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## Chair's Message

The new academic year has bought a sense of optimism with it. While there are still concerns over the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, it has been an encouraging start to the Fall term. It was great to see so many people at our Welcome Lunch event early in September. It was also a pleasure to be able to host the recent book launch event to celebrate the publication of Tamara Humphrey's co-authored book – *Pathways to Ruin? High Risk Offending over the Life Course*. Thanks to everyone who came out to help make both of those events a success.



The department continues to achieve success in many forms. At the undergraduate level, student registrations in our courses remain strong, and we are strengthening our main areas of teaching focus. Next term will see the introduction of a new course – SOCI 356 International Crimes and Social Justice – developed by Midori Ogasawara, which will greatly add to our course offerings in the area of Crime, Deviance, and Law. At the graduate level, we welcomed ten new MA students this September, and we are pleased to have two of our MA students continue on in the department as PhD students this year.

Our department is often recognized for the quality of teaching in our courses. In the past year, it was tremendous to see that Bruce Ravelli was selected as the recipient of the Faculty of Social Sciences' award for Teaching Excellence. This was a very deserving recognition for the outstanding work that Bruce has done, and continues to do for us. Congratulations also to Cecilia Benoit on being the recipient of the 2022 Canada Council for the Arts Molson Prize for the Social Sciences and Humanities.

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The past year was also marked by the tragic loss of Karen Kobayashi. Karen was a member of the department for nearly 20 years, and contributed greatly to our collective endeavour in many ways. She was not only a leading figure with her research, but also in the support and mentorship that she offered to colleagues and students. She is greatly missed, not just in our department but across the university. We were also sad to note the passing of two of our adjunct faculty members – Dorothy Smith and Thomas Burch – in the past year.

On a more positive note, the department was able to complete one hire last year and we are pleased to welcome Athena Madan into the department this term. Athena brings expertise in issues related to global health equity, and her presence will help to strengthen the department's research and teaching in this area. We continue to see faculty renewal, and the end of this term will be marked by the retirement of Martha McMahon after close to 30 years in the department.

Finally, thanks once again to Ruth Kampen for her work in putting together the newsletter this year.

*~Steve Garlick*



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## Getting to Know Athena Madan

***Please tell us a little about yourself.***

I'm pleased to be here with Sociology at UVIC! I am of Indian (present-day Pakistan) and Filipino Indigenous ancestry, and a naturalised Canadian citizen, having been born, raised, and mostly educated overseas. I am a granddaughter, daughter, sister, wife, and mum (of beings both pet and human). I'm also here now on the traditional territories of the Songhees and Lekwungen peoples, and I acknowledge and am grateful for their stewardship of these lands.

I come here from Royal Roads University's School of Humanitarian Studies and the School of Business. My disciplinary background is in social medicine -- addressing fundamental questions of health inequalities and social justice -- and as applied to humanitarian intervention and response settings. I also chaired the RRU Anti-Racism Task Force in 2020.

I completed my PhD with the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine and hold a couple postdocs – one funded by Grand Challenges Canada, and one funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (Strategic Training in Health Research) in collaboration with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. I've contributed to the areas of global health; child soldiers; immigration detention; election observation; perceptions of reconciliation; peace-building; social innovation; social legacies of Apartheid; genocide and intergenerational trauma; and, capacity building. Specific countries of expertise include Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Colombia, the DR Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kashmir, Rwanda, South Africa, and Viet Nam.

Outside of academia, I've worked with organisations such as Doctors Without Borders, the Carter Center, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the World Health Organisation, grassroots NGOs in LMICs, and alongside the Canadian Armed Forces. I have also provided anti-racist subject matter expertise to provincial governments for improved health equity and training reform. I'm the recipient of the Johns Hopkins & National Public Radio's "Untold Stories" Award (2018), British Columbia's Distinguished Academics, Early in Career Award (2021), and an RRU Kelly Teaching Award (2021).

On a more personal note, I am fluently bilingual in French and in English; the mother of Deven (born March 2019); the other half of Drew (a partner with Woodward & Company LLP); and the seventh of seven siblings (auspicious for a Filipino).

***Why are you excited to work at UVic? How do you see your "fit" in the department?***



I'm excited to be here and join an amazing group of colleagues doing socially relevant and transdisciplinary work! During the interview process I noticed how involved in social issues staff and students and indeed the campus all were, which was a motivating energy.

I see my "fit" in the department as contributing to transdisciplinary and global perspectives, on the issues of global health (in line with the University Health Initiative), good governance (addressing historical atrocities in society), and equity (in theory and in practice).

***What courses are you teaching this Fall and Spring?***

I am teaching SOC211 – Introduction to Sociological Research for both Fall & Spring; and in Spring, I'll be adding SOCI327 International Perspectives on Inequities in Health and Health Care (formerly taught by Dr. Margaret Penning) to my list. In future years I'll also be teaching SOCI430A, Issues in Racialisation, Ethnicity & Decolonisation.

***Why is teaching important to you and/or what are the best aspects of teaching?***

The reach of students (what they want to do with what they're learning) is probably my favourite part. I also really enjoy the relationships that develop through teaching & learning, and working with first-generation students to navigate the University environment. The RRU Kelly Outstanding Teaching Award in 2021 assessed candidates on the inclusion of JEDI materials (justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion) in their pedagogy: that's probably the aspect of teaching that's most important to me – the response/ability to increase the representation of knowledges in what we think we know, and challenge dominant paradigms with Indigenous voices and voices from the Global South.

***Tell us about the focus of your current research program.***

My current research is quite broad, with five projects on the go! – which include subjects of decoloniality, genocide education, and global health, using comparative and case-based enquiry. For the first project, I am finishing the write-up for a project on re-imagining humanitarian innovation – looking at how emergency initiatives ought to better repre-

## Athena Madan

sent indigenous knowledges within their intervention designs and funding criteria; that paper will include research from interviews conducted in Brazil, Guatemala, the DRCongo, and the Philippines. For the second, I'm forming a team to look at intergenerational health impacts associated with chemical exposure due to war and mining extraction across northern Saskatchewan, the DRCongo, and Viet Nam. Third, leveraging my leadership position as Education Co-Chair with the Consortium of Universities of Global Health, I am collaborating on a project looking at what a decolonised global health curriculum might look like. Fourth, a small passion project of mine, is looking at intergenerational impacts of Partition, and sharing the stories that survivors are just now starting to feel they can tell. And last, I've got two book projects on the go, on decolonising mental health (projected press for 2024/25), designed to include abstracts in the languages that are most relevant to the contributing communities, and printed as open access. I recognise that's a lot! But all these ideas have taken shape over time, emerging from relationships with community; I don't seek traditional funding sources with strict timeline cycles for that reason. Relationality and community-based research often require more time and flexibility.

### ***How do you feel your teaching complements your research (and visa versa)?***

I think we learn best in relationship with others, and in hearing the 'human' impact of how systems operate as they do (especially as systems can operate tacitly). So I include real-life stories from my research in my teaching: photographs of people, as they've chosen to be represented, with a vignette statement as they have articulated they want the world to hear. While some of the stories are extreme, I hope this fosters some impact to students' learning and illustrates complexity. "Can the subaltern speak?" (by Gayatri Spivak) is a particular touchpoint of mine – I hope that my research helps facilitate a hearing of subaltern voices, and that my teaching facilitates a listening to them.

### ***What do you hope that your students will take away from your courses?***

I hope that students may take with them a window to the world: a sense of connectedness to people whose lives and whose experiences may be different from theirs. I also hope that students get, beyond any one learning objective, a sense of somebody else's story and empathize with it. And then I hope they act in some way in the world to bridge a gap.

