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Employment

2024 –	Assistant Professor of Spanish Linguistics University of Georgia Department of Romance Languages	Athens, GA, USA
2022-2024	Postdoctoral researcher Laboratoire de Phonétique et Phonologie (CNRS & Sorbonne Nouvelle) Labex – Empirical Foundations of Linguistics (EFL), Strand 1, “Phonetic and phonological complexity” Supervisor: Rachid Ridouane (CRNS & Sorbonne Nouvelle)	Paris, France

Education

2016 - 2022	New York University Ph.D. in Linguistics Dissertation: <i>An experimental and formal investigation of Sevillian Spanish metathesis</i> Committee: Maria Gouskova (Chair), Lisa Davidson, Gillian Gallagher, Juliet Stanton, Joseph Casillas (external, Rutgers University)	New York, NY, USA
2020	New York University MPhil in Linguistics	
2018	New York University MA in Linguistics	
2010-2014	Middlebury College B.A. in Spanish, <i>summa cum laude</i> Minors: Linguistics, Italian Honors Thesis: <i>Efectos sociales y lingüísticos en la pronunciación de la (r) posnuclear en el español de Buenos Aires</i> [Social and linguistic effects on the pronunciation of coda (r) in Buenos Aires Spanish] (Awarded Highest Honors) Advisor: Marcos Rohena-Madrado	Middlebury, VT, USA

Non-degree programs

2017	LSA Summer Institute	Lexington, KY, USA
2014	Middlebury College Language School Intensive summer language school in Portuguese	Middlebury, VT, USA

Publications

In progress

Under review Chirkova, K., A. Amelot, **M. Gilbert**. Mbarahte (Zhongu). *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*.

Peer-reviewed

- 2025 Gilbert, M. Metathesis, syllable weight and stress in Sevillian Spanish. *Phonology* 42(e26). <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0952675725100225>
- 2023 Gilbert, M. Testing for underlying representations: Segments and clusters in Sevillian Spanish. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 42(2), 493-531. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11049-023-09575-4>.
- 2023 Gilbert, M. Conflicting standards and variability: Spirantization in two varieties of Uruguayan Spanish. *Studies in Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics* 16(2). 397-446. <https://doi.org/10.1515/shll-2023-2015>.
- 2021 Gilbert, M. Acoustic evidence for affix classes: A case study of Brazilian Portuguese. *Glossa: A journal of general linguistics* 6(1). 1–38. <https://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.1045>.

Conference proceedings

- 2023 Gilbert, Madeline. “Testing the perceptual basis of laryngeal metathesis and rarity of preaspirated stops.” In *Proceedings of the 20th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences*, Prague, Czech Republic, 117–121.
- 2022 Gilbert, M. & Kate Mooney. “Metathesis is late and fake.” In Peter Jurgec, Liisa Duncan, Emily Elfner, Yoonjung Kang, Alexei Kochetov, Brittney K. O’Neill, Avery Ozburn, Keren Rice, Nathan Sanders, Jessamyn Schertz, Nate Shaftoe, and Lisa Sullivan (eds.), *Supplemental Proceedings of the 2021 Annual Meeting on Phonology*. Washington, DC: Linguistic Society of America. <https://doi.org/10.3765/amp.v9i0.5157>
- 2021 Gilbert, M. “Segments vs. clusters: Postaspiration in Sevillian Spanish.” In Ryan Bennett, Richard Bibbs, Mykel Loren Brinkerhoff, Max J. Kaplan, Stephanie Rich, Nicholas van Handel & Maya Wax Cavallaro (eds.), *Supplemental Proceedings of the 2020 Annual Meeting on Phonology*. Washington, DC: Linguistic Society of America. <https://doi.org/10.3765/amp.v9i0.4909>

- 2017 Gilbert, M. & Rohena-Madrazo, M. “Revising the Canon: Social and Stylistic Variation of Coda (-r) in Buenos Aires Spanish.” In R. Lopes, J. Omelas & S. Cyrino (eds.), *Romance Languages and Linguistic theory 12. Selected papers from the 45th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), Campinas, Brazil*. <https://benjamins.com/catalog/rllt.12>.

