



**CONGRATULATIONS
2021 SOCIAL WORK GRADUATES**

RYAN KHUNGAY

SOCW ADVISOR AND PROGRAM MANAGER

Grads! Wow, what a wonderful achievement to have persevered through your degree during these challenging times. I am so proud of all of you and the work you have accomplished. It has been truly wonderful working alongside so many of you over the course of your degree. The time has flired (for me anyway) to now see many of you on the graduation list. I wish you all the best of luck in your unique journeys. Please do not be strangers and keep in touch.

Yvette Sellars,
Field Education Coordinator: Congratulations! We wish you all the best!

JEANNINE CARRIERE (FACULTY): **CONGRATULATIONS
GRADUATES! ALL THE BEST!**

Jacquie Green (Director) <https://youtu.be/Vx19FMUIPvI>

CONGRATULATIONS FROM STAFF; SESSIONAL INSTRUCTORS AND FACULTY!

We wish you all the best and if we were able to witness you walk across the stage, we would be cheering you on! *If we were able to honor you in person, we would feed you! Congratulate your families and friends – for us. This PowerPoint is our way to honor you –*
CONGRATULATIONS BSW AND MSW GRADUATES!!

Sophia Yeh and Tim Garthside

Hello, we are Sophia Yeh and Tim Garthside. We both graduated from the UVic School of Social Work, Tim with his BSW and Sophia with her MSWA. Tim is currently working at a Youth and Family Counselling Agency in Duncan, BC and Sophia is excited to continue her Social Work career in Health Care.



OLIVIA RYAN-SCHMIDT

NELSON, BC

I have recently returned to live as a visitor on the unceded territories of the Sinixt, Sylix, and Ktunaxa Peoples. I am so grateful for my time in the BSW – Indigenous Specialization program. This program gave me so many beautiful teachings and knowledges, that I will carry close to my heart on my path forward. I am looking forward continuing this journey and expanding my knowledge while working in the Aboriginal Family Services Development Program at the Circle of Indigenous Nations Society.

Congratulations to all the Graduates of Spring 2021!



CHARLENE MENACHO, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

My name is Charlene Menacho, I am Dene from Tulít'a, Northwest Territories. As a newly graduated social worker, I plan on working along-side Indigenous communities and incorporating Indigenous ways of healing and helping. I am looking forward to starting this next chapter as a social worker.



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BETHANY OFFEREIN, ABBOTSFORD, BC

My name is Bethany, and I was born in Abbotsford BC on the traditional territories of the Sumas First Nation. I look forward to working in the medical field as a social worker. I hope to focus in Gerontological and Clinical Social Work in the future to support our aging population.



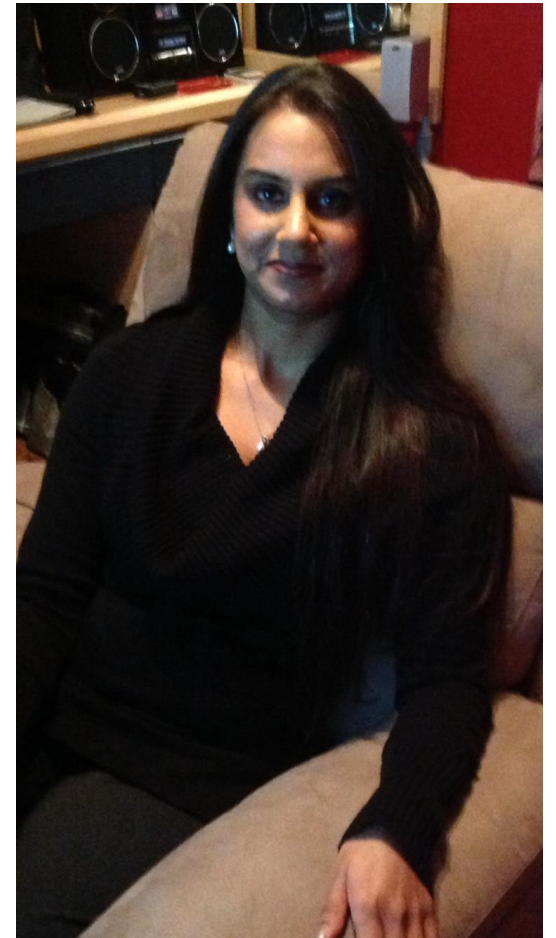
DANICA MATTHEWS, SASKATOON, SK

My name is Danica Matthews and I'm thrilled to have completed my BSW through distance learning while remaining in my community of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. I specialized my BSW in child welfare, and now work in a child protection setting. I look forward to continuing to support and advocate for the children and youth in my community!



FARAH SOMANI, NANAIMO, BC

Hi my name is Farah Somani. I am from Nanaimo BC. I am super excited to be starting the next chapter in my life after having completed my BSW. I look forward to working with non-profit organizations in supporting women who have been through trauma and abuse and continue to work in the mental health sector as well.



MARY WENDEL GENOSA

RICHMOND, BC

My name is Mary Wendel Genosa from Richmond, BC. I am so grateful to have been able to accomplish obtaining my BSW with UVic. I've already started a role as a Facilitator with Community Living BC and hope to continue to work towards community inclusion and supporting individuals living with diverse abilities.



JULIE-ANNE DRIVER

Congrats, everyone! I knew we'd make it! I've recently become a self-employed financial trader, and my current project is quite possibly one of the largest financial social justice initiatives that's ever existed. All the best!



NIKOLAS MIDBO, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to grow through the BSW program at UVIC. In the future, I hope to work with narrative therapy and substance use.



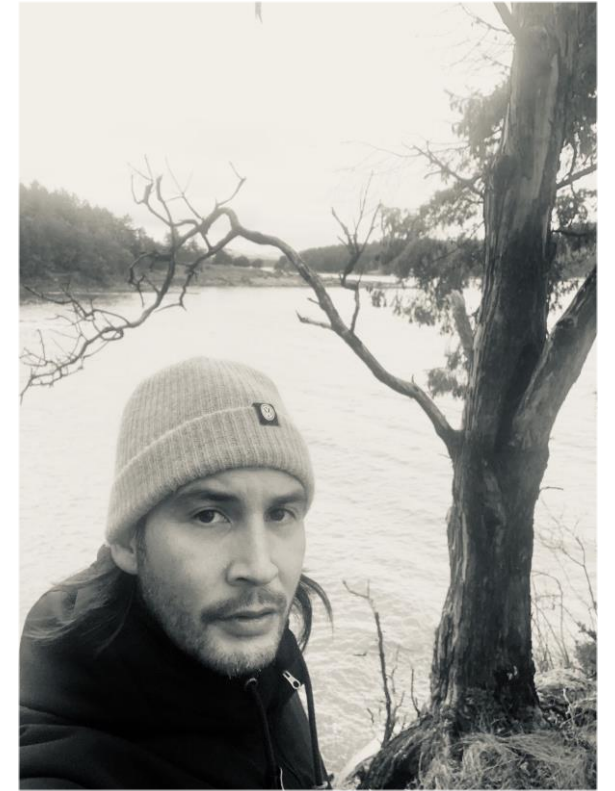
EDINA TOFFLER, SOUTHERN ONTARIO

My name is Edina Toffler. I am delighted to be a graduate of the UVIC BSW distance program. I have worked as a case manager with older adults who live with various forms of dementia for over 8 years. I will continue my work in the field of gerontology with older adults in the communities in Southern Ontario.



MARK ADAM YIP, GALIANO ISLAND, BC

I am living on Galiano Island, BC, traditional territories of the Penelakut and other Coast Salish nations. I am grateful for the privilege and opportunity to achieve my BSW while dwelling on such a beautiful land. I plan to work towards my MSW next year so that I may serve as a clinical counsellor within my community.



MISTELLE MONTAGUE, BRITISH COLUMBIA

I am excited to have completed this long journey and to begin a new one supporting children and families. I am looking forward to being a part of positive changes in the community.



NATALIE CRAWFORD, CAMPBELL RIVER, BC

I have just completed my MSWI. I plan to continue to work in the Counselling field with a new focus of building a private practice.



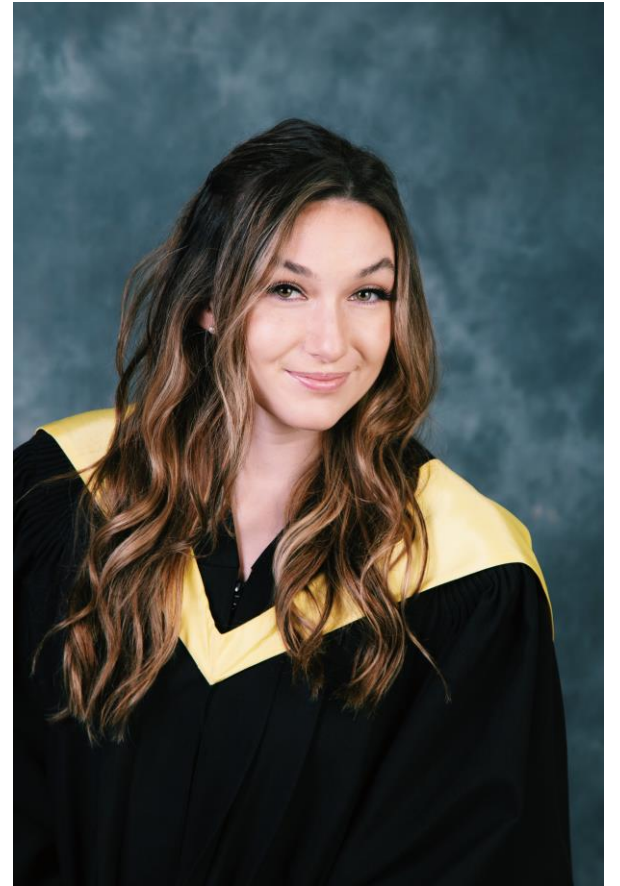
EZRA MCKAY MOHKINSTSIS (CALGARY), AB

I am thrilled to have completed my MSWI program and I am currently the new Circle Keeper for my organization.



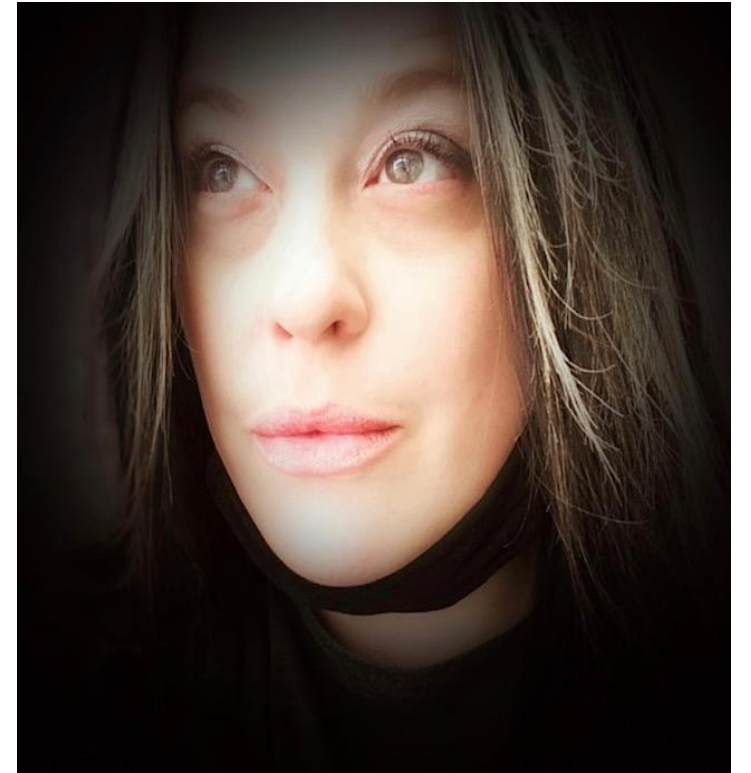
KIANNA COOPER, VICTORIA, BC

I hope to get into the healthcare field of social work and build experience before going back for a Masters degree. I'm excited to apply my knowledge in the field and build connections within my community.



KAYLIN SMITH-NARGANG

As a former youth in care myself, I am thankful to have finished my BSW with a specialization in child welfare and look forward to working with children and families and completing my MSW.



JOHANNA BUERMANS

Currently, I am a visitor on in the W̱SÁNEĆ territory and I am excited to be finished my BSW! In the future, I hope to work alongside Indigenous young people in my community or... wherever the wind takes me.



FANNY NGUMAZUE CHE, CALGARY, AB

I am proud to have completed my BSW despite Covid happening. My vision is helping families provide better care for their children and reduce the number of children that come into care.

