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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 have my Registered Social Worker (RSW) designation with the British Columbia College of Social Workers (BCCSW) as of April 2024.

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

BC Public Service
Ministry of Children and Family Development
Youth Services
Nanaimo, BC
Social Worker

January 2024 – present

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

May 2022 – December 2023

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 and elementary 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 <i>Editor</i>	September 2020 - present
Unist'ot'en Camp Wet'suwet'en Territory <i>Supporter and Land Defender</i>	August - September 2020
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

<p>The Talon: UBC's Alternative Student Press University of British Columbia <i>Editor</i></p>	<p>September 2017 – April 2019</p>
<p>Ignite Undergraduate Journal Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice University of British Columbia <i>Editor</i></p>	<p>October 2018 – August 2019</p>
<p>Sexual Assault Support Centre University of British Columbia <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>September 2018 – August 2019</p>
<p>Defender Dance: Party for Unist'ot'en Vancouver, BC <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>January 2019</p>
<p>Coalition of Progressive Electors (C.O.P.E) Vancouver, BC <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>August 2018 – January 2019</p>
<p>Critical Ethnic Studies Conference University of British Columbia <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>June 2018</p>
<p>Nelson and District Women's Centre Nelson, BC <i>Member and volunteer</i></p>	<p>June 2011 – June 2018</p>
<p>Queer Arts Festival Vancouver, BC <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>June 2018, June 2017</p>
<p>Native American & Indigenous Studies Association (NAISA) Annual Conference University of British Columbia <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>June 2017</p>
<p>Talking Stick Festival Vancouver, BC <i>Volunteer</i></p>	<p>February 2017</p>
<p>Kitchen Table Discussions on settler responsibility Nelson, BC <i>Co-Facilitator</i></p>	<p>February – June 2016</p>

Let's Talk Justice, Equality and Power Community Conversations Nelson, BC <i>Co-organizer</i>	June 2016 - August 2016
Rights Action <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>	June 2016
Kootenays for a Pipeline Free BC Nelson, BC <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>	January 2015 - August 2016
Unist'ot'en Camp Wet'suwet'en Territory <i>Volunteer and supporter; brought \$3000 in food and monetary donations, helped cook, clean, and do light construction work</i>	July 2015
Kootenay Co-op Radio Nelson, BC <i>Member, Radio Show Host, DJ and Volunteer</i>	April 2009 - August 2016
Harvest Rescue Nelson, BC <i>Volunteer</i>	July 2012 – Aug 2016
Youth Restorative Justice Circle Nelson, BC <i>Support person for 3 youth during the circle and during their community hours</i>	November 2013
International Women's Day, Eagles Hall Nelson, BC <i>Organized a youth musical performance</i>	March 2012

Conference Presentations

Women and Gender Studies Institute Graduate Conference Speaking to Power: Feminist Theories and Praxes University of Toronto, ON <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>	October 2020
Interdisciplinary Graduate & Undergraduate Conference	March 2020

Gender and Women's Studies, University of Alberta, AB
"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)"
[Conference cancelled because of COVID-19]

Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference on Identity, Gender & Ideology, University of Victoria, BC March 2020
"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)"

International Peace and Justice Studies Conference September 2016
Selkirk College, Nelson, BC
"On the Ground in Honduras"

Lectures and Talks

Mir Centre Peace Café community presentation August 2016
Selkirk College, Nelson, BC
Facilitator: "On the Ground in Honduras"

Girls Empowerment Movement (GEM), Nelson, BC March 2016
Guest Facilitator

Selkirk College Scholarship Ceremony September 2015
Closing Remarks

Young Women's Peace Leadership Camp, near Nelson, BC August 2015
Facilitated two workshops:
'Consent' & 'Notes from the Unist'ot'en Resistance Camp'

Naomi Klein, Brilliant Cultural Centre, Castlegar, BC April 2015
Opening Remarks and Introduction to Naomi Klein