Other

- 2017 Gilbert M. & Lima, A. “Vamos vencer o tráfico:” análise verbo-visual da significação e do tema de uma palavra em uma capa da revista Época. In *Revista Bakhtiniana. Revista de Estudos do Discurso* 12.1. Online: <http://revistas.pucsp.br/index.php/bakhtiniana/article/view/26074>.
- 2014 Gilbert, M. La colectividad de las identidades posnacionales. In *Portulano Revista de literatura, artes y lengua del Departamento de Español y Portugués* 1.3 (Middlebury College). Online: <https://sites.middlebury.edu/portulano/2014/05/11/identidadesposnacionales/>.
- 2013 Gilbert, M. Las formas pronominales en Costa Rica: ¿Un caso de la variación libre? In *Portulano Revista de literatura, artes y lengua del Departamento de Español y Portugués* 1.2 (Middlebury College): 30-43. Online: <https://sites.middlebury.edu/portulano/files/2013/04/Portulano-2013.pdf>.

Presentations

Invited talks

- 2025 Representations and acoustics in an ongoing change in Sevillian Spanish. Plenary talk at the *Linguistics Conference at the University of Georgia*, University of Georgia. March 15-16.
- 2024 Experimental approaches to abstract phonological representations. Job talk, University of Georgia. February 2.
- 2023 Representations vs. phonetics: Metathesis in Sevillian Spanish. *Linguistics Seminar Series*, Newcastle University. November 1.
- 2023 Experimental approaches to representational change. Job talk, University of Maryland. February 16.
- 2023 Experimental approaches to representational change. Job talk, Cornell University. February 6.
- 2022 An experimental investigation of Sevillian Spanish metathesis. Presentation at *Séminaires de Recherches en Phonétique et Phonologie (SRPP)*, Laboratoire de Phonétique et Phonologie, Paris, France. October 14.

Conference presentations

- 2025 Gilbert, M. Is derived stop ‘aspiration’ subject to prosodic enhancement? Presentation at the Aspiration in Language Workshop, Cologne, Germany. December 3-4. (virtual presentation)
- 2025 Gilbert, M. The role of contrastiveness: Stress effects on derived ‘VOT’ in Sevillian Spanish. Poster presentation at the *31st Manchester Phonology Meeting*, Manchester, UK. May 29-31.
- 2024 Gilbert, M. Partial metathesis in Sevillian Spanish. Presentation at the *Hispanic Linguistics Symposium*, University of Nebraska at Omaha. October 17-19.
- 2024 Gilbert, M. Effect of following vowel context on Sevillian derived stop-h sequences. Poster at the *13th International Seminar on Speech Production*, Autrans, France. May 13-17.
- 2024 Gilbert, M. Laryngeal timing variability in Sevillian Spanish metathesis. Presentation at the *LSA Annual Meeting*, New York, NY. January 4-7.
- 2023 Gilbert, M. Partial reordering in synchronic metathesis. Presentation at the *Sequencing in Phonology Workshop*, University of Tromsø, Norway. November 23-24.
- 2023 Gilbert, M. Testing the perceptual basis of laryngeal metathesis and rarity of preaspirated stops. Poster at *ICPhS XX*, Prague, Czech Republic. August 7-11.
- 2023 Gilbert, M. The role of perceptual factors in laryngeal metathesis. Presentation at the *20th Old World Conference in Phonology*, Tours, France. January 25-27.
- 2023 Gilbert, M. Language-specific perception of HC and CH sequences. Presentation at the *LSA Annual Meeting*, Denver, CO. January 5-8.
- 2022 Gilbert, M. Dialect-specific perception of HC and CH sequences. Presentation at the *Hispanic Linguistics Symposium*, University of Arizona (virtual). November 3-5.
- 2022 Gilbert, M and Kate Mooney. Metathesis is late and fake. Presentation at the *LSA Annual Meeting*, Washington DC. January 6-9.
- 2021 Gilbert, M. Testing the representational status of Sevillian Stop-H sequences with stress. Presentation at the *Hispanic Linguistics Symposium*, Wake Forest University (virtual). October 7-9.
- 2021 Gilbert, M and Kate Mooney. Metathesis is late and fake. Poster at the *Annual Meeting on Phonology*, University of Toronto (virtual). October 1-3.

