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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR · UNIVERSITÉ LAVAL

Research Interests

- Phonology
- Phonetics
- Quantitative data analysis
- Second language acquisition
- Romance linguistics

Professional Affiliations

- Associate editor, *SLR*
- CRBLM
- CRIHN
- Canadian Linguistic Association
- Abralin

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📖 Université Laval
Langues, linguistique et traduction
Pavillon Charles-De Koninck
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Personal

Citizenship: Brazilian, Canadian, Italian

Languages

Natural
Portuguese (native)
English (near-native)
French (advanced)
Italian (intermediate)
Spanish (basic)
Computer/tools
R, Python, zsh; Typst, Quarto, \LaTeX

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EDUCATION

2012–2017 **PhD in Linguistics**
MCGILL UNIVERSITY 📍 MONTRÉAL, CANADA
Thesis: *Weight effects on stress: lexicon and grammar* 📄 🌐

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

UNIVERSITÉ LAVAL 📍 QUÉBEC, CANADA
2026– Professeur agrégé (≡ *tenured* associate professor)
2022–2026 Professeur adjoint (≡ *tenure-track* assistant professor)
NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY 📍 NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, UK
2022 Lecturer (*analogous to tenure-track*)
BALL STATE UNIVERSITY 📍 MUNCIE, USA
2018–2022 Assistant professor (*tenure-track*)

KEY PUBLICATIONS

- 2025 **Garcia, G. D.** Bayesian estimation in multiple comparisons, *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 47(3), 885-911. 📄 🌐 📄
- 2024 **Garcia, G. D.** & Goad, H. Weight effects and the parametrization of the foot: English versus Portuguese, *Laboratory Phonology* 15(1), 1-37. 📄 🌐
- 2023 **Garcia, G. D.** Statistical modelling in L3/Ln acquisition, *The Cambridge Handbook of Third Language Acquisition*, Cambridge University Press, pp. 744-770. 📄 🌐
- 2021 **Garcia, G. D.** *Data visualization and analysis in second language research*, Routledge.
- 2021 Guzzo, N. B. & **Garcia, G. D.** Gradience in prosodic representation: vowel reduction and neoclassical elements in Brazilian Portuguese, *Glossa: a journal of general linguistics* 6(1). 📄 🌐
- 2020 **Garcia, G. D.** Language transfer and positional bias in English stress, *Second Language Research* 36(4), 445-474. 📄 🌐
- 2019 **Garcia, G. D.** When lexical statistics and the grammar conflict: learning and repairing weight effects on stress, *Language* 95(4), 612-641. 📄 🌐
- 2017 **Garcia, G. D.** Weight gradience and stress in Portuguese, *Phonology* 34(1), 41-79. 📄 🌐

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2026 Erasmus+, Universidad de Granada.
- 2025 Early Career Researcher Award, Canadian Linguistic Association.
- 2024 *Programme de mobilité professorale* at Harvard University, Université Laval.
- 2024–2026 Insight Development Grant, SSHRC, Canada.
- 2018–2020 Postdoctoral fellowship (declined by candidate), FRQSC, at Harvard University.
- 2017 Lara Riente Memorial Prize in Linguistics, McGill University.
- 2016 Paula Menyuk Student Travel Award, Boston University.
- 2016 Schull Yang International Experience Award, McGill University.
- 2015–2017 Doctoral fellowship, FRQSC, at McGill University.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 Guzzo, N. B. & **G. D. Garcia**. [Marginal representations in loanword adaptation: affrication in Brazilian Portuguese English](#). *The 54th Meeting of the North East Linguistics Society (NELS)*. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Jan 26–28. *Acceptance: 7.8% (talk)* 🌐📍 CAMBRIDGE, USA
- 2020 **Garcia, G. D.** [Variable secondary stress and weight-sensitivity in Portuguese](#). *The Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (BLS)*. University of California, Feb 7–8. *Acceptance: 26% (talk)*. 📍 BERKELEY, USA
- 2018 **Garcia, G. D.** & H. Goad. [Can you have stress without feet?](#) *The 36th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL)*. University of California, Apr 20–22. *Acceptance: 28% (poster)*. 📍 LOS ANGELES, USA
- 2018 **Garcia, G. D.** [Regulating the interaction between lexical statistics and the grammar: a naturalness bias in learning weight](#). *The 41st Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW)*. Apr 10–14. *Acceptance: 17% (poster)*. 📍 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY
- 2016 **Garcia, G. D.**, H. Goad & N. B. Guzzo. [Footing is not always about stress: formalizing variable high vowel deletion in Québec French](#). *The Annual Meeting on Phonology (AMP)*. University of Southern California, Oct 21–23. *Acceptance: 14.2% (talk)* 🌐📍 LOS ANGELES, USA
- 2016 **Garcia, G. D.** [Grammar trumps lexicon: typologically inconsistent weight effects are not generalized](#). *The 47th Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS)*. University of Massachusetts, Oct 14–16. *Acceptance: 12% (talk)* 🌐📍 AMHERST, USA
- 2016 **Garcia, G. D.** [Computing segmental and suprasegmental information in lexical decision](#). *The 24th Manchester Phonology Meeting (mfm)*. University of Manchester, May 26–28. (talk). 📍 MANCHESTER, UK
- 2015 **Garcia, G. D.** [Stress and gradient weight in Portuguese](#). *The 33rd West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL)*. Simon Fraser University, Mar 27–29. *Acceptance: 16% (talk)* 🌐📍 VANCOUVER, CANADA

SELECTED INVITED TALKS

- 2026 **Garcia, G. D.** [From corpora to grammars: modeling phonological gradience from written data](#). *Erasmus+*. Universidad de Granada, Apr 22. 📍 GRANADA, SPAIN
- 2026 **Garcia, G. D.** [Sonoridade e acento lexical em português: peso silábico modulado por codas](#). *The 6th Encontro de Fonologia PHONOSHUTTLE OPO-LIS*. Universidade de Lisboa, Feb 6 and Feb 13. 📍 PORTUGAL
- 2022 **Garcia, G. D.** [O acento em português e a transferência fonológica em L2](#). *XXXVIII Encontro Nacional da Associação Portuguesa de Linguística (ENAPL)*. Universidade de Lisboa, Oct 26. Plenary in honour of Prof. Maria Helena Mira Mateus. 📍 LISBON, PORTUGAL
- 2022 **Garcia, G. D.** [A figure is worth a thousand words: data visualization in second language research](#). *Centre for Linguistics, Language Education and Acquisition Research*. University of Southampton, Mar 16. 📍 SOUTHAMPTON, UK
- 2021 **Garcia, G. D.** [Fatores correlacionados dificultam transferência fonológica](#). *Fonologia e suas interfaces*. ABRALIN Ao Vivo, Mar 13. 📺 Presentation recorded. 📍 BRAZIL

TEACHING AT UNIVERSITÉ LAVAL

Phonologie I, Phonologie II, Méthodes expérimentales et analyse de données, linguistique de corpus.

SERVICE

- 2026–2030 Director of the linguistics program.
- 2022– Associate editor, *Second Language Research*.

RESOURCES

phonokit	a toolkit to create phonological representations in Typst
synkit	a toolkit to create syntactic representations in Typst
Fonology	R package for phonological analysis