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Research Area:

Indigeneity; language revitalization and reclamation; language ideologies; colonialism and decolonization; Indigenous livelihoods and cultural heritage; Canada; Japan

Education

- 2021— PhD, Socio-Cultural Anthropology
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada
Project: "*Naachin of Past and Present*"
Supervisor: Dr. Mark Turin
- 2021 MA, Anthropology
Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, Canada
Thesis: "*Precarious Indigeneity: Ainu Identity-Making in [Digital] North America and its Rootedness in North American Indigenous Experience*"
Supervisor: Dr. Michael Hathaway
- 2019 BA (Honours with Distinction), Anthropology
Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, Canada
Honours Thesis: "*Decolonizing Urban Indigenous Studies: Defining and Redefining Indigeneity*"
Supervisor: Dr. Michael Hathaway

Languages

- English Reading, speaking, and writing: *Fluent*
- Japanese Reading, speaking, and writing: *Beginner A1*

Academic Positions

- 2022— Public Scholar
UBC Public Scholar Initiative, University of British Columbia
- 2021—2022 Teaching Assistant
Department of Anthropology and Institute for Critical Indigenous Studies, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of British Columbia
- 2021—2022 Institute of Asian Research Fellow
Centre for Japanese Research, IAR, University of British Columbia

2019—2021 Teaching Assistant
Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences,
Simon Fraser University

Academic Associations, Affiliations, and Services

2023 Student Representative for Faculty Search
First Nations and Endangered Languages Program, Institute for Critical Indigenous
Studies, University of British Columbia

2023— Critical Urban Anthropology Association

2023— Society for Linguistic Anthropology

2019— Association of Indigenous Anthropologists

2019— American Anthropological Association

Research and Professional Experience

2023— Graduate Academic Assistant
Department of Anthropology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
Responsible for conducting and writing workshop evaluations and end of program
year departmental report for the Department of Anthropology's Teaching Assistant
workshops.

2022— Graduate Academic Assistant
Dr. Amirpouyan Shiva, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
Responsible for creating Climate Change module for Anthropology course curriculum,
ANTH 378: Anthropology of Media, and course syllabus development for ANTH
courses.

2020—2023 Research Assistant
Dr. Aynur Kadir, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
Responsible for information gathering and data collection, document analysis, and
major grant writing for projects: *Indigenous Collaborative Digital Heritage Lab* and *Rise
of the Indigenous Pacific Rim: Japan, Canada, and China*.

2022 Research Assistant
Dean Dokkie and Dr. Douglas Hudson, West Moberly First Nations, West Moberly,
BC
West Moberly First Nations Historical Archive Project
Responsible for archival research, information gathering and data collection, and data
organization.

2019—2022 Editorial Assistant
American Ethnologist, American Ethnological Society. Editors: Dr. Michael Hathaway
and Dr. Stacy Pigg
Responsible for overseeing and managing the input of manuscripts, selecting and
inviting reviewers for manuscripts, and assisting in the Editors organization and
management of the journal.

2018—2022 Research Assistant
Dr. Michael Hathaway, David Lam Centre for the Asia-Pacific, Simon Fraser
University, Burnaby, BC

Responsible for information gathering and data collection, document analysis, communication liaison, geospatial data visualization, and major grant writing. Managed three research projects focused on indigenous politics and history in North America and East Asia, including *Rise of the Indigenous Pacific Rim: Japan, Canada, and China* and *Reclaiming Indigenous Rights and Voice*.

2021 Graduate Academic Assistant
Canadian Journal of Native Education, Indigenous Education, University of British Columbia
Responsible for digitizing select volumes of academic journal.

2018 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Dr. Pamela Stern, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC
Created annotated bibliographies for letter correspondences, images, newspaper articles, and other documents pertaining to Inuit research project.

