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### **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- \* Interdisciplinary Approaches and Perspectives
- \* Indigenous Peoples “Planning and Self-Development”
- \* Research Design and Planning
- \* Decolonizing Methodologies
- \* Workshop Development and Facilitation
- \* Policy Analysis
- \* Indigenous Peoples’ Knowledge Mobilization, Transformation, Transfer and Translation
- \* Course/Curriculum Development and Instruction
- \* Project Management including Scope of Work
- \* Indigenous Methodologies
- \* Qualitative and Mixed Methodologies
- \* Program and Service Management
- \* Program Evaluation

### **EDUCATION**

*University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia*

**Doctor of Philosophy, Interdisciplinary Studies—withdrawn** **2010-2014**

**Coursework and Comprehensive Examinations Completed**

Restoration of Peoplehood: Ktunaxa Experiences and the Influences of Normative Early Years Child Development upon ʔaknumuḡitilil and Ktunaxa Relations to Lands and Waters

*Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ontario*

**Master of Social Work** **1997-2003**

Ktunaxa and Kinbasket Peoples Perceptions of the Welfare of Children: An Interdisciplinary Approach  
Privileging Indigenous Peoples Knowledge systems

**Honours Bachelor of Social Work** **1993-1997**

**Bachelor of Arts- English (First Class Standing)** **1998**

**Bachelor of Arts-Indigenous Learning** **1997**

### **TRAINING**

*Gladue Report Writing Pilot Program*

**Vancouver Community College** **January-March 2018**

*Mental Health First Aid for Adults Who Interact with Youth*

**Mental Health Commission of Canada** **October 2017**

*Instructional Skills Workshop*

**UBC-Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technologies** **October 29-Nov 2, 2013**

*TriCouncil Policy Statement 2: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans  
Course on Research Ethics (TCPS 2: CORE)*

**January 30, 2013**

*Project Management*

**UBC Graduate Studies, E.M. Sciences Ltd** **Feb 8-9, 2011**

*Minerva Foundation for BC Women, Prince George, British Columbia*

**Learning to Lead North: Leadership Development Program** **May 2-4<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

*Art of Balance, Inc., Grand Forks, British Columbia*

**Art of Balance, Level 1 Facilitator** **2006**

*Community Systems, Bozeman, Montana*

**Get That Grant: Grant writing for Conception to Completion** **2006**

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### RESEARCH GRANTS

- Ktunaxa Nation Council Citizens Excellence Award* **October 2019**  
**Centre for the Resolution of Intractable Conflict, Harris Manchester College, Oxford University**  
\*Invited participant
- University of British Columbia, Faculty of Medicine, submitted Dr. Ruth Martin* **October 2013**  
**CIHR-Prison Leavers Gate Anxiety**  
\*Knowledge User, Indigenous Methodologies, Research Design and Data Analyses  
**CIHR- Assessing the long term health outcomes of mother baby programs in correctional institutions**  
\*Knowledge User, Indigenous Methodologies, Research Design and Data Analyses
- Kloshe Tillicum, Network Environment for Aboriginal Health Research* **Sept 2012-Mar 2014**  
**Restoring Ktunaxa Knowledge Relationships**  
\*Community Research Development Grant \$15,000.00 Research Lead  
**Revitalizing Ktunaxa Knowledge Relationships** **May 2011-August 2011**  
\*Community Research Pilot Project Grant \$7,000.00 Research Lead
- Numerous PhD scholarships and bursaries were successfully accessed including Kloshe Tillicum and New Relationship Trust  
Bursaries and scholarships were successfully accessed for MSW studies
- ### PAPERS AND REVIEWS
- An Indigenous Peoples Transformative Research Framework* **forthcoming April 2020**  
**In Cajete, G. Ed. Native Minds Rising. JCharlton Publishing Ltd**
- Contextualizing Approaches to Indigenous Peoples' Experiences of Intractable Conflict* **May 2019**  
**New England Journal of Public Policy Special CRIC Edition Vol 31. Iss 1, Article 5**  
Available at: <https://scholarworks.umb.edu/nejpp/vol31/iss1/5>
- Water & Life: ?aqam Youth Education Project* **Fall/Winter 2018**  
**ARTiculate Magazine**
- Youth Build Relationships With Water* **Summer 2018**  
**Our Basin, Our Trust-Columbia Basin Trust**
- Cultural Continuity in the Age of Truth and Reconciliation* **Spring/Summer 2017**  
**ARTiculate Magazine**
- Ineducation-Review* **2013**  
**Fall edition**
- An Indigenous Knowledge Perspective on Valid Meaning Making: A Commentary on Research With the EDI and Aboriginal Communities.* **2011**  
**Social Indicators Research. September 2011, Vol 103, Iss 2, pp 315-325**  
**DOI 10.1007/s11205-011-9848-z**
- Canadian Journal of Native Education- Review* **2010**  
**Indigenous Youth as the New Warrior**
- Institute on Governance- Review* **2009**  
**Aboriginal Policy Frameworks**