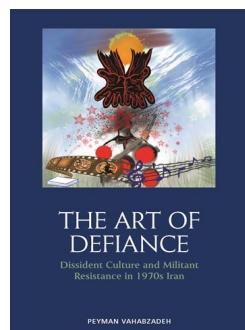
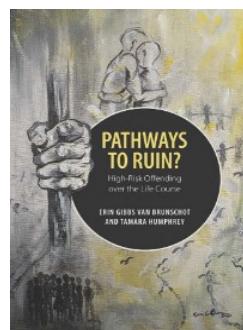
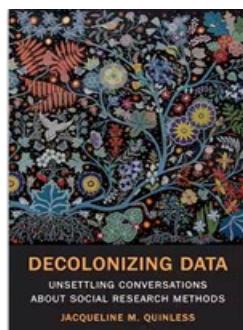
### ***What do you like to do when not working/at work?***

I enjoy running after my 3.5-year-old, Deven! He is very much a little soccer player who also likes to dance. On the rare times that I find myself solo, I enjoy meeting up for a good game of bike polo, finding new patisseries with good croissants (or Indian restaurants with good dosas), and running half-marathons (I'm not as fit as I used to be though, so I am a humble jogger now more than a runner.)

Finally, I'd like to say that I appreciate the warm welcome by students and staff alike! So thank you for that, and I am looking forward to learning, working, and growing alongside!

## Congratulations!

Newly published books by department members  
**Jacqueline Quinless,**  
**Tamara Humphrey &**  
**Peyman Vahabzadeh**



## Faculty Awards and Honours

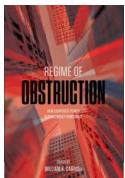


Professor Emeritus, **Cecilia Benoit**, is the recipient of the prestigious 2022 Canada Council for the Arts Molson Prize for the Social Sciences and Humanities. Congratulations to Cecilia on this recognition of her academic work and accomplishments over many years. (\$50,000 prize). For more details about her career focus and passion an interview with Cecilia is included in the [UVic News story](#) from May.

As part of the annual Canadian Sociological Association awards, the Canadian Review of Sociology Journal best article award was received by **William K. Carroll, Nicolas Graham, and Mark Shakespear** for [\*Mapping the environmental field: Networks of foundations, ENGOs, and think tanks. Canadian Review of Sociology, 58, 3: 284-305.\*](#)



Nick is a recent graduate of our PhD program, and Mark is a recent graduate of our MA program, who is now a PhD candidate in Sociology at UBC. Congratulations also to Mark for being rewarded the prestigious Killam Doctoral Scholarship.



The Corporate Mapping Project book **Bill Carroll** edited, published in 2021, *Regime of Obstruction*, won the Scholarly and Academic Book of the Year award at Alberta Book Publishing Awards, in September 2022.

**Bruce Ravelli** is the winner of the Faculty of Social Sciences' Award for Teaching Excellence.

**Aaron Devor** has won the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award (awarded in November)

## Faculty Updates:

**Peyman Vahabzadeh** was invited by Unidad Especial de Paz of Universidad de Antioquia in Medellín, Colombia, in a week long visit this summer that combined invited lectures and research. 3 public talks were delivered to secondary teachers, violence victims, and public servants, and 3 academic lectures were delivered to graduate students, student leaders, and Unidad Especial de Paz faculty.

**Bill Carroll** reports that The Corporate Mapping project is wrapping up, after 7 years of intensive research and knowledge mobilization(!). This past year, he began a new project as Editor of the Elgar Companion to Antonio Gramsci, with plans to have it published and available late next year. He is also currently writing a single-authored book with the working title, *Refusing Ecocide: From Fossil Capitalism to a Livable World*.



**Susan McDaniel** is a member of the program committee for the XX ISA [World Congress of Sociology](#) in Melbourne, Australia this upcoming summer (June 25-July 1, 2023). She is co-organizer with Hirsoshi Ishida, Tokyo U, of World Congress Plenary Session: Retreat, Reform or Reassertion of Neoliberalism: Part 2, Individual vs. Collective Rights to Life Under Neoliberalism. She is the Organizer and Chair, World Congress Integrative Session 'Constructing the foundations for Asian sociology: A case of family and gender studies,' Participating units: Japanese and Vietnamese National Association, Family Research Committee (RC06) and Organizer, World Congress Session 'Generational Relations in Times of Intersecting Crises,' Family Research Committee (RC06).

## Faculty Research Grants

### Cecilia Benoit

2022-2024. *Understanding pathways to enhance access to youth substance use services, interventions, and overdose prevention resources in Victoria, BC.* Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research Convene and Collaborate. Benoit, C. (PA), Cloutier, D., Surrounded by Cedar Child and Family Services (SCCFS) (Co-Is), Mellor, A. (Trainee) \$14,877.

2022-2023. *Understanding pathways to enhance access to youth substance use services, interventions, and overdose prevention resources in Victoria, BC.* SSHRC Partnership Engage. Benoit, C. (PA), VYCS (Co-Applicant), Premji, Z. (Co-I), Mellor, A. (Trainee), BC RCY, SCCFS, CISUR (Collabs.) \$24,888.

2022-2023. *Addressing the Harms of COVID-19 on the Health of the Canadian Health Workforce: Evaluation of an Evidence-Informed, Multi-Level Intervention Strategy.* CIHR, Benoit, C. & Bourgeault, I. (Co-Applicants), \$250,000.

### Aaron Devor

2022-2026. Correctional Service Canada Services Exchange Agreement. Contractor. *Addressing the needs of a gender-diverse correctional population.* \$500,000.

2022-2028. CIHR Health Research Training Platform (H RTP) Pilot Grant. Mentor. Interdisciplinary LGBTQ/2S *HEALTH Hub: Healing through Education and Awareness in stigma reduction and Lifecourse Training in Health.* \$2.5M



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2021-2022. Michael Smith Health Research Convening and Collaborating Grant Team member. "Co-developing a digital health systems research program to support cultural safety and health equity for Two-Spirit, transgender and nonbinary patients in British Columbia." \$15,000.

### Midori Ogasawara

2022-2029. *Past Wrongs, Future Choices,* SSHRC Partnership Grants, Co-Investigator; Co-directed by Dr. Jordan Stanger-Ross, History, UVic & Dr. Audrey Kobayashi, Geography and Planning, Queen's University.

### Margaret Penning

2022-25, with A. Bierman, Y. Lee & M Baetz. *Financial Strain and Mental Health in Canadian Older Adults.* SSHRC Insight Grants Program \$77,001.

### Jacqueline Quinless

2022-2025. SSHRC Race, Gender and Diversity Initiative Grant. A community-based project with the Nak'azdli Whut'en in Northeastern BC entitled *Confronting Environmental Racism: Healing Bodies, Healing Lands.* \$416,850.

### Peyman Vahabzadeh

2022. SSHRC Insight Grant for *Pain, empathy, community: how violence and nonviolence merge in forming human experience.*

### Anelyse Weiler

2002. Internal Research & Creative Projects Grant: *Food Delivery Workers and Car Culture: Comparing Solidarity Across Modes of Transportation in the Gig Economy,* \$7000.

### Sessional Update:

In addition to sessional teaching in the department **Edwin Hodge** is also teaching four "courses" (4 lectures in each course) through UVic Continuing Education and UVic on the Peninsula. One course is named "Conspiratorial thinking in the Post-Truth era" (a course in the fall and one in the spring); the second course is "Nerdology: The sociology of video games and new media" (one course in the fall and one in the spring).



He is also a research fellow with the Borders in Globalization (BIG) project at the Centre for Global Studies (working with Helga Hallgrimsdottir & Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly) where he is taking on the role of policy editor of the BIG Review journal.

He is excited to share that he is the dad to a baby boy named Rowan. And, in his spare time, he just published a non-academic novel, released on October 1<sup>st</sup>, called [The Crown of Tevindh.](#)



## In Memoriam—Karen Kobayashi

It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Dr. Karen Kobayashi on May 28, 2022. Karen came to the Sociology department from UBC where she had completed a SSHRC Postdoctoral fellowship, in 2003. She was a Professor in our department and took on the role of Associate Dean (Research and Graduate Studies), Faculty of Social Sciences in 2019. Throughout her career, Karen was also a Research Fellow with the Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health at UVic.

