

- **PhD Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation** – The University of Alberta, 2016-Present.
  - Tentative dissertation title: "Real Revitalization: Poverty, Urban Development, and Homelessness in Edmonton"
- **MA History (Thesis)** - The University of Alberta (2012).
  - ["This is Not For You: The Rise and Fall of the Music Milieux in Seattle and the Pacific Northwest, 1950s-1990s."](#)
- **BA History (Political Science Minor)** The University of Alberta (2006).
  - Three-time Academic All-Canadian.

#### Awards and Grants:

- Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Scholarship, 2017-2020. \$105,000
- President's Doctoral Prize of Distinction, 2017. \$10,000
- Queen Elizabeth II Doctoral Scholarship, 2016. \$15,000
- Dr. Gary McPherson Leadership Scholarship, 2011, 2017. \$4000
- Don Snider "Go Wildly" Memorial Scholarship (Edmonton Folk Music Festival), 2017. \$2000
- Government of Alberta Graduate Citizenship Award, 2010, 2016. \$4000
- Graduate Tuition Award, 2016-2017. \$2000.
- Clifford H Skitch Travel Award, 2010-2011.
- University of Alberta Graduate Student Association Professional Development Grant, 2009-2010.
- Mary Louise Imrie Graduate Student Award, 2009-2010.
- Beryl Steel Travel Award, 2009-2010.
- Harry Allen Memorial Coaching Award, 2005. \$1500
- Jason Lang Scholarship, 2004. \$1000.

#### Publications:

- "Here We Are Now, Educate Us: The Punk Attitude, Tenets and Lens of Student Driven Learning." Book Chapter, *Punk Pedagogies: Music, Culture, and Learning*. Routledge. October 2017.
- Review Essay. "Forrest Stuart, *Down, Out, & Under Arrest: Policing and Everyday Life in Skid Row*. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2016. *Canadian Journal of Sociology*. 42(3), 2017, pp. 341-344.
- Review Essay. "Joan Hoff, *A Faustian Foreign Policy from Woodrow Wilson to George W. Bush: Dreams of Perfectibility*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2008." *Past Imperfect* Vol. 16, 2010, pp.190-203.
- "Seattle in the 1960s: Music, Identity, and the Struggle for Civil Rights." *Past Imperfect*, Vol. 15, 2009, pp. 76-114.

#### Public Publications:

- "Living Bridge vital for Edmonton's inner city dwellers, agency worker says." *CBC*, 30 July, 2016.

- “The Aviary is Almost Set to Fly.” *Boyle McCauley News*, March, 2016.
- "Local radio tunes out homegrown music." *The Edmonton Journal*, 2 April 2011. Edmonton, Alberta.
- “Why Thomas Lukaszuk is the Perfect Maestro for Alberta’s Post-Secondary Education System.” Satire. *Fight Back: The Zine!*, Coalition for Action on Post-Secondary Education, 20 April 2013, Edmonton, Alberta.

### **Interviews:**

- “Preliminary Findings from Researching Gentrification in Downtown Edmonton.” *CBC Radio*, 21 September 2017.
- “Discussing Leah-Lynne Plante and the Pacific Northwest Grand Jury Resisters.” Interview with *Sound and Noise*, 17 September 2012.

### **Keynote Lectures:**

- “Jump in the Mosh Pit! Connecting Communities through the Tenets of Punk.” Keynote presentation at Tomorrow’s Ideas Now: Undergraduate Research Initiative Conference, the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 13 November 2015.

### **Refereed Conference Papers:**

#### International:

- Rylan Kafara, Jay Scherer, and Judy Davidson, "the Grassroots Response to Professional Sports Related Urban Development: The Formation of the Edmonton Community Benefits Coalition." Paper presented at the 14th European Association for Sociology of Sport Conference, "the Values of Sport: between tradition and (post)modernity." Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, 15 June 2017.
- Jay Scherer, Judy Davidson, and Rylan Kafara, "Urban Governance and the Politics of a Publicly-Funded Arena and Entertainment District: Community Benefits?" Paper presented at the 14th European Association for Sociology of Sport Conference, "the Values of Sport: between tradition and (post)modernity." Prague, Czech Republic, 15 June 2017.
- “‘Here we are Now, Educate us:’ the Pedagogical Approach to Teaching the History of Punk.” Paper presented at the Keep It Simple Make it Fast! Crossing Borders of Underground Music Scenes International Conference, Porto, Portugal, 15 July 2015.
- "Dissent Across the Genres: the blurry line between folk and punk." Paper presented with Dr. Michael MacDonald at the Inaugural Symposium of the Interdisciplinary Network for the Study of Subcultures, Popular Music and Social Change, London, England, 16 September 2011.
- “What they did was Secret: the Links Between Punk and Grunge.” Paper presented at *Alien to You? Not to Me*. The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Southwest Texas Popular Culture and American Culture Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico, United States of America, 10 February 2010.

