

# Marie Bissell

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## EMPLOYMENT

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**University of Texas at Arlington** Arlington, TX  
Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics & TESOL 2024-present

## EDUCATION

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**The Ohio State University** Columbus, OH  
Ph.D. in Linguistics 2024  
Thesis advisors: Cynthia Clopper, Kathryn Campbell-Kibler

**North Carolina State University** Raleigh, NC  
M.A. in English (Linguistics) 2019  
Thesis advisor: Jeff Mielke

**Washington University in St. Louis** St. Louis, MO  
B.A. in Linguistics; B.A. in Anthropology 2017  
Thesis advisor: John Baugh

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Refereed journal articles

Hauser, I., **Bissell, M.**, & Baese-Berk, M. M. (under review). Common metrics find phantom convergence in laboratory shadowing. *Laboratory Phonology: Journal of the Association for Laboratory Phonology*.

Hauser, I., Baese-Berk, M. M., & **Bissell, M.** (under revision). Phonological contrast and the target of phonetic imitation in English sibilants. *Journal of Phonetics*.

**Bissell, M.** (2026). Effects of exposure on perceptual evaluations of dialect-specific allophonic variation. *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, 159(2), 1613-1629. [PDF].

**Bissell, M.** & Clopper, C. G. (2025). The effect of listener dialect experience on perceptual adaptation to and generalization of a novel vowel shift. *Laboratory Phonology: Journal of the Association for Laboratory Phonology*, 16(1). [PDF].

**Bissell, M.** (2023). Placing /aw/ retraction in the retreat from the Southern Vowel Shift in Raleigh, North Carolina. *Journal of the English Linguistics*, 51(1), 66-83. [PDF].

**Bissell, M.** & Carmichael, K. (2022). "Dialect B" on the Mississippi: An acoustic study of /aw/ raising patterns in Greater New Orleans, Louisiana. *Laboratory Phonology: Journal of the Association for Laboratory Phonology*, 13(1). [PDF].

**Bissell, M.** & Wolfram, W. (2022). Oppositional identity and back vowel fronting in a tri-ethnic context: The case of Lumbee English. *American Speech: A Quarterly of Linguistic Usage*, 97(1), 51-68. [PDF].

## Refereed book chapters

**Bissell, M.**, Álvarez Retamales, J., Champagne, M., Hatcher, J., Omar, S., & Wolfram, W. (2024). Linguistic literacy and advocacy in action: Case studies in community engagement. In A. H. Charity Hudley, M. Bucholtz, & C. Mallinson (Eds.), *Oxford Collection on Inclusion in Linguistics*. Oxford University Press. [PDF].

## Refereed conference proceedings

Shport, I., **Bissell, M.**, Berkson, K., & Carmichael, K. (2024). Regional and individual variation in acoustic targets of /ai/ and /au/ in American English. In *Proceedings of the 20th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences* (pp. 3735–3739). International Congress of Phonetic Sciences. [PDF]

## Other conference proceedings

**Bissell, M.**, Walker, A., & Clopper, C. G. (2025). Moved around? You might process words differently than homebodies! *Lay Language Papers for the 188th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America*. Acoustical Society of America. [LINK].

Lilley, K. D., Ross, J. P., **Bissell, M.**, & Clopper, C. G. (2024). The stories and words online regional dialect (SWORD) corpus. *Proceedings of Meetings on Acoustics*, 54(1). [PDF].

## GRANTS

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**Bissell, M. (PI)**, Pérez Cortés, L. E. (PI), Spears, A. (co-PI), & Stark, D. (co-PI) (under review). Have we been measuring the wrong thing? Video game experience and eye-tracking in language research. Interdisciplinary Research Program (IRP), University of Texas at Arlington.

**Bissell, M. (co-PI)** & Hauser, I. (co-PI) (2025). Contrast enhancement in actuation of sound change. Build & Broaden Program, National Science Foundation. Ranked high competitive by panel; program terminated.

Arts & Humanities Small Grant. College of Arts & Sciences, The Ohio State University.

