Anthropology

Supervisor: Ben Collins

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Research Interests:
Ostrich eggshell beads are important symbolic and social objects and are present in the archaeological and historic records across Africa and Asia from ~50,000 years ago onward. This project contributes to understanding the role of ostrich eggshell beads in the past through developing a database that describes the location, timing, and use of ostrich eggshell in the archaeological record. The student will collaborate on building the database from the literature and interpreting the nature of ostrich eggshell use in the past with respect to major environmental, social, and cultural changes.

Anthropology

Supervisor: Haskel Greenfield

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Research Interests:
1. Development of Bronze Age urban societies in the Near East
2. ArcGIS analysis of archaeological excavation from Europe, Near East or Africa
3. Making an archaeological film on European, African, and/or Near Eastern archaeological excavations
4. Art, theatre and social protest in Greenwich Village – a biography of an artist
5. Origins of metallurgy – an archaeological approach
6. Zooarchaeology – animal bones in archaeology
7. Early domestic herd managements and provisioning of urban societies – zoology, proteomics, and isotopes in archaeology.
8. Virtual reconstruction and reality of early urban settlements
Anthropology
Supervisor: Lara Rosenoff Gauvin
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Research Interests:
My current work concerns nurturing a collaborative repatriation process in the Department of Anthropology at U of M. I am particularly interested in addressing settler colonial violence as manifest in academic institutions, and in fostering community-driven work that creates and allows for processes that centers Indigenous self-determination respect, responsibility and reciprocity. Participating in the Respectful Repatriation Ceremony at the University of Manitoba, the research involves potential archival, historical, or artistic forms of engagement.

Economics
Supervisor: Robert Chernomas
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Research Interests:
We are planning a book with the working title- “Why America Didn’t Become Great Again?” The past forty years have resulted in American economic instability and inequality, environmental crisis, dilapidated physical and harmful social infrastructure, among the very worst health outcomes, child poverty, food insecurity and social mobility of the industrialized countries. The question is who is responsible? This book will identify those organizations, institutions, politicians and prominent characters in the forefront of the economic and social policies that blocked the alternatives to Making America Great Again.

Economics
Supervisor: Ian Hudson
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Research Interests:
Determinants of Interprovincial Variation in Social Welfare Indicators: Research has shown that there is considerable variation in provincial social welfare policy and outcomes. Our research will incorporate Power Resources Theory to investigate the factors that account for these differences.
English, Theatre, Film & Media

Supervisor: Michelle Faubert

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Research Interests:
Romantic-Era Literature And Culture; History Of Feminism; History Of Medicine, Especially Psychology; Literary Doctors From The Romantic Period; Slavery And Abolition; Romanticism And Suicide

English, Theatre, Film & Media

Supervisor: Hee-Jung Serenity Joo

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Research Interests:
Asian American/Asian Canadian science fiction; science fiction as critical race theory and queer theory; science fiction and its relationship to theories and practices of anti-colonial and anti-racist abolition.

English, Theatre, Film & Media

Supervisor: Judith Owens

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Research Interests:
My current research focusses on the healing arts in early-modern (Renaissance) literature and culture in England. In the first phase of this research, I will be collecting information on medicaments and treatments as well as on the affective labour of tending to the sick. Some of this information is in printed texts, but a lot of it is available only in manuscript. At some point, I will travel to libraries in the US and the UK that have extensive collections related to medicine in the 16th and 17th centuries. As a first step, next spring and summer, I will be compiling a bibliography of printed and manuscript sources as well as transcribing manuscript sources that I already have. A student research assistant would help with this work. I will also be revising for eventual publication an article on an aspect of the healing arts in Edmund Spenser’s Faerie Queene. A student research assistant would help with collecting secondary sources.
German and Slavic Studies
Supervisor: Stephan Jaeger
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Research Interests:
Dr. Jaeger’s research analyzes the representation of war and genocide, particularly the two world wars and the Holocaust in German, European, and North-American public memory in museums, literature, film, and historiography. His current research is particularly interested in the narration and representation of the Holocaust and other atrocities, in perspectives of perpetration, collaboration, implication, and victimhood in physical and virtual exhibitions, and how these museum exhibitions create experiences and empathy. He is also working on a book collection entitled Museums, Narratives, and Critical Histories: Narrating the Past for Present and Future. Student research could relate among others to current online exhibition strategies and/or the analysis of online reactions/reviews to specific museums, monuments, and exhibitions, as well as support in analyzing physical exhibition spaces. Areas of research: German and European Studies, War and Holocaust Studies, Representation of Atrocities in transhistorical contexts, Museum and Memory Studies.

