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EMPLOYMENT **Queen's University**, Kingston, ON  
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures July 2015 – Present

**University of Toronto**, Toronto, ON  
Banting Fellow, Department of Linguistics September 2013 – June 2015  
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Linguistics September 2012 – August 2013

**Northeastern University**, Boston, MA  
Full-time Lecturer, Linguistics Program September 2011 – May 2012

EDUCATION **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA  
Ph.D in Linguistics September 2011  
Dissertation title: "BE-ing Default: The Morphosyntax of Auxiliaries"  
Committee: Sabine Iatridou (chair), David Pesetsky, Norvin Richards

**McGill University**, Montreal, QC  
B.A., Joint Honours in Linguistics and Philosophy June 2006

RESEARCH INTERESTS Syntax, morphology, semantics, verbal inflection, morphophonology.

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## PUBLICATIONS **Journal Articles**

*accepted.* (with Elizabeth Cowper) Possession and necessity: from individuals to worlds. Accepted for inclusion in *Lingua*, special issue from the GLOW 37 workshop on possession. Eds. E. Schoorlemmer and B. Le Bruyn.

*to appear.* (with Ewan Dunbar) Finite-state phonology predicts a typological gap in cyclic stress assignment (squib). *Linguistic Inquiry* 47(2). DOI: 10.1162/ling-a-00215.

2016 Go get, come see: motion verbs, morphological restrictions, and syncretism. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 34(1): 53–91. DOI: 10.1007/s11049-015-9301-0.

2014 Accounting for unexpected subject gaps in TP coordination. *The Linguistic Review* 31(3–4): 487–513. DOI: 10.1515/tlr-2014-0011.

### Chapters in Edited Volumes

- to appear.* (with Claire Halpert) In an imperfect world: deriving the typology of counterfactual marking. To appear in *Modality across Syntactic Categories*. Eds. M. L. Rivero, A. Arregui, and A. Salanova. New York: OUP.
- 2013 A syntactic answer to a pragmatic puzzle: The case of asymmetric *and*. In *Syntax and Its Limits*. Eds. R. Folli, C. Sevdali, and R. Truswell. New York: OUP. 391–408.

### Publications Under Review

- resubmitted.* Ergative as perfective oblique. Resubmitted to *Syntax*, December 2015. 44 pp.
- resubmitted.* (with Hedde Zeijlstra) Upwards Agree is superior. Resubmitted to *Linguistic Inquiry*, November 2015. 51 pp.

### Publications in Conference Proceedings (reviewed by abstract)

2015. (with Elizabeth Cowper, Daniel Currie Hall, Rebecca Tollan, and Neil Banerjee) There's no future in Old English. *2015 CLA Conference Proceedings/Actes du Congrès de l'ACL 2015*.
2015. (with Elizabeth Cowper) Where *there* is, and why. *2015 CLA Conference Proceedings/Actes du Congrès de l'ACL 2015*.
2014. (with Elizabeth Cowper) English modal *have*. *2014 CLA Conference Proceedings/Actes du Congrès de l'ACL 2014*.
- 2013 A syntactic correlate of a semantic asymmetry. *Proceedings of NELS 41*. GLSA: Amherst.
- 2013 (with Elizabeth Cowper) Inflectional shells and the syntax of causative *have*. *2013 CLA Conference Proceedings/Actes du Congrès de l'ACL 2013*.
- 2013 (with Claire Halpert) In search of (im)perfection. *Proceedings of NELS 42*. GLSA: Amherst.
- 2013 The syntax of syncretism. *Proceedings of NELS 40*. GLSA: Amherst.
- 2012 The crosslinguistic defaultness of *be*. Coyote Papers Working Papers in Linguistics 20: *Proceedings of the Poster Session of WCCFL 29*.
- 2010 Morphology and stress in Nez Perce verbs. UBCWPL 29: *Proceedings of WS-CLA 15*.
- 2010 Go get, come see. UBCWPL 25: *Proceedings of North West Linguistics Conference 2009*.

### Other Publications

- 2013 Auxiliaries. In *Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics*. Ed. Mark Aronoff. New York: Oxford University Press.  
URL: <http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/linguistics>
- 2006 Shuswap double reduplication and input-reduplicant faithfulness. *McGill Working Papers in Linguistics* 20.2. Eds. E. Dobler and Y. Furukawa.