- 2021 Gilbert M. Postaspiration and stress in Sevillian Spanish. Presentation at the 28th *Manchester Phonology Meeting* (virtual). May 26-28 2021.
- 2021 Gilbert, M. The interaction between postaspiration and stress in Sevillian Spanish. Presentation at the *Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (virtual). April 29-May 1.
- 2021 Gilbert, M. Postaspiration in Sevillian Spanish: A perception experiment. Poster at the *LSA Annual Meeting* (virtual). January 7-10.
- 2020 Gilbert, M. Postaspiration in Sevillian Spanish: Beyond Voiceless Stops. Poster at the *Acoustical Society of America, Acoustics Virtually Everywhere* (virtual). December 7-11.
- 2020 Gilbert, M. Segments vs. clusters: Postaspiration in Andalusian Spanish. Poster at the *Annual Meeting on Phonology*, UC Santa Cruz (virtual). September 18-20.
- 2020 Gilbert, M. Stylistically-induced variability: Task effects and multilingualism. Poster at *Laboratory Phonology*, University of British Columbia/Simon Fraser (virtual). July 6-8.
- 2019 Gilbert, M. Contact, variability and repertoires in two varieties of Uruguayan Spanish. Presentation at the *Hispanic Linguistics Symposium*, University of Texas at El Paso. October 24-26.
- 2019 Gilbert, M. An acoustic study of stylistic and contact-induced variability in Uruguayan Spanish. Poster at *NWAV48*, University of Oregon (Eugene). October 10-12.
- 2018 Gilbert, M. Stress and Morphological Complexity in Brazilian Portuguese. Presentation at *Going Romance*, Utrecht Institute of Linguistics. December 11-14.
- 2018 Gilbert, M. Stress and Morphological Complexity in Brazilian Portuguese. Poster at the *Annual Meeting on Phonology*, UCSD. October 5-7.
- 2018 Gilbert, M. Effects of morphological complexity on stress in Brazilian Portuguese: A production study. Poster at *PhoNE*, MIT. March 31.
- 2017 Gilbert, M., Guy, G. & Robinson, M. ‘A gente sempre faz’: Subject pronoun expression in Brazilian Portuguese. Presentation at *NWAV46*, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2016 Gilbert, M. & Rohena-Madrado, M. Sociolinguistic Stratification of Coda (r) in Buenos Aires Spanish: Hyperarticulation and Deletion. Presentation at the 8th *Workshop on Spanish Sociolinguistics*. Universidad de Puerto Rico.

- 2015 Gilbert, M. and Rohena-Madrado, M. Revising the Canon: Lenition and Deletion of Coda (-r) in Buenos Aires Spanish. Presentation at the 45th *Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages*, Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Brazil.

Other presentations

- 2023 Gilbert, M. Segmental complexity in Sevillian Spanish. Presentation at the *Labex Symposium*, Paris, France. June 9.
- 2023 Gilbert, M. Phonological representations and phonetics in Sevillian Spanish. Presentation at the *Laboratoire de Sciences Cognitives et Psycholinguistique Research Group*, École normale supérieure, Paris, France. April 5.
- 2014 Gilbert, M. Social and Linguistic Effects on the Pronunciation of (r) in Buenos Aires Spanish. Presentation at the *Spring Student Research Symposium*. Middlebury College.
- 2013 Gilbert, M. Pronominal Variation in Costa Rican Spanish. Presentation at the *Spring Student Research Symposium*. Middlebury College.

