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CURRICULUM VITAE

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., 2023 (<i>expected</i>)	Linguistics, McGill University Dissertation: “Event structure and serial verb constructions in White Hmong” Supervisor: Jessica Coon; Co-supervisor: Luis Alonso-Ovalle; Committee members: Junko Shimoyama, Lisa Travis
B.A., 2013	Linguistics, Carleton College (Northfield, MN) <i>Magna cum laude</i> Thesis with Distinction Off-campus study: Linguistics and Culture in Japan (Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan)
	<i>Non-degree coursework:</i>
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

	<i>As instructor:</i>
Winter 2021	Meaning in Language (LING 260), McGill University
	<i>As teaching assistant:</i>
Fall 2021	Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University Instructor: Connie Ting
Fall 2020	Meaning in Language (LING 260), McGill University Instructor: Bernhard Schwarz
Winter 2020	Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University Instructor: Francisco Torreira

Fall 2020	Phonetics (LING 330), McGill University Instructor: Meghan Clayards
Fall 2012	Introduction to Linguistics (LING 110), Carleton College Instructor: Cherlon Ussery
	<i>As grader:</i>
Fall 2020	Structure of a Specific Language – German (LING 410), McGill University Instructor: Bernhard Schwarz

PUBLICATIONS

Johnston, W. (Forthcoming, Spring 2022). “Nonspecific promises: The Intensional Restitution Effect.” In *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 26.

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

MANUSCRIPTS

Johnston, W. “Pair-list answers from distribution.” In revision.

Johnston, W. “Nonspecific promises: The Intensional Restitution Effect.” Submitted for initial review.

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

Jan. 2022	“Verb serialization as event-building: Evidence from Hmong” 96th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, refereed talk.
Sep. 2021	“Nonspecific promises: The Intensional Restitution Effect” Sinn und Bedeutung 26, refereed talk.

- 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.
- Mar. 2020 ~~“Pair-list answers to questions with plural definites”~~
~~TOM 13 (Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Semantics Workshop), refereed talk.~~
Canceled (COVID-19)
- Dec. 2019 “Pair-list questions from dependent plurals”
22nd Amsterdam Colloquium, refereed talk.
- Apr. 2013 “Focus, too, and conjunction, too: The syntax and semantics of Japanese
mo-coordination.”
Minnesota Undergraduate Linguistics Symposium, poster presentation.
- Apr. 2013 “Focus, too, and conjunction, too: The syntax and semantics of Japanese
mo-coordination.”
Carleton College, thesis defense.

SERVICE AND COMMUNITY

- Sep. 2020–Present Montreal Underdocumented Languages Linguistics Lab (MULL-Lab)
Member (previously “Fieldwork Lab”)
- Sep. 2018–Present McGill Syntax/Semantics Reading Group Member
- Jun. 2021–Aug. 2021 Organizer, Event Structure Summer Reading Group
McGill University Linguistics Department
- Sep. 2019–Aug. 2021 Student Editor, McLing (Linguistics Department newsletter)
McGill University Linguistics Department
- 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