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## Current Positions

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| Associate Professor, History, <i>Concordia University of Edmonton</i>             | 2017- |
| Adjunct Faculty, Department of History and Classics, <i>University of Alberta</i> | 2013- |

## Past Positions

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| Assistant Professor of History, <i>Concordia University of Edmonton</i>  | 2012-17 |
| Research Associate, Dept. of History, <i>University of Manitoba</i>      | 2011-12 |
| Postdoctoral Fellow, Dept. of History, <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> | 2009-11 |

## Degrees

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|--|------|
| Doctor of Philosophy, History<br><i>University of Alberta</i>      | 2009 |
| Bachelor of Education<br><i>University of Ottawa</i>               | 2001 |
| Master of Arts, History<br><i>McGill University</i>                | 2000 |
| Bachelor of Arts, History (honours)<br><i>University of Guelph</i> | 1999 |

## Areas of Specialization:

Western Canada; British Empire; Indigenous Peoples; Christian missions; Comparative and Transnational History

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## Major Awards

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|--|-----------|
| <b>L.R. Wilson Postdoctoral Fellowship</b><br>Wilson Institute for Canadian History<br>McMaster University<br>Approx. \$80,000 <i>Declined</i>   | 2011      |
| <b>SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship</b><br>Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)<br>Held at the University of Saskatchewan<br>\$79,000  | 2009-2011 |
| <b>Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship – Doctoral Level</b><br>Faculty of Graduate Studies, <i>University of Alberta</i><br>\$3,500  | May 2007  |
| <b>Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship – Doctoral Level</b><br>Faculty of Graduate Studies, <i>University of Alberta</i><br>\$10,500   | May 2006  |
| <b>ELHF Fellowship for Research in Western Canadian history</b><br>Eleanor Luxton Historical Foundation (ELHF) and<br>Department of History, <i>University of Alberta</i><br>\$10,000 (inaugural award winner) | May 2005  |
| <b>SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship</b><br>Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)<br>Held at the University of Alberta<br>\$57,000   | 2003-06   |
| <b>Walter H. Johns Graduate Fellowship</b><br>Faculty of Graduate Studies, <i>University of Alberta</i><br>\$17,288  | 2003-05   |
| <b>Andrew Stewart Memorial Graduate Prize for Research</b><br>Faculty of Graduate Studies, <i>University of Alberta</i><br>\$5,000   | May 2006  |

## Grants

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| <b>SSHRC Insight Development Grant</b><br><i>Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada</i><br>Project title: “Imperial Networks and the Remaking of the Hudson’s Bay Company, 1809-16”<br><b>Amount: \$38,307.00</b> | 2017 |
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| <b>Concordia Internal Research Grant</b><br><i>Concordia University of Edmonton</i><br><b>Amount: \$2274.30</b>   | 2017 |
| <b>Publication Grant: Aid to Scholarly Publications Program</b><br><i>Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences</i><br><b>Amount \$8000</b>                            | 2015 |
| <b>Concordia Small Research Needs Grant</b><br><i>Concordia University of Edmonton</i><br><b>Amount: \$1250</b>   | 2015 |
| <b>Aid to Small Universities Grant (SSHRC)</b><br><i>Concordia University of Edmonton and Social Sciences<br/>and Humanities Research Council of Canada</i><br><b>Amount: \$2550</b>    | 2015 |
| <b>Publication Grant: Aid to Scholarly Publications Program</b><br><i>Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences</i><br><b>Amount \$8000</b>                            | 2011 |
| <b>SSHRC Aid to Scholarly Workshops and Conferences</b><br><i>Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)<br/>Government of Canada</i><br><b>Amount: \$18,000</b> | 2011 |

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Refereed Publications**

#### **Books**

with Chelsea Horton (eds.), *Mixed Blessings: Indigenous Encounters with Christianity in Canada*. Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 2016.

*Prophetic Identities: Indigenous Missionaries on British Colonial Frontiers, 1850-1875*.  
Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 2012.  
Shortlisted, 2013 Aboriginal History Prize, Canadian Historical Association

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**Journal Articles and Book Chapters**

with Richard Connors, "The Making of a Company-Colony: The Fur Trade War, the British Colonial Office, and the Metamorphosis of the Hudson's Bay Company" *Canadian Journal of History* (Forthcoming, fall 2020).

