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TRANSFORMING MASCULINITIES: International Symposium for Well-Being & Violence Prevention

October 25 & 26, 2023



Respect | Reciprocity | Relationships | Intersectional Perspectives | Diverse Knowledges

Welcome



On October 25th and 26th 2023, the University of Calgary and partners will host a two-day gathering: ***Transforming Masculinities: International Symposium for Well-Being and Violence Prevention***. This in-person and virtual event will bring together transdisciplinary organizational and community leaders, Elders, educators, researchers, knowledge-keepers, and students working in violence prevention, gender justice, well-being, and peacebuilding. Presentations, knowledge exchange, and experiential learning will focus on local to global realities of gender-based violence and promote prevention efforts through awareness, strategies, and collaboration.

The symposium will open with an Indigenous ceremony in the Kiipitakyoyis Grandmother's Lodge in the Faculty of Social Work. We look forward to welcoming our international guests, local partners, colleagues, and students to our symposium, which takes place on the traditional homelands of the Blackfoot Confederacy: the Siksika, Kainai and Piikani Nations; their Treaty 7 cosignatories: the Tsuut'ina and Îyâxe Nakoda Nations; Métis Nation (MNA) Region 3, and those who call Calgary (Moh'kinis'tsis) home. Values of respect, reciprocity, and relationships frame our event and intersectional perspectives, and diverse knowledges are welcome and prioritized through this collaboration.

The Transforming Masculinities Project is led by Dr. Liza Lorenzetti (lakloren@ucalgary.ca) and Dr. Aamir Jamal (aamirjamal@ucalgary.ca) in the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary, in collaboration with valued local and international partners from Afghanistan, Canada, the Caribbean, Mexico, Nepal, the Philippines and Pakistan.

To learn more about our partnerships, click the link below:

<https://socialwork.ucalgary.ca/research/faculty-research-groups/transforming-masculinities>

In-Person Program

Wednesday October 25 - DAY 1		
9:30 - 10:30 am	<p style="text-align: center;">Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Ellen Perrault, <i>Dean of the Faculty of Social Work.</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Indigenous Opening Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elder Kerrie Moore, <i>Faculty of Social Work Elder & Elder of Kiipitakyoyis Grandmothers' Lodge</i>, supported by Lodge Keeper, Deandra Neufeld & Onyx Shelton. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Zoom Link</p> <p>Meeting ID: 96668993546</p>
10:30 - 10:45 am	Break	
10:45 - 11:15 am	<p style="text-align: center;">Introduction to the Transforming Masculinities Project & Symposium</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Liza Lorenzetti & Dr. Aamir Jamal. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Zoom Link</p> <p>Meeting ID: 96668993546</p>
11:15 - 11:20 am	Break	
11:20 - 12:40 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Africentric Perspectives on Violence Prevention: Local to Global Moderator: <i>Danial Jamal</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Gaps and Opportunities in Response to Domestic Violence for Black Women and Families: An Africentric way.</i> Dr. Regine Uwibereyeho King, Ms. Dee Adekugbeand, & Ms. Natasha Atemgoua. <i>Breaking the Code of Silence: Fostering Domestic Violence Prevention in Black Communities.</i> Dr. Patrina Duhaney. <i>Promising Africentric Approaches to Child Trafficking Prevention.</i> Dr. Ajwang Warria & Christine Chateau 	<p style="text-align: center;">Zoom Link</p> <p>Meeting ID: 96668993546</p>
12:40 - 1:30 pm	Transforming Masculinities Digital Stories	
1:30 - 3:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Men's Engagement in Violence Prevention: Perspectives from Nepal Moderator: <i>To Be Confirmed</i></p> <p><i>Examining the Terrain of Men's Engagement in Violence Prevention and Gender Equity Work in Nepal.</i> Dr. Rita Dhungel & Dr. Bidur Dhungel.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Zoom Link</p> <p>Meeting ID: 96668993546</p>
3:00 - 3:25 pm	Break	
3:25 - 4:25 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Indigenous and Decolonial Approaches to Well-Being and Violence Prevention Sharing Circles</p> <p>Introductions: <i>Lemlem Haile</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Building Strong Neighbourhoods Through Reconciliation.</i> Marlborough Indigenous Women's Group. <p>Introductions: <i>Deandra Neufeld & Onyx Shelton</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Restoring Relations: 2SLGBTQ GBV Prevention.</i> Bernadette Iahtail, Tina Lanceleve, & Dr. Dorothy Badry. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Zoom Link</p> <p>Meeting ID: 96668993546</p>
4:25 - 4:45 pm	Reflections	
		<p style="text-align: center;">Zoom Link</p> <p>Meeting ID: 96668993546</p>

