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Profile

My primary research interests are in the fields of settler responsibility, Indigenous-settler relations, gender justice, memory studies, mad studies, healing justice, transformative justice, community building and intersectional feminist art as praxis.

Designation

I am currently in the process of applying for my Registered Social Work (RSW) designation with the British Columbia College of Social Workers (BCCSW).

Education

Masters in Gender and Social Justice Women's and Gender Studies Department University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB - Supervisor: Dr. Tracy Bear - 4.00 GPA	November 2020
Bachelor of Arts, Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC - Minor in First Nations and Indigenous Studies - 4.00 GPA	May 2019
Advanced Certificate in Transformative Justice Selkirk College, Castlegar, BC - 4.04 GPA	June 2016
Certificate in Interpersonal Mediation Selkirk College, Castlegar, BC	May 2016
Peace and Justice Studies Diploma Selkirk College, Castlegar, BC - Completed with Honours - 4.04 GPA	April 2016
Associate Certificate in Mental Health and Addictions Selkirk College, Castlegar, BC - 3.84 GPA	June 2012

Other Qualifications

Trauma and Violence-Informed Care (TVIC) Foundations	July 2023
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University of British Columbia

Autism and Neurodiversity in the Workplace
University of British Columbia

July 2022

Emergency First-Aid with CPR "C" (OFA Level 1 Equivalent)
Alert First Aid
Nanaimo, BC

April 2022

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training
Crisis Prevention Institute

November 2017

Digital Media

Digital Pop Art Certificate
Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Edmonton, AB
Adobe Illustrator
Adobe Photoshop

May 2021

Professional History

Nanaimo Foodshare Society
Employment Program for Youth
Employment Program for People with Disabilities
Funded by Service Canada
Facilitator & Coordinator

May 2022 – present
October 2021 – May 2022

- Currently co-coordinating an employment program (Homegrown) for youth who experience barriers to employment.
- Organizing and leading workshops (1-4 hours), developing a daily facilitated schedule of meaningful programming, and supporting the participants to set and achieve their life, employment and educational goals.
- Managing program budget and targets and preparing written reports quarterly for Service Canada funders; organizing and implementing evaluation and reporting procedures.
- Before Homegrown, I assisted in the coordination and facilitation of an employment program for adults with disabilities (Cultivating Abilities), leading workshops and supporting people one-on-one with job search and gaining employment readiness and educational skills.

BC Sustainable Energy Association
Cool It! High School Climate Leadership Facilitator
Nanaimo, BC

Sept 2023 – November 2023

Facilitator & Environmental Educator

- Led workshops on climate change and sustainability to multiple classes of 20-60 high school students
- Worked with students, their teachers and their families on a climate challenge, empowering them to learn more about climate change and explore new actions they can take at home, at school and in their community.

Statistics Canada

June 2021 – September 2021

Interviewer/Enumerator

Remote First Nations Reserves Travel Team

- Started this position enumerating in Nanaimo and then was offered a position to apply for the Remote First Nations Travel Team.
- Travelled to multiple First Nations reservations all around Vancouver Island, including Hupacasath, Tseshah, 'Namgis, Mamalilikulla, Kwakiutl, Kwicksutaineuk/Ah-Kwa-Mish Tribes, Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw, Gwawaenuk, Dzawada'enuxw (Tsawataineuk) interviewing and connecting with Indigenous communities. Many of these reserves were visited by boat.

MPA Society, Vancouver, BC

April 2017 – August 2019

Mental Health Support Worker

- Supported people with mental health issues to find housing, jobs, supports and resources in the metro Vancouver area.
- Facilitated discussion groups, yoga classes, gardening, outdoor activities, painting, arts and crafts, pool tournaments, makeup and hair activities and other requested activities.

Nelson CARES Society, Nelson, BC

Nov 2012 – August 2016

Emergency Frontline Support Worker

- Assisted people in immediate crisis and homelessness, with many clients struggling with mental health and addiction issues.

