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Application for a Grant

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Application title New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the crossroads		
Applicant family name Tagliamonte	Applicant given name Sali	Initials A.
Org. code 1350911	Full name of applicant's organization and department University of Toronto Linguistics	
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Does your proposal involve Aboriginal Research as defined by SSHRC?		Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Does your proposal involve human beings as research subjects? If "Yes", consult the <i>Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans</i> and submit your proposal to your organization's Research Ethics Board.		Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Does your proposal involve activity that requires a permit, licence, or approval under any federal statute; or physical interaction with the environment? If 'Yes', complete Appendices A and B.		Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Project type Event	Outreach activity	
Event start date 2015 / 10 / 22	Event end date 2015 / 10 / 25	
	Year 1	Total
Total funds requested from SSHRC	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>

Research Activity

The information provided in this section refers to your research proposal.

Keywords

List keywords that best describe your proposed research or research activity. Separate keywords with a semicolon.

variationist sociolinguistics; linguistic variation; language change; language contact; historical linguistics; pidgins and creoles; linguistic theory

Disciplines - Indicate and rank up to 5 disciplines that best correspond to your proposal.

Rank	Code	Discipline	If "Other", specify
1	62432	Sociolinguistics	
2	62400	Linguistics	
3	62410	Dialectology	
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Areas of Research

Indicate and rank up to 3 areas of research related to your proposal.

Rank	Code	Area
1	342	Post-Secondary Education and Research
2	120	Communication
3	140	Education

Temporal Periods

If applicable, indicate up to 2 historical periods covered by your proposal.

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Geographical Regions

If applicable, indicate and rank up to 3 geographical regions covered by or related to your proposal. Duplicate entries are not permitted.

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Countries

If applicable, indicate and rank up to 5 countries covered by or related to your proposal. Duplicate entries are not permitted.

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Summary of Proposal

The summary of your research proposal should indicate clearly the problem or issue to be addressed, the potential contribution of the research both in terms of the advancement of knowledge and of the wider social benefit, etc.

This proposal is a request to help defray the costs of hosting New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV 44) to be held at the University of Toronto, October 22-25, 2015. NWAV is the premier conference on Variationist Sociolinguistics worldwide. Its objectives are to foster the study of language in social context by providing a venue in which the latest theoretical, methodological and technical developments in quantitative analysis of language are showcased. It is the most important forum for the presentation and dissemination of cutting-edge research conducted in a wide variety of communities and social settings on all areas related to linguistic variation and change. NWAV 44 comes at a critical juncture in the field. After 40 years of building on strong empirical foundations, the time has come for a re-engagement with Linguistics more broadly and integration across related disciplines. The theme of NWAV 44, Intersections, targets the boundaries between traditional Sociolinguistics and other areas of Linguistics by examining how variation is dealt with across subdisciplines. Leading investigators in acquisition, syntax, documentation, corpus and historical linguistics whose innovative research has forged a link with variation have been invited to present their work. This will generate interdisciplinary exchange on questions of language variation, which will benefit NWAV attendees but also appeal to researchers from other disciplines. We also intend to reach a wide audience through social media engagement and online video dissemination. Understanding how people deploy variation to facilitate communication while the language continues to change is a fundamental element in understanding language, society and interaction. Recent progress has come from researchers' ability to leverage new methods and tap novel and increasingly large datasets. These advances have extended the available testable hypotheses and expanded the diversity and inventory of data that bear on compelling questions about the complex system of language and its intersection with human populations. We aim to strike the spark that will consolidate new directions by creating an atmosphere for interaction and bridging through the selection of our invited speakers, the format of the conference and special components fostering cross-disciplinarity including endangered language documentation, formal theory, acquisition, language contact, creole studies, history and big data. These disciplines have been selected to demonstrate the synthesis of ideas and innovations, while also renewing the original NWAV commitments to historical linguistics and linguistic theory. The six invited speakers have been specifically chosen to present innovative research that intersects with language variation and change. The founder of the field of Variationist Sociolinguistics, W. Labov will provide a closing commentary. Our goal is to make NWAV 44 a forum to review foundational issues in the field and generate novel questions and premises that will guide the next decade of research. Students and faculty alike will benefit from interactions at the conference and the continuing scholarship resulting from it. Students will gain experience in conference organization and will interact with world-class scholars. Video broadcasts, a volume of papers from the Crossroads workshop, and immediate dissemination of tweets by designated students in each session, will ensure broad impact. These presentations and ensuing dissemination will deepen and broaden the questions that will occupy Variationist Sociolinguists in the next decade and set the agenda for future research. The papers that will emerge and the scholarly activity this conference will stimulate are exactly the kind of research that SSHRC funds.

Participants

List names of your team members (co-applicants and collaborators) who will take part in the intellectual direction of the research. Do not include assistants, students or consultants.

Role Co-applicant <input type="radio"/> Collaborator <input checked="" type="radio"/>		Academic <input checked="" type="radio"/> Non-academic <input type="radio"/>	
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Org. code 1350911	Full organization name University of Toronto		
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Department/Division name French			
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Org. code 1351411	Full organization name York University		
Department/Division name Languages, Literatures and Linguistics			
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Org. code 1351411	Full organization name York University		
Department/Division name Languages, Literatures and Linguistics			
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Family name	Given name	Initials
Adger	David	
Affiliation country UNITED KINGDOM		
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Degrees (starting with the most recent and specify the discipline). Phd, 1994, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland MSc, 1990, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland MA, 1989, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland		
Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Head of School, Languages Linguistics and Film, St Mary, University of London, since September 2012 Professor of Linguistics, St Mary, University of London, since 2006 Reader of Linguistics, St Mary, University of London, since 2002 Lecturer in Linguistics, St Mary, University of London, since 1993		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Adger, D. & Smith, J. (2010). Variation in agreement: A lexical feature-based approach. <i>Lingua</i> 120: 1109-1134. Adger, D. (2007). Variability and modularity: A response to Hudson. <i>Journal of Linguistics</i> 43(3): 695-700. Adger, D. & Smith, J. (2007). Language variability and syntactic theory. <i>UCLA</i> , February 2007. Adger, D. & Trousdale, G. (2007). Variation in English syntax: theoretical implications. <i>English Language and Linguistics</i> 11(2): 261-278. Adger, D. (2006). Combinatorial variability. <i>Journal of Linguistics</i> 42(3): 503-530. Adger, D. & Smith, J. (2005). Variation and the minimalist program. In Cornips, L. & Corrigan, K. (Eds.), <i>Syntax and variation: Reconciling the biological and the social</i> . Amsterdam and Philadelphia: John Benjamins. 149-178.		
Title and outline of the presentation. Structure vs. use in morphosyntactic variation Accounts of morphosyntactic variation posit rules combining aspects of structure and usage. The same intuition is used in construction grammar but the notion of attached probabilities is replaced by the interaction of use-related properties, such as entrenchment, preemption, processing ease etc (Goldberg 2006; Hudson 2007). An alternative approach takes morphosyntactic variation as a side effect of the availability of multiple morphosyntactic ways of achieving the same syntactic/semantic goal (Kroch 94; Yang 2001; Adger 2006), and separates the systems that generate structure from those that use structure. This talk evaluates these two ways of understanding morphosyntactic variability, bringing to bear evidence from acquisition, dialect innovations, generational change and language death. I argue that the evidence supports the alternative approach. Routinization of structures are important in usage, but the acquisition of these structures and their linguistic representation is severely constrained by the linguistic system.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Justification David Adger, Professor of Linguistics in the Department of Linguistics at Queen Mary U of London, is a leading theoretician focusing on syntax. His primary interest is how syntax can be represented in terms of featural systems that underlie the patterns found in grammar across the various human languages. As such, his work leads us to consider how theories of syntax can be used to describe and predict the stochastic use of different syntactic patterns by a single individual. The larger goal is to consider how these theories can contribute to explaining the probabilistic patterns of use of different syntactic forms (cf. Adger to appear, 2013, Adger & Trousdale 2007, Adger & Smith 2010, Cheshire, Adger & Fox 2013, Trousdale & Adger 2007).		

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Meyerhoff	Miriam	
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Degrees (starting with the most recent and specify the discipline). PhD (Linguistics), 1997, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA MA (Linguistics), 1986, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand BA (Linguistics and German Language & Literature), 1984, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand		
Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Professor of Linguistics, Victoria University, School of Linguistics and Applied Language Studies, Wellington, New Zealand		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Meyerhoff, M. (2013). Pacific Creoles. In C. A. Chappelle (ed.) The Encyclopedia of Applied Linguistics. Wiley-Blackwell. Meyerhoff, M. (2009). Animacy in Bislama? Using quantitative methods to evaluate transfer of a substrate feature. In J. N. Stanford & D. R. Preston (Eds.), Variation in Indigenous Minority Languages (pp. 369-396). Amsterdam: John Benjamins. Meyerhoff, M. (2008). Bequia is sweet/Bequia sweet: Syntactic variation in a lesser-known variety of Caribbean English. English Today, 24(1), 33-40. Meyerhoff, M. (2001). Another look at the typology of serial verb constructions: The grammaticalization of temporal relations in Bislama (Vanuatu). Oceanic linguistics, 247-268.		
Title and outline of the presentation. Symphonies of language variation Language contact was considered a central problem in the scientific study of language in the earliest days of linguistics but the topic has been marginalised for most of the modern era. Pioneering work by Horvath & Sankoff (1987) demonstrated the potential of principal components analysis for variationists, but it has taken decades for variationists to revitalise this line of enquiry. In the meantime, because our methods usually focus on one variable in one language at a time, our results have been something like listening to the richness of a single instrument in a sonata. But language is more like an orchestra in the way that it layers modalities and different structural levels. In this talk, I will consider current practices for examining variation in situations of language contact, and present some work we have been doing that tries to consider the structured heterogeneity inherent in several variables at once. I will discuss some of our problems, successes, and outline possible directions for the future. The talk will particularly focus on what speakers of less well-described languages are doing with variation that is of social and linguistic significance.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification Miriam Meyerhoff is Professor of Linguistics at Victoria U Wellington. She has worked for 20 years on smaller, less well described languages, focusing on creoles spoken in the SW Pacific and the Caribbean. Her work on these languages combines two major interests: the extent to which sociolinguistically constrained variation speaks to and can inform our understanding of linguistic structure, and the extent to which sociolinguistically constrained variation is used as a symbolic resource in the construction of social, especially gendered, identities. Her years of fieldwork have provided important novel descriptive data that provides connections to formal linguistics and linguistic typology, building an important connection. Sociolinguistics has traditionally had limited contact with the field of typology, but in recent years, we have seen efforts to bridge the divide (cf. Yaron Matras, Umberto Ansaldo). This intersection of research programs has informed descriptive linguistics and enriched Variationist Sociolinguistics.		

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Pintzuk	Susan	
Affiliation country UNITED KINGDOM		
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Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Professor of Linguistics, Department of Language and Linguistic Science, University of York, York, England		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Taylor, A. & Pintzuk, S. (To appear). Verb order, object position and information status in Old English. In Biberauer, T. & Walkden, G. (eds.) <i>Syntax over Time: Lexical, Morphological and Information-Structural Interactions</i> . Oxford: Oxford UP. Taylor, A. & Pintzuk, S. (2014). Testing the theory: Information structure in Old English. In K. Bech & K. Eide (eds.) <i>Information Structure and Syntactic Change in Germanic and Romance Languages</i> . Benjamins, 53-77. Taylor, A. & Pintzuk, S. (2012). Rethinking the OV/VO alternation in Old English: the effect of complexity, grammatical weight, and information status. In T. Nevalainen & E. Traugott (eds.). <i>The Oxford Handbook of the History of English</i> . New York: Oxford UP. 1199-1213. Haeberli, E. & Pintzuk, S. (2012). Verb (projection) raising in Old English". In Jonas, D., Whitman, J. & Garrett, A. (eds.), <i>Grammatical Change: Origins, Nature, Outcomes</i> . Oxford: Oxford UP.		
Title and outline of the presentation. War and peace: historical syntax versus variationist sociolinguistics In the past it has sometimes seemed that variationist sociolinguists and historical syntacticians have been at war; at best, the peace has been a troubled one. From an outsider's point of view, this may have seemed strange, since the similarities between the two fields are striking: 1) for both, the object of study is variation, either synchronic or diachronic or a combination; 2) for both, the variation is quantified, and the methodology and tools are similar; 3) for both, corpora of naturally occurring language are used as sources of data to be analyzed. There are, of course, important differences: historical syntacticians generally use texts from dead languages, the writers of which may be unidentifiable; most sociolinguists work with spoken data from identified speakers of modern languages. In this talk I will reflect upon these and additional similarities and differences and their significance for the two fields.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification Susan Pintzuk is a Professor of Linguistics at the U York, England. Her research combines formal syntactic analysis, statistical methods and corpus linguistic techniques: she applies quantitative techniques to structural analysis of historical data. Her studies using data from morphosyntactically-annotated corpora have produced ground-breaking insights into syntactic variation and change in the history of English and into the role played by information structure during periods of change (cf. Pintzuk & Taylor 2006, 2008, Taylor & Pintzuk 2012, 2014).		