Karen was a valued member and strong contributor to the department, sitting on numerous committees. She was the Grad Advisor for 2 terms, Honours Program Advisor for 2 years, Associate Chair for a year, a faculty mentor and supervisor to many students. She was a very successful and popular teacher; she regularly taught the department's 'Introduction to Sociological Research' course and was responsible for instilling a passion for Sociology into many students. Students looked forward to her classes and she typically received positive feedback through the term and resounding applause on the last day of class.

Karen was a passionate advocate and champion for understanding and reducing social inequalities. As a third generation Japanese Canadian, she was a powerful voice for redress regarding injustices faced by older adults, diverse immigrant and Indigenous populations, and Japanese Canadians during, and after the internment. She was involved with the Japanese Canadian community in BC, providing consultation on research projects related to healthy aging, outreach programs, and dementia care. She was asked to author the brief on seniors' mental health and well-being for the National Association of Japanese Canadians' (NAJC) proposal for redress from the BC government.

As a social gerontologist and researcher, she often used life course and intersectionality approaches to draw attention to structural, cultural, and individual characteristics and experiences affecting health and aging. In her roles as colleague and Associate Dean Research in the Faculty of Social Sciences, she championed and supported critical, responsive, and accountable scholarship and knowledge mobilization.

Her own research reflected her deep values of collaboration, active engagement, and respect. She loved meeting new people and finding opportunities to partner

with them on a research study, as evidenced by her 50+ grants, many of which she was co-PI or PI on. Moreover, she believed in giving back to the research communities, participants, other investigators, and to the students with whom she worked. She supervised 9 UG Honours students and 16 graduate students.

Karen was a productive scholar, with the publication of 50 peer-reviewed journal articles, 30 book chapters along with numerous reports and research briefs. Over her career she took on numerous roles on adjudication committees for CIHR, SSHRC, MSFHR, and the Alzheimer Society of Canada (chair and scientific officer). She was a manuscript reviewer for over 18 different journals, an invited presenter/panelist at countless events related to gerontology and a regular member and attendee at CAG and GSA conferences.

Karen had an energy and enthusiasm not matched by many. She was a quick talker and walker (in fashionable heels no less), ever ready for the next adventure. Whether it be a new travel destination, restaurant or cocktail, or meeting a new friend, she embraced it all. As an extrovert, Karen was energized by interactions with others, both professionally and personally. She always found time for fun with friends and family and managed to stay up to date on world news as well as the latest culinary and fashion trends. She loved watching sports, especially any sporting event her son, Kaelan, was involved in.



Karen's Celebration of Life was held on August 13 at the Esquimalt Gorge Pavilion, a fitting location as its design was Japanese inspired and situated beside beautiful Japanese gardens. The standing room only crowd was a testament to the many lives she impacted in a positive way. Parts of the service were recorded and still available for a limited time on the Sociology department Facebook page.

Karen was a wise and inspiring colleague, committed mentor and dear friend. She was cherished by many people, including her husband, Cary Hayashi, their teenage son, Kaelan, her immediate, and extended family, and her innumerable close friends at UVic, and beyond. All who knew her will miss an intelligent, energetic woman with an exceptionally friendly and charismatic personality. Our grief is lessened only slightly with the heartening reflection that we had the honour to know her.

~ Cecilia Benoit, Denise Cloutier & Ruth Kampen



## Remembering Karen Kobayashi

*Note: Below are my remarks at the Celebration of Karen's Life on 13 August, which were extemporaneous so not as eloquent as the beautiful speeches by the previous speakers. ~ Susan McDaniel*

I have known Karen for a very long time – since she was a graduate student working with my close friend, Ellen Gee. Because of my close friendship with Ellen, Karen was like a niece to me. We became even closer when Ellen sadly and suddenly passed away in 2002. I was delighted when Karen decided to accept the offer at UVic. In fact, I had been nudging her to do so.

The Gee family – Gordon and Adrienne – and I have remained close to Karen. [As I said this, I noticed Gordie and Adrienne clinging to each other in tears in the front row. They were with Cary when Karen passed away.]

When I relocated to Victoria in September 2019 pre-COVID, I invited a small group of people with whom I am close, to my new home just before the holidays. Karen, of course, was among them. She arrived in very festive spirit, bearing a nice bottle of wine and a large beautiful Poinsettia. She settled in for a lovely time. I can still picture her sitting in the white chair in my living room, chatty and happy.

In 2021, she invited me to join the walking group for a walk around the UVic campus. It was a lovely day and Karen was in good spirits although clearly not well. My dog Cricket, then a very young puppy, was invited to join too. Well, Cricket's little legs could barely keep up, so I put him in his dog carrier where he peeked out eagerly. Karen loved that, as did others.



We were all delighted when Kaelan arrived. Karen was so happy and loved him unreservedly. He made her life complete, and she was so proud of him and his accomplishments in sports and in school.

I sat with Karen, Cary and Kaelan at Adrienne Gee's beautiful wedding in Harrison Hot Springs a few years ago. I'm sure Ellen was there in spirit, proud of Adrienne and enjoying the happy occasion. Kaelan was dressed up in his big boy suit, looking very handsome. Karen danced every dance at the reception and knew every dance step and song. She even knew the moves to the Baby Shark song! [As I said this, Cary in tears, in the front row, with Kaelan, mouthed "I remember that."]

When it was close to the end, I finally worked up my courage to call Cary's phone, hoping to speak briefly with Karen in the ICU to let her know how much I cared for her. He answered the phone saying how good it was to hear from me. He then said, "We have just taken Karen off life support." I was stunned and so, so very sad. I offered him a big caring hug.

No words, no matter how reflectively selected, can sum up all that Karen was, and all that she could still have been. She was one of a kind and is deeply, deeply missed.

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I am still shattered about the sad news that I received regarding my co-supervisor, Dr. Karen Kobayashi. I first met Dr. Kobayashi when I was assigned as a TA for her course on Sociology of Families in Fall 2017. It was my first TAing experience, and I was a newcomer to Canada, where I had no friends or family. In that challenging time of adjustment, Dr. Kobayashi was one of the few persons who genuinely listened to me and supported me in realizing my potential both as a TA and a doctoral student.

Later, in her role as my co-supervisor, she continued to be a supportive mentor, always taking time to hear my thoughts and ideas and showing me ways to move forward with theorizing them. Her comments, in particular, have had a crucial role in making me realize that I want to work with the phenomenological approach in my research. I am deeply sorry that Dr. Kobayashi will not be able to see the last result of our work, and I hope to be able to honor her efforts by dedicating my dissertation to her memory.

~ Sanam Vaghefi

## Remembering Karen Kobayashi

Ambitious, supportive, engaged, passionate, dedicated, involved. This is the kind of person Karen was, not only as a professor and mentor but as a person and dear friend.

We, Danielle and Qwisun, were two of Karen's undergraduate Honours students in 2017-2018. We were lucky enough to have her as our professor for many classes throughout our years at UVIC; her deep care for her students is what drew us to her as a supervisor.

Karen's passion for sociology was infectious; she is the reason we took such a strong interest in the field. She inspired us both to be more conscientious, caring, and accepting humans.

Karen also supported both of our endeavors after graduating from UVIC. She encouraged us to pursue graduate degrees and even discussed which programs would suit our individual strengths. Karen was such a huge support and is one of the main reasons that we are where we are in life - completing grad degrees and doing work in important fields.

In addition to creating an incredible academic environment, Karen also made sure to create a safe space wherever she went. She was trustworthy, caring, and genuine. She was even one of the first people that Danielle came out to.

As much as we loved delving into sociological theories and talking for hours about course content (and the tangents that accompanied those conversations), we also connected through other shared interests – one, in particular, was soccer.