History
Supervisor: Eric Thomson
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Research Interests:
The Hudson’s Bay Company in World War I: The HBC served as the principal French and Belgian global purchasing agent during the First World War, procuring goods and organizing shipping services for the French that arguably changed the course of the war. The HBC archives, now held by the provincial archives, contain extensive materials about these efforts. They offer a great opportunity to learn about the organization of world trade during the period of British Imperial globalization, and how trade can be managed under stress.
Linguistics

Supervisor: Nicole Rosen

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Research Interests:
My research examines interactions between languages on the Canadian Prairies, focusing on fine-grained details of sociophonetic speech variation. I have created several large corpora of Prairies languages to study these effects, from groups chosen due to their local relevance. I have also been working on my Mapping Linguistic Variation on the Prairies project, developing data visualization practices to make linguistic research accessible to a wider public. I am particularly interested in working with students who wish to study aspects of language and language contact on the Canadian prairies using the data I have collected, but I am open to student-initiated projects that fall under my area of expertise.

Political Studies

Supervisor: Royce Koop

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Research Interests:
Current research involves examinations of political representation in Canada and other developed democracies; political parties and their grassroots organizations in Canada; Canadian Parliament; and Canadian municipal politics (related in particular to representation, professionalism and institutional characteristics).
Psychology

Supervisor: Ryan Giuliano

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Research Interests:

My research team is looking for students interested in learning how to record and analyze brain waves (EEG) from human participants during psychological tasks. Students will also have opportunities to learn to record and analyze cardiovascular measurements (EKG) during these experiments.

Psychology

Supervisor: Melanie Glenwright

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Research Interests:

I’d like an undergraduate student who is interested in doing an online survey examining participants’ appreciation of sarcasm, gossip, satire, or dark humour. In another area of research, I’m interested in examining personality traits and life experiences in people who are interested in true crime. The ideal student would be competent at learning to new software to set up an online experiment because in person data collection is not possible during the pandemic. Psychology Honours students who are interested in extending this research into an eventual Honours thesis are encouraged to apply.
Psychology

Supervisor: Sunmee Kim

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Research Interests:

I am a quantitative psychologist whose research focuses on the development, programming, and evaluation of innovative statistical techniques that facilitate interpretation of complex high-dimensional data and produce more accurate prediction. I am currently working on a couple of method development projects for the National Survey on Drug Use and Health data and the University of Michigan Health and Retirement Study data to better understand the substance co-use patterns and cognitive aging process of older adults. Students will assist in the research-related activities including (but not limited to): literature review, data curation and analysis, R coding and documentation, and knowledge dissemination activities in the form of presentations and/or publications.

Psychology

Supervisor: Leslie Roos

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Research Interests:

Research areas include in child development, stress neurobiology, and family mental health. Opportunities to work on parent-child interaction video coding teams, processing of weable-tech data, and digital mental health. Please visit heartsandmindslab.com for details.
Undergraduate Research Award (URA) Opportunities
(Alphabetical by discipline)

**Sociology and Criminology**

**Supervisor:** Jeremy Patzer  
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**Research Interests:**  
Jeremy Patzer is assistant professor in the Department of Sociology and Criminology. His research is centered on Indigenous rights and the forms of legal-historical resolution and repair employed by settler state courts in the wake of colonial dispossession. While much of his past research has concentrated on Aboriginal rights, treaty rights, and Aboriginal title in Canada, Patzer's recent research has begun extending further into international and comparative examinations of Indigenous rights.

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**Sociology and Criminology**

**Supervisor:** Lori Wilkinson  
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**Research Interests:**  
I am currently conducting research on several projects related to refugee resettlement and integration in Canada. Project 1 is the analysis of data we collected in winter 2021 regarding the arrival of over 28,000 Afghan refugees to Canada. Our data will assist refugee settlement organizations in determining the unmet needs of newly arrived refugees to Canada. Project 2 is the continuation of our CIHR study of the socioeconomic and mental health outcomes of immigrants and refugees in Canada, USA, and Mexico. This project involves data analysis and report writing with results shared with various international organizations as they recover from the pandemic related restrictions. Students in my team will gain experience in data analysis, report writing, presentations, work with multidisciplinary teams, and work with government and non-government organizations.
Sociology and Criminology

Supervisor: Andrew Woolford

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Research Interests:

1. "Transformative Visions of Restorative Justice." The practice of restorative justice is largely tied to the formal criminal justice system and the state. Recent anti-racist and anti-colonial activism presents an opportunity to think restorative justice anew. This is especially so in Manitoba, which has a Restorative Justice Act, but spends only 13% of its corrections budget on community corrections and a much smaller portion of RJ-related activity. The project partners with the Restorative Justice Association of Manitoba (RJAM) to explore gaps in RJ delivery and potentials for increased successful transformative, community-based practice. RA tasks include literature review, interview preparation, and analysis of RJ programs.

2. “Symbiogenetic Destruction: Genocide, Human Groups, and the Natural World” is a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada-funded project. By “symbiogenetic destruction” we refer to how a group’s relationships to the natural world are damaged through genocidal processes. This project explores how human groups form their identities in relationship with the natural world and how these identities suffer when these relationships are affected by genocide. Case studies include Rwanda, Cambodia, Armenia, and Canada. RA tasks include literature review, Survivor testimony analysis, bibliography construction, and internet-based research.