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Poplack	Shana	
Affiliation country CANADA		
Affiliation University of Ottawa, Linguistics		
Degrees (starting with the most recent and specify the discipline). PhD (Linguistics), 1979, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA MA (Linguistics & French Literature), 1971, New York University, New York, NY, USA BA (Romance Languages), 1968, Queens College, The City University of New York, New York, NY, USA		
Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Full Professor, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Poplack, S., Lealess, A. & Dion, N. (2013). The evolving grammar of the French subjunctive. <i>Probus</i> 25(1): 139-193. Poplack, S. & Dion, N. (2012). Myths and facts about loanword development. <i>Language Variation and Change</i> 24(3): 279-315. Poplack, S. (2011). A variationist perspective on grammaticalization. In Heine, B. & Narrog, H. (Eds.), <i>Handbook of Grammaticalization</i> . Malden and Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell. 209-224. Poplack, S. & Malvar, E. (2007). Elucidating the transition period in linguistic change: The expression of the future in Brazilian Portuguese. <i>Probus</i> 19: 121--169.		
Title and outline of the presentation. Using the facts of variability to solve problems of linguistic theory This paper compares the evolution and contemporary distribution of subjunctive and indicative in spoken Quebec French with the development of normative injunctions on variant choice over five centuries of grammatical tradition. The subjunctive, has been prescribed with hundreds of lexical governors, verb classes and semantic readings since the 16th century, but in speech, it is limited to a handful of verbs. The overriding determinant of variant choice is not meaning, as most linguists claim, but lexical identity. Quantitative discrepancies among governors and embedded verbs, their previously undocumented associations with the subjunctive, and unpredictable mood preferences at different points in time have conspired to obscure community patterns. When usage facts are systematically analyzed, the grammar of subjunctive selection emerges as regular and stable. Its discrepancies with respect to both normative and theoretical linguistic accounts stem from attempts to impose the doctrine of form-function symmetry on a phenomenon which is inherently variable.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification Shana Poplack is Distinguished University Professor and Canada Research Chair in Linguistics at the University of Ottawa, and director of the Sociolinguistics Laboratory there. Her work applies theoretical and methodological insights gained from the study of linguistic variation and change to a variety of fields of interest to linguists, including constraints on bilingual language mixing, language contact and grammatical convergence, the genesis of African American Vernacular English, language ideology, normative prescription and praxis, and the role of the school in impeding linguistic change.		

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Szmrecsanyi	Benedikt	
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Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Research Professor, Department of Linguistics, Research Group 'Quantitative Lexicology and Variational Linguistics', Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Szmrecsanyi, B. & Wälchli, B. (Eds.) (2014). <i>Aggregating dialectology, typology, and register analysis: Linguistic variation in text and speech</i> . Berlin: de Gruyter. Szmrecsanyi, B. (2013). <i>Grammatical variation in British English dialects</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Szmrecsanyi, B. (2011). <i>Corpus-based dialectometry: A Methodological sketch</i> . <i>Corpora</i> 6(1): 45-76. Szmrecsanyi, B. (2009). <i>Typological parameters of intralingual variability: grammatical analyticity versus syntheticity in varieties of English</i> . <i>Language Variation and Change</i> 21(3): 319-353. Szmrecsanyi, B. & Kortmann, B. (2009). <i>The morphosyntax of varieties of English worldwide: A quantitative perspective</i> . <i>Lingua</i> 119(11): 1643-1663.		
Title and outline of the presentation. The variationist method is a proper subset of the corpus-linguistic family of methods Corpus linguistics is often defined as a method that bases claims about language usage on collections of naturalistic, authentic speech or texts. Because this is precisely what Variationist Sociolinguists do, Variationist Sociolinguists are by definition corpus linguists (though of course the reverse is not necessarily true -- the variationist method entails more than merely analyzing usage data). That said, there seem to be certain styles and practices that set apart work by card-carrying corpus linguists, even if they in fact adopt the variationist method, from work by card-carrying variationist linguists. The talk will discuss such differences (including the extent to which they are substantial as opposed to merely symbolic), and sketch ways to integrate variation research in the two communities.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification Benedikt Szmrecsanyi holds a research professorship in the Department of Linguistics at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven. His research interests fall within the remit of Variationist Sociolinguistics, with a particular focus on grammatical variation (cf. Szmrecsanyi 2006, 2009). One of his innovative contributions to our field is the use of corpus linguistic methods (Szmrecsanyi 2007--2011). His large-scales studies of morphosyntactic persistence and variation in British dialects have employed advanced techniques for establishing underlying patterns of variation and similarities and differences across dialects and make many cross-disciplinary contributions, advancing probabilistic modelling approaches, and corpus-based (dia)lectometry. (cf. Auer et al. 2013, Kortmann & Szmrecsanyi 2012, Szmrecsanyi 2013, Szmrecsanyi & Wälchli 2014).		

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Chambers	J. K.	
Affiliation country CANADA		
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Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto.		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Chambers, J. K., Calabrese, R & Leitner, G. (Eds.) (2014) Variation and Change in Postcolonial Contexts. Newcastle, UK: Cambridge Scholars. Chambers, J. K., & Schilling-Estes, N. (2013). The handbook of language variation and change (2nd ed.). Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell. Chambers, J.K. (2012). Homogeneity as a sociolinguistic motive in Canadian English. World Englishes, 31(4), 467-477. Chambers, J. (2012). Global features of English vernaculars. In R. Hickey (Ed.), Areal features of the Anglophone world (pp. 261-276). Berlin: Walter de Gruyter. Chambers, J. K., & Trudgill, P. (1998). Dialectology (2nd ed.). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.		
Title and outline of the presentation. Situating Language Variation and Change in the Canadian Context J.K. Chambers has agreed to open the conference by situating variationist sociolinguistics, NWAV and the variationist enterprise within the Canadian context.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification J. K. Chambers is Professor of Linguistics at the University of Toronto. He is the author of Sociolinguistic Theory: Linguistic Variation and Its Social Significance (third edition, 2009), co-editor with Natalie Schilling of The Handbook of Language Variation and Change (second edition, 2013) and co-author, with Peter Trudgill, of Dialectology (second edition, 1998), as well as other books and scores of articles.		

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Johnson	Elizabeth	K.
Affiliation country CANADA		
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Degrees (starting with the most recent and specify the discipline). PhD (Psychological and Brain Sciences), 2003, John Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA MA (Psychology), 2000, John Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA BA (Brain and Cognitive Sciences), 1998, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY, USA		
Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, 2012-		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Johnson, E.K., Lahey, M., Ernestus, M., & Cutler, A. (2013). A multimodal corpus of speech to infant and adult listeners. <i>Journal of the Acoustical Society of America</i> , 134, EL534-EL540. Kooijman, V., Junge, C., Johnson, E.K., Hagoort P., & Cutler, A. (2013). Predictive brain signals of linguistic development. <i>Frontiers in Language Sciences</i> , 4, 1-13. Jesse, A., & Johnson, E.K. (2012). Prosodic temporal alignment of co-speech gestures to speech facilitates referent resolution. <i>Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance</i> , 1567-1581. Johnson, E., Westrek, E., Nazzi, T., & Cutler, A. (2011). Infant ability to tell two voices apart rests on language experience. <i>Developmental Science</i> , 14, 1002-1011. Johnson, E.K. (2008). Infants use prosodically conditioned acoustic-phonetic cues to extract words from speech. <i>Journal of the Acoustical Society of America</i> , 123, EL144-EL148.		
Title and outline of the presentation. Accent adaptation in infants: How babies learn to recognize unfamiliar variants of familiar words Traditionally, developmental speech perception research paid little attention to the role of linguistic variation in the development of language abilities. However, in the past 10 years, developmental speech perception researchers have become increasingly interested in variation in the linguistic input. One could even argue that, as a field, we have realized that understanding how children deal with variation is just about the most interesting question we can address. My own work addresses this question by studying how monolingual children exposed to only one or multiple accents/dialects/variants of English on a daily basis perceive the speech signal. This work involves the acquisition of both Dutch and English, looking at both monolinguals and bilinguals. The results I will discuss point to the importance of considering variation in the input when examining the development of early speech processing abilities.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification E. Johnson is an Assoc. Professor at U Toronto Mississauga. Her work on infant speech perception and production leads a paradigm shift in language acquisition research. It faces a fundamental, previously unexplored question: how infants navigate between the specificity of the conversational context and the generality of language abstraction, and what happens when they face phonological variation, such as is present in regional accents and gender sociolects. Her cross-disciplinary research is fundamental to the study of early word recognition and the development of comprehension in infants and toddlers, engaging with neurolinguistics as well as behavioral studies. Her work has explored toddlers' comprehension of unfamiliar regional accents, cross-gender word recognition, and perception of other types of non-contrastive variation. The issue of stochastic processing in infants parallels much work on adult speakers in the field of sociolinguistics.		

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Labov	William	
Affiliation country UNITED STATES		
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Recent positions and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). Professor, University of Pennsylvania, 1971- Director, Linguistics Laboratory, University of Pennsylvania, 1976- Co-editor, Language Variation and Change		
Recent publications and those relevant to the event (starting with the most recent). What follows is a very small selection of Professor Labov's publications: Labov, W. (2011). Principles of linguistic change (Vol. 3: Cognitive and cultural factors). Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell. Labov, W. (2007). Transmission and diffusion. Language, 83(2), 344-387. Labov, W., Ash, S., & Boberg, C. (2006). The atlas of North American English: Phonetics, phonology and sound change. Berlin: Mouton; De Gruyter. Labov, W. (2001). Principles of linguistic change (Vol. 2: Social factors). Cambridge, MA: Blackwell. Labov, W. (1994). Principles of linguistic change (Vol. 1: Internal factors). Cambridge, MA: Blackwell.		
Title and outline of the presentation. A synthesis of the major themes of NWAV 44, Intersections William Labov has agreed to act as a discussant to help tie together the major themes arising out of the conference, particularly those contributed by the invited speakers.		
Has the presenter's attendance been confirmed? Yes		
Justification William Labov is the Fassitt Professor of Linguistics at the U of Pennsylvania. He is widely regarded as the founder of the discipline of Variationist Sociolinguistics (cf. Labov 1963, 1966, 1969, 1972). No one is more suited to offer an overview of NWAV 44 and how it integrates into the field of Variationist Sociolinguistics (cf. Labov 1994, 2001, 2010).		

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Estimate as accurately as possible the research costs that you are asking SSHRC to fund through a grant. For each Personnel costs category, enter the number of individuals to be hired and specify the total amount required. For each of the other categories, enter the total amount required.

	No.	Amount
Personnel costs		
Student salaries and benefits/Stipends		
Undergraduate		
Masters		
Doctorate		
Non-student salaries and benefits/Stipends		
Postdoctoral		
Other		
Travel and subsistence costs		
Applicant/Team member(s)		
Canadian travel		
Foreign travel		
Students		
Canadian travel		
Foreign travel		
Travel		
Presenters		
Canadian travel		
Foreign travel		
Students		
Canadian travel		
Foreign travel		
Other expenses		
Translation/interpretation		
Teleconferencing/videoconferencing		
Honoraria		
Hospitality		
Promotion and dissemination (beyond publicat		
Publication of proceedings		
Professional/Technical services		
Supplies		
Non-disposable equipment		
Computer hardware		
Other		
Other expenses (specify)		
conference rooms		15,550
audio-visual equipment		9,450
Total		25,000

Funds from Other Sources

You must include all other sources of funding for the proposed research. Indicate whether these funds have been confirmed or not. Where applicable, include (a) the partners' material contributions (e.g. cash and in-kind), and (b) funds you have requested from other sources for proposed research related to this application.

Full organization name Contribution type	Confirmed	Year 1	
American Dialect Society Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	500	
Linguistic Society of America Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	500	
Strathy Language Unit, Queen's Univ Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	200	
U Buffalo Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	500	
University of Toronto Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7,850	
University of Toronto In Kind	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,305	
Western University Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	100	
York University Cash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,950	
	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Total funds from other sources		13,905	

This proposal is to defray space and infrastructure costs related to the *NWAV44* international sociolinguistics conference in Toronto October 22-25, 2015. We have received offers of additional support from 29 departments and units at 5 universities in the Ontario region (see Table 3 below) as well as the Linguistic Society of America and the American Dialect Society. We anticipate additional contributions from several other departments and professional associations as well as in-kind contributions of labour by a large cast of students.

Based on registration levels at recent NWAV conferences in other venues, including a sold-out event in Chicago in October 2014, we anticipate approximately 400 participants. NWAV participants come from Europe, New Zealand, Africa, Asia, South America, the USA, and all across Canada. At this year’s conference in Chicago, 21 participants came from Toronto alone. About half of the participants are graduate students, as well as a few undergraduates.

Because of the magnitude of this conference, the biggest cost for a conference is, by far, the space. Space is at a premium in Toronto, particularly on university campuses during the academic term. Because of the need to guarantee the space early enough to proceed with conference planning, we are not able to rely on the possibility of unoccupied classroom space. Therefore, a year ago, we reserved space in a beautiful central location on the University of Toronto campus, where the necessary amenities (e.g., hotels, public transit, restaurants) are nearby.