Karen's son, Kaelan, an avid athlete, was the absolute light of her life. Whether it was baseball, hockey, or soccer, she never missed a game, and would report to us

weekly about how he and his team(s) were doing. As soccer players ourselves, Karen was always interested in how our teams were doing as well. We would exchange "colourful" words about crappy referees and fouls committed by the opposing team (never us, of course...), as well as celebrate our victories. Much like in the classroom, she shared in our successes and supported us through hardships. She even made it out to watch one of our games when our teams played each other!

Karen helped us to thrive both academically and personally. She has had a lasting impact on our lives and we will always be grateful for her support, encouragement, and her zest for life. We miss her deeply and know that her legacy will live on through all those who had the honour of knowing and loving her. She will never be forgotten.

**~Danielle Knopfel & Qwisun Yoon-Park**

*Since graduating from UVic in 2018, Danielle completed a Masters in Public Administration at the University of Ottawa (which Karen suggested she apply for), and is now working as a policy analyst with the federal government at the Gender Based Analysis Plus Centre of Expertise. She reviews Cabinet documents to ensure that an intersectional approach is woven into all policies, programs, and services within the department.*

*After graduating from UVic in 2018, Qwisun worked for the Vancouver School Board doing youth programming until 2020, and was the Assistant Manager at the Sexual Assault Support Centre (SASC) before returning to school in 2021. She is currently pursuing her MA in Educational Studies at UBC, with a focus on reimagining sexual health education in BC secondary schools. She also works part-time doing social media for a period pain relief company called somedays.*



*Qwisun & Danielle on the far right, Honours students 2017-18*

Since Karen passed away, I hear her laughing in my head each time I come out of the stairwell and onto the third floor of Cornett. Many of our best conversations started with a cheerful greeting and shared laughter when we bumped into each other in the Main Office. I was fortunate to witness many of Karen's gifts to our department over the years. I saw her ability to connect with undergraduate students when I worked as her TA; my fellow grad students and I received supportive career/funding advice when she was grad advisor; and, I benefited from her academic insights when she was a member of my health comp committee. She was also a supportive friend as I navigated difficult health challenges and our conversations about chronic illness were so meaningful to me. The department does not feel the same without her, but I am thankful that I am reminded of her warmth each time I reach the third floor.

**~Manda Roddick**

## In Memoriam—Dorothy Smith

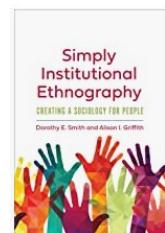
Canadian sociologist **Dorothy Smith**, a longtime member of our Department, passed away on June 6, 2022. Certainly one of the most innovative sociologists of her generation, globally, Dorothy made important contributions to our program, particularly through her mentorship of a stream of graduate students, across three decades.



In 1990, when Dorothy received the Canadian Sociological Association's Outstanding Contribution award at the Congress of Learned Societies in Victoria, I caught up with her in a stairwell, and floated the idea that she relocate to the University of Victoria after her imminent retirement from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE). To my delight, this invitation met with success, and she soon joined our Department as an Adjunct Professor of Sociology, a position she would hold until her passing.

Dorothy co-supervised a good many graduate students as they moved through the UVic Sociology program, and she also gave the occasional seminar course on Institutional Ethnography, the critical research strategy she pioneered. Her presence in these ways enriched the experiences of students and faculty alike. I certainly learned a lot as Dorothy and I co-supervised more than half a dozen theses and dissertations. Of course, the excellent students we co-supervised are just a small fraction of all the activist-scholars Dorothy mentored over her long career.

Dorothy stayed intellectually and politically engaged until the end. Weeks before her passing, she participated in an online tribute that also launched what was to be her last book, *Simply Institutional Ethnography: Creating a Sociology for People*. Coauthored with her former student Alison Griffith (also, sadly, no longer with us), it offers a popular introduction to institutional ethnography as a sociology *for people*, which will be a valuable resource to those struggling to create change from below in the challenging times that lie ahead.



**~William Carroll**

Below are tributes from some of the graduate students Dorothy mentored at UVic.

It is with great sadness that I learned of the passing of my mentor and friend [Dorothy Smith](#) (1926-2022). Dorothy has been an inspiration to so many of us, and has done some of her most remarkable publishing in the last two decades. In May I attended the launch of her latest book, *Simply Institutional Ethnography: A Sociology for People*. It is surely gratifying that so many of us were also able to attend the virtual tribute held in Dorothy's honour in April, during which the [video about her life](#) was released .

I first encountered Dorothy in a Critical Research Strategies course she was teaching in 2002 during my undergrad studies at UVic. While there, I also had the privilege of taking her courses in Social Organization of Knowledge and Institutional Ethnography for my Masters degree. Dorothy was always so generous with her time and expertise, and I was delighted when she agreed to be co-supervisor for my PhD studies at SFU in 2009. It was truly a privilege to have her supervise my PhD work - her patience and insightful guidance saw me through to completion!

**~Debbie Dergousoff**

Debbie received her MA in Sociology from UVIC in 2008 and her PhD in Sociology from Simon Fraser University in 2014. She is currently a Lecturer in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Simon Fraser University.

I first met Dorothy E. Smith in textual form when reading *The Conceptual Practices of Power: A Feminist Sociology of Knowledge* (1990) during my undergraduate degree. I was studying sociology and social justice studies and was hooked on her brain, her critical feminist sociology, her politics. Years later, I had the great privilege of being co-supervised by Dorothy for my doctorate in Sociology at UVic; this remains an intellectual and personal opportunity for which I will always be deeply grateful. Indeed, it changed the trajectory of my professional life.

Dorothy was undeniably brilliant, inspirational, encouraging, and curious. She wanted to know how things were put together as they were. She liked the puzzle of the problematic, everyday world. Her work was deeply political. She was incredibly generous with her time but did not suffer fools. She read everything. Twice. She was a committed educator and mentor. And was she ever funny—dry and cutting and irreverent in the best possible way.

I continue to draw tremendous inspiration from both Dorothy's writing and the model she set for me of what it means to be a mentor and educator. She taught me what it looks like in action to be truly curious and supportive of trainees that I have the opportunity to work with and

## Remembering Dorothy

learn from. She is the voice in my head as I now teach courses on Institutional Ethnography and supervise diverse graduate students—from social workers and sociologists to anesthesiologists and public health professionals—using this critical social research strategy. I will miss her deeply and am grateful for the indelible impact she has made on my life.

~Daniel Grace

*Daniel received his PhD in Sociology from UVic in 2012. He is Associate Professor at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto*

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During my PhD coursework, there was an opportunity to take a class on Institutional Ethnography with Dr. Dorothy Smith. I was hesitant to enroll because I was still relatively new to the discipline of Sociology (my undergrad is a mixture of Nursing and Human Geography) and the lessons I learned during my MA in Sociology suggested I had so much more to understand before tackling Dorothy's "alternative sociology." However, my friends assured me that I would begin to understand IE over time and learning from Dorothy might be "a once in a lifetime opportunity" so I should take the risk of being in over my head. Fortunately, it was only the decision to take her course that was a once in a lifetime opportunity – learning from her was an ongoing feature of our 14-year relationship.

Each week Dorothy would travel from Vancouver to Victoria for class. She was usually walking from the bus with her backpack on (for many weeks she was also sporting a cast on her wrist) and once she walked into the room, I always felt like she meant business. She could move from checking in about her travels while setting up her laptop to an intense discussion on institutional circuits with ease. I found her ability to be present and intellectually engaged in every conversation, while also acknowledging the material realities of her day, inspiring.

Two months into the course, I got some bad health news – learning that the chronic disease I had been diagnosed with years earlier was actually a secondary condition to a rare genetic disease. I started talking to Dorothy after class and by email about what was happening medically in relation to course assignment deadlines and she encouraged me to write my paper as an IE research proposal beginning from my standpoint as a patient. When I learned I would need plasma infusions throughout my life, I decided to look at the texts that coordinated blood product distribution in Canada. Dorothy provided me with pages of feed-

back and suggested I should carry this work forward even though she pointed out that although I explained IE well, "it hasn't become how you put things together." Dorothy and I continued to meet for a couple of years after the course before I decided to take the plunge and do an IE of rare patient healthwork. I felt honoured that Dorothy wanted to supervise my work and I have worked hard in the decade since my first paper to write an account of rare patient healthwork as an institutional ethnographer would. I am heartbroken Dorothy will not have a chance to see the full dissertation we always talked about and that I am left to imagine what her feedback might have been (although, I have a clear vision of the sharp, but encouraging, language she may have used!)