"Jamaica, the Atlantic World, and the 'New System' of the Hudson's Bay Company" *Prairie History* (Summer 2020).

with Jessica Joannou, "From Supremacy to a Spectrum of Responses: a Brief History of Christianity and Indigenous peoples in Canada" *Canadian Journal for Scholarship and the Christian Faith* [online], Fall 2018.

Bak, Greg, Bradford, Tolly, Loyer, Jessie, and Walker, Elizabeth. "Four Views on Archival Decolonization Inspired by the TRC's Calls to Action" *Fonds d'Archives* [Online], Number 1 (1 July 2017).

"Christianity, Missionaries and Plains Cree Politics, 1850s-1870s" *Manitoba History* 83 (Spring 2017): 2-13.

With Chelsea Horton. "Introduction: The Mixed Blessings of Encounter." In *Mixed Blessings: Indigenous Encounters with Christianity in Canada*. 1-18. Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 2016.

With Chelsea Horton. "Conclusion: Reflections on Encounter." In *Mixed Blessings: Indigenous Encounters with Christianity in Canada*. 205-208. Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 2016.

"Comparing to Connect: Indigenous Voice, Regionalism, and the Limits of Transnational History." In *Within and Without the Nation: Canadian History as Transnational History* edited by Karen Dubinsky, Adele Perry, and Henry Yu. 76-90. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2015.

with Erika Dyck. "Peyote on the Prairies: Religion, Scientists, and Native-Newcomer Relations in Western Canada." *Journal of Canadian Studies/Revue d'études Canadiennes* 46, 1 (Winter 2012): 28-52.

"World Visions: 'Native Missionaries,' Mission networks and Critiques of Colonialism in Nineteenth-Century South Africa and Canada." In *Grappling with the Beast: Indigenous Southern African Responses to Colonialism, 1840-1930* edited by Peter Limb, Norman Etherington and Peter Midgley. 311-39. Brill: Leiden, 2010.

"Networkings: Perspectives on Nineteenth-Century British Missions." *Missiology: An International Review* 35, 4 (October 2007), 375-381.

"A Useful Institution: William Twin, 'Indianess,' and Banff National Park, c. 1860-1940." *Native Studies Review* 16, 2 (2005): 77-98.

“Home, away from Home: Old Swan, James Bird and the Edmonton District, 1795-1815.” In *The Early Northwest* Vol. 1 of *History of the Prairie West Series*, edited by Gregory P. Marchildon, 147-170. Regina: Canadian Plains Research Center, 2008. First published in *Prairie Forum* 29 1 (2004): 25-44.

## Non-Refereed Publications

### Articles

“Conservative Visions of Christianity and Community in Early Red River, c1800-1821.” *Manitoba History: The Journal of the Manitoba Historical Society*. 71 (Winter 2013): 28-33.

### Book Reviews

Review of *The Story of Radio Mind: A Missionary's Journey on Indigenous Land*, by Pamela E. Klassen. *Canadian Journal of History* 54, no. 3 (2019): 438-440.

Review of *The English Chartered Trading Companies, 1688-1763: Guns, Money and Lawyers*, by Michael Wagner. *Canadian Journal of History* 54, no. 1 (2019): 257-259.

Review of *Power through Testimony: Reframing Residential Schools in the Age of Reconciliation* edited by Brieg Capitaine and Karine Vanthuyne. *British Journal of Canadian Studies* 31 (2) (September 2018): 235-236.

Review of *Mission Life in Cree-Ojibwe Country: Memories of a Mother and Son*, By Elizabeth Bingham Young and E. Ryerson Young, edited and with introduction by Jennifer S. H. Brown. *Canadian Historical Review* 96 (4) (fall 2015), 608-611.

Review of *Standing up with Ga'axsta'las: Jane Constance Cook and the Politics of Memory, Church, and Custom*, by Leslie A. Robertson and the Kwagu'ł Gixsam clan, *Histoire Sociale - Social History* XLVIII, 96 (May 2015), 335-338.

Review of *Beyond Conversion and Syncretism: Indigenous encounters with missionary Christianity, 1800-2000*, edited by David Lindenfeld & Miles Richardson. *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History* 13, no. 3 (2012) <http://muse.jhu.edu/> (accessed April 23, 2013).

Review of *Canada and the British Empire*, Oxford History of the British Empire Companion Series, edited by Phillip Buckner. *Histoire Sociale - Social History* (November 2009), 483-85.

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Review of *'I Will Fear No Evil': Ojibwa-Missionary Encounters Along the Berens River, 1875-1940*, by Susan Elaine Gray. *Montana The Magazine of Western History* 59, 3 (2009).

Review of *Missions and Empire*, Oxford History of the British Empire Companion Series, edited by Norman Etherington. *Histoire Sociale - Social History* XXXIX, 78 (2006): 527-29.

Review of *Nature and the Godly Empire: Science and Evangelical Mission in the Pacific, 1795-1850*, by Sujit Sivasundrama. *Journal of British Studies* 45, 4 (October 2006): 921-22.

Review of *Indigenous Peoples and Religious Change*, edited by Peggy Brock. H-SAfrica, H-Net Reviews, October 2006.

Review of *Religion versus Empire? British Protestant Missionaries and Overseas Expansion, 1700-1914*, by Andrew Porter. *Historia: Journal of the Historical Association of South Africa* 51, I (May 2006): 290-94.

Review of *Lovedale – Coercive Agency: Power and Resistance in Mission Education*, by Graham A. Duncan. H-SAfrica, H-Net Reviews, May, 2005.

Review of *My Years in the Fur Trade: The Journals of 1802-1804*, by George Nelson, edited by Laura Peers and Theresa Schenck. *Canadian Ethnic Studies Journal* 26, 1 (2004): 126-28.

Review of *The Heavens are Changing: Nineteenth-Century Protestant Missions and Tsimshian Christianity*, by Susan Neylan. *Journal of the Canadian Church Historical Society* XLVI, 1 (Spring 2004): 105-112

## **Presentations and Conference Papers**

### **Invited Talks**

“Residential Schools and Reconciliation in Canada.” Invited Talk to students in the *Master Négociation de Projets Interculturels [Masters in Negotiation of Intercultural Projects]*. University of Montpellier. Montpellier, France. November 6, 2019.

“Treaty-making and Indigenous Peoples in Canada.” *Insitut de Reserche Intersite Etures Culturelles [Insitute of Intercultural Studies]*. University of Montpellier. Montpellier, France. October 18, 2019.

“The Atlantic World origins of the 'new' Hudson's Bay Company, 1810 – 21.” *The Department of History Colloquium Series*. University of Lethbridge. Lethbridge, October 21, 2018.

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“The Hudson’s Bay Company and British Imperialism: The Newest Approach to Fur Trade History?” Plenary Keynote Address. *18<sup>th</sup> Rupert’s Land Studies Colloquium*. Grand Prairie, Alberta, May 2018.

“A Brief History of Spirituality, Christianity, and Relationship.” *Rethinking the relationship between spirituality and reconciliation: a symposium on Indigenous and non-Indigenous relations in Canada*. University of Victoria (Faculty of Law). 9 March 2018.

“Innovations in Post-Secondary Education in Canada: Indigenous Issues.” *Center for Chinese Studies Round Table Discussion*. Concordia University of Edmonton. Edmonton, Alberta, 29 September 2016.

“Accidentally Doing UDL in History 112.” *Concordia Faculty Development Day*. Concordia University of Edmonton, February 17, 2015.

“Visions of Christianity and Community in early Red River Society, c. 1800-1821.” *Manitoba Historical Society Symposium: The Selkirk Settlement Revisited: 1812, As Seen From 2012*. Winnipeg, Manitoba, 16 May 2012.

“Prophetic Identities: Indigenous Missionaries on British Colonial Frontiers, 1850-75.” *Department of Indigenous Studies, Harry Daniels Distinguished Lecture Series*. University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba, 23 March 2012.

### **Academic Seminars and Workshops**

“The Imperial Contexts of the Hudson’s Bay Company, c.1810.” *Interdisciplinary Research Group on Travel*. Concordia University of Edmonton, February 2018.