Thursday October 26 - DAY 2

9:00 - 9:45 am	Marlborough Women's Eritrean Coffee Ceremony	Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546
9:45 - 10:30 am	<p style="text-align: center;">Moose Hide Offering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elder Kerrie Moore, <i>Faculty of Social Work Elder & Elder of Kiipitakyoyis Grandmothers' Lodge</i>, supported by Lodge Keeper, Deandra Neufeld & Onyx Shelton. 	Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546
10:30 - 10:40 am	Break	
10:40 - 12:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Global to Local Perspectives on Domestic Violence Prevention: Transforming Masculinities Project and Partnership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Findings from the Caribbean</i>. Dr. Gabrielle Hosein. <i>Findings from Canada</i>. Dr. Liza Lorenzetti, Jeff Halvorsen, & Sarah Thomas. <i>Findings from Pakistan</i>. Dr. Aamir Jamal, Dr. Muhammad Ibrar, & Dr. Ahmad Waqar. 	Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Transforming Masculinities Digital Stories	
1:00 - 2:05 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Reflections on Gender, Heteronormativity, and Violence Prevention Moderators: <i>Deandra Neufeld & Onyx Shelton</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Reflections</i>. Elder Adrian Wolfleg. <i>Untethering Transphobia and Masculinities</i>. Jamie Anderson. 	Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546
2:05 - 2:15 pm	Break	
2:15 - 3:20 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Transforming Masculinities and GBV Prevention: Caribbean and Mexican Perspectives Moderator: <i>Dr. Patrina Duhaney</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Caribbean Feminisms and Caribbean Masculinities</i>. Dr. Gabrielle Hosein. <i>Toward Transformative Education in Mexico: Masculinities, Affects, & Strategies Against Gender Based Violence</i>. Dr. Monica Sesma & Dr. Manuel López-Pereyra. 	Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546
3:20 - 3:30 pm	Break	
3:30 - 4:50 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Islamic Perspectives on Violence Prevention and Gender Justice Moderator: <i>Dr. Aamir Jamal</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Dilemma of Girls' Education in Afghanistan: The Nexus Between Culture, Faith, and Modernity</i>. Dr. Attaullah Wahidiyar. <i>Nature and Impact of Harassment of Domestic Women Workers in District of Peshawar, Pakistan</i>. Dr. Muhammad Ibrar & Dr. Ahmad Waqar. <i>MASKAN - Shelter for Women with Cultural Sensitivities</i>. Aneela Azeem & Rehana Rafiq. 	Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Closing & Thank You	
		Zoom Link Meeting ID: 96668993546

Speakers



Dr. Ellen Perrault

Dr. Ellen Perrault became the dean of Social Work in 2020. UCalgary's Faculty of Social Work has made significant gains in research strength, academic programming, and welcoming record numbers of students who increasingly finish their programs. Ellen is passionate about system wellbeing. She connects scholars, community leaders, and students from diverse disciplines to advance transformational social work practice through collaboration.



Elder Kerrie Moore

Kerrie Moore MSW, RSW, Metis/Cree. Kerrie is a mother and a grandmother to 3 beautiful granddaughters and the great great Granddaughter of the prominent Anglo-Metis Leader, James Isbister. Kerrie is an Inter-generational trauma and grief specialist integrating healing through a cultural and a parallel approach to wellness through relational science. Kerrie is also a consultant and Indigenous psychotherapist. Kerrie is a sessional instructor, Elder and consultant with the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary. She is an accepted knowledge keeper, Ceremonialist and Elder and sits on several Elder boards including the Elder Advisory Circle for the University of Calgary, Calgary Board of Education and Area 3 Metis Nation of Alberta, Region 3. Kerrie is a recipient of the Teacher Excellence awards from University of Calgary Student Union, 2022 and the Alumna of the year award 2008, University of Calgary Women's Resource Center. "The past 7

generations become the present unless we heal and reclaim ourselves. When we heal through a holistic, cultural, and relational framework, we transform the future and the next 7 generations." Elder Kerrie Moore, 2010.



Deandra Neufeld

Deandra Neufeld (she/her) is Kanyen'kehá:ka (Mohawk), Turtle Clan, from Six Nations of the Grand River reserve in Ontario on her maternal side, and of German settler ancestry from her paternal side. She is a mother, daughter, sister, auntie, friend, coffee and chocolate lover, and is a grateful visitor on Treaty 7 territory, as she raises her daughter Shayna in Moh'kinis'tsis (Calgary). She received her MSW, Indigenous Field of Study, through Wilfred Laurier University (2009) and has 15+ years of experience as a helper, working with Indigenous communities, on-reserve and in urban settings, in various sectors of health, education and wellness. Her passion is to bring further awareness and understanding of Indigenous knowledges, healing approaches and worldviews when working with Indigenous peoples and communities, and support in creating decolonial, trauma informed,

kind and safe spaces for all. Deandra is the Lodgekeeper/Advisor of Kiipitakyoyis (Grandmother's Lodge) with the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary.



