

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Doctoral Dissertation

Fellowships and Awards

Brock University Advancement Fund: Research Seed Grant – 2008 (with J. Ntakirutimana)
Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada: Publication grant - 1997
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada: Post-Doctoral Fellowship - 1994.
University of Toronto: Doctoral Thesis Prize in French - 1994.
Ontario Graduate Scholarship - 1993 (declined).
University of Toronto: Simcoe Special Doctoral Fellowship - 1990, 1991, 1992 (declined 1993).
University of Toronto: Open Master's Fellowship - 1989.
Department of French, University of Toronto: Euphrasia E. Hislop Award - 1989.
Trinity College, University of Toronto: Provost Body Scholarship - 1988.
Trinity College, University of Toronto: Ellen Patteson Rigby Scholarship - 1987.
Department of French, University of Toronto: Sir Wilfrid Laurier Memorial Scholarship - 1987.

Professional Experience

2010-present Lecturer, Department of French, University of Toronto.
Courses given: FRE 272 (*The Structure of Modern French: An Introduction*)

1998-99 Assistant

Publications

Articles:

2012 “La grammaticalisation de Meille

Book Reviews:

1995 Review of C. J. Jaenen (ed.) (1993) *Les Franco-Ontariens* in *Spirale* no. 140, p. 15.

1991 Review of F. Gadet (1987) *Saussure: Une science de la langue* in *Information/Communication* v. 12, p. 113.

Edited book:

1993 *La frontière du dit: A l'intérieur et autour du texte*, Toronto, Editions GFA (with H. Gezundhajt).

Authored book:

1999 *Une analyse morphosyntaxique de l'accord grammatical en français*, Les Presses de l'Université Laval.

Other scholarly contributions:

1998-present Reviewer, *Linguistica Atlantica*

2006-present Reviewer, *Voix plurielles*

2011-present Reviewer, *Canadian Journal of Applied Linguistics / Revue canadienne de linguistique appliquée*

Papers

“Dynamic Synchrony in Romance Morphosyntax”, Brock-UTM Symposium, University of Toronto at Mississauga, April 28, 2011.

“Studying sub-standard languages through TDB (Textual Data Bases)”, Brock – UTM Symposium, Brock University, April 28, 2009 (with J. Ntakirutimana).

“A Brief History of the *Volksdeutsche* in Europe”, Modern Languages Colloquium, Brock University, March 31, 2009 (with A. Heyer).

“Peripheral Voices of African French: A Sociolinguistic Study”, Modern Languages Colloquium, Brock University, March 3, 2009 (with J. Ntakirutimana).

“A Reanalysis of Reanalysis”, at the Conference “Image and Imagery”, Brock University, October 10, 2008.

“Past Participle Agreement across Romance Languages”, Department of Modern Languages Colloquium, Brock University, March 3, 2006.

"A Comparative Approach to Agreement" at the Conference "Functionalism and Formalism in Linguistics", University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, April 18, 1996.

"L'accord grammatical en français: quelques implications pour l'interface morphologie-syntaxe", at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguists

Other conference participation:

Session chair, *Image and Imagery*, Brock University, October 10, 2008

Session chair, *Starting the Process : First Drafts, Sketches and Experiments*, Brock University, October 27, 2007.

Session chair, Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistic Association, Université du Québec à Montréal, June 5, 1995.

Guest Lectures

"The Science of Sound - Applications to Human Speech", Toronto Catholic District School Board Gifted Students Conference, University of Toronto, February 19, 2015.

"The Physics of Speech", Toronto Catholic District School Board Gifted Students Conference, University of Toronto, February 19, 2014.

"Morphology and Syntax of Romance pronouns", Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Brock University, Feb. 2, 2010.

"The Strasbourg Oaths", Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Brock University, Feb. 13, 2008.

"A Diachronic Analysis of Romance Past Participle Agreement", Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Brock University, Feb. 27, 2008.

"Accord du participe passé et variation dialectale", Department of French, University of Toronto, November 30, 1995.

"L'accord grammatical en français: une approche morphosyntaxique", Department of French Studies, Queen's University, January 17, 1995.

"A morphosyntactic approach to agreement", Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto, April 15, 1994.

"La spécificité du langage humain", Department of French, University of Toronto, January 13, 1994.

"La théorie des principes et paramètres", Department of French, University of Toronto, January 4, 1994.

Courses developed

2008: FREN 2P10 (*Introduction to the Linguistic Study of French*), a second-year course on French linguistics at Brock University.

1995: FREN 811 (*Problèmes de morphosyntaxe française*), a graduate course on French morphosyntax at Queen's University.

1994: FREN 413 (*La nouvelle grammaire du français*), a fourth-year course on French morphology and syntax at Queen's University.

1989: