

EXHIBIT "A"
Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Degrees: Institution: Date:

PhD Student University of Victoria 2009 to Present
Special Arrangement with
School of Social Work
Area of Interest: Foster care experiences of Indigenous people

Master of Social Work University of Manitoba February, 2002
Policy and Administrative Stream
Thesis: Towards an understanding of suicide among Aboriginal people.

Bachelor of Social Work University of Manitoba May, 1991
Dean's Honour List

Bachelor of Arts University of Manitoba October, 2002
Political Studies/ Psychology

Work Experience

University of Manitoba Faculty of Social Work
Instructor II 2007 to Present
Lecturer, 2005 to 2007
Responsibilities include: teaching, research and community service
University of Manitoba Faculty of Social Work

Distance Education Coordinator, Instructor II, 1998 to 2005
Responsibilities included: program coordination and administration of the BSW Distance Education program, which include independent study/group based and cohort delivery; responsible for the provision of ongoing recruitment, advising, support and advocacy for approximately 300 students; involved in the selection, orientation and provision of supports to instructors and on-site cohort coordinators within the program; maintain ongoing consultation and liaison with university and community stakeholders; participate on faculty and university related committees; maintain program statistics, supervise Distance Student Advisor; and teach policy and Aboriginal focussed courses in Social Work to on campus students, to independent study students and to cohort students; involved in course revisions, curriculum development and research.

Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre
Family Support Worker, 1998

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Responsibilities included: providing culturally appropriate counselling to individuals and families, crisis intervention, advocacy and support, provision of resources and referrals; writing reports.

Faculty of Social Work University of Manitoba

Faculty Liaison, 1997 - 1998

Responsibilities included: providing support, consultation, mediation, and negotiation for field instructors and social work students in their field placements.

Winnipeg Child and Family Services

Support Worker, 1997 - 1998

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Responsibilities included: providing emotional and physical supports to children in care; organizing, prioritizing and supervising recreational activities; escorting children to appointments, attending to daily household chores; maintaining petty cash and writing reports.

University of Manitoba Faculty of Social Work

Sessional Instructor, 1996 - 1998

Responsibilities included: preparation and development of course outlines, and course material; teaching/instructing course; developing and assigning testing material; evaluating course work and assigning final grades; and maintaining office hours

Native Women's Transition Centre

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Interim Executive Director, 1995 - 1996

Responsibilities included: day to day management of a 21 bed long- term residential shelter and an eight unit second stage housing project; supervision of 18 full time and part time staff; financial management of operational and program budgets, payroll/staff benefits, and annual budget submissions; program development, implementation, and evaluation; supervision of student placements; participation on community committees and boards; and liaison with community members, community agencies, and funders.

Ndinawemaaganag Endaawaad Inc. (Our Relatives Home)

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Executive Director, 1993 - 1995

Responsibilities included: establishment and management of a 16 bed safe home for Aboriginal youth; hiring, training and supervision of 20 full time and casual staff; management of program budget, payroll and staff benefits, and annual budget submissions; program development, implementation and evaluation; supervision of student placements, and liaison with community stakeholders.

Access and Special Premedical Studies Programs

University of Manitoba

Counsellor, 1993

Responsibilities included: responding to student needs for crisis intervention, problem solving, support, therapy, referral and advocacy; providing career counselling; assisting with job search; participating in recruitment, selection, and orientation processes.

Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre
Winnipeg, Manitoba

After Hours Support Worker, 1991 - 1993

Responsibilities included: providing culturally appropriate assessments, intervention and follow-up; crisis intervention; providing advocacy, resources and referrals; making home visits; and writing reports.

Presentations

April 1, 2011. *Research for the sake of research or as empowerment and healing: Rethinking Research*. Paper presented at the Faculty of Social Work Research Day, University of Manitoba. Presenter.

September, 2010. Research for the sake of research: Or research for empowerment and healing? Paper presented at the 2010 International Conference 'Healing our Spirits Worldwide', Hawaii. Presenter

June 2010. Responding to the influence of residential schooling on Indigenous identity and wellbeing: The MSW based in Indigenous knowledge. Paper presented at Truth and Reconciliation: It's About Respect Conference. Winnipeg. Co-Presenter.

June 2010. Responding to the influence of residential schooling on Indigenous identity and wellbeing: The MSW based in Indigenous knowledge. Paper presented at Truth and Reconciliation: It's About Respect Conference. Winnipeg, MB. Co-Presenter.

October, 2009. Remembering our sacred talk in research. Paper presented at Gathering and Sharing Wisdom Conference 2009. Victoria. Presenter.

October, 2009. Understanding worldviews: The connection to social work policy and practice presented at Awakening the Spirit: Moving forward in Child Welfare, 5th Bi-annual Conference. Winnipeg. Co-Presenter.

October, 2009. Overview of Indigenous scholars and practitioners workshop presented at Awakening the Spirit: Moving forward in Child Welfare, 5th Bi-annual Conference. Winnipeg. Presenter.

May, 2008. Worldviews and governance in Aboriginal and feminist agencies: Implications for addressing barriers to service delivery. Paper presented at the 2008 National Social Work Conference: Human Rights in a Diverse Community. Toronto, ON. Co-Presenter

February, 2008. Researching Aboriginal Issues: Lessons Learned. Presented at the Faculty of Social Work Brown Bag Research Presentations.

May, 2007. Worldviews and non-profit governance: Aboriginal and feminist agencies serving women and families. Paper presented at 2007 CASSW Conference, Saskatoon, SK.

October, 2007. Respecting worldviews: Methodological challenges and gifts of exploring governance in feminist, Aboriginal and alternative social agencies. Paper presented at AQM 2007 Conference, Banff, Alberta.

November, 2006 - Vancouver, BC 2006 World Forum: Future Directions in Child Welfare: Aboriginal Children and Youth in the Care of Child Welfare. Presenter

May, 2006 - CASSW 2006 Conference, York University, Toronto, ON. "Incorporating Aboriginal Worldviews in Academic Teaching". Aboriginal Worldviews Round Table.

November, 2005 - Prairie Child Welfare Consortium Symposium: Putting a Human Face on Child Welfare. Edmonton, Alberta. "Aboriginal Children and Youth with Special Needs in the Care of Aboriginal Child Welfare". Presenter.

May, 2004 - CASSW Conference, Winnipeg, MB. Opening Plenary: Aboriginal Women in the Academic World. Co-presenter.

May, 2004 - 2004: CASSW Conference, Winnipeg, MB. "Distance Education: The Manitoba Experience". Co-presenter.

May, 2003: C.U. Expo Conference, Saskatoon, SK. "The Prairie Child Welfare Consortium: An Innovative Approach Community and University Collaboration." Co-presenter

May, 2003: University of Manitoba. Access and Premedical Studies Programs' Graduation Celebration. Keynote Speaker.

Research and Grants

2010 to present: An Exploratory Investigation of Indigenous Child Welfare Workers' Perceptions of Culturally Based Practices. Self-Funded. Researcher

2006 to 2009: Pilot Study: Examining World Views in the Context of Aboriginal Women's and Grassroots Feminist Organizations. Co-Collaborator

2003 - 2005: Two year grant from Health Canada and Child and Family Caring Society of Canada for \$164,887.20. "Supporting Aboriginal Children and Youth with Learning and Behavioural Disabilities in the Care of Aboriginal Child Welfare Agencies in Canada." Co-researcher.

2003 - 2004: Employment Equity Incentive Fund (EEIF) Award for \$3,300.00 with supporting funds of \$2000.00 from the Faculty of Social Work, U of M. Visiting Elder Program. Co-applicant.

External Peer Reviews

2009 - External Peer reviewer for First Peoples Child & Family Review Journal

2008 - External Peer reviewer for First Peoples Child & Family Review Journal

2006 - External Peer reviewer for First Peoples Child & Family Review Journal
2005 - External peer reviewer for First Peoples Child & Family Review Journal

Workshops

April, 2005: Winnipeg, MB - 8th Annual Case Management Symposium: Today and Tomorrow. Facilitated a workshop on "Understanding Cultural Diversity: What Works Best."

March, 2003: Scotland, Glasgow University, Faculty of Social Work and Social Policy. Facilitated a workshop on "Identifying Aboriginal People's World Views."

2001: Winnipeg, MB - Co-facilitated workshop for new instructors to Distance Education.

2001: Brandon, MB - Co-facilitated workshop for new instructors to Distance Education.

2001: Thompson, MB - Co-facilitated workshop for new instructors to Distance Education.

2001: Halifax, NS - Facilitated a workshop on "Grieving in the Aboriginal Community."

Guest Lecturer

March, 2009: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "The impact of the Indian Act in the lives of Indigenous women"

February, 2007: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "An Indigenous Approach to Social Work Practice."

March, 2006: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "Understanding Aboriginal World Views in the Context of Social Work."

February, 2003: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "Administration & Management in Aboriginal Non-profit Social Service Agencies."

October, 2003: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "Identifying Aboriginal People's World Views."

June, 2002: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "The Historical and Contemporary Roles of Aboriginal Women in Society."

December, 2002: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "Identifying Aboriginal People's World Views."

November, 2001: Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Guest Lecturer on "The Experience of Aboriginal People in the Child Welfare System."

Publications

Gosek, G. & Bennett, M. (in press). A day's discourse among Indigenous scholars and practitioners' about Indigenous child welfare in Canada. In D. Fuchs, S. McKay, & I.

Brown (Eds.), *Awakening the spirit: Voices from the prairies*. Regina, SK: Canadian Plains Research Centre Press.