PRESENTATIONS **Conference Presentations (reviewed by abstract)**

- Jan 2016 13th Old World Conference in Phonology, Budapest, Hungary.  
(with Peter Jurgec) *Regularizing effects of indexation to complex constituents.*
- Nov 2015 The Perfect: variation workshop, Trondheim, Norway.  
(with Claire Halpert and Hadil Karawani) *From times to worlds: the relational unity of perfects and evidentials.*
- Sep 2015 Societas Linguistica Europaea 2015, Leiden, the Netherlands.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper, Daniel Currie Hall, Rebecca Tollan, and Neil Banerjee)  
*There then and now.*
- Jul 2015 22nd International Conference on Historical Linguistics, Naples, Italy.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper, Daniel Currie Hall, Rebecca Tollan, and Neil Banerjee)  
*Illusions of transitive expletives in Middle English.*
- May 2015 2015 CLA Annual Conference/Congrès de 2015 de l'ACL, Ottawa, ON.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper) *Where there is, and why.*
- May 2015 2015 CLA Annual Conference/Congrès de 2015 de l'ACL, Ottawa, ON.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper, Daniel Currie Hall, Rebecca Tollan, and Neil Banerjee)  
*There's no future in Old English.*
- May 2015 Diachronic Generative Syntax (DiGS) 17, Reykjavik, Iceland.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper, Daniel Currie Hall, Rebecca Tollan, and Neil Banerjee)  
*Investigating the past of the futurate present.*
- Mar 2015 WCCFL 33, Vancouver, BC.  
(with Hedde Zeijlstra) *Upward Agree is superior.* (poster)
- Jan 2015 2015 LSA Annual Meeting, Portland, OR.  
(with Ewan Dunbar) *Eliminating cyclicity: A reanalysis of Chamorro stress.*  
(poster)
- May 2014 2014 CLA Annual Conference/Congrès de 2014 de l'ACL, St. Catharines, ON.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper) *Possession and necessity: from individuals to worlds.*
- Apr 2014 GLOW 37 Semantics/Morphology Workshop, Brussels, Belgium.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper) *Possession and necessity: from individuals to worlds.*
- Jan 2014 2014 LSA Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.  
*Multiple Agrees: Towards a non-unified theory of feature valuation.* (poster)
- May 2013 2013 CLA Conference/Congrès de 2013 de l'ACL, Victoria, BC.  
(with Elizabeth Cowper) *Inflectional shells and the syntax of causative have.*  
(poster)
- Apr 2013 GLOW 36, Lund, Sweden.  
*The absence of coreferential subjects in TP coordination.*
- Jan 2013 2013 LSA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.  
*Aspectual ergative splits and perfective-linked oblique case.* (poster)
- Apr 2012 Ottawa Modality Workshop, University of Ottawa.  
(with Claire Halpert) *In an imperfect world: deriving the typology of counterfactual marking.*
- Mar 2012 GLOW 35, Potsdam, Germany.  
(with Claire Halpert) *In search of (im)perfection: the illusion of counterfactual aspect.*

- PRESENTATIONS (CONT'D)
- Jan 2012 2012 LSA Annual Meeting, Portland, OR.  
*Motivating verbal inflection via auxiliary verb constructions.*
- Nov 2011 NELS 42, University of Toronto.  
(with Claire Halpert) *In search of (im)perfection: the illusion of counterfactual aspect.*
- May 2011 2011 CLA Conference/Congrès de 2011 de l'ACL, Fredericton, NB.  
*The syntax of auxiliaries from a cross-linguistic perspective.*
- Apr 2011 WCCFL 29, University of Arizona.  
*The crosslinguistic defaultness of be.* (poster)
- Jan 2011 2011 LSA Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA.  
*The syntax of inverted conditional antecedents.*
- Dec 2010 On Linguistic Interfaces II, University of Ulster.  
*Towards an asymmetric semantics for and.*
- Oct 2010 NELS 41, University of Pennsylvania.  
*A syntactic correlate of semantic asymmetries in clausal coordination.*
- Feb 2010 WSCLA 15, University of Ottawa.  
*The morphological basis of default-to-opposite stress in Nez Perce.*
- Jan 2010 7th Old World Conference in Phonology, Nice, France.  
*Morphologically conditioned default-to-opposite stress in Nez Perce.*
- Nov 2009 NELS 40, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.  
2010 Georgetown Linguistics Society conference, Georgetown University.  
*The syntax of syncretism.*
- May 2009 17th Manchester Phonology Meeting, University of Manchester.  
*Correspondence between reduplicants: Evidence from Kinande.*
- Apr 2009 2009 Northwest Linguistics Conference, University of British Columbia.  
*Go get, come see.*

### Invited Talks and Workshop Presentations

- May 2016 Workshop on Aspect and Modality, Western Michigan University  
(planned) *Title TBD.*
- Oct 2015 Workshop on Aspect, Cornell University.  
*The Case of Aspect.*
- Feb 2015 Colloquium Series, York University  
*Not All Fake Pasts are Real.*
- Jul 2014 Syntax/Semantics Reading Group, University of Göttingen  
*Ergative as Perfective Oblique*
- Apr 2014 Language Universals Reading Group / Polinsky Lab, Harvard University  
*Ergative as Perfective Oblique*
- Mar 2013 Invited Speakers, Montreal-Ottawa-Toronto-Hamilton Syntax Workshop  
(with Elizabeth Cowper) *Possession and necessity: from individuals to worlds.*
- Oct 2012 Colloquium Series, University of Toronto  
*Verbal Inflection, Markedness, and Auxiliaries.*

PRESENTATIONS **Other Presentations**  
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- Mar 2015 Syntax Reading Group, McGill University  
Upwards Agree and Long-distance Agreement.
- Mar 2015 Ling-Tea, McGill University  
Not All Fake Pasts are Real.
- Apr 2013 Ling Lunch, MIT  
Possession and necessity: from individuals to worlds.
- Nov 2011 Ling Lunch, University of Connecticut-Storrs.  
Auxiliary verbs and the syntax of verbal inflection.