#### North American:

- “Resisting Sports-Related Urban Development: The Edmonton Community Benefit Coalition’s Political Repertoire of Contention.” Paper presented at 2017 North American Society for the Sociology of Sport Conference, “Sport Matters: Physics, Politics, Performances, Pedagogies,” Windsor, Ontario, 4 November 2017.

- “Uneven Development: The Politics of the Edmonton Arena Community Benefits Agreement.” Paper presented at 2017 North American Society for the Sociology of Sport Conference, “Sport Matters: Physics, Politics, Performances, Pedagogies,” Windsor, Ontario, 2 November 2017.

Canadian:

- “Voices from the Street: Stories of Vulnerable Youth in the Shadow of Urban Development.” Paper Co-presentation at 2016 High Risk Youth Conference, MacEwan University, Edmonton, Alberta, 16 May 2016.
- “Real Revitalization: Building Community through Recreation in Inner City Edmonton.” Paper presented at the 2015 Alberta Recreation and Parks Association Conference, Lake Louise, Alberta, 24 October 2015.
- “Seventy Years of Dropping the Bomb: The Memory of Destruction in Western Popular Culture” Paper presented at the 70 Years After Hiroshima: Nuclear Issues in Global Contexts Conference, the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 18 September 2015.
- “Recreation and Wellness: Building a Healthy Community in Inner City Edmonton.” Poster presented at the Inner City Health and Wellness Symposium, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta, 22 June 2015.
- “Inner City Recreation and Wellness: Creating Positive Change and Community in Edmonton.” Paper presented at 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Harm Reduction Conference *Policy, Practice and Research - Creating Positive Change*, Edmonton, Alberta, 2 June 2015.
- “Casting New Sound: Staying Local and the History of the Edmonton Punk Scene.” Paper presented at the University of Alberta History and Classics Graduate Conference *Recasting the Past*, Edmonton, Alberta, 27 February 2015.
- “Inner City Edmonton: Building Community through Education.” Paper presented at Engage for Change: Changing for Engagement, the 15th Annual Engagement Consortium Conference, Edmonton, Alberta, 8 October 2014.
- “Teaching the History of Punk.” Poster presented at Engage for Change: Changing for Engagement, the 15th Annual Engagement Consortium Conference, Edmonton, Alberta, 7 October 2014.
- “Transmitting the Sound of Change: Punk Rock and Political Subversion in Eastern Europe in the 1980s.” Paper presented at the University of Alberta History and Classics Graduate Conference *The Middle Ground*, Edmonton, Alberta, 4 March 2011.
- “Who said you could label dissent? The punk attitude in folk music in the 20th century” Paper presented with Michael MacDonald at *The Audible Past, the Mutable Future* Co-panel for the University of Alberta Graduate Music Students Association and History and Classics Graduate Students Association Conferences, Edmonton, Alberta, 4 March 2011.
- “American Glamour: Sub Pop Records and New American Musical Heroes.” Paper presented at the Dalhousie University History Graduate Conference *Guts, Glamour, and Gossip*, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 20 March 2010.
- “The Creation of an Alternative Network: The American Punk Scene in the 1980s.” Paper presented at the McGill-Queen's History Graduate Conference *Making Networks/Making History*, Montreal, Quebec, 13 March 2010.
- “Punk and Protest: Direct Action and the Role of Music in the Counterculture of the 1980s.” Paper presented at *The Past is Not Yet Written* Co-panel for the University of Alberta Graduate Music Students Association and History and Classics Graduate Students Association Conferences, Edmonton, Alberta, 5 March 2010.
- “The Roots of Grunge: The Punk Milieux of America in the 1980s.” Paper presented at the History and Classics Graduate Students Association Fall Colloquium, Edmonton, Alberta, 11 December 2009.