Although I am saddened by not finishing my PhD before Dorothy's passing, my greatest grief is from losing my friend. As I got sicker over the years, I started to require complex surgeries in Vancouver. I would travel from Victoria to see surgeons and then Dorothy and I would meet at a tea place on Broadway and it became one of the sites for our best academic discussions. In the first few days after my huge surgery in 2013, unbeknownst to me, Dorothy called the nursing station at the hospital to find out how I was doing and then, once I was stable, she started to come by for visits. I was so touched by her kindness, but I was also nervous – I thought she was the smartest person I had ever met and I worried about how our conversations would go when I was in pain and heavily medicated. Luckily, that fear was put to rest quickly.

My best memories with Dorothy are the conversations we had in hospital rooms. There were moments to learn about her childhood, hear wonderful stories about her sons and grandchildren, and receive opportunities to share tales about my own upbringing on a family farm. Dorothy also had a chance to see me work – talking to doctors about scans, nurses about wound care, and pharmacists sorting out my complicated med regime -- watching my healthwork after my first few surgeries even led to an interview Dorothy conducted with me so I could avoid "institutional capture" and breakdown pieces of the healthwork activities that had become so routine in my life.

My last in-person visit with Dorothy was fittingly at the hospital in February 2020 – she came by later in the afternoon than usual and the sun was already going down so

## Dorothy Smith

the room was a bit dark. A team of surgical residents came in and our discussion of my serious post-op complications was extensive and technical. After the doctors left the room, Dorothy shook her head gently and pointed out that she had no idea what we were talking about but watching the conversation was “very interesting!” Dorothy’s presence always reminded me to be mindful of my own healthwork and the work processes of those around me. Thinking like an institutional ethnographer taught me to see the layers of social organization that were persistently placing my exceptional body in danger during health care encounters and provided insight into the best ways to navigate around such hazards. ~ Manda Roddick

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The department also lost **Thomas K. Burch**, who passed away on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Tom joined our department as an adjunct professor in 2001, after retiring from University of Western Ontario. Since then he was also a Research Affiliate of the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, University of Washington, Seattle and a member of the Canadian Population Society. He was also an active member of the on campus, interdisciplinary Population Research Group (PRG), started by Zheng Wu.



On the list of [20 Best Demography Books of all Time](#), Tom’s 2017 book on Model-Based Demography sits at #12. This volume of selected essays takes a wide-ranging methodological critique of demography, rejecting the notion that demography is simply a branch of applied statistics. More details about his illustrious career can be [found here](#).

Tom was very kind and personable, with a ready smile and friendly comment for all he met. He expressed genuine interest in others’ teaching and research projects during the PRG lunches and shared his wealth of knowledge and engaged the presenters with questions and comments during the seminars. He will be missed.

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## Grad Student Updates

I have finished my coursework and starting my second year MA (CSPT). I’m in the proposal stage for my thesis but my general project so far is using Nietzsche, Rollo May and Vine Deloria Jr. to understand Artificial General Intelligence (AGI). I’m looking at western ideas inherited from the European Christian-Platonic tradition, particularly asceticism and nihilism, how they are based in our foundational mythologies, and how they will influence the development of AGI.

My main interest is the capacity of AGI to reify colonial structures and cognitive biases. My tentative thesis title is *‘The Social Mythology and Colonial context of Artificial General Intelligence’*. The thesis is meant to grow out of my honours thesis which was titled: *Aesthetics and Madness: The Correspondence of Rivière & Artaud Through Nietzsche and Foucault*. Where my honours thesis looked at understanding the social context around understandings of madness as a divergence from normative (western) cognitive understandings in society, my current thesis intends to use a similar perspective to look at Artificial General Intelligence as another form of cognition. Understandings of madness sit at one end of the cognitive norm with AGI at the other, with the former being

looked down upon and the latter praised. This has implications for how the technology of AGI is understood, developed, and how it will express its existence. In relation to this topic I presented a paper at Pacific University in 2021 titled *Language Rigidification and Managing Truth and Reason in Nietzsche’s ‘On Truth and Lying in a Non-Moral Sense’*. This paper served as a framing of Nietzsche that can be used to explain different understandings of cognition.

Over the summer I have been working with Steve Garlick as a Research Assistant looking at masculinities and understandings of sexuality and gender within Neoliberal theory, particularly in the works of Milton Friedman.

Unrelated to my thesis and RA work, I will be presenting at the 2022 North American Sartre Society (NASS) a paper tentatively titled: *The Ontological Role of Sex in Sartre’s Being and Nothingness*. This is a paper that was supposed to be presented at the 2020 NASS conference that was cancelled and delayed until 2022. I have been updating this paper and I am extremely excited to travel and finally present it.

~Tyler Branston, MA

## Current Graduate Student—Updates

On August 15th, I started a new position with the BC Public Service as a Policy Analyst in the StudentAid BC branch of the Ministry of Advanced Education. In this role, I use the skills I learned in my sociology education daily to do qualitative and quantitative research about the policy issues relevant to this branch. My day-to-day policy work also includes assessing the efficacy of various student financial assistance grant and bursary programs run by StudentAid BC to determine if they are serving the needs of diverse students, all with the aim of increasing access to post-secondary for students across the province. This is my first job in government so there has been a lot to learn, but it's been a great new challenge so far!

**~Alexandra Haupt, MA**

Over the summer, I worked with Dr. Humphrey (SOCI) and Dr. Yap (PHIL) as a research assistant on their participatory action research project working with formerly incarcerated individuals. During this time, we conducted a scoping review of the subject and are in the process of community building and recruitment. In addition to my wonderful RA experience, I am excited to have the opportunity to present three posters with Nell Perry, Adam Scott-Jenkins, and Tamara Humphry at the upcoming American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. The Poster titles are *Childhood Victimization, Gender, and Mental Health Outcomes: A Cross-Sectional Population-Based Study; A Critical Inquiry into Small Business Owners' Constructions of Community; and Transit Policy's Role in the Individualization of Safety from Sexual Violence.* ~**Patrick Falle, MA**

I have been deeply honored to receive recognition for my papers on Iranian refugee mental health through two separate awards by the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) and the Canadian Sociology Association (CSA).

My first paper, which was one of the winners of the IRCC 2021 National Essay Challenge Award, is entitled “Carrying our Wounds”: Mental Health and Well-being of Iranian Refugees in Canada”. This paper was published both in French and English by the IRCC in February. Also, I had the exciting opportunity to present my research to Canadian policy-makers at the Research Matters Event of the IRCC on January 25.

My second paper, named “Refugee Mental Health during the Asylum Waiting Process: A Qualitative Study of Turkish and Canadian Contexts” won the best paper award by the Mental Health Cluster of the CSA. I also had the opportunity to present this paper at the virtual conference of the CSA, where I was able to receive questions and comments that further contributed to my research process.

This year, I also attended the CSA Annual Conference for the second time. I presented my research on Iranian refugee migration and health in two different sessions organized by the Sociology of Migration and Sociology of Mental Health Clusters. In the first session, I received two questions from the session moderator which allowed me to highlight the variance of refugee experiences across different countries, i.e., Turkey and Canada. In the second session, I received four questions regarding the policy implications of my research. Both of these sessions allowed me to obtain a more fresh perspective towards my research, by understanding which aspects of it needs to be emphasized for the broader audience.

In addition to the CSA Conference, I was able to present my research at the 19th IMISCOE Annual Conference at Oslo University and the CRS/YCAR Virtual Student Conference at York University, both of which were intellectually nourishing experiences. I am thankful to the Faculty of Graduate Studies and to our Department for their generous funding which allowed me to participate in these conferences, and I am looking forward to future opportunities to share my research.