University Grant for the Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Summer Institute. Office of the Chancellor and University Council, Washington University in St. Louis.

## AWARDS

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Texas Linguistics Emissary (2025-present). Center for Advancing Linguistic Science, Rice University.

Presidential Honorary Membership (2024-present). American Dialect Society.

Reza Ordoubadian Best Student Paper Award (2018). Southeastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL).

Merle Kling Undergraduate Honors Fellowship (2015-2017). Center for the Humanities, Washington University in St. Louis.

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Invited presentations

**Bissell, M.** (2026). Phonological and lexical processing of vowel allophones. Colloquium presented at Department of Linguistics, Languages, and Cultures at Michigan State University. East Lansing, MI.

**Bissell, M.** (2026). Research happenings in the Sociolinguistics Lab. Colloquium presented at Department of Linguistics & TESOL, University of Texas at Arlington. Arlington, TX.

**Bissell, M.,** Clopper, C. G., & Walker, A. (2025). Effects of dialect familiarity and dialect exposure on cross-dialect lexical processing. Paper presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 188. New Orleans, LA.

**Bissell, M.** (2025). Effects of dialect exposure on allophonic processing. Keynote presented at University of Texas at Arlington Student Conference in Linguistics & TESOL (UTASCILT). Arlington, TX.

**Bissell, M.** (2025). Effects of dialect exposure on allophonic processing. Colloquium presented at Linguistics Program, Washington University in St. Louis. St. Louis, MO.

**Bissell, M.** (2021). Phonetic /ai/ raising patterns in Columbus, Ohio. Colloquium presented at Phonetics and Phonology Lab, Indiana University. Bloomington, IN.

## Refereed presentations

**Bissell, M.,** Walker, A., & Clopper, C. G. (accepted). Effects of specific dialect exposure on phonological form priming. Poster presented at LabPhon 20. Montreal, QC, Canada.

Hauser, I., **Bissell, M.,** & Baese-Berk, M. M. (accepted). Popular metrics find phantom convergence: A case for controls in laboratory shadowing. Poster presented at LabPhon 20. Montreal, QC, Canada.

Hauser, I., **Bissell, M.,** & Baese-Berk, M. M. (2026). Popular metrics find phantom convergence: A case for controls in laboratory shadowing. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 190. Philadelphia, PA.

**Bissell, M.,** Bryan, L., Chandler-Holtz, D., Laycock, K., Lilley, K. D., & Clopper, C. G. (2026). Quantifying exposure to regional dialect variation in American English: General and specific scores. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 190. Philadelphia, PA.

**Bissell, M.** (2026). Dialect exposure and the role of allophony in lexical processing. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. New Orleans, LA.

**Bissell, M.** (2026). Dialect exposure and recognition of allophonic variants: Evidence from eye-tracking. Paper presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 53. Ann Arbor, MI.

Campbell-Kibler, K. & **Bissell, M.** (2025). Midwest vowels are changing, but not in college. Paper presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 53. Ann Arbor, MI.

**Bissell, M.** (2025). Dialect exposure and auditory priming for allophones. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 188. New Orleans, LA.

**Bissell, M.** (2025). Perceptions of /ai/ raising in Ohio: Exposure, representations, and implications for sound change. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. Philadelphia, PA.

**Bissell, M.** (2024). Sound change in perception: Evidence from the American English nasal split /æ/ system. Paper presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 52. Miami, FL.

**Bissell, M.** (2024). Effects of dialect exposure on perceptions of allophonic variation. Paper presented at Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) Metroplex Conference. Denton, TX.

