About Us

Youth & Society is an interdisciplinary research centre that links researchers from several academic areas with community representatives, service agencies, all levels of government, youth, and media. Our partners have extensive experience in basic research, community action research, and direct service to youth.

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UVic to Tackle Diversity at Victoria Forum

The University of Victoria and Global Affairs Canada are joining forces this November to highlight diversity and inclusion in the 21st century. The inaugural Victoria Forum brings together business leaders, visionaries, politicians, youth, and civil society leaders to stimulate new thinking and approaches for Canadians to promote diversity and inclusion at home and abroad. Learn more.

Instagram Ranked Worst for Youth Mental Health: Study

The research, conducted by the Royal Society for Public Health and the Young Health Movement, surveyed 1,479 people in the U.K. between the ages of 14 and 24 in early 2017. Instagram has been rated the most damaging social media platform for young people’s mental health in a new study out of the U.K. After Instagram, the next low-scoring platform was Snapchat, followed by Facebook, Twitter and then YouTube, which was ranked the healthiest network for youth mental health and wellbeing. Learn more.

The 8th International Research Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

April 18-21, 2018

Although there have been thousands of published articles in FASD in general, there has been limited research specifically on adolescents and adults with
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FASD or on individuals across the lifespan. As those individuals diagnosed with FASD continue to age, the “need to know” across a broad spectrum of areas is becoming critically important for identifying clinically relevant research questions and directions. Call for Abstracts here.

**Speaking Our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation by Monique Gray Smith.**

We saw a need for a book for young readers that discussed residential schools and reconciliation in terms of what it means going forward for all Canadians—Indigenous and non-Indigenous, young and old. *Speaking Our Truth* is central to our mission of reaching more readers and encouraging critical thinking in young readers, particularly about issues relating to the history of residential schools and the consequence of years of conflict. It will be released by Orca Book Publishers in September 2017.