Nelson and District Youth Centre, Nelson, BC

April 2010 – August 2016

Youth Worker

- Supported youth-in-crisis and high-risk youth by providing harm reduction resources, building support systems, and providing mentorship.
- Solely led and facilitated a weekly youth group for girls and non-binary youth from 2010-2013 with up to 20 participants and two practicum students from Selkirk College

Volunteer Experience

South End Day

June 2023

Community Celebration

Nanaimo, BC

Volunteer

Ada'itsx/Fairy Creek Blockade

October 2021

Supporter and Land Defender

Wikipedia

September 2020 - present

Editor

Unist'ot'en Camp

August - September 2020

Wet'suwet'en Territory

Supporter and Land Defender

Pekiwewin Solidarity Relief and Prayer Camp Against Police Violence Edmonton, AB <i>Volunteer</i>	August 2020
Alberta Council of Women's Shelters Community Service Learning Project University of Alberta <i>Data Analyst and Archivist</i>	August 2020
Veg in Yeg Urban Farm, Edmonton, AB <i>Volunteer</i>	June 2020 – October 2020
Prairie Urban Farm University of Alberta <i>Volunteer</i>	May 2020 – October 2020
Intersections of Gender University of Alberta <i>Affiliate</i>	May 2020 - present
Interdisciplinary Graduate and Undergraduate Conference Gender and Women's Studies, March 27-28, 2020 University of Alberta <i>Organizer</i>	November 2019 – March 2020
Extinction Rebellion Community Service Learning Project University of Alberta <i>Researcher</i>	Sept 2019 – December 2019
Students Against Bigotry University of British Columbia <i>Organizer</i>	May 2019 – August 2019
Social Justice Centre University of British Columbia <i>Member</i>	June 2018 – August 2019
The Talon: UBC's Alternative Student Press University of British Columbia <i>Editor</i>	September 2017 – April 2019
Ignite Undergraduate Journal	October 2018 – August 2019

Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice
University of British Columbia
Editor

Sexual Assault Support Centre
University of British Columbia
Volunteer

September 2018 – August 2019

Defender Dance: Party for Unist’ot’en
Vancouver, BC
Volunteer

January 2019

Coalition of Progressive Electors (C.O.P.E)
Vancouver, BC
Volunteer

August 2018 – January 2019

Critical Ethnic Studies Conference
University of British Columbia
Volunteer

June 2018

Nelson and District Women’s Centre
Nelson, BC
Member and volunteer

June 2011 – June 2018

Queer Arts Festival
Vancouver, BC
Volunteer

June 2018, June 2017

Native American & Indigenous Studies Association (NAISA)
Annual Conference
University of British Columbia
Volunteer

June 2017

Talking Stick Festival
Vancouver, BC
Volunteer

February 2017

Kitchen Table Discussions on settler responsibility
Nelson, BC
Co-Facilitator

February – June 2016

Let’s Talk Justice, Equality and Power
Community Conversations
Nelson, BC
Co-organizer

June 2016 - August 2016

Rights Action	June 2016
<i>Supporter and activist on delegation to Honduras, where we met Indigenous leaders, feminists, environmentalists and activists who are resisting Canadian and American mining companies, sweatshops, palm oil plantations and tourism projects</i>	
Kootenays for a Pipeline Free BC Nelson, BC	January 2015 - August 2016
<i>Activist and head organizer of fundraisers for Indigenous self-determination (Unist'ot'en camp and smum iem) and events for environmental justice issues, such as critical mass bike rides</i>	
Unist'ot'en Camp Wet'suwet'en Territory	July 2015
<i>Volunteer and supporter; brought \$3000 in food and monetary donations, helped cook, clean, and do light construction work</i>	
Kootenay Co-op Radio Nelson, BC	April 2009 - August 2016
<i>Member, Radio Show Host, DJ and Volunteer</i>	
Harvest Rescue Nelson, BC	July 2012 – Aug 2016
<i>Volunteer</i>	
Youth Restorative Justice Circle Nelson, BC	November 2013
<i>Support person for 3 youth during the circle and during their community hours</i>	
International Women's Day, Eagles Hall Nelson, BC	March 2012
<i>Organized a youth musical performance</i>	