Teaching & Advising

Teaching

- 2024-** **University of Georgia**
 Department of Romance Languages
Graduate courses
 SPAN6650: Introducción a la fonética y fonología españolas (F24)
Split-level courses
 SPAN4650/6650 : Introducción a la fonética y fonología españolas (F25, F26)
Undergraduate courses
 SPAN3010: Spanish cultural dialogues (S25)
 SPAN3050: Introducción a la lingüística hispánica (F25, S26, F26)
- 2017–2020** **New York University**
 Department of Linguistics
Undergraduate courses (Teaching assistant)
 Language in Latin America (Instructor: Gregory Guy) (F17)
 Language and Society (Instructor: Laurel MacKenzie) (F18)
 Phonological Analysis (Instructor: Juliet Stanton) (S19)
 Language (Instructor: Gary Thoms) (S20)
- Tutorials
 An introduction to PCIBex (5-week course for Linguistics graduate students. Co-taught and designed with Maxime Tulling) (F20)

Department of Spanish
Undergraduate courses (Primary instructor)
Elementary Spanish I (F2019)

2015 **Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná** (Pato Branco, Brazil)
Undergraduate courses
English teaching assistant in all levels of language and culture courses (TA)

Advising & Mentoring

University of Georgia

PhD dissertation committee member

In progress Eliot Westdorp (Romance Languages [Linguistics])
In progress Meg Fletcher (Linguistics)

Qualifying paper committee member

In progress Kai Davis (Linguistics)
2026 Meg Fletcher (Linguistics)
2025 Eliot Westdorp (Romance Linguistics [Linguistics])

MA exam committee

2026-2027 Tate Schwalm (Romance Languages [Linguistics])

Student research assistant mentoring

2025-2026 Haley Bohn (Romance Languages [Linguistics], MA), Zahin Hoque (Linguistics, BA), Casen Stiber (Romance Languages & Linguistics, BA)
 Project: Learning Technologies Grant: “Improving pronunciation in language classrooms through dual-channel acoustic feedback”

Grants & Awards

University of Georgia

2026-2027 Willson Center Research Seminar Program Grant (\$2000)

2025-2026 Learning Technologies Grant, *Improving pronunciation in language classrooms through dual-channel acoustic feedback* (\$7,755.50)

2025-2026 Willson Center Research Seminar Program Grant (\$2000)

New York University

2019 NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science Dean’s Student Travel Grant (\$500)

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- 2018 Tinker Field Research Grant (NYU Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, \$2000)
- 2016-2021 NYU MacCracken Doctoral Fellowship
- 2015 Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship
Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná (Pato Branco, Brazil)

Middlebury College

- 2014 Phi Beta Kappa
- Samuel Guarnaccia Prize (Middlebury College)
Awarded by the Spanish Department to the senior with the best paper in Spanish.
- John and Irene Mangione Memorial Award in Italian (Middlebury College)
Awarded by the Italian Department for outstanding achievement.
- Gamma Kappa Alpha Italian Honor Society (Middlebury College)

Professional Service

Reviewing

Journals

- Languages* (2024)
Isogloss (2024)
Phonetica (2023)
Natural Language & Linguistic Theory (2022, 2024)
Journal of Phonetics (2022, 2026)
Glossa (2020)
Language Variation and Change (2020)

Book chapters

- Linearisation in Phonology* (2024)

Conference abstracts

- NWAV* (2026)
LSRL (2026)
Laboratory Phonology (2026)
Phonetic approaches to under-documented languages (with a special emphasis on Tibeto-Burman languages (Phon-UDL) (2025)
NELS (2024, 2026)
ICPhS (2023)
SUNY-Yale-NYU-CUNY (SYNC) (2017-2021)

Tu+4 (2018)

Service

University of Georgia (Department of Romance Languages)

2025-2026 Romance Languages Department Advisory Committee

2025-2026 Organizer of Willson Seminar Series invited speakers

2024-2025 Graduate Admissions Committee

University of Georgia (Department of Linguistics)

2025-2026 Phonology search committee (member)

New York University (Department of Linguistics)

2018 NWAV 47 Organizing Committee (Co-chair of Abstract/Program Committee)

2017-2020 Member of NYU Colloquium Committee

2017-2020 Organizer of NYU SocioLab (Sociolinguistics reading and research group)

Public engagement

2026 WUGA, “The nasal sound stumps many second language learners. A UGA researcher wants to change that.” (aired on February 7, 2026). Produced by Emma Auer.

Languages & Technical Skills

Languages

Native	English
Advanced	Spanish, Portuguese, French
Intermediate	Italian
Elementary	German

Skills

Programming	LaTeX, Python
Experiment platforms	Experigen, PCIBex, Prolific
Analysis	R, Praat, GoldVarb, ELAN