- “This is Not For You: The Grunge Movement as an Alternative Community.” Paper presented at the University of Alberta Sociology Graduate Conference *Engaging Communities*, Edmonton, Alberta, 3 May 2009.
- “The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: America, World History Textbooks, and the Introduction to History.” Paper presented at the University of Alberta World History Forum, 14 April 2009.
- “Space and Community Identity: Framing the move from the Cultural to the Political in 1960s Seattle.” Paper presented at the University of Alberta Music Graduate Conference *Theorizing the Space Between*, Edmonton, Alberta, 7 March 2009.
- “Seattle in the 1960s: Music, Identity, and Molotov Cocktails.” Paper presented at the University of Alberta History and Classics Graduate Conference *Questions of Authority*, Edmonton, Alberta, 20 February 2009.
- “To be on Sugar Mountain: Cultural Identity within the Winnipeg Music Scene.” Western Canadian Undergraduate History Conference, Lethbridge, 2006.
- “Like a Rolling Stone: Bob Dylan’s Relationship with the Counterculture of the 1960s.” Western Canadian Undergraduate History Conference, Red Deer, 2005.

### **Public Lectures:**

- "Arts and Creative Programming in Vulnerable Communities". Paper presented at the Sound Studies Initiative's Winter Roots Roundup Festival VIII, "moving music in our communities." The University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 2 February 2017.
- US Nationalism: Past and Present.” Lecture given at the Nationalism Day Conference, the University of Alberta, 13 December 2016.
- “Gentrification in Downtown Edmonton.” Lecture given to FGSR staff at the University of Alberta on 1 November 2016.
- “The Inner City Recreation and Wellness Program.” Panel presentation at the Alberta High Risk Youth Symposium, Grant MacEwan University, Edmonton, Alberta, 22 May 2015.
- “History and Classics Career Forum.” Panel Presentation at the CAPS Career Forum, the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 30 October 2014.
- “Power and Protest: the strength of tradition in Dictatorships & Democracies.” Lecture given at the Dictators Day Conference, Queen Elizabeth High School, Edmonton, Alberta, 13 March 2014.
- “Tolerating Dissent: Protest and the Modern Liberal State.” Lecture given at the Liberalism Day Conference, Queen Elizabeth High School, Edmonton, Alberta, 18 November 2013.
- “Listening to Canadian History: using Tragically Hip Songs to better understand the past.” Lecture given at Liberal Arts Day, The University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 3 May 2013.
- “Why Participation in Music Communities Matters.” Lecture given at the Festival of Ideas, The University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 17 November, 2012.
- "The Importance of Music Communities: Giving Youth Opportunities in Seattle, 1950s-1990s." Lecture given at Edmonton City Hall, Edmonton, Alberta, 24 October, 2012.
- “Dictatorships and Democracy: Violence, Force, and Shades of Grey.” Lecture given to students from Arch Bishop Jordan High School, Edmonton, Alberta, 20 March 2012.
- “I’m Afraid of Americans,’ or: the (Mis)use of Violence in a Democracy.” Lecture given at the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Dictators Conference, Queen Elizabeth High School, Edmonton, Alberta, 15 March 2012.
- "Listening to Dissent: The Sound of Protest from Woody Guthrie to Rage Against the Machine." Co-Lecture given with Michael MacDonald at the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, 8 March 2011.
- “Ernesto ‘Che’ Guevara: Martyr, Villain, or Just a Face on a Shirt?” Lecture given at the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Dictators Conference, Queen Elizabeth High School, Edmonton, Alberta, 23 April 2010.

- “Stalin and the Soviet Partisans: How the Memory of the Great Patriotic War Changed Over Time.” Lecture given at the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Dictators Conference, Queen Elizabeth High School, Edmonton, Alberta, 6 March 2009.

### Courses:

- **“Humanities Research Methods.” Seminar.** Community Service Learning, winter 2017.
- **“Humanities Research Methods.” Seminar.** Community Service Learning, fall 2016.
- **“The History of Punk.”** The Edmonton Free University, fall 2016.
- **“The History of Punk.”** The Edmonton Free University, winter 2016.
- **“The History of Punk.”** The Edmonton Free University, winter 2014.
- **“The History of Punk.”** The Edmonton Free University, fall 2013.
- **“The History of Punk.”** The Edmonton Free University, spring and summer, 2012.