Conference Presentations

Women and Gender Studies Institute Graduate Conference Speaking to Power: Feminist Theories and Praxes University of Toronto, ON	October 2020
<i>"Revisioning 'The Visionaries': A Critical Pedagogy of Place, Settler Implication, and Modes of Selected Remembrance and Erasure on Papatash Cree Land (University of Alberta campus)"</i>	
Interdisciplinary Graduate & Undergraduate Conference Gender and Women's Studies, University of Alberta, AB	March 2020
<i>"Revisioning 'The Visionaries': A Critical Pedagogy of Place, Settler Implication, and Modes of Selected Remembrance and Erasure on Papatash Cree Land (University of Alberta campus)"</i>	
[Conference cancelled because of COVID-19]	

Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference on Identity, Gender & Ideology, University of Victoria, BC
"Revisioning 'The Visionaries': A Critical Pedagogy of Place, Settler Implication, and Modes of Selected Remembrance and Erasure on Papatash Cree Land (University of Alberta campus)"

March 2020

International Peace and Justice Studies Conference
Selkirk College, Nelson, BC
"On the Ground in Honduras"

September 2016

Lectures and Talks

Mir Centre Peace Café community presentation
Selkirk College, Nelson, BC
Facilitator: "On the Ground in Honduras"

August 2016

Girls Empowerment Movement (GEM), Nelson, BC
Guest Facilitator

March 2016

Selkirk College Scholarship Ceremony
Closing Remarks

September 2015

Young Women's Peace Leadership Camp, near Nelson, BC
Facilitated two workshops:
'Consent' & 'Notes from the Unist'ot'en Resistance Camp'

August 2015

Naomi Klein, Brilliant Cultural Centre, Castlegar, BC
Opening Remarks and Introduction to Naomi Klein

April 2015

Critical Mass Bike Ride for a Clean Energy Future, Nelson, BC
Opening Remarks

July 2014

Art Exhibitions and Markets

Nightmare Market
Nanaimo, BC
Artist

May 2023

Fool's Gold Market
Nanaimo, BC
Artist

April 2023

Autonomous Sinixt Silent Auction
Online
Artist

February 2023

Holey Holiday Market
Nanaimo, BC

December 2022

Artist

Christmas on the Crescent
Nanaimo, BC

December 2022

Artist

Revived Vintage Studio Sale
Nanaimo, BC

November 2022

Artist

Woodstove Music & Arts Festival
Cumberland, BC

November 2022

Artist & Vendor

10 Year Anniversary Postcard
Split Lip Magazine

November 2022

Artist

Unhinged Art Show
Nanaimo, BC

October 2022

Featured Artist

Bean Around The World Café
Exhibition of Winning Photos
Land Trust Alliance of BC's 25th Anniversary Contest
Victoria, BC

September 2022

Winner

Slanted Market
The Vault
Nanaimo, BC

August 2022

Artist

Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia
First Place in the People & Nature Category

August 2022

Artist

Rattle Young Poets Anthology
Front Cover
Studio City, CA

July 2022

Artist

Rattle Ekphrastic Challenge
Studio City, CA

June 2022

Artist

Vallum Magazine Contemporary Poetry 19:1 Toronto, ON <i>Poet</i>	May 2022
I Am Here: Home Movies and Everyday Masterpieces Art Gallery of Ontario Toronto, ON <i>Artist</i>	April 2022 – August 2022
Portraits of Resilience Art Gallery of Ontario Toronto, ON <i>Artist</i>	April 2022
Student Life During COVID: Creative Perspectives From Those Who Lived It University of Alberta <i>Artist</i>	Spring 2022
Feels: An Art Show Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist & Organizer</i>	February 2022
Split Lip Magazine cover January 2022 issue <i>Artist</i>	January 2022
Vault Christmas Art Market Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	December 2021
Out from the Mist Photographic Representations of Mental Health <i>Artist</i>	November 2021
Creatures of the Night Market Creature Gallery Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	October 2021
#whatnow documentary theatre and dance creation Alley Theatre Vancouver, BC <i>Interviewee</i>	October – Nov 2021