Onyx Shelton

Boozhoo indinaweamaaganidog, Onyx indizhinikaaz. Hello all of my relatives, my name is Onyx.

I am Ojibwe through my father and mixed European settler through my mother. I am a member of Little Saskatchewan First Nation (Treaty 2 Territory) and am originally from Winnipeg, Manitoba (Treaty 1 Territory). I have spent the majority of my life as a guest in Treaty 7 Territory and I am currently finishing my BSW at UCalgary. In my spare time I enjoy working on storytelling and other art projects with my partner. I am an uncle, a brother, a husband, a wanderer, and a storyteller.



Dr. Liza Lorenzetti

Liza is from Italian heritage, born on Mohawk Kanyen'kehá:ka land (Montréal) and living in Moh'kinis'tsis (Calgary), traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, Treaty 7 Nations, and Métis Nation Region 3. She lives in an intercultural and multilingual family with her partner Arya Boustani, who is from Iran, and wonderful teen Parisa. As an activist-educator in the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary, her teaching and research is informed by three decades of social work practice and activism on interconnected social issues including gender-based violence, wealth inequality, peacebuilding, anti-racism, and reconciliation. She has impacted policies and practices, and strengthened the capacities of leaders, policymakers, researchers, and students to advance violence prevention through an intersectional lens. She is committed to walking a path of learning and

action towards Truth and Reconciliation. As a founding member of Alberta Men's Network and the Transformative Masculinities Project, she is excited to continue to support community-led and culturally resonating work.



Dr. Aamir Jamal

Dr. Aamir Jamal, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary, serves as Director, Global Engagement and International Partnerships and program lead of the International Community Development program. His research on engaging men in gender justice and preventing violence against women encompasses a wide geographical scope, spanning multiple countries and regions, particularly in the Global South. Dr. Jamal's research in gender justice, girls' education, and women's rights informs policy and practice for national governments and international agencies. His insight into human rights and social and economic marginalization in a region impacted by decades of war makes him an influential leader and has created the foundation of an Indigenous social movement for gender justice in the Pashtun region (Pakistan and Afghanistan). His impactful contributions earned esteemed honors: City of Calgary Intl. Achievement Award (2021), Arch Award for Intl. Career Achievement (2022), and Sustainability Award for Faculty Research (2022).



Dr. Régine Uwibereyeho King

Dr. Régine Uwibereyeho King is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary. King has a PhD in social work and a master's in counselling psychology and community development (MEd), University of Toronto. Her research interests include racial justice, cross-cultural mental health, social processes of healing, forgiveness and reconciliation, and Indigenous knowledges. Her research agenda is guided by anti-colonial, antiracist, and Black feminism perspectives. King is a community-based researcher who has published in the areas of truth and reconciliation, intergroup dialogue, healing approaches to collective trauma, anti-Black racism, refugee mental health, transnational social work, and critical pedagogies. King is a knowledge translator through public speaking and consultancy. She is a member of various academic committees and community advocacy groups that promote equity, antiracist work, and healthy communities.



Ms. Dee Adekugbe

Dee Adekugbe, also known as "Mama Dee," is the Founder and Executive Director of Ruth's House, offering refuge to African families grappling with domestic violence. Born in Nigeria, raised in London, and now residing in Alberta, Canada, Mama Dee overcame homelessness and domestic abuse, seeking shelter for six months to escape her abusive partner. Mama Dee, an ordained minister, author, and international speaker, began her career as an entrepreneur in London before relocating to Calgary in 2004. In Calgary, she co-pastored with her husband and founded All Woman Ministry in 2005, empowering women with self-confidence and self-awareness. In February 2022, Mama Dee assumed her role as the Executive Director of Ruth's House, the first ethnocultural organization addressing domestic violence in the African community. She is dedicated to community collaboration, serving on various boards, and supporting initiatives that strengthen families and communities.



Ms. Natasha Atemgoua

Natasha is a second-generation Canadian immigrant with Cameroonian roots. Currently in her final year at the University of Calgary, she is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology with a minor in Psychology. Natasha actively contributes to research, currently focusing on a scoping review that delves into the experiences of Black women in Canada regarding gender-based violence. Her commitment extends to her role as an intern at Ruth's House, where she strives for health equity and empowerment of marginalized communities. Natasha's drive lies in advocating for those often unheard, collaborating on innovative solutions, and fostering independence within underserved populations. Her passion for bridging the gaps and driving positive change shines through her studies, research, and community involvement.



Dr. Patrina Duhaney

Dr. Patrina Duhaney is an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary. Her research is informed by critical race feminism and focuses on race, crime, and criminalization. In particular, she examines Black women's experiences of intimate partner violence and with the police. Her second research area focuses on racialized people's experiences in academia. Dr. Duhaney has over 14 years of experience working with various marginalized populations, including women and children exposed to IPV, youth in conflict with the law, children, youth and adults with multiple disabilities and young parents.