Gosek, G., Wright, A & Hiebert-Murphy, D. (2007). Supporting Aboriginal Children and Youth with Learning and Behavioural Disabilities in the Care of Aboriginal Child Welfare Agencies. In I. Brown, F. Chaze, D. Fuchs, J. Lafrance, S. McKay, and S. Thomas-Prokop (Eds) *Putting a Human Face on Child Welfare: Voices from the Prairies* (pp.147 -160). Regina: Prairie Child Welfare Consortium.
www.uregina.ca/spr/prairechild/index.html Centre of Excellence for Child Welfare
www.cecw-cepb.ca

Wright, A., Hiebert-Murphy, D. & Gosek, G. (2005). Final Report: Supporting Aboriginal Children and Youth with Learning and Behavioural Disabilities in the Care of Aboriginal Child Welfare Agencies. Winnipeg, Manitoba: University of Manitoba, Faculty of Social Work.

Teaching

On-Campus, Cohort & Inner City Teaching:

SWRK 7290: 2010: Advanced Social Work with Groups

SWRK 4220: Aboriginal People and Social Work (6 Credit Hours)

- 2010: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2008: Summer Session - Fort Garry Campus; 2 sections
- 2008: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2007: Summer Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2007: Fall Term – Inner City Program
- 2007: Regular Session – Dauphin Cohort IV
- 2007: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2006: Summer Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2006: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2005: Summer Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2005: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2004: Summer Session - Dauphin Cohort III
- 2003: Summer Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2003: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2002: Summer Session - Dauphin Cohort II
- 2002: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2001: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2000: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus; 2 Sections
- 1998: Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 1997: Regular Session – Fort Garry Campus

SWRK 1310 Introduction to Social Work Policy

- 2006 Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus

Distance Education Teaching through Independent Study:

SWRK 1310 Introduction to Social Work Policy

- 2008 Winter Session

SWRK 4220 - Aboriginal People and Social Work (6 Credit Hours)

- 2010 Regular Session
- 2008 Regular Session
- 2007 Regular Session
- 2006 Regular Session
- 2005 Regular Session
- 2004 Regular Session
- 2003 Summer Session
- 2003 Regular Session
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- 2001 Regular Session
- 2000 Summer Session
- 2000 Regular Session
- 1999 Regular Session

SWRK 4200 Aboriginal Focus in Social Work: Field Focus (6 Credit Hours)

- 2004 Regular Session - Fort Garry Campus
- 2005 Regular Session - Southeast Cohort

Course Development and Distance Education Manual Revisions

2003: Developed course SWRK 4200 Aboriginal Focus in Social Work: Field Focus (6 Credit Hours)

2003: Content specialist for course revisions to SWRK 4220 - Aboriginal People and Social Work (6 Credit Hours)

Field Instructor

1994 - 2 students

1995 - 1 student

1998 - 2 students

Field Liaison

1997 - 13 agencies

Field Coordination

1997 - 2000: All Distance Education Field Students (Approx 84 Students)

MSW Student Advisor

2010 – 2011 Advisor to 5 MSW students

2009 – 2010 On Leave

2008 – 2009: Advisor to 4 MSW students

2007 – 2008: Advisor to 4 MSW students

2007 – 2008: Advisor to 5 MSW students

2006 – 2007: Advisor to 3 MSW students On-campus

2006 - 2007: Advisor 17 Southeast MSW Cohort Students

MSW Cohort Liaison

2006 to 2009: Aboriginal Child Welfare (Southeast) MSW Cohort, Faculty of Social Work, Liaison/Advisor

2010 to Present: Aboriginal Child Welfare (Southeast) MSW Cohort, Faculty of Social Work, Liaison/Advisor

Current Faculty Committee Membership

- Educational Equity Committee, Member
- Faculty Council, Member
- Recruitment & Hiring Committee
- Traditional Peoples Advisory Committee (TPAC)

Volunteer and Committee Experience

- Faculty of Social Work, Appeals Committee, Chair
- CASWE, Chair
- Prairie Child Welfare Winnipeg Symposium Planning Committee, Co-Chair
- PCWC Indigenous Scholars and Practitioners Workshop Planning Committee Member
- Powwow to Honour Children, Member
- B.S.W. Program Committee, Member
- B.S.W. Admissions Committee, Member
- Mary Mound Board of Directors - Member
- Mary Mound Program Committee - Member
- Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba - Field Instructor
- Faculty of Social Committee on Academic Standings
- Distance Education Committee, Member
- Professional Unsuitability Committee
- University of Manitoba Senate Committee, Faculty Rep
- Mentorship Advisory Committee, Member
- Child and Family Services Diploma Committee, Member
- B.S.W. Admissions Review Committee, Member
- Joint Management Committee, Health Canada - Community Representative
- Headstart Steering Committee - Committee Member
- Family Violence Diversion Project - Committee Member
- Manitoba Aboriginal Aids Task Force - Board Member
- Selkirk and Interlake Mental Health Support Centre - Vice-president
- Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre - Board Member
- Elizabeth Fry Society - Court Observer
- Aboriginal Network for Aboriginal Staff and Students (ABNET) - Member
- Prairie Child Welfare Research Committee - Member
- Prairie Child Welfare Practice and Delivery Committee - Member
- Friends of Elizabeth Hill Committee, Member

- Canada Research Chair II Search Committee, Member
- Faculty of Social Work, University of Manitoba, Recruitment & Hiring -- Member
- Educational Education Committee -- Faculty of Social Work -- Chair/Member