**Bissell, M.** & Clopper, C. G. (2024). Effects of exposure to dialect-specific allophonic variation on perceptual similarity ratings of vowels. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 186. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

- Lilley, K. D., Ross, J. P., **Bissell, M.**, & Clopper, C. G. (2024). Stories and words online regional dialect corpus collection. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 186. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
- Bissell, M.**, Berkson, K., Shport, I., & Davis, S. (2024). The actuation problem: Identifying phonetic precursors of phonological /aɪ/ raising. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. New York, NY.
- Bissell, M.**, Bryan, L., Romaine, P. J., & Clopper, C. G. (2023). Effect of dialect familiarity on word recognition in a visual-world eye-tracking task. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 184. Chicago, IL.
- Bissell, M.** (2023). A case study of rapid dialect changes in a geographically mobile adult speaker. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. Denver, CO.
- Bissell, M.** & Clopper, C. G. (2022). The effect of listener dialect experience on generalization of a novel vowel shift. Poster presented at Acoustical Society of America (ASA) 183. Nashville, TN.
- Bissell, M.** (2022). Phonetic, phonological, and morphological effects on /aj/ raising in central Ohio. Paper presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (N WAV) 50. Stanford, CA.
- Bissell, M.**, Bryan, L., Romain, P. J., & Clopper, C. G. (2022). Cross-dialect lexical competition in American English. Paper presented at Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference (MidPhon) 27. St. Louis, MO.
- Bissell, M.**, Berkson, K., Carmichael, K., & Shport, I. (2022). Methodological considerations in the analysis of pre-voiceless diphthong raising. Poster presented at Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference (MidPhon) 27. St. Louis, MO.
- Clark, H., **Bissell, M.**, Clopper, C. G., & Walker, A. (2022). Effects of lexical competition, dialect familiarity, and dialect exposure on lexical processing. Poster presented at LabPhon 18. Remote.
- Mielke, J., **Bissell, M.**, Smith, B., Paye, C., & Trudan, E. (2022). Pharyngealization of American English laterals and interdentals. Poster presented at LabPhon 18. Remote.
- Bissell, M.** (2022). The effect of listener dialect experience on generalization in perceptual adaptation to a novel vowel shift. Poster presented at Buckeye Language Network Symposium 9. Remote.
- Cramer, J. & **Bissell, M.** (2022). ‘Appalachia is its own thing’—The role of Appalachianness in Kentucky’s regional linguistic identification. Paper presented at Appalachian Studies Association (ASA) Meeting. Morgantown, WV.
- Bissell, M.** & Cramer, J. (2022). Discursive strategies for constructing regional dialect identities on Twitter. Poster presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. Remote.
- Bissell, M.** (2022). The social stratification of change over time among white residents in /aw/ in Raleigh, North Carolina. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. Remote.
- Bissell, M.** (2021). The social stratification of change over time in /aw/ in Raleigh, North Carolina. Poster presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (N WAV) 49. Remote.
- Bissell, M.** & Carmichael, K. (2021). “Dialect B” on the Mississippi: An acoustic study of /aw/ raising in Greater New Orleans, Louisiana. Paper presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (N WAV) 49. Remote.
- Bissell, M.** & Carmichael, K. (2021). Sound Change Down South: An Examination of /au/-raising in New Orleans English. Paper presented at Southeastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL) 86. Remote.

**Bissell, M.** & Cramer, J. (2021). Contesting Southernness in digital borderlands: An analysis of constructions of regional dialect identities for Louisville, Kentucky on Twitter. Paper presented at Southeastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL) 86. Remote.

**Bissell, M.** (2021). Stability of status-based and integrity-based folk judgments for historically stigmatized American English talkers. Paper presented at Central Kentucky Linguistics Conference (CKLiC) 9. Lexington, KY.

**Bissell, M.** (2021). The impact of phonologization on the acoustics of /ai/ raising for American English speakers in Columbus, Ohio. Paper presented at Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference (MidPhon) 25. Remote.

**Bissell, M.** (2020). Get out of town!: Evidence of male speakers leading changes in /aʊ/ nucleus height in Raleigh, North Carolina. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. New Orleans, LA.

**Bissell, M.,** & Wolfram, W. (2020). Oppositional identity and back vowel fronting in a tri-ethnic context: The case of Lumbee English. Paper presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 48. Eugene, OR.

**Bissell, M.** (2019). The phonology of intrusive [l]: An analysis of the /aʊ/ diphthong in Raleigh, North Carolina. Poster presented at Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting. New York, NY.