**~Sanam Vanghefi, PhD**



I have been keeping busy working as a sessional instructor in the department as well as at Kwantlen Polytechnic University. I am excited to be getting very close to finishing my doctoral dissertation, which focuses on the shaping and reshaping of Iranian women’s individual and collective selves in the storms of socio-political events and intellectual discourses which represent them. Earlier this month I was able to share my thoughts on this topic in a webinar hosted by the Canadian Sociological Association. Thank you to **Ashley Berard** for moderating the successful event.  
~ **Sara Naderi, PhD**



## New Graduate Students in our Department

The department is very excited to welcome the new graduate cohort, consisting of 10 MA students and 2 PhD students (\*PhD student will join in January 2023, while the MA has deferred entry until Sept 2023). We wish all new and returning students a successful year!

Name	Supervisor	Previous Institution	Areas of Research
<b>PhD Students</b>			
Jen Kostuchuk	Anelyse Weiler	University of Victoria	Gender and work--intersectional feminism; precarious work; gender; community organization of labour; qualitative methods
Sasha Zinovich *	Andre Smith	University of Victoria	Dementia; medical assistance in dying; discourse; inequalities and inequities in health and health care; power, health policy, and health law; potential impact of social influences on health care decisions and delivery
<b>MA Students</b>			
Payton Burgin	William Carroll	University of Victoria	Consumer capitalism and fast-fashion; consumption and social identity; the societal and social justice implications of the fast fashion industry and consumption (specifically online) as a means of creating social connection and maintaining social identity during the pandemic
Rachel de Molitor	Susan McDaniel	St. Thomas University - Fredericton, NB	Gender and reproductive aging. Generating detailed understandings of the lived & embodied experiences of women's reproductive aging by examining perimenopause as a social performance "done" within the context of gendered successful aging & uncertainty.
Abby Fleck	Garry Gray	Queen's University	Probation; parole and other correctional sentences that serve as bridges between offenders and their communities.
Caitlin Francis	William Carroll	University of Victoria	Political ecology and corporate power in Canada, focusing on hegemony. Notably, fossil hegemony and how that undermines Indigenous sovereignty. Specifically, the relationships between fossil capital and RCMP, such as the relationships witnessed on Wet'suwet'en territory between the RCMP and Coastal Gaslink.
Elif Cansu Gumuspala	Steve Garlick	Middle East Technical University - Turkey	Interested in reasons behind states' discrimination policies against LGBTQI+ people and society's reaction. Would like to focus on systematic exclusion of people who do not fit binary sex categorization in institutions and social environments. Main topic is the conditions of non-cisgender identities in sports, especially in Olympics.
Nyki Kish	Tamara Humphrey	University of Fraser Valley	To conduct community engaged qualitative and perhaps mixed methods research to gain insight into the experiences of individuals on parole with life sentences in Canada.
Bushra Mohammed	Sean Hier	University of Ilorin - Nigeria	Victimology; violent crime; and media representation of crime.
Yaser Riki*	Peyman Vahabzadeh	Kharazmi University - Iran	Sociology of Development and Modernity; Political Sociology; Historical Sociology; Sociology of Knowledge
Mohamad Sadeghi Ronizi	Peyman Vahabzadeh	University of Tehran - Iran	Environmental Sociology; Social Movements; Rural Sociology; Historical Sociology; Political Economy
Ancaryn Yelovatz	Martha McMahon	University of Victoria	Studying food sovereignty initiatives on Vancouver Island through an ecofeminist lens, foregrounding Indigenous led initiatives where possible.

## Graduate Student Awards, Scholarships & Honours

### SSHRC – Doctoral

Ashley Berard



### SSHRC – MA

Nicole Kish

Candace Woodland

Cameron Chevrier

### Chair in Transgender Studies Graduate Scholarships

Sansal Gümüşpala

Cameron Chevrier

Elif Cansu Gümüşpala



Chair in Transgender Studies  
The Transgender Archives

### Canadian Sociological Association's Outstanding Graduating Student Awards in 2021-2022:

Dustin Zielke, PhD & Finn Deschner, MA

### Other student awards/scholarships:

**Melissa Forsyth** (PhD) received the 2022 President's Fellowship in Research-Enriched Teaching.

**Sanam Vaghefi** (PhD)

2021 National Essay Challenge (one of 4 winners) sponsored by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. The essay was titled: *Carrying our Wounds: Mental Health and Well-being of Iranian Refugees in Canada*



CSA Mental Health Research Cluster's Best Student Paper Award, for a paper called *Refugee Mental Health During the Asylum Waiting Process: A Qualitative Study of Turkish and Canadian Contexts*



## Recent Graduate Student Defenses

**Masoumeh Khorramipour (INTD)** "Fair Governance and Islamoexploria: The Interaction of Government Administrators and the Marginalized" December 7, 2021 (Co-Supervisor: Min Zhou)



**Rebeccah Nelems** "On Intra-Becoming / Beyond Individualism: A Decolonizing, Phenomenological Exploration of Youth Climate Justice Activists' Lessons for Transformative Eco-Social Change on Turtle Island" May 13, 2022 (Supervisor: Peyman Vahabzadeh; Member: William Carroll)

### MA Thesis & Major Research Paper

**Jen Kostuchuk:** "Unmasking Workers in the Victoria, BC Restaurant Community: Women's Serving Experiences Before and During the COVID-19 Pandemic", December 9, 2021 (Supervisor: Bruce Ravelli; Member: Aaron Devor)

**Keely Bethune** "Freedom v. Protection (v. Fence-Sitting) Narratives in the Euthanasia Debate: A Qualitative Narrative Policy Analysis of Canadian Media from 2007-2017" December 13, 2021. (Supervisor: Garry Gray; Member: Martha McMahon)

**Samantha Nadal** "Spirituality as a Means of Resilience for Women Recovering from Intimate Partner Abuse" December 16, 2021 (Supervisor: Andre Smith; Member: Peyman Vahabzadeh)

**Talya Jesperson** "A Siri-ous Conversation about AI: Understanding Human Relationships with Artificial Intelligence" July 12, 2022 (Co-Supervisor: William Carroll)

**Rachael Barton-Bridges** "Beyond the Ivory Tower: A First-Person Exploration of Navigating the Intersections of Academia and Community" August 11, 2022 (Supervisor: Bruce Ravelli; Member: Anelyse Weiler)

**Fiona McNeill-Knowles** "A Critical Examination of Climate Change Issues Identified in Three B.C. Climate Change and Agricultural Policy Documents" August 17, 2022 (Supervisor: Martha McMahon)

**Mandana Karimi** "Challenges of Water Licence in Agriculture Sector in British Columbia: An Exploratory Sociological Inquiry" August 15, 2022 (Supervisor: Martha McMahon; Co-Supervisor: Peyman Vahabzadeh)



## Updates from Former Graduate Students

I started my current employment with the Dairy Farmers of Canada as a Sustainability Specialist in September 2022. In general, I assist with creating policies and programs that support DFC's sustainability strategy and their Sustainability Policy Development. I work with dairy farmers and other experts in developing strategies for continuing adoption of sustainable best management practices on their farms and further develop DFC's environmental targets.

My MA research on the BC Ministry of Agriculture's climate change policies directly relates to the work I am currently doing. Specifically, the policy analysis skills I developed and a sociological understanding of climate change issues has allowed me to address the systems of power at play in climate action and policy as related to agriculture. Although I don't deal with statistics per se, I work with a lot of scientists and hearing them talk about quantitative data is less intimidating after taking statistics! ~**Fiona McNeill-Knowles**

After sessional instructing for a few years in this department, I am now primarily teaching in the Human Dimensions of Climate Change (HDCC) program. I have been teaching both the program's core course, Introduction to Human Dimensions of Climate Change and at the upper level, Climate Change and Social Transformation. In the

new year, I'll be starting a postdoc at York University's Glendon College, contributing to a project focused on the environmental movement in Canada. While the postdoc is at York, I will remain and teach in Victoria, where much of the research will take place.