Dr. Ajwang' Warria

Ajwang' Warria (PhD) is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary (Canada). She previously served as a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Social Work at the University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa). Prior to joining academia, Dr. Warria worked in the counter-human trafficking field in southern Africa and practiced as a social worker with migrant children and their families and with street-connected children. She was the research lead for several projects funded by the South African government, USAID, UNICEF, Save the Children, CoRMSA etc. In Canada, Dr. Warria is currently working in partnership with BRAVE Education and Immigrant Services Calgary with funding from Mitacs. The research projects are on the development of a Migration Knowledge Hub and a Trafficking Prevention Program. Dr. Warria has published

extensively in peer-reviewed journals and books. Her research interests are in transnational migration, child protection, international social work, and intervention research.



Christine Chateau

Christine is a Red River Métis from what is now known as Winnipeg, Manitoba pursuing a Master of Social Work, in her final year of the International Community Development specialization at the University of Calgary. Christine previously earned a Bachelor of Commerce and has experience working in child protection for over 7 years, helping families overcome challenges that have put their children at risk. Currently Christine is working as a Graduate Research Assistant with a project exploring ways to improve retention of Indigenous students and faculty, additionally she is an intern on a Mitacs research partnership with BRAVE Education for Trafficking Prevention. This work is important to Christine because of the immense effects sexual exploitation and trafficking have on Indigenous women, girls, and 2SLGBTQQIA. The Missing and murdered Indigenous Women and Girls report notes that Indigenous women and girls are more likely than other groups to be targeted for and or experience sexual exploitation or trafficking.



Joe Campbell

Joe Campbell (he/him) is a Leading Change™ Community Developer with the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters. A graduate of the Social Work program at Mount Royal University, Joe is passionate about working with men and boys to explore the intersection of masculinity and violence. For over 10 years, Joe has been initiating meaningful community conversations about the foundational attitudes and beliefs in our culture that can perpetuate violence against women. Through these conversations, he supports men to be catalysts to end violence against women.



Jill Shillabeer

Jill Shillabeer (she/her) is the Leading Change™ Call to Action Coordinator for the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters, working to bring shelter-informed primary prevention education and training across Alberta. Jill is a senior policy, strategy, and operations professional, and experienced facilitator, trainer, and public speaker who has been working in equity and inclusion since 2013. She has worked in multiple sectors including non-profit, social innovation, cultural industries, post-secondary, and public service.



Fanny Oliphant

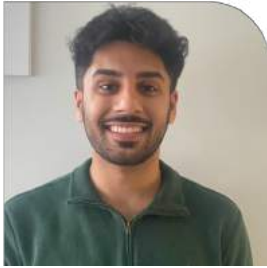
Fanny Oliphant has a degree in clinical psychology from Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México U.N.A.M. She completed a Language and Practice enhancement Program for International Trained Psychologists with the Calgary Counselling Centre. Born in Mexico, Fanny has been living in Calgary for more than 30 years. She has been working in the community for more than 20 years and is passionate about working with families, supporting men's well-being, and promoting healthy relationships, which enhances their lives, as well as the lives of women and children in our community. Her experience includes individual, couples, and family counseling, including facilitating well-being groups with diverse groups. Fanny led the design and facilitation of the Men's Well-Being Group curriculum and continues to train and support supporting community leaders as facilitators to

conduct the well-being groups within their own communities.



Dr. Jun Naraval

Aurelio Camilo Naraval is a results-driven leader with extensive leadership experience in the areas of public health, policy change, and program management across various industries. He dedicated more than 25 years as a medical doctor and public health epidemiologist in the field of gender, sexual and reproductive health and rights. Prior to his current role as Programs and Policy Manager of ActionDignity, he was the Executive Director of an international organization for South and Southeast Asia and parts of Africa on reproductive health and population dynamics. He is known for his strong advocacy on gender and reproductive health rights. His pioneering research on "Filipino Men and Domestic Violence," which is a first in the Philippines, led to a movement of men called "Men's Responsibilities in Gender and Development" advancing gender equality. This practice has since become a law in Davao City, Philippines.



Danial Jamal

Danial Jamal is a New York born, Pakistani Social Work student, currently residing on the Traditional Lands of the Treaty Seven Territory. Danial's current area of academic interest is behavioural science and developmental psychology, but with a more ethnocultural, "leader; not client" lens. Danial supported the Faculty of Social Work in developing this "Transforming Masculinities: International Symposium for Well-Being & Violence Prevention." Danial is supporting the Men's Well-Being Groups, engaging ethno-cultural men as community leaders in violence prevention. Danial also runs the Mental Health Awareness (MHA) Organization and the Breathe Easy Organization.



