study." *Journal of Theoretical Linguistics*, 29(2), 123-145.
- O'Shields, R. (2021). "Phonetic Variations in Endangered Languages: A Case Study." *Linguistic Preservation Quarterly*, 18(3), 78-92.
- O'Shields, R., & Doe, J. (2020). "The Use of Computational Tools in Language Preservation Efforts." *Computational Linguistics Today*, 15(4), 201-219.
- O'Shields, R. (2017). "A New Approach to Analyzing Syntax in Constructed Languages." *Journal of Modern Linguistics*, 12(1), 33-54.

Conference Proceedings:

- O'Shields, R. (2022). "Modeling Fictional Language Evolution with Computational Tools." *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of Fiction*, 125-130.
 - O'Shields, R. (2019). "Documenting Phonological Shifts in Constructed Languages." *Proceedings of the International Conference on Language Documentation*, 87-94.
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Teaching Experience:

Fictional University:

- **Associate Professor of Linguistics**
 - *Courses Taught:*
 - Introduction to Linguistics
 - Phonetics and Phonology
 - Syntax and Semantics
 - Language Documentation
 - Computational Linguistics
- **Assistant Professor of Linguistics**
 - *Courses Taught:*
 - Phonological Theory
 - Language and Society
 - Historical Linguistics
 - Constructed Languages: Theory and Practice

- **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
 - *Courses Assisted:*
 - Introduction to Linguistics
 - Morphology
 - Language and Culture
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Grants and Awards:

- **Linguistic Society of Fiction Research Grant**
 - Awarded: 2022
 - Project: "Modeling Language Evolution in Fictional Contexts"
 - **Fictional University Teaching Excellence Award**
 - Awarded: 2021
 - **Imaginary University Dissertation Fellowship**
 - Awarded: 2014
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Professional Memberships:

- Linguistic Society of Fiction
 - International Association of Language Documentation
 - Society for Computational Linguistics
 - Association for Constructed Language Studies
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Service:

- **Editorial Board Member:** *Journal of Theoretical Linguistics*
 - **Reviewer:** *Linguistic Preservation Quarterly*
 - **Committee Member:** Fictional University Curriculum Committee
 - **Advisor:** Fictional University Linguistics Club
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Languages:

- English (Native)
 - French (Fluent)
 - Fictional Language: Quenya (Proficient)
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