Other Non-Reviewed Talks: 13 (department internal, graduate workshops, etc.)

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TEACHING &  
SUPERVISION

**Queen's University**

- Winter 2016 *Syntax*  
Introductory undergraduate course in syntax (one semester).
- Comparative Morphosyntax*  
Undergraduate course looking at selected topics in morphosyntax from a comparative perspective (one semester).
- Fall 2015 *Morphology*  
Introductory undergraduate course in morphology (one semester).

**University of Toronto**

- Fall 2014 *Introduction to Syntactic Theory*  
Introductory graduate course in syntactic theory, introducing students to current theoretical approaches (one semester).
- Fall 2013 *Syntactic Theory*  
Advanced undergraduate course in syntactic theory, introducing students to current theoretical approaches (one semester).
- Winter 2013 *Morphosyntactic Issues*  
Seminar on advanced topics in morphological theory, with combined undergraduate/graduate enrolment (one semester).

**2014 Eastern Generative Grammar (EGG) Summer School** (Debrecen, Hungary)

- Summer 2014 Taught two one-week courses: one on the morphosyntactic representation of situation and viewpoint aspectual features (solo taught), and one on current debates on the direction of Agree (co-taught with Hedde Zeijlstra).

TEACHING &  
SUPERVISION  
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**Northeastern University**

- Spring 2012     *Semantics*  
Undergraduate introduction to semantics (one semester).  
*Introduction to Linguistics* (2 sections)  
Overview of theoretical and applied linguistics (one semester).
- Fall 2011     *Introduction to Linguistics* (3 sections)  
Overview of theoretical and applied linguistics (one semester).

**Guest Lectures:**

- Mar 2015     Case and Agreement Seminar (graduate)  
McGill. Primary instructor: Jessica Coon.
- Nov 2014     Introduction to Syntax (graduate)  
MIT. Primary instructor: Sabine Iatridou.
- Oct 2012     Syntax/Semantics Seminar (undergraduate/graduate)  
McMaster University. Primary instructor: Ivona Kučerová.

**Teaching development:**

- Fall 2012     University of Toronto, THE 500: Teaching in Higher Education.  
One semester professional course introducing participants to different theories  
and styles of teaching, with practicum component.

**Graduate Supervision:**

- 2014–2015     Radu Craioveanu, committee member for PhD generals paper.
- 2013–2014     Julie Doner, committee member for PhD generals paper.  
Ruth Maddeaux, second reader for MA forum paper.  
Patrick Murphy, second reader for MA forum paper.
- 2012–2013     Dan Milway, MA supervisor.

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SERVICE &  
PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS

- 2010-present     Association canadienne de linguistique / Canadian Linguistic Association
- 2010-present     Linguistic Society of America
- 2007–2008     *MIT Department of Linguistics and Philosophy*: student representative
- 2006–2008     *MIT Working Papers in Linguistics*: subscriptions manager
- Reviewing:  
(abstracts)     *NELS*; *WCCFL*; *GLOW*; *LSA Annual Meeting*; *CLA Annual Meeting*;  
*American International Morphology Meeting*; *Formal Approaches to South  
Asian Linguistics*.
- Reviewing:  
(papers)     *Modality Across Categories* (OUP Volume); *The Linguistic Review*; *Lingua*;  
*Linguistics in the Netherlands*; *Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguis-  
tics*; *Syntax*; *Cognitive Science*; *Linguistic Inquiry*.

RESEARCH PROJECTS & EVENT ORGANIZATION	2013–present	Corpus miners research group
	2014–2015	<i>Contrast in Syntax</i> workshop: co-organizer
	2013–2015	Copula agreement systems research group
	2013–2015	Syntax/Semantics Squib Section discussion group: organizer
	2013	<i>Practical BE-Keeping</i> mini-workshop: organizer
	2011–2012	Northeastern colloquium series on language acquisition: co-organizer
	2009–2010	MIT Ling-Lunch: co-organizer
	2009	40th North-East Linguistics Society conference: organizing committee

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GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS (competitive awards only)	2013–2015	Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$140,000)
	2012–2013	SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$43,000)
	2007–2010	SSHRC Doctoral Award (\$60,000)
	2006	Cremona Memorial Prize in Linguistics, McGill University

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REFERENCES *Available on request.*