Dr. Jeff Halvorsen

Jeff Halvorsen (he/him), PhD is a postdoctoral associate with the University of Calgary, and a white uninvited settler of Norwegian, German, and Scottish ancestry living on T'sou-ke territory through the Douglas treaties. Before academia, he worked for 15 years in community-based settings with individuals experiencing family violence and abuse, homelessness, and sex work. His research interest is in social justice, ally roles and critiques, whiteness, masculinities, anti-racism, transnationalism, and decolonization.



Knowledge Keeper Adrian Wolfleg

Adrian Wolfleg, of Siksika Nation, is the Cultural Knowledge Keeper for Alberta Men's Network, a grassroots movement for healthy relationships and violence prevention. He is an internationally published author who has worked in the research, development, and delivery of various programs and training modules while educating tens of thousands of individuals about Aboriginal peoples' history, culture, and protocols as an Educator, Executive Director and an Elder. A personal highlight was providing cultural guidance and expertise to the Ministry of Veterans Affairs for the 2005 Aboriginal Spiritual Journey; Calling Home Ceremony and subsequently emceeding the Canadian War Memorial visits through France and Belgium.



Lemlem Haile

Lemlem is a social worker with over 20 years of experience, born in Eritrea and now a settler in Treaty 7 territory. She has worked for many years in the women's shelter movement, social housing, and community development, focusing on the strengths of people who experience marginalization, and working collectively to break down the barriers of racism, sexism, colonization, hetero/cis discrimination, and all forms of oppression.



Abbas Mancey

For over 14 years Abbas has worked in the areas of engaging men and boys in domestic violence prevention and gender equity; mental health and community development as a researcher and project lead. He has worked on initiatives with the United Nations, local governments and non-profit organizations in Guyana, the Caribbean, Sub-Saharan Africa, the US and Canada. He is a member of the Alberta Men's Network which is a diverse community of Albertans committed to nonviolence and working across the gender spectrum to create healthy families and communities. Abbas has BA. in International Development from the University of Calgary and a BSc. from the University of Guyana. He is 2010 Fogarty's Fellow in Research Practice & Program Evaluation from The Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami. Most importantly he is a proud dad of two girls, 8 and 4 years old.



Tristan Abbott

Tristan Abbott (he/him) is the WiseGuyz Program Implementation Specialist at the Centre for Sexuality and has been a community educator and WiseGuyz facilitator since 2011. As an experienced community educator, Tristan has delivered programs, workshops, and presentations on a variety of topics, including sexuality, gender-based violence, bystander intervention, and healthy masculinities. Tristan is a passionate advocate of healthy, inclusive, non-violent expressions of masculinities. #HealThyMasculinities



Stafford Perry

Stafford Perry is an award-winning actor and community leader with extensive experience in public engagement and facilitation. As a community leader in men’s engagement, Stafford has worked specifically with men and boys to prevent violence and foster social change for close to a decade. He was instrumental in coordinating and developing the award-winning WiseGuyz program, a groundbreaking violence prevention program for young men and has facilitated over a hundred professional and community workshops across the province. Today, he designs and delivers education workshops, provides consultation and is a featured speaker at local, national, and international conferences. Stafford translates his comprehensive knowledge and expertise as an actor into his community work and offers a unique approach to using experiential arts-based practices to foster healing in

communities. With passion, integrity, vulnerability, and humour, he creates spaces that foster empathy, genuine connection, authentic expression, and support.



Dr. Rita Dhungel

Dr. Rita Dhungel with Nepali birth is currently teaching at the School of Social Work at the University of Valley, Abbotsford, British Columbia. Using a participatory action research as an advocacy and a transformative research approach, Dr. Dhungel as PI and Co-PI has been significantly involved in community-based research at promoting community and social change, through engaging with a wide range of communities, including immigrants and refugees, trafficking survivors and people living with HIV, both in local and international contexts. By inviting research participants as peer researchers to a participatory action research, Dr. Dhungel has demonstrated her aspirations for social justice research, through engaging in photovoice and street dramas as empowerment and liberatory research tools. Dr. Dhungel strongly believes that we as a group can promote personal and social

transformation through “engaged pedagogy” in teaching, research, and services.



Dr. Bidur Dhungel

Dr. Bidur Dhungel is as an Executive Director supporting PhD students in their research and co-editor of the interdisciplinary journal (Journal of Advanced Academic Research, JAAR) which is published every six months. His higher education focused on Biology and Environment Science. He completed his Master and PhD from the University of the Ryukyus, Okinawa, Japan under the MEXT Scholarship and a Post-doc from the University of Turku, Finland under the Erasmus Mundus Scholarship. Dr. Dhungel is an expert at Policy Research Institute, and life member at Nepal PhD Association and Japan University Alumni Association Nepal (JUAAN), Kathmandu, Nepal. He is also a recipient of the Presidential Award by Nepal Government, Zoological Science Award and Fuji Award by Zoological Society of Japan.