Teaching Experience

University of British Columbia

2022	Winter 1	U	Teaching Assistant	FNIS 220	Representation and Indigenous Cultural Politics	43
2022	Winter 1	U	Teaching Assistant	ANTH 215	Japanese Culture and Society	75(150)
2022	Winter 1	U	Teaching Assistant	ANTH 317	Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology	80
2022	Summer 2	U	Teaching Assistant	ANTH 378	Anthropology of Media	60(120)
2022	Summer 1	U	Teaching Assistant	FNEL 480	Endangered Language Documentation and Revitalization	16
2022	Winter 2	U	Teaching Assistant	ANTH 220	First Nations of British Columbia	27(165)
2022	Winter 2	U	Teaching Assistant	FNEL 180	Introduction to Endangered Language Documentation and Revitalization	30
2021	Winter 1	U	Teaching Assistant	ANTH 202A	Introduction to Religion	120(192)

Simon Fraser University

2021	Summer	U	Tutor Marker	SA 316	Tourism and Social Policy (S)	52
2020	Summer	U	Tutor Marker	SA 358	The Philosophy of Social Sciences (S)	20
2020	Spring	U	Teaching Assistant	SA 101	Introduction to Anthropology (A)	45(91)
2019	Fall	U	Teaching Assistant	SA 101	Introduction to Anthropology (A)	45(130)

Work and Volunteer Experience

2021— Illustrator
Kinepikw Designs, Vancouver, BC
Freelance illustrator, specializing in Indigenous design and Indigenous-led/-focused projects.

2022—2023 Highschool Student Mentor
As part of Department of Anthropology initiative, once a month, I meet with a select high school student, offering guidance in choosing, applying for, and navigating university programs.

2021 Student Tutor
Vancouver, BC
Provide mentoring, copyediting, and general assistance to undergraduate students.

- 2017—2019 Shift Supervisor / Barista Trainer
Starbucks Coffee, Vancouver, BC
Partner of the Quarter Award, Quarter 1, Fiscal Year 2017
- 2014—2016 Aboriginal Student Services
Douglas College, New Westminster, BC
Provided peer support and general assistance to Aboriginal student services student lounge.
- 2013—2017 Store Manager
Bean Around the World Coffee, Vancouver, BC
- 2011—2013 Shift Supervisor / Barista Trainer
Starbucks Coffee, Victoria, BC
Partner of the Quarter Award, Quarter 1, Fiscal Year 2013

Publications and Creative Outputs

Peer-Reviewed

- 2022 "Gendered disruptions in academic publishing during COVID-19: Uncovering invisible labor at an anthropology journal." *American Ethnologist* 49.4 (November): 595-609.
Jelena Golubović, Kathleen Inglis, and Cheyanne Connell.

Cultural & Language Resources

- 2023 Indigenous Language Resources. First Voices, First Peoples Cultural Council.
Created 23 Digital Artworks for Indigenous Language Learning Resources for Indigenous Communities and Collaborators.
- 2022 *K'enehch' eh*. Children's Indigenous Language Book. Doig River First Nation.
Created short language learning book and resource for community.
- 2022 *Dane* [Family]. Children's Indigenous Language Book. Doig River First Nation.
Created short language learning book and resource for community.

Creative Outputs

- 2020 "Colour Me Fungi: A Film by Morgaine Lee". Directed and produced by Morgaine Lee.
Featuring art by Lola Brown, Cheyanne Connell, Kennedy Lindsay, Rachel Sault, Mackenzie Watson. Film, 3.5 minutes.
- 2017 "Fat." *Pearls 36: An Anthology of Work by Douglas College Creative Writing Students*. 11.

Invited Speaker, Discussant, Presenter and Conferences

Invited Speaker and Panelist

- 2023 *UBC Roundtable on Decolonization*. Roundtable with panelists (in speaking order) Sharon Stein, Cheyanne Connell, Gage Averill, Amy Perreault, Rima Wilkes, and Danielle Ignace. Organized and moderated by Charles Menzies. Green College and Department of Anthropology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada. In-person.

2021 *Truth Before Reconciliation*. Conversation on Truth Before Reconciliation between speakers Tsnomot, Brad Baker (Squamish Nation), Raiyana Alibhai, Nadia Walji and Cheyanne Connell. The Ismaili Centre Vancouver and the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada. Online.

Discussant and Invited Participant

2021 *Korean Diasporic Citizenship: Two Tales of Political Incorporation in Japan and the United States*. Presented by Dr. Erin Aeran Chung. Discussant Dr. Hyung-Gu Lynn with comments and questions by IAR Fellows: Brandon Hillier, Cheyanne Connell, and Christina Song. The Centre for Korean Research and School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, The University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada. Online.

2021 [*What does it mean to be Ainu in the twenty-first century? Ainu Authenticity*](#). Presented by Dr. Kanako Uzawa with comments by Dr. Scott Harrison and Cheyanne Connell. David Lam Centre at Simon Fraser University and the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada, Vancouver, BC, Canada. Online.