To showcase both host institutions, and to ensure accessibility for York students, the Thursday events (workshops, plenary talk and opening reception) will be held at York University. The Friday to Sunday events will be held in Hart House on the St. George campus of the University of Toronto. We plan four parallel sessions, running from noon Thursday until noon Sunday, plus a room for the publishers’ display, a coffee break room, and a large room for plenary presentations and receptions (doubling as luggage and coat storage at other times).

We are requesting that SSHRC contribute to the cost of room rental and audio-visual equipment, anticipating that the balance of these costs will be covered through registration fees.

Table 1: Funds requested from SSHRC	
2 lecture halls for 2 days	\$2956
2 lecture halls (including the large plenary/reception hall) for 4 days	\$11,130
1 small room for publishers’ display	\$1464
4 sets of microphones and speakers, LCD projectors and screens	\$9,450
TOTAL	\$25,000

The cost of this conference is estimated at \$146,600. See Table 2. If our SSHRC and NSF proposals are not funded, we will need to raise the registration fees for both faculty (currently estimated at the same rate as last year, \$250) and students (\$150).

Table 2: Projected Income		Projected Costs	
Confirmed contributions	\$13,155	Rooms	\$23,500
Anticipated publishers’ contributions	\$3,500	A/V services	\$9,600
Conference registration	\$80,000	Coffee breaks	\$70,000
Workshop registration	\$5,000	2 receptions	\$28,000
NSF grant	\$18,500	8 invited speakers’ travel & subsistence	\$12,500
SSHRC grant	\$25,000	Student organizers and assistants	\$2,000
Anticipated contributions	\$1,445	Photocopying	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$146,600	TOTAL	\$146,600

We recognize that the cost of refreshments for 400 people appears high. We selected the least expensive accessible conference venue in Toronto. We are, therefore, required to accept their service rates. A single provider ensures seamless integration of the many types of events and services involved in a

successful conference. We are very excited to be able to bring this important international conference to Canada, greatly reducing the costs of attendance for the large cohort of Canadian sociolinguistics students and faculty. This enhances important training, networking, and academic opportunities.

We have confirmed contributions of over \$12,500 in cash from a range of academic departments and units, listed in Table 3. We ask SSHRC for the maximum contribution allowed, twice this value. Additionally, we have an enthusiastic crew of students who have offered their services in supporting the conference. These in-kind contributions are indicated by an asterisk. We anticipate in-kind contributions of labour from students amounting to one hundred hours, valued at \$15/hour, for a total of \$1500. These two sources of support total over \$12,500, and we ask SSHRC for the maximum contribution allowed, twice this value.

We anticipate income from additional institutions, publishers' marketing budgets, and registration fees from 400 participants (\$300/professional; \$200/student). We also submitted a grant proposal to the National Science Foundation to cover much of the cost of bringing our international invited speakers.

Finally we note that there will be three primary means of knowledge transfer from this conference: online video broadcast of the plenary speaker sessions, a volume of the annual proceedings volume produced by the Penn Working Papers in Linguistics (distribution free online through ScholarlyCommons), and a special volume featuring the Crossroads speakers' papers, and related reviewed papers if appropriate, to be produced by the *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*. No costs are anticipated for any of these means of electronic dissemination.

Table 3: Confirmed Contributions	Amount
Department of Languages, Literatures & Linguistics, York U	\$1,000
Founders College, York U	\$1,000
Faculty of Graduate Studies, York U	\$500
Centre for Research on Language Contact, York U	\$300
Language Training Centre for Studies in French, York U	\$150
Department of French Studies, Western U	\$100
Department of French, UofT, St. George	\$1,200
School of Graduate Studies, UofT, St. George	\$1,000
Faculty of Arts & Science, Dean's Student Initiative Fund, UofT, St. George	\$1,000
Faculty of Arts & Science, UofT, St. George	\$650
Department of Linguistics, UofT, St. George	\$650
Linguistics Graduate Course Union, UofT, St. George	*\$750
New College, UofT, St. George	\$500
Department of Spanish & Portuguese, UofT, St. George	\$400
Department of Italian, UofT, St. George	\$300
Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures, UofT, St. George	\$300
Centre for France & the Francophone World, UofT, St. George	\$300
Department of Speech-Language Pathology, UofT, St. George	\$250
SLUGS (Society of Linguistic Undergraduate Students), UofT, St. George	*\$555+\$200
Asian Institute, UofT, St. George	\$200
Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, UofT, St. George	\$150
Centre for French & Linguistics, UofT, Scarborough	\$500
Department of Language Studies, UofT, Mississauga	\$250
Linguistics Department, U Buffalo	\$500
Strathy Language Unit, Queen's University	\$200
American Dialect Society	\$500
Linguistic Society of America	\$500

The proposed event

The New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference is recognized as the most important forum worldwide devoted to the presentation of Sociolinguistic research in the Variationist Sociolinguistic tradition. Its objectives are to foster the study of language in social and historical context by showcasing the latest theoretical, methodological and technical developments in the quantitative analysis of language. The conference is a 4-day event with an estimated total cost of \$146,600. NWAV is typically an American conference and is considerably larger than any other Canadian Linguistics conference. For comparison, the Canadian Linguistics Association's annual meeting [CLA], in May 2014, had 82 presenters, mostly from Canadian universities. For NWAV 44, we anticipate over 100 talks, 30 posters and approximately 400 delegates from all over the world. This proposal makes the case for SSRHC support in order to defray the costs of hosting this key international event which will front-line Canadian scholarship in this area of research and consolidate Canada's reputation as a world leader in the study of Language Variation and Change.

Goal and specific objectives

Our goal is to make NWAV 44 in 2015 a milestone in a new epoch of linguistic science in Variationist Sociolinguistics, while reinforcing its recognized strengths. Although NWAV is de facto an established conference with an unbroken record of 43 annual meetings, its organization is not the function of any formal sponsoring association or steering committee. Rather, hosts of upcoming meetings are selected by an ad hoc assembly of former hosts who meet during the preceding year's conference. The vast majority of NWAV conferences have been hosted in the United States (37/43), including the last five. It was unanimously agreed that the 44th meeting would be held in Toronto, Canada, due to the stature of its researchers and their commitment to upholding the strong research tradition of NWAV. The two major universities in Toronto (UToronto and UYork) have active, world-renowned departments with a strong sociolinguistic component and researchers who are on the vanguard of Variationist Sociolinguistics. The organization committee — Philipp Angermeyer, Michol Hoffman, Naomi Nagy, Sali Tagliamonte, Anne-José Villeneuve and James Walker — is a formidable team to head up NWAV 44 as the Variationist Sociolinguistic conference at the crossroads of a new era in the history of this discipline.

The theme of NWAV 44, 'Intersections', plays a central role in the study of language variation and change. Variationist Sociolinguistics lies at the crossroads of related subfields in Linguistics and our goal is to promote this interdisciplinary aspect so as to spark new ideas and techniques. In this spirit, the substance of NWAV 44 will be the standard 25-minute presentations (20 min + 5 min discussion) and include invited plenary speakers, workshops in statistics, methodology and teaching, poster sessions and book displays representing all the major publishers of sociolinguistic and particularly variationist inquiry (CUP, Wiley-Blackwell, Benjamins, Routledge etc.). We will also offer many opportunities for discussion, including coffee breaks, receptions, student mixers and the traditional NWAV party. In addition, to help put the 'new' back into 'New Ways of Analyzing Variation', and to strike the spark that will consolidate innovative developments, we have planned a special series of sessions specifically designed to cultivate cross-pollination of different interrelated fields of research. After 40 years of building on strong empirical foundations, the time has come for stronger engagement of the NWAV community with other approaches in Linguistics and greater integration of related research. These special sessions will be called 'Variation at the Crossroads: Advancing Theory and Integrating Methods'.

It is fitting that we offer this unique and special add-on to the usual NWAV offerings in order to attract participants at NWAV who would not normally attend and also to kick start interdisciplinarity in the next era of research. The proposed 'Crossroads' sessions will not only bring into focus the major threads of research in Variationist Sociolinguistics over the past half-century, but will also specifically encourage fresh insights of intersection between Variationist Sociolinguistics and other areas of research.

Text support and encourage this cross-disciplinary climate, the invited speakers we have selected have made significant forays into incorporating variation in their research. These five researchers have all enthusiastically accepted our invitation and their contributions will be tactically distributed across the four days of the conference as follows:

To kick off the conference (Thursday evening), our first plenary speaker will be Shana Poplack (UOttawa), the leading Canadian scholar in Variationist Sociolinguistics, the SSHRCC gold medalist of 2012 and an appointee to the Order of Canada in 2014. Poplack is a world expert on bilingualism, and in particular, how bilingual speakers can smoothly interleave words and phrases from both languages. As a result of her research, carried out in diverse immigrant communities, ‘code-switching’ has come to be understood by linguists as a skill rather than a defect. The broad impact of Poplack’s research is to dispel prejudices about the linguistic structure of stereotyped forms of language. To bring the conference to a natural crescendo, our second plenary speaker on Saturday evening will be Miriam Meyerhoff (UWellington), the leading Antipodean scholar in the study of language contact among lesser known languages, including languages of the Pacific and creole languages. She is also an expert in language documentation and the ways social ideologies affect language use and perceptions of language users. Her work combines quantitative methods and qualitative analysis to the mutual benefit of both. Poplack and Meyerhoff are captivating speakers with infectious enthusiasm and zeal for their work. They come from within Variationist Sociolinguistics (each trained by founders of the discipline) and have been specifically chosen by the organizing committee because their research cuts across Variationist Sociolinguistics, bilingualism, endangered language documentation, creole studies and language contact.

Strategically, the invited ‘Crossroads’ speakers all come from outside Variationist Sociolinguistics. (Adger, Johnson, Pintzuk, Szmrecsanyi). They have been chosen from a select group of scholars who are high-profile researchers and innovators in their own disciplines but whose work breaks new ground by integrating variation in domains of inquiry where it has not traditionally been considered. Their talks will target the following intersections with Variationist Sociolinguistics: i) formal linguistics, ii) language acquisition, iii) historical linguistics and iv) corpus linguistics. Papers focusing on these themes of intersection will be specifically encouraged in the call for papers for the general sessions. In their talks, each of these researcher will address the relevance of their research program to Variationist Sociolinguistics and will comment on other papers in their sessions that relate to their research foci. The invited intersection speakers will foster the presentation of opposing views and encourage productive debate, which will set the scene for discussion in the more informal parts of the conference and beyond.

The design of the Crossroads sessions will promote both broad scale exposure as well as focused discussion and run over the 2nd and 3rd day of the conference. Each of these invited speakers will head up a Crossroads session with a plenary talk focused on how their discipline addresses the question of linguistic variation. This will be followed by the usual 25-minute presentations on the same theme that will run in parallel to the other three sessions. This set-up will offer all delegates the opportunity for insights into a different field while simultaneously allowing for more intense cross-pollination among researchers who will want to attend the entire session — in essence encompassing interdisciplinarity within the discipline. Tweets and videotaping of the Crossroads sessions will further enhance the possibility for broad dissemination. The points of intersection have been specifically selected to consolidate and synthesize ideas and innovations, creating a context for useful discussion with presenters and delegates. All the invited speakers will discuss the extent to which sociolinguistically conditioned variation speaks to and informs our understanding of linguistic structure and/or can be used as a symbolic resource in the construction of social identities. Collectively, all the invited presentations will both deepen and broaden the questions that will occupy Variationist Sociolinguists in the next decade and set the agenda for future research.

To facilitate this seemingly lofty aspiration we have invited two very highly esteemed leaders in the field to bookend the conference with introductory and concluding remarks. J.K. Chambers (UToronto), holder of the inaugural CLA National Achievement Award 2010, will open the conference by situating Variationist Sociolinguistics, NWAV and the variationist enterprise within the Canadian context. William Labov, Fassitt Professor of Linguistics (UPenn) and Franklin Institute Award Laureate 2013, will end the event with an overview of the conference reflecting in particular on how successfully the theme of Intersections has been successfully achieved.

Research dissemination, transfer, exchange, mobilization

Since the explicit mandate of NWAV is to promote recent cutting-edge research, the hundreds of papers that are annually presented at the conference are the main fodder for publications in the following years. This makes NWAV a veritable ‘think tank’ for the discipline and a critical venue for the transfer, exchange and mobilization of research. NWAV 44 will take this attribute to a new level with the selection of top ranked invited speakers and an organizational template that will encourage intersections across related areas of research. We have invited and have confirmed attendance (pending funding) for four internationally acclaimed scholars. David Adger (Queen Mary/ULondon) is a major figure in syntactic theory. Benedict Szmrecsanyi (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven) is one of the leading proponents of corpus linguistics. Susan Pintzuk (UofYork, UK) is a prominent scholar in historical linguistics and syntactic change. Elizabeth Johnson (UToronto, Mississauga) is a ground-breaking researcher in speech perception and production in language acquisition. Bringing together this unique group of scholars creates a rare opportunity for conference attendees to gain exposure to the ideas and innovations of researchers working on the cutting edge of different fields. We also note critical variationist intersections in the training and recent research of Pintzuk and Meyerhoff, who were both trained at UPenn, and Szmrecsanyi, who was trained at Georgetown, two major universities for Sociolinguistics in the US and frequent NWAV hosts. Therefore, in a sense, we are repatriating these international scholars to their own intellectual roots. Although Adger is one of the leading proponents of syntactic theory, his interest in accommodating variation within generativist syntax has led to collaborations with prominent sociolinguists in the UK, such as Jenny Cheshire (Queen Mary ULondon) and Jennifer Smith (UGlasgow). Holding NWAV in Canada while making global linkages testifies to the breadth of scale of the conference within the general landscape of North America. We will send out press releases to Toronto media highlighting the nature and findings that will be reported in the conference as well as results that will appeal to the general public.