Marlborough Indigenous Women’s Group

Marlborough Indigenous Women is a community-based group committed to building a strong neighborhood through traditional cultural practices and ongoing learning, and reconciliation and bridging relationships between Indigenous and non-indigenous peoples.



Bernadette lahtail

Bernadette lahtail is a registered Social Worker, advocate, researcher, writer, film producer, and entrepreneur. Co-Founder and Executive Director of Creating Hope Society, a society founded for the survivors of the “Sixties and Seventies Scoop of Aboriginal Children in Care.” Her key passions are to create awareness of Indigenous history, specifically to inform Canadians of the ongoing ripple effects of Residential Schools and the 60s and 70s child welfare scoop. Letting men, women, youth, families, and communities know that you have rights and the right to exercise them and pushing the envelope of the CHS Declaration “An Indigenous home for every Indigenous Child in Care.” As a professional, her values are “equity, diversity and inclusion.” In her personal life, her values are “respect, trust, honesty, fairness,” and she stands up for what is right. Her spiritual life is

understanding that everyone wants to be heard, loved and open to finding solutions.



Tina Lanceleve

Tina Lanceleve is the Project Coordinator for Remembering Right Relationships with Creating Hope Society in Edmonton Alberta. Tina’s responsibilities include partner and community engagement, program development and innovation, organizing trainings and webinars, and research project management and reporting. With a degree in Education, a Diploma in Resource Management, and 9 years’ experience as a business owner, Tina’s passion for life-long learning shines through. While Tina’s strengths include relationship-building and community development, she prefers ‘behind the scenes’ roles focusing on the finer details. Her coordinator role allows her to utilize most of those skills and more! As an avid reader, Tina has come to realize that buying books and reading are two different hobbies, and she is involved in both! In addition to spending time with her brand-new grandson,

she is committed to a variety of DIY projects that keep her busy and are perfect venues to release stress.



Dr. Dorothy Badry

Dorothy Badry (PhD, MSW, RSW) is a professor in the Faculty of Social Work (FSW) at the University of Calgary and her research interests include disability, diversity, child welfare, FASD, suicidality, women’s health and she is a member of the Prairie Child Welfare Consortium. At present, Dorothy is the Associate Dean of Graduate Programs and Virtual Learning Circles Coordinator for the FSW. Dorothy has an adjunct appointment at Curtin University in Perth, Western Australia and works closely with scholars at Curtin University on funded FASD related research projects. Dorothy has worked closely with Creating Hope Society of Edmonton for over a decade and has been a key member of the research team for the Restoring Right Relations CIHR project focused on 2SLGBTIA+ transgender based violence. Dorothy Badry is a recognized international expert in FASD and is the

child welfare research lead for the Canada FASD Research Network since 2017.



Dr. Gabrielle Jamela Hosein

Dr. Hosein is a Senior Lecturer at the Institute for Gender and Development Studies, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus, Trinidad and Tobago. She co-edited the study, "Negotiating Gender, Policy and Politics in the Caribbean: Feminist Strategies, Masculinist Resistance and Transformational Possibilities". She has produced UN reports on engaging men and boys to end violence against women, gender mainstreaming in the Caribbean, and gender-based violence in TT. She has been part of the Caribbean feminist movement-building for twenty-five years. She was Vice-Chair of the Equal Opportunity Commission from 2020-2023 and her blog, *Diary of a Mothering Worker*, has been published as a national newspaper column since 2012.



Sarah Thomas (She/Her)

Sarah, born in Treaty 7, land of the Blackfoot Confederacy, the Tsuut’ina and Îyâxe Nakoda Nations and Metis Region 3, is now living in Treaty 13, land of the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat while completing her Masters of Social Work at York University. Sarah is an emerging activist scholar and aspiring ally for gender, race, and anti-colonial justice and reconciliation from Dutch heritage. Sarah has over 6 years of experience in community organizing and community-based research and her current areas of interest include knowledge mobilization, ethical relationship building, and mutual aid engagement.



Dr. Muhammad Ibrar

Dr. Muhammad Ibrar is working as Assistant Professor and Coordinator for the Master’s program in Social Work, in the Department of Social Work, University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan since June 2010. He did his PhD in Social Work, with the main focus on Primary Health Care Services in Pakistan and PGD in International Environmental Law. He completed his Master in Social Work back in 2005 from the Department of Social Work, University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Before joining the University, he was working with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) for 4 years and as a consultant for 1 year. He has vast and enriching experience of working at grass root level in most of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Ex-FATA and Afghanistan. He has published 50 research articles in National and International journals with the main focus on the GBV, Women Rights, Youth Development, Policing and Health Care.