### University Lectures:

- “‘YOU BELONG HERE’? Who has the right to a changing Edmonton?” Lecture. Humanities 101. 17 October 2017.
- “Who is Really Gonna Benefit?: Social Division and Gentrification in Edmonton’s Urban Core.” Lecture in the University of Calgary’s Inner City Social Work course, 2 June 2017.
- “Sport and Settler-Colonialism.” PERLS 451. 16 March 2017.
- “Community Development through Recreation and Wellness.” Seminar CSL 100. 29 October 2015.
- “Removing Barriers to Recreation in Edmonton.” Lecture at Norquest College. 29 September 2015.
- “Social Change in Inner City Edmonton.” Seminar CSL 100. March 10 2015.
- “Using Music as a Tool to Learn about the Past.” Lecture. History 290. 12 February 2015.
- “Surveying the Punk Scene: from the 70s to the 10s.” Lecture. Music 103. 30 October 2014.
- “Social Service versus Social Change.” Seminar CSL 100. 30 October 2014.
- “Music as Resistance.” Lecture. Humanities 101. 28 October 2014.
- “Recreation and Wellness in Inner City Edmonton.” Lecture at Norquest College. 30 September 2014.
- “Creating an Alternative Network.” Lecture. Music 103. 22 July 2014.
- “From Punk to Grunge.” Lecture. Music 103. 17 March 2014.
- “Issues in Subcultures, Scenes and Neotribes: Characteristics of Punk Communities.” Lecture. Music 203. 30 January 2014.
- “The Punk Attitude.” Lecture. Music 103. 18 November 2013.
- “Grassroots Music Networks.” Lecture. Music 103. 8 November 2013.
- “Listening Objectively to Music History.” Lecture. History 290. 31 October 2013.
- “Punk Hits the Mainstream: Selling albums versus selling out.” Lecture. Music 103. 19 July 2013.
- “The Punk Planet: Do-it-Yourself Politics and Personal Expression.” Lecture. Music 103. 21 March 2013.
- “Music on the Margins: Participation versus Consumption.” Lecture. Music 103. 26 November 2012.
- “The History of Punk.” Lecture. Music 103. 24 July 2012.
- “Africa after Imperialism.” Lecture. History 112. 21 June 2012.
- “China under Chairman Mao.” Lecture. History 112. 21 June 2012.
- “President Kennedy, the CIA, and the Response to the Cuban Revolution.” Seminar. History 459. 20 June 2012.
- “The Past is Unwritten: Using Music as a Historical Source.” Lecture. History 290. 24 May 2012.
- “Intelligence and the Dropping of the Atomic Bomb.” Seminar. History 459. 16 May 2012.

- “Listening to the Past: Utilizing Music to Further Historical Understanding.” Lecture. History 290. 8 March 2012.
- “Dissatisfaction with the State: Dissent and Youth Culture in Eastern Europe during the Cold War.” Lecture. History 419. 1 November 2011.
- “No More Miss America: The Women’s Revolt in the 1960s.” Seminar. History 453. 26 October 2011.
- “Not All Quiet on the Western Front: The Impact of Punk on Eastern Europe and the USSR. History 631. 8 March 2011.
- “Guest Swimming Lecture: Butterfly.” Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation. PAC 100. 31 March 2011.
- “Guest Swimming Lecture: Freestyle.” Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation. PAC 100. 29 March 2011.
- “You Say You Want a Revolution? Seduced by Power: The Red Utopia Devolves into the Red Terror.” Lecture. History 295. 16 February 2011.
- “Direct Action, Punk Rock, and the Vancouver Counterculture.” Lecture. Music 103. 14 June 2010.
- “Punk and Protest in Vancouver Part II.” Lecture. Music 103. 9 April 2010.
- “Punk and Protest in Vancouver: Part I.” Lecture. Music 103. 7 April 2010.
- “Seattle as a Microcosm of 1960s America.” Lecture. History 453. 31 March 2009.
- “John F. Kennedy and Cuban Missile Crisis.” Seminar. History 459. 3 February 2009.