Critical Mass Bike Ride for a Clean Energy Future, Nelson, BC July 2014
Opening Remarks

Art Exhibitions and Markets

"Mushum" Album Cover February 2024
Prophecy Club
Artist

Christmas on the Crescent Holiday Market December 2023
Nanaimo, BC
Artist

Nightmare Market Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	May 2023
Fool's Gold Market Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	April 2023
Autonomous Sinixt Silent Auction Online <i>Artist</i>	February 2023
Holey Holiday Market Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	December 2022
Christmas on the Crescent Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	December 2022
Revived Vintage Studio Sale Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	November 2022
Woodstove Music & Arts Festival Cumberland, BC <i>Artist & Vendor</i>	November 2022
10 Year Anniversary Postcard Split Lip Magazine <i>Artist</i>	November 2022
Unhinged Art Show Nanaimo, BC <i>Featured Artist</i>	October 2022
Bean Around The World Café Exhibition of Winning Photos Land Trust Alliance of BC's 25 th Anniversary Contest Victoria, BC <i>Winner</i>	September 2022
Slanted Market The Vault Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i>	August 2022

Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia First Place in the People & Nature Category <i>Artist</i>	August 2022
Rattle Young Poets Anthology Front Cover Studio City, CA <i>Artist</i>	July 2022
Rattle Ekphrastic Challenge Studio City, CA <i>Artist</i>	June 2022
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

<p>Out from the Mist Photographic Representations of Mental Health <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>November 2021</p>
<p>Creatures of the Night Market Creature Gallery Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>October 2021</p>
<p>#whatnow documentary theatre and dance creation Alley Theatre Vancouver, BC <i>Interviewee</i></p>	<p>October – Nov 2021</p>
<p>Mining Injustice Solidarity Network Imaginings: A World Without Extractivism <i>Poet</i></p>	<p>September 2021</p>
<p>APIRG Almanac 2021/2022 Edition Edmonton, AB <i>Artist & Poet</i></p>	<p>September 2021</p>
<p>Wyrd Wealth Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>August 2021-present</p>
<p>With Intensions Vancouver, BC <i>Poet</i></p>	<p>August 2021</p>
<p>Creature Gallery Art Show Nanaimo, BC <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>July 2021</p>
<p>With Intensions Vancouver, BC <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>June 2021</p>
<p>Hyper Enigma Arts, Culture, Literature <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>June 2021</p>
<p>SASC x Hatch's "Still Breathing" Art Showcase Vancouver, BC <i>Artist</i></p>	<p>March 2021</p>

- Healing Fires: Art by Survivors and Allies
Art Show presented by Sexual Assault Support Centre (SASC)
Vancouver, BC
Artist May 2019
- Social Justice Centre
University of British Columbia
Designed 6 stickers relating to social justice issues; received funding to print hundreds for distribution on campus September 2018
- Community Art Show & Winter Print Sale
Nelson, BC
Artist 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, July). Kennedy Lake [Photograph]. Front Cover of Rattle Young Poets Anthology. *Rattle*. Studio City, CA.
- Murphy, M-A. (2022, June). Kennedy Lake [Photograph]. Ekphrastic Challenge. *Rattle*. <https://www.rattle.com/ekphrastic/>
- Murphy, M.A. (2022, May). Not Much Without [Poem]. Bridges. *Vallum: Contemporary Poetry*, 19 (1). <https://vallummag.com/m-a-murphy-not-much-without/>
- 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>
- Murphy, M.A. (2021, September). New Worlds [Poem], Treaty 6 [Visual Art]. *APIRG Almanac*.
- Murphy, M.A. (2021, September). New Worlds [Poem]. *Mining Injustice Solidarity Network*.
- Murphy, M.A. (in press). *Flowers*. Backlash Press.

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<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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<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/>

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<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
Irving K. Barber One World Scholarship
Peace and Human Rights Award, Selkirk College
Award of Excellence in Peace Studies, Selkirk College

March 2016
January 2016
September 2015
April 2014

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