The main audience

By its very nature, Variationist Sociolinguistics (and by extension, NWAV) is inherently interdisciplinary. Within Linguistics itself, it is compatible with and has been applied to all the subdisciplines, including phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, historical linguistics, corpus linguistics, bilingualism, and first and second language acquisition. In addition, although NWAV is a Sociolinguistics conference, it has the potential to attract scholars from other Linguistics disciplines as well as related fields such as Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology, Applied linguistics, Statistics, and individual languages (most notably English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese). We have established liaisons with the appropriate departments and research groups at UToronto and UYork, whose areas of research will be well represented at NWAV 44.

As an academic discipline, Variationist Sociolinguistics is embodied in the NWAV meetings. Since NWAV 1 in 1972, this conference has been home to researchers working at the intersection of language and society. At its inception, NWAV brought together researchers working across the disciplines of Linguistics with the hope of embarking on a ‘new wave’ of research embracing variation in language

and its key characteristics, structured heterogeneity and change. However, as the field developed, its foundations narrowed, such that researchers from formal semantics and syntax who were active in its early days (e.g., Haj Ross, Ivan Sag) no longer attended. In the 1990s methodological advances and expansion of ideas led the field to consider social networks and social meaning. New technology offered enhanced capabilities for the analysis of fine details of phonetic production and perception. Simultaneously, studies of large speech communities dwindled and more locally situated studies emerged. Broad scale generalizations from the early days of the field were criticized and qualitative investigation exposed new layers of language patterning in individual behavior. The historical component, which had also been heavily grounded in syntactic theory, lessened. In the 2000s, NWAV fluctuated between the extremes of Sociolinguistics, from anthropology and discourse to language and grammar, as foci depend on the intellectual proclivities of local hosts. The mid-point of the 2010s is a critical and hospitable juncture for re-integration of the main threads of the discipline (structure, history, corpora) while at the same time bringing together research traditions that can offer a synthesis of theory, method, and real-world applications. Documentation and analysis of marginalized varieties, minority groups and communities has always been a central concern of Variationist Sociolinguistics, resulting in applications to education, acquisition, literacy and language awareness. In sum, NWAV 44 will offer interesting and stimulating ideas for a wide audience of students and researchers both nationally and internationally. In addition, the exceptional caliber of the invited speakers, each one a leading figure in their discipline, leads us to predict with some confidence that the conference will attract participants well in excess of the last few conferences (~400 participants).

Graduate students have always been a fundamental component of NWAV. Moreover, unlike most conferences, NWAV also has a history of undergraduate students making important contributions, typically in collaboration with established scholars. At NWAV 44, student contributions will be encouraged in several ways. First, we will promote a ‘best poster/best presentation’ award. Second, to encourage attendance, we will organize a ‘crash space’ initiative, in which faculty and students in Toronto will welcome individuals into their homes to substantially reduce accommodation costs. Third, we have empowered our Graduate Students Committee to take on several important tasks related to conference planning including applying for their own funding through the Dean’s Initiative Fund and managing our social media presence. In sum, we will make every effort to reduce student registration costs, dependent on our funding situation. Fourth, In sum, we will do everything we can to mitigate the costs of attending NWAV, especially for students. We are also confident that the strong student contingent in our respective Sociolinguistics/Language Variation and Change research group has reached a critical mass for generating enthusiasm, engagement and outreach into the broader population of graduate students in the field. Being part of the organization and implementation of NWAV 44 offers our students the optimal professional training ground for their future endeavours in the dissemination aspects of academia in addition to networking, exposure to the broadest possible range of research and opportunities to present their own scholarly work.

Why is it important to connect with the specified audience(s):

The first-line audience attracted to NWAV is the established variationist community, but NWAV44 is aimed at a broader audience to strengthen our goal of creating Intersections. Our invited speakers come from a wide range of specializations in Linguistics and connect diverse domains in the Arts and Social Science, from languages and education to computer science and sociology. The special theory and methods sessions, with their high profile speakers and compelling themes, will galvanize interest and participation. We intend to publish a selection of peer-reviewed papers from the Crossroads sessions in a themed issue of the *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*, whose co-editor Eric Mathieu, has confirmed the journal’s interest. The excellence of the invited presenters and the unifying theme and innovative perspective of these sessions make this envisioned volume marketable in the contemporary publishing

climate. This volume augments the usual NWAV dissemination processes, in which a selection of the best papers delivered at NWAV each year is published in the Penn Working Papers in Linguistics. The editors of the journal associated with the conference, *Language Variation and Change* (CUP), William Labov and Rena Torres Cacoulios, typically attend NWAV and encourage presenters to submit their work to the journal.

Location, activities and time-line

NWAV 44 will be held in one of the most beautiful buildings on the main campus of the University of Toronto's St George Campus, Hart House,¹ an accessible (<http://harthouse.ca/accessibility>) neo-gothic building considered to be the cultural and ceremonial centre of the campus. This location was secured after a lengthy negotiation period that began in early 2013. By spring 2013, the core organizing committee had been established and meetings were arranged to initiate planning. In June 2014 we extended the organizing committee to several additional members and began discussions with graduate students. Design of the logo for NWAV44 was a graduate student initiative, developed and maintained by in-kind contributions from the University of Toronto Socio/LVC laboratory. The website is currently on-line (<http://linguistics.utoronto.ca/NWAV44>), as is a Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/nwav44>) and a Twitter handle (@NWAV44). Each social medium has an assigned 'master' from the organization committee and student assistant for advice and support. We have already begun to create a 'buzz' for NWAV 44, as evident by pursuing the tweets for #NWAV44 on Twitter. As of 10-30-14, our handle @NWAV44 has 116 followers. An advertisement for NWAV44 appeared on the front page of the NWAV43 program in October 2014. Having just returned from NWAV43 in Chicago, we profited from discussions with the organizing committee there and are now setting up debriefing sessions with our graduate students who attended and/or presented at the meeting (N=7) regarding forward thinking and planning leading up to NWAV 44 in October next year. Once our funding application is submitted, we will turn our attention to preparations regarding ASL interpretation, abstract management systems, program implementation and innumerable other details. Into 2015, our Graduate Student Committee will be merged with the Organizing Committee for planning, division of labour and task assignment. Announcements will appear on LINGUIST List, the Var-L list, Ontario's Language Variation and Change list, Facebook and Twitter. Following NWAV norms, the deadline for abstract submission will be in June 2015, with acceptance/rejection notifications in July 2015 and early commitment for presentation in order to put together the program, a task known to be the most onerous pre-conference undertaking. We foresee three months (Aug-Oct 2015) to pull together the final details of organization and implementation of the conference. Our website, Facebook page and Twitter feed will provide information and updates as the conference approaches. We will document our steps and procedures, costs and issues for the Organizing Committee of NWAV 45.

Important dates: 2015

January	Full Committee begins meeting with faculty, graduate students and undergraduates
February — May	Website updates, information on nearby hotels, restaurants, travel, tourist recommendations, etc. Invite workshops; Contact publishers; Plan receptions
June	Abstract submission/distribution to reviewers
July	Notifications acceptance/rejection
August	Intent to present
September	Program design/Chairs/Registration opens
October	Press Releases/Conference

¹ <http://harthouse.ca/>.

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Expected Outcomes

Elaborate on the potential benefits and/or outcomes of the proposed Connection project.

Scholarly Benefits

Indicate and rank up to 3 scholarly benefits relevant to your proposal.

Rank	Benefit	If "Other", specify
1	Knowledge creation/intellectual outcomes	
2	Enhanced research collaboration	
3	Enhanced research methods	

Social Benefits

Indicate and rank up to 3 social benefits relevant to your proposal.

Rank	Benefit	If "Other", specify
1	Training and skill development	
2	Enriched public discourse	
3	Social outcomes	

Audiences

Indicate and rank up to 5 potential target audiences relevant to your proposal.

Rank	Audience	If "Other", specify
1	Academic sector/peers, including scholarly associations	
2	Students	
3	Professional and/or scholarly associations	
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Expected Outcomes Summary

Describe the potential benefits/outcomes (e.g., evolution, effects, potential learning, implications) that could emerge from the proposed Connection project.

NWAV 44 will provide academic and social benefits to an international audience of scholars and students, consolidating Canada's reputation as a world leader in Variationist Sociolinguistics and producing research with implications for public discourse and social and cultural well-being in our linguistically diverse society.

Since NWAV's inception in 1971, its yearly meetings have nurtured the discipline of Variationist Sociolinguistics, providing a venue for research at the intersection of language and society. Initially, NWAV brought together researchers across disciplines of Linguistics who studied variation in language and its key characteristics, structured heterogeneity and historical change. However, as the field developed, its foundations narrowed and research oriented to linguistic theory and historical materials gradually fell away. Since the 1990s, methodological and intellectual advances have shifted the focus to locally situated studies and qualitative investigations that exposed new layers of language patterning in individual behavior. The field is now at a critical juncture for re-integrating the main threads of the discipline (structure, history, corpora) while also bringing together approaches that can synthesize of theory, method, and real-world application. Documentation and analysis of marginalized varieties, minority groups and communities has always been a central concern of Variationist Sociolinguistics, resulting in applications to education, acquisition, literacy and language awareness that provide social benefits beyond the academic context, for example by informing public discourse on marginalized language varieties.

Our goal is to make NWAV 44 a milestone in a new era of the study of Language Variation and Change while maintaining its established strengths, embodied in the theme of the conference, 'Intersections', as well as through a Special Workshop on 'Variation at the Crossroads: Advancing Theory by Integrating Methods' that will run alongside the standard NWAV offerings. Inviting leading scholars from other linguistic disciplines will cultivate cross-pollination of interrelated fields of research, leading to new partnerships and enhanced professional practice, and advancing our knowledge of how sociolinguistically conditioned variation speaks to and informs our understanding of linguistic structure and its use in the construction of social identities.

We intend to publish a special issue of the Canadian Journal of Linguistics comprising a selection of peer-reviewed papers from the conference, addressing a broad audience across linguistic subfields, in keeping with our theme. The co-editor, Eric Mathieu, has confirmed the journal's interest (see letter). This volume augments the usual NWAV dissemination processes addressed primarily at an audience of variationist sociolinguists: the annual publication of selected proceedings in the Penn Working Papers in Linguistics, and individual publications in the journal Language Variation and Change (CUP), whose editors William Labov and Rena Torres Cacoullos typically attend NWAV and encourage presenters to submit their work to the journal.

NWAV 44 will also strongly enhance the experience of students at the University of Toronto and York University. We are confident that the strong student contingent in our Sociolinguistics/Language Variation and Change research group has reached a critical mass for generating enthusiasm, engagement and outreach to the broader population of graduate students. Being part of organizing and implementing NWAV 44 offers our students optimal professional training for their future endeavours in academia, exposure to the broadest possible range of research and the opportunities to present their own research.

Plan for increasing information flow

A world class conference (NWAV) in a unique setting (Hart House, UofT) in a major urban centre (Toronto) and global air traffic hub (Pearson) will attract a great many scholars from all over the globe. Canada, in particular, is a choice location (rather than the US where most NWAV conferences are held) because increased border issues entering the US have made many international scholars unwilling to travel to US destinations. The location in Canada will also maximize participation by Canadian scholars and graduate students. The cost of attending NWAV at one of the traditional US venues is often prohibitive for students. Further, NWAV 44 will enable the University of Toronto and York University to showcase seminal Canadian research on linguistic variation and change among their faculty.

The theme of NWAV 44, 'Intersections', is expected to attract a wide range of high-quality national and international contributions. Intersection is highly relevant to the study of the linguistic situation in Canada, to which Canadian scholars have made foundational contributions. Leading Canadian scholar, Shana Poplack (SSHRC gold medalist 2012 and appointee to the Order of Canada 2014) will be the front-line plenarist. Canadian Sociolinguists, many of whom will be in attendance, have pioneered the application of variationist methods to the scientific study of language contact, bilingualism, dialectology, comparative sociolinguistics, etc. These contributions, largely rooted in SSHRC-funded projects, are prominent in the most heavily cited articles in sociolinguistics and related disciplines.