**Academic Employment, the University of Alberta:**

- **Research Assistant**, Professors Judy Davidson and Jay Scherer, January 2016-Present.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Professor Jeremy Caradonna, May 2012. History
- **Research Assistant**, Dean Lesley Cormack, December 2011-April 2012.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Professor Lawrence Aronsen, December 2011. History 453 and 251.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Dr. Srdja Pavlovic, January 2011-April 2011. History 295.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Professor David Mills, September 2010-December 2010. History 260.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Dr. Per Rudling, April 2010. History 300. History 317.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Professor Lawrence Aronsen, December 2008. History 251.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Professor Lawrence Aronsen, December 2009. History 251.
- **Teaching Assistant**, Dr. Judith Friedman, January 2009-April 2009. History 294; 391.
- **Research Assistant**, Professor Elizabeth Piper, September 2009-August 2010.
- **Research Assistant**, Professor John Paul Himka, September 2008-August 2009.

*University Engagement:*

- **Outreach Program**, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Graduate Student Coordinator September 2009-April 2012.
- **The University of Alberta Golden Bears and Pandas Swimming Alumni Association Member of Alumni Executive Board**
  - Director at Large, 2010-2013, 2014-Present.
  - Vice President, 2013.
  - Event Coordinator, 2009-2010.

- **The History and Classics Graduate Students Association**

- Vice President Alumni Affairs, 2010-2013.
- Vice President Conference, 2009-2010.
- Vice President Finance, 2009-2010.
- Vice President Events and Socials, 2008-2009.

*Employment:*

- **Inner City Recreation and Wellness Program (ICRWP)**, Boyle Street Community Services and Bissell Centre, Program Coordinator, June 2012-September 2016. Program Lead, September 2016-Present.
- **McCauley Swim Club**, Head Coach, September 2015-Present.
- **Red Deer Catalina Swim Club**, Assistant Coach, 1998-2006, 2010-2011.
- **Red Deer Silver Sharks Masters Swim Club**, Coach, 2001-2006, 2010-2011.
- **Lacombe Dolphins Swim Club**, Head Coach, 2010-2011.
- **Innisfail Dolphins Swim Club**, Head Coach, 2001-2007.

*Volunteering:*

- **Edmonton Grassroots Music Network**, founder, January 2016-Present.
- **First Alberta Campus Radio Association**, board member, September 2016-Present.
- **The Highlands Community Homelessness and Affordable Housing Committee**, committee member, November 2015-Present.
- **2015 Edmonton Regional Heritage Fair**, judge, 2 May 2015.
- **MacEwan University Undergraduate Student Speakers Series**, juror, 29 January 2015.
- **Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's National Event in Edmonton**, Health Support Worker for Residential School Survivors giving private testimony, 27-30 March, 2014.
- **CJSR 88.5FM**, volunteer radio show host, October 2013-Present.
  - Weekly Show Producer: *The History of Punk*, winner of Best New Show, 2015.
  - FUNDrive shift manager, 2015.
  - 2015 Homelessness Marathon Producer.
  - 2016 Homelessness Marathon Producer (upcoming – February).
- **Heart of the City Music and Arts Festival**, Board Member, 2013-September 2016.
  - Treasurer, 2013-Present.
  - Director of Community Development, 2014-Present.
- **Red Deer Special Olympics Swim Team**, Volunteer Coach, 1998-2006, 2010-2011.
- **Alberta Summer Games**, Volunteer Swim Coach
  - Head Coach, Swimming, Zone 4, 2010.

- Special Olympics Coach and Team Chaperone, Swimming, Zone 4, 2006.
- Special Olympics Coach and Team Chaperone, Swimming, Zone 4, 2004.
  
- **Alberta Summer Swimming Association**
  - 2010: named the Head Region Coach for Region D at Provincial Championships.
  - 2007: named the Head Region Coach for Region E at Provincial Championships.
  
- **2007 FINA World Cup Swimming Competition**, International Teams Manager, Sydney Australia, November 2007.
  
- **Swimming Australia Rural Swim Camps**, Volunteer Coach, September 2006-January 2007.

*Athletics:*

- **Golden Bears Swimming Team**, University of Alberta, 2002-2006.
  - Named Captain of the Varsity Swim Team for the 2005-2006 season.
  - 2006 President's Trophy Award Winner.
  - 2005 Harry Allen Memorial Coaching Award.
  - Three-time Keltie Byrne Team Spirit Award recipient.
  - Competed at the CIS National Championships.