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Dr. Waqar Ahmad

Dr. Ahmad is an Assistant Professor at the Department of Political Science & International Relations Qurtuba University of Science & Technology Peshawar and a Visiting Lecturer at the Department of Political Science University of Peshawar Pakistan. Having a Ph.D. in political science he specializes in governance with a focus on the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Pakistan. His research interests include discourses in governance, the intersection of religion and politics, encounters of religious organizations with secular formations, religious political groups and religion and state-formation with a focus on the Islamic perspective. He received various merit scholarships and awards like the prestigious HEC Indigenous Scholarship, Ministry of Foreign Affairs China Award and IRSIP Award giving him the opportunity to stay in various international institutes: China Institute of International Studies Beijing China, School of Religious Studies McGill University Montreal Canada etc. for academic pursuits.

International Studies Beijing China, School of Religious Studies McGill University Montreal Canada etc. for academic pursuits.



Jamie Anderson

Jamie (he/they) is a queer and trans educator and doctoral candidate at the University of Calgary. They have been a teacher for ten years in the K-12 education system and an advocate for 2SLGBTQIA+ communities in the health and education sectors. Their research examines the heteronormative constructions of teacher professionalism and seeks to understand the myriad ways that 2SLGBTQIA+ educators resist and queer notions of teacher professionalism in Canadian schools.



Dr. Attaullah Wahidyar

Dr. Wahidyar is a transformational leader with over two decades of experience in educational leadership and policy development. He served as Deputy Minister of Education in Afghanistan, overseeing nationwide education service delivery. He held key positions within the Ministry of Education, including Director General for General Education, Communication Director, Senior Policy Advisor, and Chief of Staff. Additionally, he oversaw bilateral and multilateral programs in reputable organizations such as the World Bank Group, UNICEF, Swedish Committee for Afghanistan, and UNAMA at country and regional levels. He has been lecturing globally on education, peace, and development. Dr. Wahidyar is a Harvard and University

of Sydney alumnus and has garnered recognition, including medals and certificates for his outstanding contributions to the country's development agenda. He holds multiple professional credentials from institutions worldwide, complemented by academic achievements in Education, Political Science, International Relations, and a Medical Doctor degree from an Afghan university.



Aneela Azeem

Aneela Azeem, Founder & Executive Director of CPSG - MASKAN, boasts a decade of leadership, including six years at the helm. She's a fervent advocate for Gender-Based Violence (GBV), Violence against Women (VAW), and Family Violence, honored with the 2020 Community Achievement Awards-Community Advocate recognition in Calgary. In 2016, Aneela launched the Canadian Pakistani Support Group Association (CPSG), aiding immigrants, refugees, and vulnerable residents. Her advocacy surged in 2019, emphasizing cultural sensitivity and helping immigrant women escape violence. In August, Maskan, her flagship Transitional Shelter home, garnered robust community and government support. With four years of shelter management experience,

Aneela is widely respected. Her outstanding contributions earned several awards, including the 2021 Community Advocate Award, Women of Distinction Award, and Immigrants of Distinction Award. In 2022, she received the Women's Newcomer Impact Award and the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Medal (Alberta) for her significant contributions.



Rehana Rafiq

Rafiq is a Registered Social Worker with a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Calgary. She has 15 years of experience working with people facing family conflict, domestic violence, and anger issues. She has 12 years of experience working in emergency and second stage women shelters and as a mental health clinician for depression, stress, anxiety, and bereavement. She applies Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, solutions focus therapy, motivational interviewing, and a multicultural approach. Rehana provides counseling in Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu, and English. In 2022, Rehana received the "Volunteer Award" from Alberta Council of Women's Shelter for active volunteer services for women's shelters and domestic violence support. Rehana has been affiliated with the Canadian Pakistani Support Group Association since 2019 and is involved in developing the processes for the

Maskan Multicultural Transitional Shelter Home project. She also trains the staff on cross-cultural domestic violence expertise through a case study approach.



Dr. Monica Sesma Vazquez

Dr. Monica Sesma-Vazquez (she/ella) is a bilingual (Spanish/English) Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary and an accented Mexican-Mestiza immigrant cisgender woman, originally from Mexico City. She has been living in Mohkinstsis (Calgary) for 10 years in the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, Treaty 7, and Metis region 3. Monica brings over 25 years of relational, anti-oppressive, decolonizing, and culturally relevant clinical, educational, and research practices focusing on social interactional patterns and dynamics that impact peoples' mental health and wellbeing.