Plan for engaging appropriate audiences

A large conference generates information flow and intellectual exchange simply from the hundreds of presentations, posters and workshops pulled together by social interaction in coffee breaks and evening events. However, we will enhance the standard modus operandi with a concerted plan for engagement. We will 'bookend' the conference with 1) an initial ground-setting presentation by J.K. Chambers, who will position the meeting within the broader enterprise of Linguistics and 2) a summary discussion by William Labov, the founder of the field, who will synthesize the main themes arising out of the conference and offer concluding remarks. These presentations, given by two of the most knowledgeable and reputed scholars of the field, will galvanize the audience's attention. Press releases will be distributed to local media as appropriate. We will also broadcast our in-conference findings, discussions and all round 'buzz' by making judicious use of social media, strategically enlisting the natural habits of our digitally-savvy students. For example, to facilitate dissemination of the parallel paper presentations we will position students to live tweet the main points arising from each contribution. During social events, students will take pictures and post them (with permission) to relevant sites, e.g. Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. All the invited speakers' presentations will be video recorded for broader distribution outside of the local audience. This will make content of the workshop available to other researchers and for pedagogical use. "On Air," a Google Hangout managed by Dr. Paul DeDecker (MemorialU, Newfld) will store and disseminate the information. In this format, up to ten people can participate in a broadcast session, which is simulcast to Youtube where additional viewers can engage via chat messages. Online and post-event participants can also broadcast the sessions, e.g. to a classroom. DeDecker has volunteered to oversee the broadcast component of the workshop. A subset of the conference organizers will co-edit a volume of papers from the Crossroads sessions, as a special issue of the *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*, featuring the invited speakers' contributions, responses from participants (to be solicited at a later date), and a selection of the best papers from the associated sessions. This will be in addition to the usual volume of proceedings produced for each NWAV conference by the University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics.

Schedule for knowledge mobilization

June 2014 – Apr 2015: contact academic units, local media, schools, museums, library archivists and provide them with a description of the conference; solicit publishers and organize book display

Apr – Oct 2015: begin tweeting important information regarding submission and registration processes

Sept – Oct 2015: press releases; media engagement; conference

Nov 2015 – Oct 2016: editing of conference proceeding volumes

The role of training and mentoring at NWAV44 will be extensive and multifaceted. We will involve students at all levels in every stage of conference preparation, planning and presentation.

Participation in conference as collaborators and organizers

Local students are actively involved in all aspects of conference planning, participating in one or more committees dedicated to catering, space, promotion, manning the website, managing the abstract submission site, dealing with queries, managing registration, and helping ensure that things run smoothly on the ground during the conference.

Participation in conference as delegates

Students who attend the conference without presenting papers/posters will still benefit greatly from the many academic and social opportunities to discuss research with and receive valuable feedback from peers and leading scholars from other universities.

Participation in the conference as presenters

Graduate student research has always been a fundamental component of the *NWAV* venue. For example, at NWAV 43, nine students from UofT/York presented talks or posters (PhD=6; MA=2; BA=1). Many Canadian sociolinguistics students have been involved in SSHRC-funded projects which have led to presentations at peer-reviewed national and international conferences. A number of UofT graduate students are actively collaborating with established researchers or fellow students to prepare abstracts of ongoing research for NWAV 44, and the same is true in the other major sociolinguistics centres in Canada (UOttawa, UVic, McGillU, UManitoba, etc.). Not only does this involvement furnish students with valuable hands-on experience, it enables them to establish their research credentials with the wider academic community, increasing their visibility in a highly competitive job market. We will encourage student participation by advocating single-authored graduate presentations and posters with an annual “best poster/best presentation” award with cash prizes (funded by publishers). We also restrict the number of presentations/posters by any single individual to facilitate greater student involvement.

Facilitating training and mentoring

Local students will organize a crash space initiative and welcome non-local students into their own homes as well as those of local faculty. We want to do everything we can to mitigate the costs associated with attending NWAV, especially for students, so that the conference will be accessible for them.

Currently, at least 12 graduate students have been engaged with the organizing committee in work related to NWAV44. We anticipate a groundswell of interest as the conference draws near, both from our graduate and undergraduate programs. The latter will be encouraged from our courses in the spring and autumn term and by their organization, SLUGS (Society of Linguistics Undergraduate Students). We anticipate 2 Postdoctoral Fellows will also be in place to make contributions. Many of our students have specialist skills that will be brought to the forefront for this gargantuan task, including (but not limited to) web design, media communication, wizardry in Excel, web interface, photography, videography, etc. All this is in addition to their proven track records in research, conference presentations, and in some cases publications. The skills they will develop in the process are manifold. Organizing a conference of the magnitude of NWAV will ideally position them to initiate, plan and implement an academic meeting, write and evaluate grant and workshop proposals and abstracts, and engage with and guide a wide spectrum of individuals from world renowned scholars to first time conference attendees to local media contacts. In particular, firsthand experience with famous scholars in their own field of specialization is perhaps one of the best ways to ensure their future success in academia. At NWAV 44 all our student organizers will be ‘skating with the stars,’ so to speak.

The proposed event is not the result of any work previously supported by SSHRC or other funding sources. It is a request for funding to defray the costs of an international conference.

There is no budgetary relationship between the SSHRCC research grant held by the applicant and the application. There is no duplication in funding.

Charles Boberg, Professor, McGill University, Canada
An expert with whom members of our team have had disputes

Michael Montgomery, Professor Emeritus, University of South Carolina, USA
An expert with whom members of our team have had disputes



Allan Metcalf, Executive Secretary
MacMurray College English Dept.
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October 29, 2014

To whom it may concern,

This letter confirms that the *American Dialect Society* will contribute \$500 towards the 44th annual New Ways of Analyzing Variation [NWAV] conference to be held at the University of Toronto, October 22-25, 2015.

We have read the most recent version of the proposal to be submitted to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) as a Connection Grant on November 1, 2014. We agree to our role as a funder in the amount stated above.

We are willing and able to contribute these funds to the conference organizing committee to support the conference.

Sincerely,

Allan Metcalf

On behalf of the American Dialect Society, Executive Committee

Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2014 18:14:36 -0000 (02:14PM EDT)
From: Alyson Reed <areed@lsadc.org>
To: "naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca" <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>
Cc: David Robinson <drobinsont@lsadc.org>
Subject: RE: support for NWAV 44 (2015)
Headers: [Show All Headers](#)

Dear Naomi:

The LSA is pleased to confirm its financial contribution of \$500 to support the NWAV 44 (2015) conference. We anticipate participating in the conference by sponsoring the tote-bags, a packet insert, and follow-up communications to registered participants via e-mail. We are willing and able to complete any activities necessary for implementing this level of support.

Moreover, the LSA is interested in exploring a more expansive and long-term relationship with NWAV. We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss a range of options with the organizing committee for the Toronto meeting, and with other interested attendees at the Business Meeting. I will consult with the LSA Executive Committee further to gauge the level of interest in pursuing this as a matter of priority.

Please let me know if you need anything else in support of your proposal to SSHRC.

Best regards,

Alyson

Alyson Reed, Executive Director
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We'll see you at the 2015 Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon, January 8-11.

Please add, or ask your institution's IT department to add, lsadc.org to your "Safe Senders" list to ensure that you continue to receive e-mail notifications from the LSA.

Please be advised that all correspondence directed to the LSA or its representatives may be made available to the Western Historical Manuscript Collection (WHMC) as part of the official LSA Archive. Correspondents who wish for their correspondence and/or related materials to remain confidential (and not placed in the archive), should mark their materials conspicuously as "CONFIDENTIAL."



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October 31, 2014

Dear Professor Nagy,

The Strathy Language Unit at Queen's University is pleased to offer \$200 to help support the 44th New Ways of Analyzing Variation conference, to be held at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read the SSHRC proposal and agree that our role is to support the conference financially with a contribution of \$200. The Strathy Language Unit is willing and able to do this.

Sincerely,

Anastasia K. Riehl
Director, Strathy Language Unit
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Linguistics Program



University at Buffalo
The State University of New York

Department of Linguistics
College of Arts and Sciences

October 29, 2014

NWAV 44 Organizing Committee
c/o Dr. Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics
University of Toronto

Dear Organizing Committee:

On behalf of the Department of Linguistics, I am pleased to provide financial support to the NWAV 44 conference at the level of \$500.00. The conference is scheduled to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read your SSHRC proposal and agree about our role, i.e. to support the conference financially with a contribution of \$500.00. The Department of Linguistics at the State University of New York at Buffalo is excited to participate in what will be a great event and we are glad we can support your project.

Sincerely,

Jean-Pierre Koenig, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair



Date: Wed, 29 Oct 2014 23:00:58 +0000 (10/29/2014 07:00PM EDT)

From: Eileen Lam <eileen.lam@utoronto.ca>

To: "naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca" <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>

Cc: Rachel Ostep <asian.institute@utoronto.ca>

Subject: NWAV 2015 conference support

Dear Naomi:

Prof Joshua Barker forwarded your support request email to me for discussion and response. You are organizing an event that is of interest and importance to our students and faculty. The Asian Institute would like to be included as a sponsor. We operate on limited funds, but would be happy to contribute a modest \$200, as well as help promote your conference to the Asian Institute and Munk School lists.

I have cc Rachel Ostep, our Event Coordinator, so that you can provide her with promotions information closer to the time of the event next year.

Best,
Eileen

Eileen Lam
Associate Director

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28 October 2014

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I write to confirm that the Centre for the Study of France and the Francophone World at the University of Toronto, of which I am Director, has offered its support in favor of the "New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the Crossroads" conference (NWAV 44), to be held at the University of Toronto, 22-25 October 2015.

This conference, which will bring together a group of leading specialists of variational linguistics from around the world, promises to be a stimulating forum for leading-edge research in the field.

My Centre is proud to be a sponsor of the conference, and has committed \$300 from our budget in support of it.

As Director of the Centre, I have reviewed the conference proposal and the application for SSHRC funding, and agree to complete the activities and level of support the Centre has been assigned.

This promises to be an exciting and groundbreaking event, and my Centre is proud to sponsor it.

Sincerely,

Paul Cohen
Director

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October 2014

To: Recipients of Dean's Student Initiative Fund

From: Lanor Mallon, Manager, Faculty Governance & Curriculum

Congratulations! You have been allocated a grant from the Dean's Student Initiative Fund. The selection committee was impressed with your proposed project and we hope that this funding will provide an academically enriching experience.

This is a grant meant to offset actual expenses related to this project. This requires a report on your expenditures regarding your proposed activity. Funds will be distributed as follows:

1. Two-thirds of the funds will be released to you to cover up-front expenses. Your cheque will be available **15 business days after the receipt of this letter**.
2. You will pick it up from the front desk of the Office of the Faculty Registrar, Room 1006, Sidney Smith Hall. You will need to show your T Card or other valid ID in order to pick up your cheque – no funds will be released without proper identification.
3. Upon completion of the project, you will be required to submit original receipts for what you have spent. **Please note that you will not be reimbursed if you do not have a receipt.**
 - Use the enclosed MSWord document in which you can itemize and explain your expenses.
 - The form and original receipts should be submitted to myself (Sidney Smith Hall, Room 1006). In cases where receipts are not provided, a receipt booklet may be used and completed by vendor. If you are claiming costs for air flights, please attach **both the ticket and the boarding pass**. A print-out of an electronic boarding pass is sufficient.
4. Once we have received the receipts for eligible expenses, the rest of the funds will be released to you, up to the maximum amount approved.
5. Pick up your cheque from the front desk in the Arts & Science Office of the Registrar.



29 October 2014

Dr. Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics
University of Toronto
Room 4070, Sidney Smith Hall
100 St. George St.
Toronto, ON M5S 3G3


RE: SSHRC Connection Grant Letter of Support – New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAY 44)

Dear Dr. Nagy,

The Faculty of Arts and Science is pleased to offer \$650.00 to help support the New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAY 44) conference, which will be held at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read the SSHRC Connection Grant proposal and agree that our role is to support the conference financially with a contribution of \$650.00. The Faculty of Arts and Science is willing and able to do this.

Sincerely,


Jay Pratt
Vice Dean, Research and Infrastructure
Faculty of Arts & Science
Professor, Psychology
University of Toronto

October 30th, 2014

Professor Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto
Sidney Smith #4070, 100 St George St.
Toronto, ON
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Re: SSHRC Connection Grant Support of "New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the Crossroads" 44 (October 22-25, 2015)

Dear Naomi,

I was very interested to read the description of the 2015 upcoming conference in variationist sociolinguistics titled "New Ways of Analyzing Language" to be held in Toronto in about a year thanks to the work of your organizing team of six colleagues. I took note of the high-profile invited speakers who are proposed and believe that the event will be not only successful as a conference but that it will also allow variationists the world over to explore "hypotheses as well as [to underscore] the diversity and representativeness of data that bear on [the scientific study of] language as a complex system" (quoted from Proposal). Congratulations for the planning of such a large scale event in the field.

The Department of French at the University of Toronto hereby confirms a strong endorsement of your project and will provide financial support toward the organization of NWA 44 in October 2015. We will also be happy to advertise the event and encourage participation from colleagues and graduate students.

The Department of French will provide \$1,200 (one thousand and two hundred), which has already been set aside in our budget. We agree and are able to provide the sum. Please contact our Financial Officer, Mr Dale Gebhardt (<d.gebhardt@utoronto.ca>), in order to access the departmental contribution.

Best wishes to you and your team in the planning of the event.

Sincerely,



Pascal Michelucci, Chair
French.chair@utoronto.ca

Cc: Dale Gebhardt, Financial Officer

Prof. Markus Stock

Oct 28, 2014

This letter confirms that the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures offers its enthusiastic support to the important and meaningful international conference "New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the Crossroads," University of Toronto, 22-25 Oct. 2015.