“‘Missionaries Will Endeavor to Make Peace Amongst Us:’ Christianity and Cree Politics in the Saskatchewan River District, 1840-70.” *Canadian History Brown Bag Lunch Speaker Series*. Department of History, University of Alberta, Edmonton, March 2013.

“Missionaries and Claims to Authority in Upper Canada, 1822-32.” *Native-Newcomers Relations Discussion Group*. University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, March 2011.

with Erika Dyck. “Peyote on the Prairies: Cultural Rites, The State, and Native-Newcomer Relations in post-World War II Western Canada” *Department of History Faculty Seminar Series*. University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, December 2010.

“Christianity and Plains Cree Leadership before Treaty Six.” *Native-Newcomers Relations Discussion Group*. University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, March 2010.

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“Political Legacies of Christianity in Nineteenth-century Aboriginal Canada.” *Canadian Studies Open Research Seminar*. University of Edinburgh, Scotland, February 2010.

“Indigenous Voice and Transnational History.” *Oxford University Transnational and Global History Seminar*. Oxford University, England, February 2010.

“Defining Identity and Community: Implications of Indigenous Missionaries in the Nineteenth-Century British Empire.” *Seminar on Christian Missions in Global History*. Institute of Historical Research, London, England, December 2009.

“Stranded Selves: the Identity of Indigenous Missionaries in Western Canada and Southern Africa.” *Inside and Outside the Nation Workshop: Canadian History as Transnational History*. Winnipeg, Manitoba, April 2009.

“Being a Native Missionary: Multiple Identities, Divided Selves.” Paper Presented at *Writing New Histories of Indigeneity and Imperial History: A Workshop*. University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, May 2008.

“Fluid Networks: Positioning the Indigenous Missionary, 1850-75.” Paper presented at *University of Pretoria Interdisciplinary Seminar Series*, Pretoria, South Africa, July 2005.

“Fluid Networks: Perspectives on Tiyo Soga.” Paper presented at *History in the Making Seminar Series*, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa, May 2005.

“Mabo, Delgamuukw, Ysleta and Beyond.” *Delgamu'ukw, Mabo, and Ysleta: Native Title in Canada, Australia, and the United States*, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, September 2003.

### **Conference Papers**

“Denominational Divergence in Missionary Visions of Treaty Six.” *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Church History*. Regina, 30 May-1 June, 2018.

“Andrew Wedderburn, the Jamaican plantation, and the HBC’s ‘new system’” *18<sup>th</sup> Rupert’s Land Studies Colloquium*. Grand Prairie, Alberta, 17-19 May, 2018.

with Jessica Joannou. “Christianity and Indigenous Peoples: A History in Two Themes.” *Indigenous People and the Christian Faith*. Concordia University of Edmonton, May 2018.

“Benjamin Harrison’s Pamphlet on the ‘instruction of Indians’ in HBC Territory, 1815.” *2016 Rupert Land Colloquium*. Winnipeg, MB, 19 May, 2016.



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“TRC Recommendations Roundtable.” *Archives Society of Albert Conference 2016*. Canmore, Alberta, May 7 2016.

“Religion, The London Committee of the Hudson’s Bay Company, and Visions of the North-West, 1815-1830s.” *Before and After the West: Western Canadian Studies Conference, 2015*. Winnipeg, MB, November 2015.

“Building Alliances: Missionary Strategies in Upper Canada, 1820s-1830s.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Canadian Historical Association*. Fredericton, New Brunswick, May 2011.

with Erika Dyck. “Peyote on the Prairies: Cultural Rites, The State, and Native-Newcomer Relations in post-World War II Western Canada” *Place and Replace: A joint meeting of Western Canadian Studies and the St John’s College Prairies Conference*. St. John’s College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, September 2010.

“Continuity and Change in Cree Uses of Christianity along the North Saskatchewan, 1840-70.” Paper presented at the *2010 Rupert’s Land Colloquium*. University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba, May 2010.

“Advocates and Advisors: Indigenous Missionaries and the Creation of New Forms of Leadership.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Canadian Historical Association*. Ottawa, Ontario, May 2009.

