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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Criminology and Deviance, Culture, Qualitative Research Methods, Sex and Gender, Social Inequality & Social Justice, Sociological Theory

**EDUCATION**

**PhD in Sociology Expected 2025**

University of Calgary, Calgary, AB

**MA in Sociology 2021**

University of Calgary, Calgary, AB

* Supervisor: Dr. Matt Patterson
* 4.0 GPA
* Thesis*: Bridging The Boundaries of Genres, Culture, and Language in North American K-Pop Fandom*

**BA (Hons) in Sociology minoring in Law & Society 2019**

University of Calgary, AB

* Supervisor: Dr. Annette Tézli
* Thesis: *Playing Gender: An Analysis of Femininity in the Popular Culture Phenomenon League of Legends*
* Degree awarded with First-Class Honours

**High School Diploma 2014**

Bishop O'Byrne High School, Calgary, AB.

**Chinese High School Diploma 2014**

Calgary Chinese Private School, Calgary, AB.

**TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS**

**Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System Training Program 2013**

Mount Royal University, Calgary, AB.

**Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans Course on Research Ethics (TCPS 2: Core) 2020**

University of Calgary, Calgary, AB.

**PROFESSIONAL/TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Tutor 2017- 2022**

Tutor Doctor, Calgary, AB

• Tutored students in grades 7-12 in disciplines such as Social Studies and Language Arts/English

• Responsible for reporting students’ progress in school subjects as well as arranging and preparing a lesson plan

**Graduate Teaching Assistant 2019-Present**

University of Calgary, Calgary, AB

• Teaching assistant for classes: Introduction to Criminal Justice (SOCI 327), Urban Sociology (SOCI 353), Mass Communication (SOCI 345), Socio-legal Issues in Sport (SOCI 401), Media and Society (SOCI 401), Social Statistics I (SOCI 311), Social Statistics II (SOCI 315), Sociology of Law (SOCI 429)

• Responsible for grading assignments, exam invigilation, hosting laboratory sessions, and holding office hours related to courses

**Instructor 2023-Present**

Bow Valley College, Calgary, AB

• Instructed classes in the Sociology of Aging (SOCI 1301): 2 sections

• Responsible for grading assignments, email correspondence, student inquiries, and holding office hours

**AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS/GRANTS**

**Jason Lang Scholarship (3x) 2016-2018**

Awarded to a student with outstanding academic achievement continuing their studies at a recognized institution

**Hungarian Arts and Heritage Foundation of Alberta Bursary 2016**

Awarded to a student on the basis of academic merit and financial need

**Dean’s List (3x) 2016-2018**

Recognition of outstanding achievement by students in the Faculty, attained through achieving a grade point average of 3.60 or above over all University of Calgary courses taken over the preceding Summer, Fall and Winter terms

**Student Peer Assistance Undergraduate Bursary 2017**

Awarded to a student on the basis of academic merit and financial need

**Alexander Rutherford Scholarship 2014**

Awarded to a student with an average of 80% or higher, during three years at a high school recognizing academic achievement with a maximum value of $2500

**University of Calgary Undergraduate Merit Award 2018**

Awarded to a continuing undergraduate student in any faculty on the basis of academic merit

**Graduate Research Scholarship 2019**

**Graduate Teaching Award 2020**

A special award is given every April to honour outstanding performance as a Graduate Teaching Assistant. Recognizing that all graduate students with teaching responsibilities must carry out their tasks with care and diligence, the Graduate Teaching Award is meant to recognize exceptional contributions to the teaching functions of the Department

**Remote Delivery Tech and Professional Development Scholarship 2021**

**University of Calgary Doctoral Entrance Scholarship 2023**

Scholarship is awarded with a value of $20000

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

*Chair*

“Podcasts as Public Sociology”, 2021 Sociology Graduate Research Symposium, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB. **2021**

**MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS**

**VP Finance in Sociology Students Association at University of Calgary 2018 – 2019**

* Tracked all income sources and expenses of the bank account and cash deposit
* Responsible for Student Union clubs’ funding, sponsorship, and fundraising
* Set goals and ensured success in managing events’ budgets

**Social Events Representative in Sociology Graduate Student Caucus 2020 - Present**

* Responsible for planning departmental events and acquiring funding from the Graduate Students Association
* Organized regular social activities for graduate students and occasionally faculty members

**American Sociological Association 2020 - 2021**

* Member in the Sociology of Culture, Sociology of Crime & Law, and Sociological Theory

**Canadian Sociological Association 2021 - Present**

**PRESENTATIONS**

Playing Gender: An Analysis of Femininity in the Popular Culture Phenomenon League of Legends, *15th Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium*, Calgary, AB. **2019**

Playing Gender: An Analysis of Femininity in the Popular Culture Phenomenon League of Legends, *Undergraduate Honours Symposium Summit*, Calgary, AB. **2019**

Duality of K-Pop as a Field of Music Consumption (Draft), *2020 Sociology Graduate Student Research Symposium*, Calgary, AB. **2020**

K-pop is “Dae-bak”: Bridging the Language Divide in K-pop Consumption and Practices*, 2021 Sociology Graduate Research Symposium*, Calgary, AB. **2021**

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Sociology Honours Student – Department of Sociology **2018-2019**

* University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
* Supervisor: Annette Tezli
* Honours Thesis: *Playing Gender: An Analysis of Femininity in the Popular Culture Phenomenon League of Legends*

Master’s Student – Department of Sociology **2020-2021**

* University of Calgary, Calgary, AB.
* Supervisor: Matt Patterson
* Masters Thesis: *K-pop is “Dae-bak”: Bridging the Language Divide in K-pop Consumption and Practices*

Research Assistant – Department of Sociology **2022-Present**

* University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
* Principal Investigator: Matt Patterson
* Project: “The Politics of Placemaking in Chinatown.” SSHRC Insight Development Grant; $71,438.00

Research Assistant – Habitus Consulting Collective **2022-Present**

* Calgary, AB

**ARCHIVED WORK/PUBLICATIONS**

Kuk, B. (2019). Playing Gender: An Analysis of Femininity in the Popular Culture Phenomenon League of Legends. *Honour's Thesis*, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB. 1-78.

Kuk, B. (2020). The Consumption of Music as a Construction of Self. *Conference Paper* Calgary, AB: University of Calgary. 1-24.

Kuk, B. C. H. (2021). Bridging The Boundaries of Genres, Culture, and Language in North American K-Pop Fandom (Unpublished master's thesis). University of Calgary, Calgary, AB.

**ACADEMIC REFERENCES**

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