I confirm a cash contribution of the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures of

\$150.

I have read the event proposal and agree to the Department's role and level of participation as outlined. The Department is willing and able to complete the activities assigned to it.

Sincerely,



Professor M. Stock
Chair



Professor Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto
Sidney Smith, room 4070
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Toronto, ON M5S 3G3

October 28, 2014

Dear Professor Nagy,

The Emilio Goggio Chair in Italian Studies is pleased to offer \$300 to help support NAWAV 44, to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read the SSHRC proposal. I agree that our role is to support the conference financially with a contribution of \$300. The Italian Department is willing and able to do this.

With my best wishes for the success of your conference.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Bancheri".

Professor Salvatore Bancheri
Chair and Emilio Goggio Professor in Italian Studies

Date: Thu, 30 Oct 2014 17:08:17 +0000 (01:08PM EDT)

From:

[Ruth Maddeaux <ruth.maddeaux@mail.utoronto.ca>](mailto:Ruth.Maddeaux@mail.utoronto.ca)

To: [Naomi Nagy <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>](mailto:Naomi.Nagy@utoronto.ca); ["slugs@chass.utoronto.ca" <slugs@chass.utoronto.ca>](mailto:slugs@chass.utoronto.ca)

Subject: Re: "in-kind" contribution

Dear Naomi,

The Linguistics Graduate Course Union (LGCU) at the University of Toronto is pleased to offer 50 hours of volunteer labour, a \$750 in-kind contribution, to help support NAWAV 44, to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

We have read the SSHRC proposal and are very excited to be involved with this event. We look forward to helping with both pre-event organisation and on-site activities.

Sincerely,

Ruth Maddeaux
LGCU Member



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28 October 2014

Date: Wed, 29 Oct 2014 13:19:13 +0000 [10/29/2014 09:19AM EDT]

From: Yves Roberge <yves.roberge@utoronto.ca>

To: Naomi Nagy <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>


Subject: Letter of support

Dear Naomi,

The Department of Linguistics is pleased to offer \$650 to help support NWA 44, to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read the proposal. The Department understands that it will undertake the administration of the grant, and it is willing and able to do so.

Sincerely,


Keren Rice
Chair

New College is pleased to offer \$500 to help support NWA 44, to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read the SSHRC proposal and agree that our role is to support the conference financially with a contribution of \$500. Our College is willing and able to do this.

Sincerely,

Yves Roberge

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Date: Wed, 22 Oct 2014 16:49:05 +0000 (12:49PM EDT)

From:

SGS Vice Dean Executive Assistant <sgs.vdeaneA@sgs.utoronto.ca>

"naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca" <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>

To: Christy Kim <christy.kim@sgs.utoronto.ca>, Jose Raymundo <jose.raymundo@sgs.utoronto.ca>

Cc: RE: support for NAW 2015 conference in Toronto?

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Dear Professor Nagy,

Vice-Dean De Nil is pleased to let you know that the School of Graduate Studies will provide \$1000.00 for the NAW 2015 Conference. Please contact Ms. Christy Kim to arrange for the transfer of funds.

Cheers,

Angélique

Angélique Plata
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* If you have an accommodation need for a scheduled meeting, please email me directly and I will do my best to make appropriate arrangements.*

Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2014 18:09:15 +0000 (02:09PM EDT)

From:

[Donna Orwin <Donna.Orwin@utoronto.ca>](mailto:Donna.Orwin@utoronto.ca)

To: [Naomi Nagy <Naomi.Nagy@utoronto.ca>](mailto:Naomi.Nagy@utoronto.ca)

Subject: RE: request for more detailed letter of support - NAW44

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Dear Professor Nagy,

I, and more importantly, our Department linguists, have read the SSHRC proposal requesting funding for NAW 44, and our linguists are committed to attending the conference. We are committed to contributing \$300 to it, with the understanding that our contribution will be acknowledged in all conference publicity.

Sincerely yours,

Donna Orwin

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Date: Wed, 29 Oct 2014 21:34:59 -0400 [10292014 09:34PM EDT]

From:

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To: [Naomi Nagy <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>](mailto:Naomi.Nagy@utoronto.ca)

Cc: [Ruth Maddeaux <ruth.maddeaux@mail.utoronto.ca>](mailto:Ruth.Maddeaux@mail.utoronto.ca)

Subject: Re: "in-kind" contribution

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Dear Naomi,

The Society of Undergraduate Linguistics Students (SLUGS) at the University of Toronto is pleased to offer 37 hours of volunteer labour, a \$555 in-kind contribution, in addition to a \$200 monetary contribution to help support NWAV 44, to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

We have read the SSHRC proposal and are very excited to be involved with this event. We look forward to helping with both pre-event organisation and on-site activities.

Sincerely,

Vicki Peter
SLUGS Secretary

October 29, 2014

Dear organizers of the NWAV 44,

This letter is to confirm that the Department of Spanish & Portuguese will contribute \$400 towards the organization of the conference. Beyond our monetary contribution, we will contribute to promoting the event and we will encourage our faculty members and graduate students to actively collaborate in the organization of the conference.

Yours,

Laura Colantoni
Professor, Chair

Dr. Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto
Sidney Smith, room 4070
100 St. George St., Toronto, ON M5S 3G3

October 28, 2014

Dear Naomi,

I write this letter to confirm that the Department of Speech-Language Pathology is pleased to offer \$250 in support of the New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the crossroads (NWAV 44) sociolinguistic conference, to take place at the University of Toronto in October 2015.

I have read the SSHRC proposal and applaud you for organizing this important event with an impressive lineup of eminent scholars in this area. I see clear connections with a lot of the work on language that is done by some of my colleagues in the department Speech-Language Pathology and therefore happily commit to the financial contribution of \$250. Furthermore, our department will advertise this event widely to our large group of faculty members inside and outside the university and encourage our research faculty and students to submit their work for presentation at the event, if applicable.

I wish you and your colleagues all the best with your application for funding and if successful, with the further organization of the NWAV 44 conference.

Best regards,



Pascal van Lieshout, Ph.D.
Professor & Chair

From: Rob Eberts
Sent: September-03-14 2:16 PM
To: Anne-Jose Villeneuve
Subject: FW: Demande: colloque NWAV à Toronto en 2015

Hi Annejose,

I apologize I am corresponding in English but I need many lessons in French yet before I can be credible. Per the following, Emmanuel has agreed to contribute \$250 to this conference. Could you please tell me how you would like this funding received? If it is another U of T funding source you want this added to I will need the FIS numbers to credit. If it is an external organization name to send a cheque to, please provide the name and address.

Thank you
Rob

*Robert Eberts, Department Supervisor
Departments of English & Drama, Philosophy and Language Studies / CTEP
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From: Emmanuel Nikiema
Sent: September-02-14 11:47 AM
To: Rob Eberts
Subject: FW: Demande: colloque NWAV à Toronto en 2015

Hi Rob,
Authorisation for \$250 for this conference. Thanks
Emmanuel

Emmanuel Nikiema,
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From: Anne-Jose Villeneuve <annejose.villeneuve@utoronto.ca>
Date: Wed, 18 Jun 2014 11:06:14 -0400
To: Emmanuel Nikiema <emmanuelnikiema@utoronto.ca>
Subject: Demande: colloque NWAV à Toronto en 2015

Bonjour Emmanuel,

J'espère que ton été se passe bien jusqu'à maintenant et que les tâches administratives ne sont pas trop prenantes. Je t'écris pour t'annoncer, si tu ne le savais pas déjà, que Toronto sera l'hôte du colloque

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Date: Fri, 31 Oct 2014, 11:20:00 -0400 [11:20AM EDT]
From: CFL Director <cfldirector@utsc.utoronto.ca>
To: 'Naomi Nagy' <naomi.nagy@utoronto.ca>
Subject: Confirmation of CFL's contribution to NWA4 44
Priority: 1 (Highest)

Dear Naomi,

I am writing to confirm that the Centre for French and Linguistics at the University of Toronto, Scarborough will commit to a financial contribution of \$500 for the NWA4 44 Conference. I have read the proposal and agree to our role and level of participation as outlined. We are willing and able to complete activities that may be assigned to us and are most enthusiastic about contributing.

Very best wishes,

Karen McCrindle

Karen Lyda McCrindle, Ph.D.
Director, Centre for French and Linguistics

Directrice, Centre de français et de linguistique

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NWA4 (New Ways of Analyzing Variation) en octobre 2015. Comme NWA4 est le plus important colloque pour l'étude de la variation et de changement linguistiques, la 44e édition sera une excellente occasion de promouvoir l'aspect multilingue et multiculturel de Toronto et des universités co-organisatrices (U de Toronto et York).

Le comité d'organisation du colloque, dont je fais partie, en est à l'étape des demandes de financement (subventions et appui des diverses unités) qui aideront à défrayer les frais liés à l'organisation d'un colloque d'une telle importance (salles, conférenciers invités, pauses-café, réceptions, etc.). Je me demandais si on pourrait se rencontrer (en personne ou par Skype) pour discuter du colloque et du support potentiel du Département des langues de UTM. Je suis disponible cette semaine, puis au début juillet; je serai partie en colloque la semaine prochaine.

Merci d'avance de ton aide. Bonne journée, et à très bientôt.

Anne-José

Anne-José Villeneuve
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October 30, 2014

Professor Naomi Nagy
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Dear Professor Nagy:

It is a pleasure to confirm the support of the Department of French Studies at Western University for your upcoming NWAV 44 conference (Variation at the Crossroads) at the University of Toronto in the amount of \$100. Our department is pleased to confirm that we have read the SSHRC Connection proposal, and we agree to the roles and levels of participation assigned to us, as outlined in that document. Our department is willing and able to complete the activities assigned to us in the organization of this conference.

We look forward to the participation of students and faculty from the Department of French Studies and from Linguistics at Western in NWAV 44.

Sincerely,

Jacques Lamarche, Chair
Department of French Studies



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From: Diana Spokiene, Chair
Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics
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October 30, 2014

Re: Letter of Support to NWAV 44

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support to the SSHRC Connection Grant Application to fund the International Conference "New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the Crossroads" (NWAV 44) that will be held at the University of Toronto, October 22-25, 2015. The conference is the most important forum for the presentation and dissemination of knowledge and research conducted in diverse communities and social settings on all areas related to linguistic variation and change. Its goal is to discuss foundational issues in the field and also raise new questions that will inform the next decade of research. It involves active participation on the part of both students and faculty and will benefit them from the discussions and presentations at the conference that will result in future scholarship in the field.

The Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics (DLLL) at York University will contribute \$1000 to the conference and also agrees to its role and level of participation as outlined in the proposal. DLLL will also play an active role in the organization of the conference as specified in the proposal. The project has been very well planned and therefore I highly support the application.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (spokiene@yorku.ca).

Sincerely,

Diana Spokiene





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Toronto, October 29, 2014

Prof. Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics
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Dear Professor Nagy, dear NWAV 44 organizing committee members,

The present letter is to confirm that the Centre for Research on Language and Culture Contact/ Centre de recherche sur le contact des langues et des cultures at York University is offering a contribution of \$300 towards the organizing costs of the NWAV 44 conference on "New Ways of Analyzing Language: Variation at the Crossroads" to be held at the University of Toronto, October 22-25, 2015.

I have read the proposal submitted by the NWAV organizing committee for a SSHRC Connection Grant and I consider that the research questions on linguistic variation, language contact, historical linguistics, and the study of pidgins and creole put forward in the SSHRC application are research interests being investigated and discussed by the members of the Centre for Research on Language and Culture Contact. This conference will give our members the opportunity to interact with the presenters you have invited to reflect on how to make NWAV 44 in 2015 in Toronto a milestone in a new epoch of linguistic science in Language Variation and Change, while reinforcing its established strengths. It is thus with great enthusiasm that the Centre is willing and is able to contribute to this excellent initiative with the sum outlined above to assist in covering any conference organizing costs.

Best Regards,

Dominique Scherffel-Dunand
Chair, and Associate Professor,
French Studies, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
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October 30, 2014

Dr. Naomi Nagy
Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto
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Dear Dr. Nagy,

The Faculty of Graduate Studies is pleased to make a contribution of \$500 to explicitly support the participation of York University graduate students in the NWAV 44 conference to be held at the University of Toronto, October 22-25, 2015.

This contribution is the result of email exchanges with Professor Angermeyer, Graduate Program Director in Languages, Literatures and Linguistics at York University.

This letter confirms that I have read a preliminary draft of the grant application. If you require any further information, please contact me at fgsdean@yorku.ca, 416-736-2100-40549.

Sincerely,

Barbara Crow,
PhD Dean,
Graduate
Associate Vice-President Graduate

cc: Philipp Angermeyer



Dear Michol,

Founders College would like to contribute \$1000 to this event. I will earmark this amount until we can transfer the funds.

I have copied our Events Assistant, Marco Sestito, on this note so that he can be in touch with you on details regarding Founders' sponsorship.

Once we are ready to transfer the funds, I will be in touch with you for the cost centre number.

Thank you very much.