~**Nicolas Graham**

I have commenced a SSHRC-funded postdoctoral fellowship at McGill University's Faculty of Law. Working with Dr. Joshua Nichols, my research explores the pathways youth climate justice activists open up to transform and decolonize human rights by forwarding an eco-centric and counter-hegemonic concept of rights. This post-doc research builds on the findings of my recently defended PhD dissertation, *On Intra-Becoming / Beyond Individualism: A Decolonizing, Phenomenological Exploration of Youth Climate Justice Activists' Lessons for Transformative Eco-Social Change on Turtle Island*.

Additionally, I wanted to share my most recent publication for those who might be interested - [Other Wise Democracies](#): What the Tree Canopies Know, published by Cambridge University Press. It is in the edited volume, *Democratic Multiplicity: Perceiving, Enacting and Integrating Democratic Diversity*, the full contents of which are available on [Open Access](#) through Cambridge Open.

~ **Rebeccah Nelems**

## Honours Program Undergraduate Honours Program

Are you interested in conducting your own research? Are you thinking about continuing your studies in sociology? If so, the honours program is for you! Students meet weekly, select a research topic, and guided by a supervisor, present their findings at the end of the program. Last year's presentations are listed to the right.

This years' Honours program includes 9 students:

**Adrian Dunkerson**  
**Rose Hudson**  
**Dominica Prasad**  
**Grace Riberio**  
**Julia Scott**  
**Talia Short**  
**Nate Shelley**  
**Hannah Thon**  
**Lumeng (Shirley) Xie**



Last year's honours student, Arista presenting her research.

For more information about the program contact **Andre Smith** at [apsmith@uvic.ca](mailto:apsmith@uvic.ca)

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**Department of Sociology Announces:**  
**Honours Research Symposium**

Wednesday, March 30th, 2022  
 12:30 - 2:00 pm  
 Cornett Building, Room B112

Come and learn about what the Honours students have been researching this year. Each student will give a brief 15-minute presentation on their project with time for questions afterwards.

**Presenters Include:**

**Felix Morrow:**  
 "The Tragedy of the Commodity and the State: A Comparative Case Study of the Atlantic Bluefin Tuna and Newfoundland Cod Fishery Collapses."

**Arista Marthyman:**  
 "Language Support, Interpretation or Advocacy? How Uncertified Interpreters for Migrant Workers in British Columbia Perceive Their Role, Navigate Power Dynamics and Manage Ethical Challenges."

**Mila Klapstein:**  
 "Pedagogy to Oppression:  
 An Exploratory Application Analysis of Canada's Education System."

All are welcome! Refreshments and snacks will be available.  
 We would greatly appreciate if people wore masks during the Symposium.  
 Thank you.

## BOSS Update

The Bureau of Sociology Students (BOSS) is making a revival after slowing down during the pandemic. BOSS will continue to support students and promote sociology through both academic and social events. Last year, BOSS made a small excursion to the board games cafe downtown. Our first event this year is our Pizza Social.



YOU are invited to the BOSS Welcome Back to Campus Pizza Social! Enjoy pizza and refreshments while getting to know the other students and faculty members in UVIC's sociology family.

**When: Wednesday, October 26th @ 4:00pm**

**Where: Cornett B107**

**Who:** Anyone enrolled in a sociology course this year and sociology department staff!

**Don't forget to RSVP!**

Other potential events on the planning table in the coming months include movie nights, games nights, a collaborative sociology event with UBC's Sociology Students' Association, and more. BOSS has a meeting room/drop-in space in the department, Cornett A372. We also have semi-regular meetings to discuss BOSS affairs which all members are welcome to attend. Every student taking a sociology course is automatically a member. Additionally, if you are interested in joining our executive team, please reach out to us!

This year, we have an all new executive team. Thanks to Felix and Ancaryn for supporting us and passing on directorship to the new team!

Directors at Large: **Talia Shortt, Sunny Enkin Lewis**

Treasurer: **Sierra Winnitoy**

PUGS Liaison: **Sam Bottrill**

Faculty Liaison and Communications Director: **Nakira Woodcock**

Vice President and Social Media Coordinator: **Beliz Arslan**

President: **Adele Mark**

To stay tuned for upcoming events and meetings, follow us on Facebook at Bureau of Sociology Students, on Instagram at BOSSUVIC, or email us at [boss.uvic@gmail.com](mailto:boss.uvic@gmail.com) to be added to our mailing list or join our Discord server!

## Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award — JCURA

This UVIC award encourages undergraduate students to pursue innovative and original research and further their own learning, at the same time, providing an important preparatory experience toward graduate studies or a research related career. The JCURA Fair is held in March where students present their research poster. Many students who win a JCURA are in the Honours program but that is not a requirement. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the past two years the JCURA fair was virtual. More information about the award, the application process and the fair are available [here](#).



This year's recipients are:

**Dominica Prasad** (M. Ogawasara)  
**Adele Mark** (T. Humphrey)  
**Hannah Thon** (S. Naderi)  
**Talia Shortt** (B. Ravelli)

The 2021-22 JCURA recipients were:

**Mila Klapstein** and **Arista Marthyman**



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Agricultural Workers  
Perceive Their Role,  
Power Dynamics, and  
Ethics

Mila & Arista's research poster and short video are [here](#).

## Co-op Program - 2022 Student Placements

UVic offers an exciting co-op program for undergraduate and graduate students. More and more Sociology students are taking the opportunity to gain valuable and relevant work experience while also completing their degree. For more information about the program as well as requirements, click [here](#). The below table notes the students who are currently on co-op as well as those who participated this summer and spring. Career Services and opportunities are also available, with the [West Coast Virtual Fair](#) being held Nov 2-3, 2022.



### Fall 2022

Student Name	Degree Program(s)	Work Term	Co-op Employer	Location
Sharon Nyeste	SOCI	1	Canadian Brewhouse	Victoria, BC
Charlotte Faulkner	SOCI & Minor in Business	2	Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction	Victoria, BC
Laura Andrea Diaz Ruiz	SOCI & Environmental Studies Majors	3	Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure	Victoria, BC

### Summer 2022

Kellen Brown	SOCI	1	Ministry of Advanced Education	Victoria, BC
Ryana Emile	SOCI	1	Statistics Canada	Ottawa, ON
Cara Falcone	SOCI & Minor in ES	1	Social Planning Cowichan	Duncan, BC
Charlotte Faulkner	SOCI & Minor in Business	1	Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction	Victoria, BC
Sierra Winnitoy	SOCI & Minor in Philosophy	1	Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resources Operations & Rural Development	Victoria, BC
Lian Woo	SOCI & Minor in Professional Communication	1	Victoria Chamber of Commerce	Victoria, BC
Laura Andrea Diaz Ruiz	SOCI & Environmental Studies Majors	2	Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure	Victoria, BC
Dominica Prasad	SOCI & Environmental Studies Majors	2	Canadian Human Rights Commission	Ottawa, ON
Shirley Xie	SOCI Honours & Minor in Hispanic Studies	3	Ministry Responsible for Youth & Children	Victoria, BC

### Spring 2022

Student Name	Degree Program(s)	Work Term	Co-op Employer	Location
Manda Roddick	PhD – Sociology	2	Public Health Agency of Canada	Ottawa, ON
Shirley Xie	SOCI Honours & Minor Hispanic Studies	2	Ministry Responsible for Children & Youth	Victoria, BC

## In the Media (interviews, podcasts, newspaper)

### William Carroll

17 May 2022: Media interview with Jolene Rudisuela of the Capital Daily, on “[The unstoppable wave](#)”: how youth climate activists are making a difference.”  
 12 April 2022: [Fossil capital, imperialism and the global corporate elite](#). Interview on Faculti.net,  
<https://breachmedia.ca/horgans-ndp-suppressing-a-party-debate-on-lng-industry-insidersay/>  
 30 Nov. 2021: Interview with Jackie Lamport, [Capital Daily Podcast](#), published on 2 December  
 19 Nov 2021: Interviewed by Karen Stanbridge, for the Canadian Sociological Association’s [CRStalradio](#), Episode 5.1

### Aaron Devor

#### 2022 Media spots

CHEK Television, Vancouver Island. June.	CNN online, May
CHEK Television, Victoria, BC, Apr.	The Church Militant online, June.
CBC Radio, On the Coast, Victoria, BC, Apr	The American Conservative, online, June
CBC Radio, All Points West, BC, Apr.	Tablet Magazine, online, June
CTV Television, Apr.	CBS58 online, Milwaukee, WI, Mar
CBC News, Canada, Apr.	People magazine, online, May
CBC Radio, Vancouver Island, BC, Mar.	CBC Radio, Vancouver Island, BC, Feb.
CBC Radio Canada, BC, Jan	CHEK Television, Vancouver Island, BC, Mar.