Mining Injustice Solidarity Network Imaginings: A World Without Extractivism <i>Poet</i>	September 2021
APIRG Almanac 2021/2022 Edition Edmonton, AB <i>Artist & Poet</i>	September 2021
Wyrd Wealth Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	August 2021-present
With Intensions Vancouver, BC <i>Poet</i>	August 2021
Creature Gallery Art Show Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	July 2021
With Intensions Vancouver, BC <i>Artist</i>	June 2021
Hyper Enigma Arts, Culture, Literature <i>Artist</i>	June 2021
SASC x Hatch's "Still Breathing" Art Showcase Vancouver, BC <i>Artist</i>	March 2021
Healing Fires: Art by Survivors and Allies Art Show presented by Sexual Assault Support Centre (SASC) Vancouver, BC <i>Artist</i>	May 2019
Social Justice Centre University of British Columbia <i>Designed 6 stickers relating to social justice issues; received funding to print hundreds for distribution on campus</i>	September 2018
Community Art Show & Winter Print Sale Nelson, BC <i>Artist</i>	December 2014

DIY T-Shirt Contest
Nelson Committee on Homelessness
Homelessness Action Week
Artist (Winner 21-to-30-year-old category)

October 2013

Publications

Murphy, M-A. (2022, November). Late Night Feels [Visual Art]. 10 Year Anniversary Postcard. *Split Lip Magazine*.

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Murphy, M.A. (2022, February). Student Life During COVID: Creative Perspectives from those who lived it. *Education and Research Archive*. University of Alberta. <https://era.library.ualberta.ca/items/d5a42671-870c-4d8a-af9b-b939af1f77dd>

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Murphy, M.A. (2021, September). New Worlds [Poem]. *Mining Injustice Solidarity Network*.

Murphy, M.A. (in press). *Flowers*. Backlash Press.

Murphy, M.A. (2021, August). New Worlds [Poem]. *With Intensions*. <https://linktr.ee/Withintensions>

Murphy, M.A. (2021, July). You are more than your productivity [Drawing]. Becoming (Un)Productive: Grieving Death, Reclaiming Life. *New Sociology: Journal of Critical Praxis*. York University, Toronto, ON.

Murphy, M.A. (2021, May). What springtime feels like [Visual Art]. *With Intensions*. <https://linktr.ee/Withintensions>

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Murphy, M.A. (2021, March). Untitled [Poem & Photograph]. Still Breathing: A Community Zine. *Hatch Art Gallery*. <https://www.hatchartgallery.com/sasc-still-breathing-zine>

Murphy, M.A. (2021, February 1). 'Reconciliation is Dead': Unist'ot'en Camp, Land Back and How the Movements can Inform Settler Responsibilities and Indigenous-Settler Relationships Going Forward. *Education and Research Archive*. <https://era.library.ualberta.ca/items/147ba372-9198-49ec-b3b9-924f50480c72>

Murphy, M.A. (2020, November 24). Revisioning 'The Visionaries': A Critical Pedagogy of Place, Settler Implication, and Modes of Selected Remembrance and Erasure on Papaschase Cree Land (University of Alberta campus). *Verges*. <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/verges/article/view/19697>

Murphy, M-A. (2019, March 26). Back off, TERFs. *The Talon: UBC's Alternative Student Press*. R <https://thetalon.ca/back-off-terfs/>

Murphy, M.A. (2017, May 14). The importance of gender in Never Alone as an act of visual and Indigenous sovereignty. *Never Alone: Resources and Reflections*. <https://ilsaneveralone.wordpress.com/2017/05/14/the-importance-of-gender-in-never-alone-as-an-act-of-visual-and-indigenous-sovereignty>

Murphy, M.A. & Martens, S. (2016, August 30). Sinixt radio documentary. Sinixt radio. *Sinixt Nation*. <http://sinixtnation.org/content/sinixt-radio>

Scholarships and Awards

University of Alberta Course-Based Master's Recruitment Scholarship	April 2019
Lt. Governor Medal for Inclusion, Diversity & Reconciliation, Nominee	March 2019
Global Undergraduate Awards, Commended Entrant	August 2018
Katherine Brearley Arts Scholarship, UBC	November 2017
Irving K. Barber Transfer Scholarship	November 2016
Faculty Women's Club Margaret McKenzie Scholarship, UBC	October 2016
University Women's Club Scholarship, Selkirk College	October 2016
Award of Excellence in French & Women's Studies, Selkirk College	March 2016
Irving K. Barber One World Scholarship	January 2016
Peace and Human Rights Award, Selkirk College	September 2015
Award of Excellence in Peace Studies, Selkirk College	April 2014

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