Samira

Samira Malakpour
College Administrative Coordinator, Founders College
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Prof. Naomi Nagy
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Toronto, October 29, 2014

Dear Professor Nagy and NWA V 44 organizing committee,

The present letter is to confirm that the Language Training Centre for Studies in French/ Centre de formation linguistique pour les études en français at Glendon College - York University is offering a contribution of approximately \$150 towards the organizing costs of the NWA V 44. I have read the proposal submitted by the NWA V organizing committee and I consider that the ideas put forward are in line with the research and teaching interests of the Language Training Centre for Studies in French/ Centre de formation linguistique pour les études en français. Therefore the Centre is willing and able to contribute with the sum outlined above to assist in covering any conference organizing costs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mirela Cherciov', written over a horizontal line.

Mirela Cherciov
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Name			
Family name	Given name	Initials	Title
Tagliamonte	Sali	A.	Professor

Citizenship - Applicants and co-applicants must indicate their citizenship status by checking and answering the applicable questions.

Citizenship status	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Canadian	<input type="radio"/> Permanent resident since (yyyy/mm/dd)	<input type="radio"/> Other (country)	Have you applied for permanent residency?
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Full name used during previous contact, if different from above
Sali A. Tagliamonte

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1	416	9468024		1	416	8223428	
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1	416	9712688					
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City/Municipality Toronto	Prov. / State ON	Postal/Zip code M5S3G3	City/Municipality Toronto	Prov. / State ON	Postal/Zip code M5S3G3
Country CANADA			Country CANADA		
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Research Expertise (optional)

The information provided in this section refers to your own research expertise, not to a research proposal. Filling out the following 4 sections is optional. This page will not be seen by selection committee members and external assessors. This section will be used for planning and evaluating programs, producing statistics, and selecting external assessors and committee members.

Areas of Research

Indicate and rank up to 3 areas of research that best correspond to your research interests as well as areas where your research interests would apply. Duplicate entries are not permitted.

Rank	Code	Area
1	120	Communication
2	382	Youth
3	215	Globalization

Temporal Periods

If applicable, indicate up to 2 historical periods covered by your research interests.

From	To
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Geographical Regions

If applicable, indicate and rank up to 3 geographical regions covered by your research interests. Duplicate entries are not permitted.

Rank	Code	Region
1	1000	North America
2	3200	Western Europe
3	9001	International

Countries

If applicable, indicate and rank up to 5 countries covered by your research interests. Duplicate entries are not permitted.

Rank	Code	Countries	Prov./ State
1	1100	CANADA	ON
2	3225	UNITED KINGDOM	
3	1200	UNITED STATES	
4	7100	AUSTRALIA	
5	7200	NEW ZEALAND	

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Curriculum Vitae

Language Proficiency

	Read	Write	Speak	Comprehend aurally	Other languages
English	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
French	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Work Experience

List the positions, academic and non-academic, you have held beginning with the current position and all previous positions in reverse chronological order, based on the start year.

Current position		Start date (yyyy/mm)
Full Professor		2007/10
Org. code	Full organization name	
1350911	University of Toronto	
Department/Division name		
Linguistics		
Position type	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Tenured <input type="radio"/> Non-tenure <input type="radio"/> Tenure-track <input type="radio"/> Non-academic	Employment status
		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Full-time <input type="radio"/> Part-time <input type="radio"/> Non-salaried <input type="radio"/> Leave of absence
Position	Start date (yyyy/mm)	End date (yyyy/mm)
Associate Professor	2001/10	
Org. code	Full organization name	
1350911	University of Toronto	
Department/Division name		
Linguistics		
Position	Start date (yyyy/mm)	End date (yyyy/mm)
Senior Lecturer	2000/10	2001/10
Org. code	Full organization name	
9121150	University of York	
Department/division name		
Language and Linguistic Science		
Position	Start date (yyyy/mm)	End date (yyyy/mm)
Lecturer 'B'	1995/10	2000/10
Org. code	Full organization name	
9121150	University of York	
Department/Division name		
Language and Linguistic Science		

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Work Experience (cont'd)

Position		Start date (yyyy/mm)	End date (yyyy/mm)
Postdoctoral fellow or associate		1991/10	1995/10
Org. code	Full organization name		
1350711	University of Ottawa		
Department/Division name			
Linguistics			
Position		Start date (yyyy/mm)	End date (yyyy/mm)
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Academic Background				
List up to 5 degrees, beginning with the highest degree first and all others in reverse chronological order, based on the start date.				
Degree type	Degree name	Start date (yyyy/mm)	Expected date (yyyy/mm)	Awarded date (yyyy/mm)
Doctorate		1983/09		1991/04
Disc. code	Discipline	Did SSHRC support enable you to get this degree?		
62400	Linguistics	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Org. code	Organization			
1350711	University of Ottawa			
Country CANADA				
Degree type	Degree name	Start date (yyyy/mm)	Expected date (yyyy/mm)	Awarded date (yyyy/mm)
Master's		1981/09		1983/05
Disc. code	Discipline	Did SSHRC support enable you to get this degree?		
62400	Linguistics	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		
Org. code	Organization			
1350711	University of Ottawa			
Country CANADA				
Degree type	Degree name	Start date (yyyy/mm)	Expected date (yyyy/mm)	Awarded date (yyyy/mm)
BA Hon.		1977/09		1981/11
Disc. code	Discipline	Did SSHRC support enable you to get this degree?		
62400	Linguistics	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		
Org. code	Organization			
1351411	York University			
Country CANADA				
Degree type	Degree name	Start date (yyyy/mm)	Expected date (yyyy/mm)	Awarded date (yyyy/mm)
Disc. code	Discipline	Did SSHRC support enable you to get this degree?		
		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Org. code	Organization			
Country				
Degree type	Degree name	Start date (yyyy/mm)	Expected date (yyyy/mm)	Awarded date (yyyy/mm)
Disc. code	Discipline	Did SSHRC support enable you to get this degree?		
		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Org. code	Organization			
Country				

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Credentials

List up to 6 licences, professional designations, awards and distinctions you have received and feel would be the most pertinent to the adjudication of your application. List them in reverse chronological order, based on the year awarded.

Category	Name	Source or Country	Duration (Months)	Value / Year awarded
Honorary Position	Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada	Federal Government CANADA		2013
Fellowship	Killam Research Fellow	Federal Government CANADA	24	2013
Academic Prize	Dean's Excellence Award for Research	CANADA		2011
Academic Prize	Nomination for LSA Leonard Bloomfield Book Award	CANADA		2010
Academic Prize	Dean's Excellence Award for Research	CANADA		2008
Academic Prize	Dean's Excellence Award for Research	CANADA		2007

Research Expertise

The information provided in this section refers to your own research expertise, not to a research proposal.

Keywords

List keywords that best describe your areas of research expertise. Separate keywords with a semicolon.

sociolinguistics; language variation and change; dialectology; historical linguistics; grammaticalization; morphosyntax; discourse/pragmatics; internet language and the new media

Disciplines

Indicate and rank up to 5 disciplines that best correspond to your research interests. Duplicate entries are not permitted.

Rank	Code	Discipline	If Other, specify
1	62432	Sociolinguistics	
2	62410	Dialectology	
3	62404	Comparative Linguistics	
4	99999	Other	Linguistic change
5	62499	Other Linguistics	Grammaticalization

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Funded Research

List up to 8 grants or contracts you have received from SSHRC or other sources. List them in reverse chronological order, based on the year awarded. If you are not the applicant (principal investigator), specify that persons' name.

Org. code 1	Full name of funding organization University of Michigan, External Connections Grant	Year awarded (yyyy) 2013	Total amount (CAN\$) \$2,000
Role Collaborator		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Post-adolescent language change			
Applicant's family name Evans Wagner		Applicant's given name Suzanne	
Initials			
Org. code 3010325	Full name of funding organization Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	Year awarded (yyyy) 2013	Total amount (CAN\$) \$492,879
Role Applicant		Completion status <input type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Social determinants of linguistic systems			
Applicant's family name Tagliamonte		Applicant's given name Sali	
Initials A.			
Org. code 1	Full name of funding organization National Science Foundation, USA	Year awarded (yyyy) 2010	Total amount (CAN\$)
Role Collaborator		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title The Development of Syntactic Alternations			
Applicant's family name Bresnan		Applicant's given name Joan	
Initials			
Org. code 3010325	Full name of funding organization Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	Year awarded (yyyy) 2006	Total amount (CAN\$) \$125,484
Role Applicant		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Directions of change in Canadian English			
Applicant's family name Tagliamonte		Applicant's given name Sali	
Initials A.			

Family name, Given name

Tagliamonte, Sali

Funded Research (cont'd)

Org. code 3010325	Full name of funding organization Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	Year awarded (yyyy) 2003	Total amount (CAN\$) \$209,807
Role Applicant		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Linguistic changes in Canada entering the 21st century			
Applicant's family name Tagliamonte		Applicant's given name Sali	Initials A.
Org. code 1	Full name of funding organization Economic and Social Research Council of the United Kingdom (ESRC)	Year awarded (yyyy) 2000	Total amount (CAN\$) \$310,422
Role Applicant		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Back to the Roots: The legacy of British dialects			
Applicant's family name Tagliamonte		Applicant's given name Sali	Initials A.
Org. code 1	Full name of funding organization Arts and Humanities Research Board of the United Kingdom (AHRB)	Year awarded (yyyy) 2000	Total amount (CAN\$) \$105,594
Role Applicant		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Vernacular Roots: A database of British dialects.			
Applicant's family name Tagliamonte		Applicant's given name Sali	Initials A.
Org. code 1	Full name of funding organization Research Grant. Economic and Social Research Council of the United Kingdom (ESRC)	Year awarded (yyyy) 1999	Total amount (CAN\$) \$143,552
Role Applicant		Completion status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete	
Project title Grammatical variation and change in British English: Perspectives from York			
Applicant's family name Tagliamonte		Applicant's given name Sali	Initials A.

1. RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS OVER THE LAST SIX YEARS (2009-2014)

Books:

- *2012 Sali A. Tagliamonte. *Variationist Sociolinguistics: Change, Observation, Interpretation*. Wiley-Blackwell Publishers. ISBN 13: 9781405135917; ISBN 10: 1405135913.
- 2013 Sali A. Tagliamonte. *Roots of English: Exploring the history of dialects*. Cambridge University Press. ISBN 13: 978-0521681896, ISBN 10: 0521681898.

Book chapters

- *2009 Sali A. Tagliamonte. *Be like*: the new quotative of English. *The New Sociolinguistics Reader*. Nikolas Coupland and Adam Jaworski (eds.) Palgrave/Macmillan. 75-91.
- 2009 Sali A. Tagliamonte. There *was* universals; then there *weren't*: A comparative sociolinguistic perspective on 'default singulars'. Fillpula, Markku Paulasto, Heli and Klemola, Juhani, (eds.). *Vernacular universals versus contact induced change*. Oxford: Routledge. 103-129.
- 2011 Sali A. Tagliamonte. Variation as a window on universals. In Siemund, Peter (ed). *Linguistic universals and language variation*. Berlin and New York: Mouton de Gruyter. 128-170.
- *2011 Sali A. Tagliamonte. The verb phrase in contemporary Canadian English. To appear in Bas Aarts, Joanne Close, Geoffrey Leech and Sean Wallis (eds). *Current Change in the English Verb Phrase*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- *2013 Sali A. Tagliamonte. Analysing and interpreting variation in the Sociolinguistic tradition. In Krug, Manfred and Schlüter, Julia (eds). *Research Methods in Language Variation and Change*. 382-401.
- *2014 Derek, Denis and Tagliamonte, Sali A. Innovation and Change *right?* Utterance Final Particles in Canadian English. Heike Pichler, (ed.). *Discourse-pragmatic variation and change: Insights from English*. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge.
- *2014 Sali A. Tagliamonte. System and society in the evolution of change: the view from Canada. To appear in Eugene Smith and Charles Meyers (eds). *Faces of English*. Topics in the English Language. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- *2014 Sali A. Tagliamonte. A comparative sociolinguistic analysis of the dative alternation. To appear in Rena Torres-Cacoullous, Nathalie Dion and André Lapierre. (eds). *Linguistic Variation: Confronting fact and theory*. London and New York: Routledge.
- *to appear Tagliamonte, Sali A. Antecedent of innovation: Exploring general extenders in conservative dialects. In Heike Pichler, (ed.). *Discourse-pragmatic variation and change: Insights from English*. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge.

Refereed academic journal articles

- *2009 Sali A. Tagliamonte and Alexandra D'Arcy. Peaks beyond phonology: Adolescence, incrementation and language change. *Language*. 85.1:58-108. *Joint author*.
- *2009 Sali A. Tagliamonte and Rebecca V. Roeder. Variation in the English definite article: Socio-historical linguistics in t'speech community. *Journal of Sociolinguistics*. 13.4:435-471. *Joint author*.
- *2010 D'Arcy, Alexandra and Tagliamonte, Sali A. Prestige, accommodation and the legacy of relative *who*. *Language in Society*. 39:3.383-410.
- *2010 Tagliamonte, Sali A, D'Arcy, Alexandra and Jankowski, Bridget. Social work and linguistic systems: Marking possession in Canadian English. *Language Variation and Change*. 22:1.149-173.
- *2010 Sali A. Tagliamonte and Derek Denis. The *stuff* of change: General extenders in Toronto, Canada. 38:4:335-368. *Journal of English Linguistics*.