#### Public Video & Podcast Features

2022. [Shoulders to Stand On](#): A Taste of Trans+ History. Environics Analytics. June. (51:03)  
 2022. [Medical Professionals Explain What It Means To Be Trans](#): Transforming Gender. Real Pride. June. (10:45)  
 2022. [Histoire Source Story](#). Written in the Margins: A conversation about 1980s Trans & Queer activism and politics.  
 2022. [The Big Sex Talk](#). Beyond the Binary. CBC Gem TV. Mar. (22:17)  
 2021. [Trans Memory](#): Keeping Trans History Alive. Vancouver Art Book Fair. Oct. (1:03:25)  
 2021. [Beyond Equity Towards Justice](#). Virtual Pro Pride. Aug. (1:32:14)

### Edwin Hodge

UVic video on [how to talk to friends and family about conspiracy theories](#):  
[Who's driving the trucker protests?](#) (CBC Radio) Jan.31  
[Politicians hanged in effigy at protest at B.C. legislature reflects disturbing trend: Expert](#) (Global News) Dec.13  
[Mak Parhar](#) (Global News) Nov.8

### Susan McDaniel

Victoria Times Colonist “Population aging [and family doctor ‘shortages’](#)” 2 April 2022  
 CBC “[Canada’s aging population](#) and return to work” 16 May 2022  
 CTV “Canada’s [fertility rate reached a record low](#) in 2020: StatCan” 31 May 2022  
 CTV “Canada’s [population could increase to 57M by 2068](#), posing challenges for housing, health care” 24 August 2022

### Midori Ogasawara

“[Expert Q&A on the growing spy game in Canada](#)”, UVic News, August 2022.  
 Interviews by *Radio CFAX 1070* and *Black Press* on Canada’s growing spy game.  
 “Mass Electronic Surveillance in Canada”, *The Ring*, University Communications + Marketing, UVic, September 2022.

### Peyman Vahabzadeh

[Interview with Jadaliyya](#) about my new book, *The Art of Defiance; Protests in Iran* CBC Radio, Sept.28

### Anelyse Weiler

<https://www.capitaldaily.ca/news/victoria-restaurants-labour-shortage>  
<https://www.capitaldaily.ca/news/bcgeu-union-strike-targets-liquor-stores>  
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**Carroll, W.** "Critical research strategies in the Corporate Mapping Project." 21 January. Concordia University webinar on Researching Fossil Capital. January 21.

Chirino, V., & **Humphrey, T.** "Latino Men's Well-Being". Invited Panelist for Transforming Masculinities: Indigenous and Intercultural Perspectives in Canada. October 28, 2021.

Devor, A. Chair in Transgender Studies Visiting Lecturers Series, UVic (5X in 2022).

Devor, A. Chair, **FTM Newsletter** panel discussion, Online, March 2022.

**Devor, A.** Chair & Convener, Transgender Day of Visibility at Government House, Victoria, BC, March, 2022.

**Garlick, S.** Toward Non-Sovereign Masculinities: Complexity, Nature, and New Materialisms. American Men's Studies Annual Conference, University of Washington, Tacoma. 2022.

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**Ogasawara, M.** How does the law help illegal spying on citizens to expand in Canada?, *Beyond Big Data Surveillance: Freedom and Fairness*, University of Ottawa, May 18-19, 2022.

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**Wagner, S.** *Tensions and opportunities for narrative work in the context of long-term care digital planning*. European Network in Aging Studies and North American Network in Aging Studies Joint Conference, September 2022, Online.

**Wagner, S.** *Care home residents' digital repertoires during pandemic times: Inequalities and shared digital responsibilities*. International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR) Conference, July 2022, Online.

**Weiler, A.M.** Channeling student climate anxiety into climate activism: An environmental volunteering reflection assignment. Presentation at Environmental Sociology Research Cluster, Canadian Sociological Association Conference. May 19, 2022.

**Weiler, A.M., & Encalada Grez, E.** Rotten asparagus and just-in-time workers: Canadian agricultural industry fram-

ing of farm labour and food security during the COVID-19 pandemic. Presentation at Canadian Association for Food Studies Conference. May 13, 2022.

**Weiler, A.M.** Fresh fruit, stale schemes: Equity for migrant workers in Canada. Invited lecture for ElderCollege Lecture Series. North Island College, Courtenay, B.C. February 12, 2022.

**Zhou, M.** "Local, Trans-Local, and Fellow Townspeople Ties: Differential Effects of Social Relations on Health among China's Rural-to-Urban Migrants." Interdisciplinary Poverty Research 2022, September 12, 2022.

**Zhou, M.** "COVID-19-Related Social Stigma and Its Impact on Psychological Distress in Wuhan, China." Canadian Sociological Association Annual Meeting (virtual meeting), May 19, 2022.

## Upcoming Lecture



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Eco-Types: Five Ways of Caring about the Environment

Wednesday, 26 October | 5:30 p.m.  
Cornett Building, Room A120.

Presented by the Department of Sociology

How can we address political polarization on environmental issues?

In her [Distinguished Women's Scholar Lecture](#), UBC Professor Emily Huddart Kennedy presents insights from her new book, [Eco-Types: Five Ways of Caring About the Environment](#). Drawing on three years of interviews, she describes five archetypal relationships with the environment that range from indifference to deep engagement. Kennedy argues that acknowledging the many ways we care about the environment can help us overcome political polarization, which can ultimately serve to better protect environmental health.

FREE lecture, Oct 26, 5:30pm; Cornett A120.



## Grad Student Colloquium—Spring

At the end of the Spring term, 7 MA and PhD graduate students shared their research in a well attended, informal colloquium. Presenters included:

**Tucker Farris**, *The Need for Sociology: Saga for the Doomed in the Strange and Terrible Modern Era*.

**Manda Roddick**, *Making Sense of the Unimagined: Explicating Rare Patient Healthwork Visually*

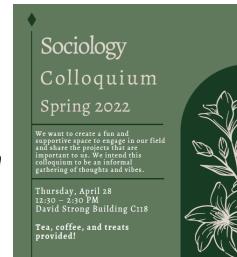
**John Mills**, *Father, Fairness, and Foodwork*

**Sasha Zinovich**, *A Brief Discussion on Death in the Context of Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) in Canada*

**Alanna Cannatella**, *You Are So Much More than Your Diagnosis: Exploring Subjectivity and Send of Self While Living with a Chronic Sexually Transmitted Infection*

**Zeina Hammoud**, *How Families Work in Crisis: An Analysis of Domestic Labour Expectations among Queer Parented Families During COVID –19*

**Talya Jesperson**, *A Siri-ous Conversation about AI*



## September Orientation & Welcome Back Lunch

The start of the new school year was celebrated with a lunch for new and returning graduate students along with faculty and staff.

There was plenty of food and friendly conversation around the tables. A big thank you to the organizers! We are hopeful that this year sees the return of many more in-person departmental events.