Presenter

2021 *My Journey as an Indigenous Student*. Presenter at Student Stories. Indigenous Previous Day 2021. Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, Canada. Online.

2021 *Indigenous Research Methods*. Invited presenter at Research Assistant Training Day. University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.

2020 *Experiences of an Indigenous Graduate Student*. Invited presenter at Simon Fraser University for Graduate Seminar taught by Dr. Pamela Stern. Burnaby, BC, Canada.

2019 *Being Indigenous in Anthropology and Academia*. Presenter at Anthropologists Go Back to School. CASCA-AAA 2019 Conference. Burnaby Youth Custody Services, Burnaby, BC, Canada.

2019 *Urban Indigenous Research Methods and Considerations*. Invited presenter at Simon Fraser University for graduate course Advanced Qualitative Methods: Participatory and Decolonial Approaches taught by Tiffany Myrdahl. Burnaby, BC, Canada.

2019 *Decolonizing Urban Indigenous Studies: Defining and Redefining Indigeneity*. Invited presenter at Simon Fraser University for undergraduate course Indigenous Social Movements taught by Michael Hathaway. Burnaby, BC, Canada.

2019 *Urban Indigenous Place-Making and Belonging in Tokyo, Japan*. Presenter at Identifying Challenges and Potential Solutions in Protecting Indigenous Heritage in Japan and North America. International Research Network for Indigenous Studies and Cultural Diversity Workshop. Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, Canada.

Conferences, Workshops, and Other

2021 Moderator. [*Invisible Indigenous Descendants in Hokkaido, Japan*](#). Presented by Dr. Mai Ishihara with comments by Dr. Scott Harrison. David Lam Centre at Simon Fraser University, the Centre for Ainu and Indigenous Studies at Hokkaido University, and the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada. Online.

Awards and Honours

2023	President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award, \$405
2022	President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award, \$940
2019	BA Thesis, Honours with Distinction
2019	President's Honour Roll
2019	Dean's Honour Roll

Grants, Scholarships, and Fellowships - total: \$239,078 CAD

2023—2026	Canada Graduate Scholarship, Doctoral (CGS-D) 3YR, SSHRC, \$105,000
2022—2026	Aboriginal Graduate Fellowship (AGF) PhD 4YR, UBC, \$75,802 [\$21,202]*
<i>Paid via:</i>	2023, Cordula and Gunter Paetzold Fellowship, UBC, \$6,000
	2023, AGF Tuition Award, UBC, \$1,802
	2022, Cordula and Gunter Paetzold Fellowship, UBC, \$12,000
	2022, AGF, UBC, \$1,400
	<i>*Year 1 paid, then replaced by CGS-D for 2023—2026 academic years</i>

2022	Public Scholar, Public Scholar Initiative, UBC \$7,000
2022	Wilson Duff Memorial Scholarship, UBC, \$1,300
2021—2025	PhD 4YR GSI Funding & Tuition, UBC, \$97,382 [\$28,576]*
	<i>*Year 1 paid, then replaced by AGF for 2022—2025 academic years</i>

2021—2022	Institute of Asian Research Fellowship, UBC, \$500
2021—2022	Irving K. Barber BC Indigenous Student Award (Doctoral level), \$10,000
2021	Graduate Fellowship, Supplemental, SFU, \$7,000
2021	Graduate Fellowship, SFU, \$3,500
2020	David Lam Centre Research Award, \$1,500
2020—2021	IndSpire, Allan & Gill Gray Foundation Awards, \$20,000
2020	The Japan Foundation, Tanaka Fund Travel Program, \$9,520 (declined due to COVID-19 travel restrictions)
2019—2020	Irving K. Barber BC Indigenous Student Award (Master level), \$10,000
2020	Graduate Fellowship, Supplemental, SFU, \$7,000
2020	Graduate Fellowship, Supplemental, SFU, \$6,500
2020	Indigenous Grad Travel Award, \$1,000
2020	Graduate Fellowship, SFU, \$6,500
2019	Special Grad Entrance Scholarship, SFU, \$1,500
2018	Simon Fraser University Open Bursary Program
2018	Simon Fraser Student Society Undergraduate Bursary
2011	Dogwood Scholarship, \$1,000