# William Johnston

#### CURRICULUM VITAE

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., 2023 Linguistics, McGill University

(expected)

B.A., 2013 Linguistics, Carleton College (Northfield, MN)

Magna cum laude, Thesis with Distinction

Off-Campus Study: Linguistics and Culture in Japan

(Hosted by Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan)

*Non-degree coursework:* 

Sep.-Nov. 2020 Southeast Asian Diaspora Project, Minneapolis MN

Hmong Language Workshop

Jul.-Aug. 2013 Denver Publishing Institute, University of Denver

Certificate in Publishing

#### TEACHING

Winter 2021 Course Lecturer

Meaning in Language (LING 260), McGill University

Fall 2020 Teaching Assistant

Meaning in Language (LING 260), McGill University

Instructor: Bernhard Schwarz

Winter 2020 Teaching Assistant

Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University

Instructor: Francisco Torreira

Fall 2020 Teaching Assistant

Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University

Instructor: Meghan Clayards

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Fall 2020	Grader Structure of a Specific Language – German (LING 410), McGill University Instructor: Bernhard Schwarz
Fall 2012	Teaching Assistant Introduction to Linguistics (LING 110), Carleton College Instructor: Cherlon Ussery

### **Publications**

**Johnston**, W. "Nonspecific promises: The Intensional Restitution Effect." Ms. in preparation.

Johnston, W. "Pair-list answers from distribution." Manuscript submitted for publication.

**Johnston, W.** (2019). "Pair-list questions from dependent plurals." In *Proceedings of the* 22<sup>nd</sup> Amsterdam Colloquium, eds. Julian J. Schlöder, Dean McHugh, Floris Roelofsen. 201–210. Amsterdam: ILLC.

## Awards, Grants, & Fellowships

2020–2021	Linguistics Department Nominee, Arts Graduate Student Teaching Award, McGill University.
2020–2021	Cremona Memorial Fellowship, McGill University, \$10,000.
2019–2020	Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, \$1,000.
2018–2019	Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, \$10,000.
2018–2019	Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, \$5,000.

### Presentations and Talks

May 2021	"Nonspecific promises: The Intensional Restitution Effect" TOM 13 (Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Semantics Workshop), refereed talk.
Apr. 2021	"Verb serialization as event-building: Evidence from Hmong" MOTH 2021 (Montreal-Ottawa-Toronto-Hamilton Syntax Conference), refereed talk.
Dec. 2019	"Pair-list questions from dependent plurals" $22^{nd}$ Amsterdam Colloquium, refereed talk.
Apr. 2013	"Focus, too, and conjunction, too: The syntax and semantics of Japanese <i>mo</i> -coordination."  Minnesota Undergraduate Linguistics Symposium, poster presentation.

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Apr. 2013 "Focus, too, and conjunction, too: The syntax and semantics of Japanese

mo-coordination."

Carleton College, thesis defense.

# SERVICE AND COMMUNITY

Jun. 2021–Aug. 2021	Organizer, Event Structure Reading Group McGill University Linguistics Department
Sep. 2019–Present	Student Editor, McLing (Linguistics Department newsletter) McGill University Linguistics Department
Sep. 2020–Present	McGill Fieldwork Lab Member
Sep. 2018–Present	McGill Syntax/Semantics Reading Group Member
Spring 2020, 2021	Co-Organizer, Accepted Students Open House McGill University Linguistics Department
Feb. 2015	Panel discussion: "What paths will a linguistics major take you on?" Carleton College

## Previous Professional Experience

Jan. 2014–Jul. 2018 Financial Advisor

Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, Minneapolis MN