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### CURRENT NON-Profit COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

*Native Court Workers and Counselling Association of British Columbia*

**Region 13 Board Member— re-elected to 2<sup>nd</sup>-3 year term July 2019**  
**Governance Committee member**

**July 2016**

*Columbia Basin Trust*

**Social Advisory Committee Member—re-appointed to 1 year term (renewed January 2019)**

**March 2016**

### WORK EXPERIENCE

*SD#5 SouthEast Kootenay*

**Contractor/Writer/Facilitator**  
**Aboriginal Education Support Worker-contract**

**May to November 2019**  
**Jan 2007-June 2007**

*Living Lakes Canada*

**Contractor**

**April-October 2019**

*C2C—Classrooms to Communities*

**Contractor**

**April to November 2019**

*Indigenous View*

**Business Plan and Grant Proposal Writer**

**April 2019**

*Ktunaxa Nation Council, Lands and Resources Sector, Cranbrook, British Columbia*

**Contractor**

**March 2019 to Current**

*Ktunaxa Nation Council, Core Services, Cranbrook, British Columbia*

**Research Consultant and Advisor-contract**

**on going as requested**

*Ktunaxa Nation Council, Social Investment Sector, Cranbrook, British Columbia*

**Consultant on going as requested**

**Jan-May 2019**

**Research Review**

**July 2016**

**Vulnerable Adults Charter Review**

**August 2016**

**Project Researcher**

**May-Aug 2006**

**Planner**

**Dec 2004-March 2006**

*Ktunaxa Kinbasket Child and Family Services Society, Cranbrook, British Columbia*

**Consultant**

**on going as required**

**Grandparents Gatherings Consultant**

**January 2019 ongoing**

**Researcher/Consultant**

**June - August 2001**

**Secure Care Act Community Consultation**

**Dec 2000-March 2001**

**Summer Research Student (contract)**

**May -August 1998**

*Ktunaxa Nation Council, Traditional Knowledge and Language Sector*

**Consultant**

**as requested**

**Research Specialist**

**June to November 2018**

*UBC-Vice President Research Office*

**Consultant, Advisor**

**Oct 2016-Sept 2017**

*UBC-Continuing Studies Aboriginal Health and Community Administration Program*

**Instructor and On Line Facilitator for Course 3: Policy and Research**

**June 2016—Oct 2016**

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### WORK EXPERIENCE (continued)

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**Governance, Policy and Research Coordinator**  
**Community Research Coordinator**  
**Workforce Development—Post-Secondary Student Researcher**  
**Health department Consultant**  
**Health Researcher/Consultant**

**April 2015 to Mar 2018**  
**September 2014-Feb 2015**  
**June to September 2014**  
**Dec 2004-Mar 2005**  
**April - June 2001**

*University of British Columbia Human Early Learning Partnership—HELP, Vancouver, BC*

**Researcher-part time**  
**Senior Aboriginal Researcher and Liaison**

**August 2010 to July 2014**  
**Aug 2008 to August 2010**

*University of British Columbia, School of Population and Public Health, Vancouver, BC*

**Sessional Instructor**

**Sept 2012 to April 2013**

*University of British Columbia, Faculty of Medicine, MD Undergraduate Education*

**Block 1 Communication IFIM Advisor-Doctor, Patient and Society 410**

**Sept to October 2013**

*University of British Columbia, UBC Family Practice Residency Program*

**Content Expert**

**June 2013 to March 2014**

*UBC-O*

**Summer Course Instructor**

**July 30 – Aug 2nd, 2012**

*Cariboo Chilcotin Aboriginal Training Employment Centre Society*

**Facilitator**

**June 12, 2011**

*University of Northern British Columbia, Prince George, British Columbia*

**Sessional Instructor**

**Assistant Professor-Social Work cross posted to First Nations Studies**

**Sept 2009 to April 2010**

**Aug 2007 to Aug 2009**

*University of the Arctic Consortium*

**POLST 323: Aboriginal Policies and Programs**

**Module 10 Aboriginal Social Policy**

**April 2007**

*College of the Rockies, Cranbrook, British Columbia*

**First Nations Studies 101/102**

**Sep 2005-April 2007**

**Sep 2004-April 2005**

**February - May 2001**

**August 00-April 2001**

**Work Place Training Program**

**College Orientation and Studies for Aboriginal Students**

*University of Victoria/En'owkin Centre-Continuing Education*

**Consultant-Certificate in Aboriginal Language Revitalization Program**

**Nov 2004- Mar 2005**

*University of Victoria- Elementary Teachers Education Program, Cranbrook*

**History of First Nations Education in Canada**

**Promoting Pro-Social Behaviour: Classroom Management**

**Fall 2004**

*Shackan Indian Band, Merritt, British Columbia*

**Consultant, Health and Wellness-contract**

**April 2004**

*School District #58, Merritt, British Columbia*

**Teacher on Call, Special Education Assistant, On Call**

**2003-2004**

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### **WORK EXPERIENCE** *(continued)*

