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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Experimental pragmatics, figurative language, metaphor comprehension and production, computational methods, discourse linguistics, language acquisition.

EDUCATION

2022 –	University of Toronto	**Doctor of Philosophy** (PhD) in Linguistics
2020 – 2021	University of Edinburgh	**Master of Science** (MSc) by Research in Linguistics *with Merit*
2017 – 2020	McGill University	**Bachelor of Arts** in Linguistics & French Literature *First Class Joint Honours*
2015 – 2017	Dawson College	**Collegial studies** in Modern Languages *First Class Graduation Honours List*

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2023	John MacRory Fellowship	5,000 CAD	University of Toronto
2020	Joan Nelson Study Abroad Award	6,613 CAD	Golden Key International Honours Society
2020	Moyse Travelling Scholarship	5,800 CAD	McGill University
2019	Undergraduate Mobility Award	1,500 CAD	McGill University
2017 – 2018	J.W. McConnell Scholarship	3,500 CAD	McGill University
2017	Outstanding Achievement Award	500 CAD	Dawson College

PUBLICATIONS

Conference Proceedings

Raihert, C., & Grigoroglou, M. (in press). Metaphor Comprehension in Preschoolers: A Pragmatic Skill. In [editors] (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society* (pp. TBD). Rotterdam, Netherlands: Cognitive Science Society.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Beekhuizen, B., & **Raihert, C.** (accepted for 2024, June). *Studying metaphor-in-context computationally: From ad hoc to systematic variation across genres.* Inaugural Conference of the Cognitive Linguistics Association of North America (CLANA), Montreal, Canada. (talk)

Raihert, C., & Beekhuizen, B. (2023, August). *Speaking figuratively across genres: discourse, metaphor, and variation.* 16th International Cognitive Linguistics Conference (ICLC), Düsseldorf, Germany. (talk)

Raihert, C. (2021, June). *Bridging the debate on metaphor: a network-based account of abstraction in predicate metaphor processing*. Linguistics & English Language Postgraduate Conference (LELPGC) 2021, Edinburgh, United Kingdom. (talk)

Raihert, C. (2021, June). *Metaphor and connectedness: the use of metaphorical language as a cultural glue.* GradNet Conference 2021, Southampton, United Kingdom. (talk)

UNREFEREED PRESENTATIONS
(*denotes student mentee)

Joulaei, S.*, **Raihert C.**, & Grigoroglou, M. (2024, March). *Metaphor Comprehension in Young Children.* Research Opportunities Program (ROP) Research Fair, Toronto, Canada. (poster)

Tang, R.*, **Raihert C.**, & Grigoroglou, M. (2023, March). *Did Rose Really Sink? Metaphor Comprehension in Children.* ROP Research Fair, Toronto, Canada. (poster)

Raihert, C. (2021, April). *Some metaphors are more equal than others: extending the debate on metaphor to verbs.* Cognitive Linguistics Research Group, Edinburgh, United Kingdom. (talk)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2022 –	Dr. Barend Beekhuizen University of Toronto	**Research Assistance:** Developing a research project on metaphor in discourse using computational methods.
2023	Dr. Myrto Grigoroglou University of Toronto	**Research Assistance:** Leading experimental research on children's early metaphor comprehension skills.
2020	Building 21 Lab McGill University	**Research Internship:** Developing a research project on category-learning in ASD (autism spectrum disorder).
2019	Prof. Heather Goad McGill University	**Research Assistance:** Analysing the speech of a bilingual infant (French, English) in Praat software.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistance   University of Toronto

2024 (Winter)   **LIN241**: Introduction to Semantics
2023 (Fall)   **LIN232**: Syntactic Patterns
2023 (Winter)   **LIN102**: Intro to Linguistics: Sentence Structure and Meaning
2022 (Fall)   **LIN101**: Intro to Linguistics: Sound Structure

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

2024   Event and Fundraiser Organizer   Raising 1,407 CAD for the Onkwawenna
                     Linguistics Coffeehouse   Kentyohkwa language revitalization school;
                                                              co-organizing a musical charity event.
                     University of Toronto

2023 – 2024   Project Lead   Creating an interdisciplinary research
                     Future of Cities   program about innovating futures cities, in
                                                              consulting with the City Board of Montreal.
                     Building 21 Lab, McGill University

2022 – 2023   Project Lead   Organizing and chairing a series of guest
                     Radical Futures   talks and discussions open to the public
                                                              about sustainability and the economy.
                     Building 21 Lab, McGill University

EDITORIAL SERVICE

2023 –   Co-editor of the Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics (TWPL) Journal
                     Vol. 46 (2023)

                     University of Toronto

2019 – 2020   Co-editor of the university's French literary magazine *Lieu Commun*
                     Vol. 14 (2020), Vol. 15 (2020)

                     McGill University

OTHER SERVICE

2024   Volunteer   Workshop on Structure & Constituency in Languages of the   Toronto
                            Americas (WSCLA)

2022   Co-organizer   COP15: Candlelight Vigil for the Tapanuli Orangutans   Montreal

2022   Volunteer   Global Day for Climate Justice: Solidarity with First Peoples Montreal

LANGUAGES & RELEVANT SKILLS

- **Softwares:** R, PCIbex Farm, Praat
- **Programming languages:** Python, R
- **Statistical analysis:** Multilevel Analysis, General Linear Models
- **Natural languages:** French: C2 English: C2 Spanish: C1 Romanian: Native