Dr. Manuel López-Pereyra

Dr. Manuel López-Pereyra holds a Ph.D. in Education from the University of York in the United Kingdom, master's in research and development in Education from the Universidad Iberoamericana, and a degree in Psychology from the Universidad Latinoamericana in Mexico City. Dr. López-Pereyra completed a postdoctoral stay in the Anthropology, Diversity, and Coexistence Group at the Universidad Complutense in Madrid, Spain. His research interests include critical pedagogies, diversity, gender, sexualities, and narratives. Dr. López-Pereyra is a member of the National System of Researchers in Mexico. He was an internal advisor for the Gender Violence Attention Committee at Ibero from 2020-2023. Dr. López-Pereyra teaches and coordinates the bachelor's degree in Pedagogy and teaches in the Education and Psychology postgraduate programs. He is part of the Critical Gender

Studies Ph.D. program. His current research is titled "Critical Pedagogies and their Praxis: Masculinities, Affects, at the University Spaces in the Face of Gender Violence."

Organizing Team



Alya Jinah

Alya Jinah (pronounced Al-yeah Gina) is the Coordinator, Transdisciplinary Scholarship (Democracy and Social Change) at the University of Calgary. As a Montrealer, world traveler, and language enthusiast, Alya brings a unique perspective to matters of just societies, equitable access, and modes of belonging. She has long felt that such matters require transdisciplinary solutions, and for this reason she is thrilled to join such a timely, necessary initiative. In addition to connections that are just waiting to happen, Alya wants to learn to say hello in your mother tongue, so [book a coffee chat with her!](#) She's curious to learn more about what you're working on and how she can help!



Alyona Belikova

Dr. Alyona Belikova is in the role of Research Facilitator with the Faculty of Social Work. Alyona comes from a family of Jewish, Ukrainian, and Russian heritage, and lived parts of her life in Russia, Ukraine, Israel and Québec prior to settling in Alberta in 2008. With a PhD in Linguistics from McGill University, she taught linguistics prior to finding her passion in research support with the Faculty of Social Work in 2015. Alyona is a lifelong learner, passionate about learning from each project she supports and navigating complex processes toward success. She is deeply committed to advocating for diverse ways of knowing, doing, connecting and being, and helping promote seldom heard voices.



Rineem Saleh

Rineem Saleh is the TDS Cities & Societies Research Coordinator at UCalgary. Rineem's interest in cities and societies deepened during her MSc research at KU Leuven (Belgium) exploring how city foundations impact bigger-picture issues and negotiations within international politics. Her work and academic background spans across fields of international relations, development, security & politics. From working with refugee resettlement research at Human Rights Watch in Amman, Jordan to moving on to work with Military Education (NDC) in Rome, Italy- Rineem developed a deeper understanding of the importance of collaborative and community-engaged work across cultures and disciplines in addressing social to local to international level dilemmas. Part of the reason Rineem believes in transdisciplinary work and has set upon supporting this symposium is because she believes with proper academic and community engagement, we can produce effective communication strategies and create plans of action towards viable solutions for many contemporary issues.



Rochelle Deloria

Rochelle Deloria is currently a second-year Master of Social Work Thesis Student at UCalgary Faculty of Social Work. Her work and passion are centered on intergenerational conversations within the Filipino-Canadian diaspora, as well as transnational experiences for newcomer and racialized youth. She is looking forward to connecting and learning from key perspectives, voices, and passions in this Transforming Masculinities Symposium!



Women's Resource Centre

Established in 2006, the University of Calgary Women's Resource Centre is an inclusive space working to promote gender equality by cultivating a welcoming community through resources, education, safe and supportive spaces, and peer support. The WRC also offers events and programming open to the campus community, which supports feminist theory learned in the classroom with the aim of creating a more just and kind world.

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CACEP Fundraiser – Youth Talent Show

To conclude our symposium, we invite you all to attend a fundraising event on Thursday evening, October 26th at Hope Lutheran Church.

All the funds raised will support the education of Sadia, Zarwa, and Aysha as part of the Canadian Association for Children's Education in Pakistan (CACEP).

CACEP is an international movement providing educational opportunities to resilient children from conflict-affected areas of Pakistan. CACEP's goal is to engage the whole community in the education and development of their children. <https://www.educateachildinpakistan.org>

About the Event:

- Join us for an exciting evening where children and youth from Calgary will share their talents of dance, singing, music, and much more!
- With Guest Speaker Ziauddin Yousafzai, Father of Nobel Laureate Malala Yousafzai.
- Discover treasures, bid with purpose, and make an impact for a meaningful cause at our silent action.
- An array of traditional cuisine and a variety of refreshing beverages will be served.
- Children can enjoy the event by participating in henna and face painting activities.

Registration:

The suggested donation is \$20 and be sure to register! If you prefer to make a donation by e-transfer, you can still register for the event and email us at:

educateachildinpakistan@gmail.com

Click here to register: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/one-girl-one-book-and-one-pen-fundraiser-for-girls-schooling-in-pakistan-tickets-720038192617?aff=oddtcreator>

Date & Time:

Thursday, October 26th, 2023

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Doors open at 6pm MST with programming to begin at 6:15pm MST!

Location:

Hope Lutheran Church - 3527 Boulton Road NW, Calgary AB, T2L 1M5.