*Interior Health Authority, Aboriginal Strategies*  
**Community Development Consultant**

**August 2003**

*Coldwater Indian Band, Merritt, British Columbia*  
**Social Services Coordinator**

**March 2002-2003**

*Nishnawbe-Aski Nation, Thunder Bay, Ontario*  
**Student Support Co-ordinator (contract)**

**February - June 1999**

*Lakehead University: Department of Social Work*  
**Graduate Assistant (contract)**

**Sep 1998-May 1999**

### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

*University of Victoria, East Kootenay Teacher Education Program*

**October 31, 2019**

*Classrooms 2 Communities Annual Provincial Conference*

**October 25, 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

*SD #5 South East Kootenay School District*

**September 20, 2019**

*Ktunaxa Kinbasket Child and Family Services Society—Grandparents Gathering*  
*ʔaqam*  
*yaqan nuʔkiy*

**January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

*The Canadian Network for Environmental Education and Communication (EECOM) National Conference*

**October 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> 2018**

*Oxford University-Harris Manchester College—Centre for the Resolution of Intractable Conflict*

**September 26, 2018**

*Planning Institute of British Columbia—Kootenay Rocky Mountain Chapter*

**April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

*University of British Columbia Department of Linguistics*

**January 23, 2018**

*University of Alberta-Serpe Lab*

**November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017**

*Assembly of First Nations—National Infrastructure and Housing Conference*

**October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

*University of Alberta—Serpe Group—Department of Chemistry Water Challenges and Opportunities*

**July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

*IC IMPACTS—Summer Institute and Research Conference, UBC*

**June 2-11 2017**

*UBC-Sociology*

**Aboriginal Education and the Mis-Education of Indigenous Peoples**

**March 12, 2014**

*Simon Fraser University, Aboriginal Pre-Health Program*

**March 10, 2014**

*Human Early Learning Partnership, over 60 invited presentations across British Columbia, Manitoba and Ontario*

**HELP: Research for Change**

**October 2008- May 2014**

*Collaborating Centre for Prison Health and Education*

**March 15, 2014**

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### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS(continued)**

*UBC-School of Population and Public Health*

*Simon Fraser University, Geography 162*

*Gather, Learn, Discuss: Ktunaxa Nation Council Community Engagement in Health Research*

*Uniting Our Community Conference, Elmo Montana*

*Social Epigenetics & Ktunaxa Knowledge Relationships*

*UBC-Learning Circle-Embracing Community Solutions*

*American Education Research Association*

*SAGE-Supporting Aboriginal Graduate Enhancement UBC  
10<sup>th</sup> Annual Indigenous Graduate Student Gathering  
9<sup>th</sup> Annual Indigenous Graduate Student Gathering*

*National Gathering of Graduate Students-Network Environments for Aboriginal Health Research*

*Challenging the Paradigm: Decolonizing Post Secondary Education*

*Canadian Council for Education Child Development*

*Manitoba First Nations Education Steering Committee*

*University of Manitoba: School of Social Work*

*Indigenous Child Welfare Research Network Conference*

*UBC-School of Social Work*

*UNBC-Williams Lake Campus  
First Nations Studies*

*Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences: 2008  
The Association for Bibliotherapy and Applied Literature*

*Social Work National Conference 2008, Human Rights in a Diverse Community*

*(In)visibility: Giving Women a Voice, UNBC, Prince George*

*Contextualizing the Early Development Instrument*

*Cranbrook Child Care Provider Symposium*

*Sparwood Early Childhood Coalition Conference*

*Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Council Nation Meeting*

**February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**January 20, 2014**

**November 12, 13, 2013**

**July 15-18<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**May 27-29, 2013**

**April 11, 2013**

**April 16, 2012**

**March 9-10, 2012**

**March 12, 2011**

**June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**May 6, 2010**

**November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**November 12, 2009**

**October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**November 6, 2008**

**July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008**

**June 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008**

**May 22-25, 2008**

**November 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

**November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

**October 15, 2005**

**September 17, 2005**

**November 2, 2001**

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### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS(continued)**

*East Kootenay Community Health Services Society: Annual General Meeting*

**May 30, 2001**

*Aboriginal Symposium on Post Secondary Education, Langara College*

**May 4, 2001**

*International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination*

**March 21, 2001**

*College of the Rockies, Cranbrook, British Columbia*

**February 23, 2001**

**February 8, 2001**

*Lakehead University Strategic Planning Task Force*

**March 1999**

### **REFERENCES upon request**

**Detailed CV available**