- *2012 Sali A. Tagliamonte and Harald Baayen. Models, forests and trees of York English: *Was/were* variation as a case study for statistical practice. *Language Variation and Change*. 24:2:135-178.
- *2012 Sali A. Tagliamonte and LeAnn Brown. A really interesting story: The influence of narrative in linguistic change. University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics. Volume 18: Issue 2. *Selected papers from NWAV 40*. <http://repository.upenn.edu/pwpl/vol18/iss2/>
- *2013 Alexandra D'Arcy, Bill Haddican, Hazel Richards, Sali A. Tagliamonte and Ann Taylor. Asymmetrical trajectories: The past and present of *-body/-one*. *Language Variation and Change*. 25.3: 287-310.
- *2014 Sali A. Tagliamonte and Denis, Derek. Expanding the Transmission/Diffusion Dichotomy. *Language*. 90.1: 90-136.
- 2014 Sali A. Tagliamonte, Durham, Mercedes and Smith, Jennifer. Grammatialization at an early stage: Future *be going to* in conservative British dialects. *English Language and Linguistics*. 18.1: 75-108.
- 2014 Tagliamonte, Sali A. Situating media influence in sociolinguistic context. A contribution to the debate on media and Language Change. *Journal of Sociolinguistics*. 18.2: 223-232.
- *2014 Tagliamonte, Sali A. and Julian Brooke. A weird story: Variation and change in the adjectives of strangeness. *American Speech*. 89:1.4-41.
- *2014 Jankowski, Bridget and Tagliamonte, Sali A. On the genitive's trail: Data and method from a sociolinguistic perspective. *English Language and Linguistics* 18.2: 305-329. Guest editors: John Payne and Eva Berlage.
- *2014 Tagliamonte, Sali A. What kind of data is it? Situating sociolinguistic corpora in context. *Language and Linguistic Compass*. 1-6.

Book reviews:

- *2013 Sali A. Tagliamonte. Review of: Peter Trudgill. 2011. Social determinants of linguistic systems. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011. Pp. 288. ISBN 9780199504357. *Language*. 89.2:378-380.
- *2014 Hannah Coulter and Sali A. Tagliamonte. Review of: Natalie Schilling. Sociolinguistic Fieldwork. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013. Pp. 313. ISBN 9780521127974. *Language in Society*.
- *2014 Sali A. Tagliamonte. Review of: Benedikt Szmrecsanyi, Grammatical variation in British dialects.. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013. Pp. 211. ISBN 978-1-107-00345-3. *Diachronica*.

Forthcoming Books:

- * *Making Waves: The story of Variationist Sociolinguistics*. Submitted.
- * *Teen Talk: Language and Identity in Adolescents* [under contract] Target date for completion February, 2015.

2. OTHER RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Most Recent Presentations at refereed conferences — 2014:

- *Jan Sali A. Tagliamonte. Making waves: The story of Variationist Sociolinguistics. North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences [NAAHoLS]. Minneapolis, USA. January 3-4, 2014.
- Celeste Rodrigues-Louro, Alexandra D'Arcy and Sali A. Tagliamonte. Outliers, impact and rationalization in linguistic change. LSA Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, USA. January 2-5, 2014.

- *Jan Derek Denis and Sali A. Tagliamonte. Stability out of gramamticalization? Future temporal reference in North American English. LSA Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, USA. January 2-5, 2014.
- *Apr Cathleen Waters and Sali A. Tagliamonte. Covariation in Discourse-pragmatic features. Discourse-pragmatic Variation Conference. DIPVAC2. Newcastle Upon Tyne. England. April 7-9, 2014.
- *Aug Sali A. Tagliamonte. Using the architecture of variable systems to predict linguistic change. Panel on predicting linguistic change. ISLE 3. Zurich, Switzerland, August 24-26, 2014.
- *Aug Suzanne Evans Wagner and Sali A. Tagliamonte. Incrementation in adolescence: Tapping the force that drives linguistic change. ISLE 3. Zurich, Switzerland, August 24-26, 2014.
- *Oct Claire Childs, Chris Harvey, Karen Corrigan and Sali A. Tagliamonte. Comparative Sociolinguistic Insights in the Evolution of Negation. Presented at NWAV 43. Chicago. October 23-26, 2014.

3. MOST SIGNIFICANT RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS

- *[1] 2012, Sali A. Tagliamonte. *Variationist Sociolinguistics: Change, Observation, Interpretation*. Wiley-Blackwell Publishers.

This textbook is a comprehensive synthesis of Variationist Sociolinguistics that uses cutting edge research as exemplary case studies to embed student learning and forge the link between teaching and research. It is published in the prestigious *Language in Society* series edited by Peter Trudgill. Three of the world's leading sociolinguists wrote endorsements for the back cover. Professor Walt Wolfram, William C. Friday Distinguished Professor wrote: "*This book is a landmark in the study of language variation.*" The book has been nominated for the Leonard Bloomfield Book Award, Linguistics Society of America, 2013.

- *[2] 2006, Tagliamonte, Sali A. *Analysing Sociolinguistic Variation*. Cambridge: CUP.

This book is the first practical guide to the methods and techniques of variation analysis, characterized by authorities in the field as '*a timely, clear-minded contribution*' which '*should become a standard reference for researchers and a standard text for training research students*'. It has also been referred to as '*a remarkable achievement, filling a long-needed gap in the field*'.

- *[3] 2001, Shana Poplack and Sali A. Tagliamonte. *African American English in the diaspora: Tense and aspect*. Oxford: Blackwell. ISBN 0-631-21265-5, 0-631-21266-3. Joint author.

This book synthesized research studying related varieties of African American Vernacular English. William Labov calls it a "*milestone in the development of the historical and evolutionary approach to linguistic analysis*". It was published in the prestigious *Language in Society* series edited by Peter Trudgill; Nominated for the Leonard Bloomfield Book Award, Linguistics Society of America, 2003.

- *[4] Sali A. Tagliamonte, and Alexandra D'Arcy. (2009) Peaks beyond phonology: Adolescence, incrementation, and language change. *Language*. 85.1:58-108.

Published in the leading Linguistics journal of the field - *Language*. This paper is a synthesis of six studies arising out of the Toronto English Archive, the largest cross-generational corpus of North American spoken English. The paper demonstrates the critical age span for the development of innovations in language and shows how linguistic change reaches a pinnacle among late adolescence and then remains stable.

- *[5] Tagliamonte, Sali A. and Rachel Hudson. (1999) *Be like* et al. beyond America: The quotative system in British and Canadian youth. *Journal of Sociolinguistics*. 3:2: 147-172.

This paper focused on one of the most remarkable innovations of the late 20th century, quotative *be like*, e.g. *I 'm like*, “*Oh my goodness!*” and *She 's like*, “*Yeah*”, a feature that has taken the English speaking world by storm. The paper was co-authored with one of my undergraduate students at the time (Rachel Hudson). It was one of the first studies this feature and the first to consider its use from a comparative perspective, using data from young people in Canada and the United Kingdom. We discovered a systematic set of constraints governing the use of *be like* and a trajectory of increasing grammaticalization. This paper spawned a huge number of subsequent studies.

4. CAREER INTERRUPTIONS AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES N/A

5. CONTRIBUTIONS TO TRAINING

I have been the primary supervisor for 2 postdoctoral fellows (*Rika Ito*, *Rebecca Roeder*), 6 PhD students, 14 MA students, and the secondary supervisor of many more. I have also been the external examiner for 3 international PhD students (*Mercedes Durham*, University of Fribourg; *Julia Davydova* University of Hamburg; *Karen Keune* University of Nijmegen). Three of my PhD students are now working in academic positions (*Alex D'Arcy*, University of Victoria, Canada; *Jennifer Smith*, University of Glasgow, Scotland; *Cathleen Waters*, University of Leicester, England). These academics gained their research training on my research grants. They worked on research based on materials that they helped to collect, transcribe, and analyze. They produced presentations and publications both with me and on their own. All of the PhD dissertations and most of the MA dissertations I have supervised were based on corpora collected on my grants. My corpora have also been used to help train other students from all areas of linguistics (e.g. syntax, socio-phonetics), from undergraduates to postdoctoral fellows

Building on the model of my own mentor, Shana Poplack, with whom I collaborated extensively as an MA and PhD student and beyond, my approach to training is fundamentally apprenticeship-like involving intense student engagement in all aspects of my research projects. My publication record provides a good example: a third of all my publications to date have been co-authored with my own students. These students span the spectrum: some have been PhD students who eventually take their place in academia, while others have been MA students who end up in the public sector, where they excelled in their positions. For example, *Rachel Hudson* is now a senior editor at a UK publishing house; *Sonja Molfenter* is a speech pathologist; *Chris Roberts* is studying to be a naturopath. In every case, the research training and experience these individuals have gained through my research grants and supervision have been an invaluable training ground for their future endeavours. I also make a concerted effort to involve undergraduates in research. Five of my papers have been co-authored with undergraduates, and a sixth is planned to be presented at the American Dialect Society annual meeting in January 2013 (Tagliamonte, Lyseak & Mahoon, 2015). Once published, these papers are widely read (e.g. item 5 above), since they tend to be based on topics of wide interest. In many cases, these same undergraduates become graduate students. In other cases, having evolved a productive and efficient working relationship, my former students and I continue to work together long past our teacher-student association. As my recent research record shows, along with my undergraduate and graduate students, my colleagues *Alex D'Arcy*, *Rebecca Roeder*, and *Jennifer Smith* are among my recent co-authors.

In sum, my research both pleasantly and inescapably involves a large number of students who in turn receive an exceptionally rich and valuable training experience. Importantly this leads to even longer term investments both for academia and other sectors of society.

The applicant, Tagliamonte, is a world leader in the study of Language Variation and Change. She is a member of the Royal Society of Canada and is currently the holder of a Killam Research Fellowship (2013-2015) for her research on the origins and development of Ontario dialects of Canadian English. She holds a position of national and international prominence in her specialism — morpho-syntactic and discourse-pragmatic change. Her research in this area has resulted in a marked discipline-broadening contribution, which is pushing boundaries in the field of Sociolinguistics – linking linguistic phenomena to historical, social and cultural issues while firmly grounding findings in theoretical and empirical concerns. Her ongoing research targets the interface of grammar and usage and the synthesis of variation from a comparative perspective, bringing typological considerations, cognitive processes and structural change to bear on questions of language evolution, relationship and social impact. In Variationist Sociolinguistics, she is among the most prominent scholars in the world and has been invited to talk about her research across the globe. Her first book, *African American English in the diaspora: Tense and aspect*, (Wiley-Blackwell, 2001) with Shana Poplack, synthesized research on varieties of African American Vernacular English, refuting earlier theories about origins and history. She made a leading contribution to the field by writing the first introductory textbook to variationist methods (*Analyzing Sociolinguistic Variation*, CUP, 2006) and the first textbook for Language Variation and Change (*Variationist Sociolinguistics: Change, Observation, Interpretation*, Wiley-Blackwell, 2012). She has also been instrumental in updating the key analytic tool of the field, the Varbrul program, and introducing a suite of new statistical tools (mixed models, random forests) for analyzing the probabilistic nature of linguistic variation. Since coming to the University of Toronto, she created an immense data base for studying English, both in the urban centre of Toronto and in many towns and villages of Ontario. Two key papers to emerge from this massive undertaking, were published in the flagship journal of *Linguistics* (Language 2009 and 2013). The first *Peaks beyond phonology: Adolescence, incrementation, and language change*, with former student Alex D’Arcy, provided an impressive empirical demonstration of an adolescent peak in the progress of linguistic change, advancing beyond prevailing models and earlier data sets. The second, *Expanding the transmission/diffusion dichotomy*, with PhD student, Derek Denis, offers new insights into contemporary linguistic change by demonstrating that diffusing change is impacted by community type, founders and the stage of development of the change. Tagliamonte’s Sociolinguistics/Language Variation and Change laboratory at the University of Toronto houses one of the largest collections of vernacular spoken English anywhere in the world and continues to collect data in strategically selected communities in order to build pertinent corpora of spoken language. To date her archive comprises materials from fishing villages on the far north shore of Scotland to farming hamlets in Southwest England, from urban Toronto to small mining towns in northern Ontario, all of it contextualized to the individual and their location in time, community and socio-cultural context. Tagliamonte has been involved in conference organization since the early 1990’s when she was a co-organizer of NWAV 22 in 1993 at the University of Ottawa. Since then she has been involved in many conference organization committees. Moreover she was instrumental in the creation and development of two off-shoot conferences focusing on Variationist Sociolinguistics: 1) the UK-LVC conference, which with co-organizer Paul Kerswill, was inaugurated at Reading University, UK in 1997; and 2) the Canadian CVC conference which was inaugurated at the University of Toronto in 2007. Both conferences have been going strong ever since. Tagliamonte has a wide-range of reviewing experiences for refereed journals, publishers and funding agencies. She was associate editor for ‘Language’ between 2007-2010. She currently serves on the editorial boards of seven refereed journals (including ‘Language Variation and Change’, the journal associated with NWAV, and on the editorial board of two book series, both of them with a focus on variation and change.