“Being a ‘Native Missionary’: Identity, Frontiers, Politics.” Paper presented at *The West and Beyond: Historians Past, Present and Future*. University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, June 2008.

“Indigenous Missionaries and Transregional Mission Networks.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Canadian Historical Association*. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, May 2007.

“Indigenous Missionaries in Policy and Practice, 1850-60.” Paper presented at the *North American Conference on British Studies*. Boston Mass., November 2006.

“The ‘Grand Agency’: British Evangelical missions and the employment of indigenous missionaries.” Paper Presented at *Evangelical Britain: Culture and Empire, Department of History and Classics Graduate Symposium*. University of Alberta, Edmonton, April 2006.

“Networkings: Perspectives on the History and Historiography of Nineteenth-Century British Missions.” Paper presented at *Social Science History Association 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*, Chicago, Illinois, November 2004.

“Networkings: Perspectives on Nineteenth-Century British Missions in South Africa and Canada.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *African Studies*

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*Association/Canadian Association of African Studies*, New Orleans, Louisiana,  
November 2004.

“‘Home’ Placed: Old Swan Imagines an Edmonton (in an Empire).” Paper presented at  
*Culture and The State: Past, Present and Future*, University of Alberta, Edmonton,  
Alberta., May 2003.

## Service to the Discipline

### Peer Review

University of Regina Press  
University of British Columbia Press  
University of Alberta Press  
SSHRC Insight Development Grant program  
Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada  
Aid to Scholarly Publication Program – Publications Committee, 2018-  
*Church History Journal*  
*Western Historical Quarterly*  
*Eighteenth-Century Fiction*  
*Histoire*

### Editorial Boards

Associate Editor, *Prairie History* 2019-

## Contracted Research

Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada 2011-2012  
*Contracted to prepare a 100 page report on history of Inuit  
Experiences of Residential Schools*

Historical research related in Indigenous land claims cases 2005-ongoing

## Academic Teaching Experience

### Graduate Supervision

PhD Committee – John Fontaine, “French Ethnicity in  
Western Canada, 1870 to 1930.” Department of History and Classics.  
University of Alberta. 2015-2019.

### **Graduate Examination committees**

External Examiner/Reader – Charles Muskego, “Asserting Postcolonial Identities: Cross-Textual Readings of Ezra-Nehemiah and Indigeneity in Canada.” Master’s of Arts in Biblical and Christian Studies. Concordia University of Edmonton. 2016

External Examiner/Reader – John Fontaine. PhD Comprehensive Examination. Department of History and Classics. University of Alberta. 2014.

External Examiner/Reader – Bart West, “Amazing Race: Roman Catholic and Anglican Missionaries in the Canadian Northwest 1818-1875” Master’s of Biblical and Christian Studies, Concordia University of Edmonton. April 2013.

### **Undergraduate Teaching**

#### **Course Instructor:**

#### **Concordia University of Edmonton**

2012-

HIS 111 “The Early Modern World”

HIS 112 “The Modern World”

HIS 261 “Post-Confederation Canada”

HIS 290 “Introduction to Historical Research Methods”

HIS 365 “The Canadian West to 1885”

HIS 366 “The Canadian West since 1885”

HIS 369 “Indigenous Peoples and Canada Since 1800”

HIS 303I: Special Topics in History: Christianity and Colonization in Western Canada to the 1870s

HIS 370: “Indigenous Peoples and Christianity in Canada”

HIS410: “The Craft of History”

HIS 464: “Indigenous Peoples, Christianity and Colonialism”

#### **University of Alberta**

Fall 2006

300 level course: “The Canadian West to 1885”

Course Co-instructor with Gerhard Ens

Fall 2006

400/600 level course: “19<sup>th</sup> Century Missions and Missionary Writing in the Canadian Northwest”

#### **Teaching Assistant:**

2002-03

Department of History and Classic, University of Alberta

100 level course: Modern World History

Department of History, McGill University

1999-2000

200 level course: Pre-Colonial and Modern African History

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## **Non-Academic Teaching Experience**

**Elementary School Teacher**

2001-2002

Father Porte Memorial Dene School, Black Lake, Saskatchewan

*Taught all core subjects to grade 8 class in band-run school*