**Bissell, M.** (2019). The role of linguistic self-perception in perceptual dialectology tasks. Paper presented at American Dialect Society (ADS) Conference. New York, NY.

## TEACHING

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### University of Texas at Arlington

Instructor (graduate level). Laboratory Phonology (FL26), Speech Perception (FL25), Sociolinguistics (FL24).

Instructor (undergraduate level). Sociolinguistics (SP26), Speech Perception (FL25), Language in a Multicultural USA (FL25, SP25).

### The Ohio State University

Instructor (undergraduate level). Analyzing the Sounds of Language (SP24, FL23, SP21, FL20).

### North Carolina State University

Graduate Teaching Assistant (undergraduate level). Introduction to Linguistics (SP18, FL17).

## MENTORING

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### University of Texas at Arlington

Supervisor: Shawn Tang (dissertation, 2026-present), Jiaying Lin (qualifying paper, 2026-present).

Committee member: Erica Dagar (dissertation, 2025-present), Danielle Quaye (dissertation, 2025-present), Shawn Tang (qualifying paper, 2025-2026).

Graduate research assistant supervision: Shawn Tang (SP25-present), Danielle Quaye (SP25, SU25), Dema Smadi (FL25, SP25), Erica Dagar (SP25).

Undergraduate research assistant supervision: Yaseen Tasnif (SP26, FL25), Saffron Swales (SP26), Mia Vandiver (SP26), Kezia West (SP26).

## **The Ohio State University**

Undergraduate research assistant supervision: Eva Lahiri (SP24, SP23), Anna Boyer (SP23), Larisa Bryan (FL22, SU22), Precious-Janae Romain (SU22), Hali Clark (SP21).

## **SERVICE**

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### **Department**

Chair, Graduate Studies Committee (2026-present). University of Texas at Arlington.

Principal Investigator, Sociolinguistics Lab (2024-present).

Co-organizer (with Ivy Hauser) (2024-present), Phonetics/Phonology Research Group. University of Texas at Arlington.

Member, Phonetics and Phonology Curriculum Committee (2026-present). University of Texas at Arlington.

Member, Graduate Studies Committee (2024-2026). University of Texas at Arlington.

Member, Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences Faculty Search Committee (2024-2025).

Member, Graduate Student Mentorship Committee (2023-2024). The Ohio State University.

Member, Graduate Studies Committee (2022-2024). The Ohio State University.

President, Student Linguistics Association (2020-2021). The Ohio State University.

Colloquia organizer (2018-2019). North Carolina State University.

Manager, Linguistics Lab (2018-2019). North Carolina State University.

### **College**

Member, College of Liberal Arts Travel Committee (2025-present). University of Texas at Arlington.

Member, Spotlight Undergraduate Conference Committee (2024-2026). University of Texas at Arlington.

Member, Linguistics Chair Search Committee (2022-2023). The Ohio State University.

### **University**

Delegate, Council of Graduate Students (2021-2024). The Ohio State University.

Member, Committee on Academic Misconduct (2021-2024). The Ohio State University.

## Field

Peer reviewer (journal articles). *American Speech: A Quarterly of Linguistic Usage*, *Glossa: Psycholinguistics*, *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America: Express Letters*, *Laboratory Phonology: Journal of the Association for Laboratory Phonology*.

Peer reviewer (conferences). American Dialect Society, Linguistic Society of America.

Member, Research Incubator Committee (2026-present). American Dialect Society.

Member, Program Committee (2025-present). Linguistic Society of America.

Member, Elizabeth Dayton Travel Award in Sociolinguistics Committee (2025-present). Linguistic Society of America.

Student representative, Executive Committee (2022-2024). Linguistic Society of America.

Chair, Committee on Student Issues and Concerns (2022-2024). Linguistic Society of America.

Member, Organizing Committee (2020). Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference (Mid-Phon) 25.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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Acoustical Society of America (2019-present).

American Dialect Society (2017-present).

Linguistic Society of America (2017-present).