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PhD Candidate (Sociology and Social Studies of Medicine,
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Major Fields of Scholarly Interest:

- The Sociology and politics of health, illness, medicine and science
-i.e. food hypersensitivity/allergic disease
- Risk, reflexivity and sociological studies of critical thought
- Biosociology
- Pick-up Artists in North America

Education:

- McGill University Sept. 2012- present
Doctor of Philosophy: Sociology (Social Studies of Medicine)
Thesis topic: The revival of immunotherapy for food allergies
Supervisor: Dr. Alberto Cambrosio
- Queen's University Sept. 2009- Sept.2011
Master of Arts: Sociology
Thesis title: Learning to Live with Food Allergies: Negotiating Risk and
Appropriating Expertise in Consumption Practices
Supervisor: Dr. Martin Hand
- McMaster University Sept. 2005- June 2009
Bachelor of Arts* (Honours): Political Science and Sociology
Major area(s) of interest: Canadian and American foreign policy, American
politics and the media, the social construction of technology, the sociology of
gender
*Summa cum laude

Professional Experience:

Research Position(s):

Senior Research Assistant

Sept. 2012- June 2013

McGill University

Research topic: on-line patient networks, patient-to-patient sharing of health information/experiences, 'relational ambivalence'

Sociology Department

Dr. Bobby Das

Research Assistant

June 2012- August 2012

McGill University

Research topic: the social and ethical consequences of population-wide prenatal Fragile X carrier testing

Bioethics Department

Dr. Jennifer Fishman

Research Assistant

July 2012- May 2012

McGill University

Research topic(s): Various ethnographic research projects on 'translational' research centres in oncology

Social Studies of Medicine Department

Dr. Alberto Cambrosio and Dr. Nicole Nelson

Research Assistant

October 2011-April 2012

University of New South Wales

Research topic: The views/practice of sex preselection via assisted reproductive technology in Australia

School of Public Health and Community Medicine

Dr. Juliet Richters

Administrative Position(s):

Administrative Assistant

March 2012- June 2012

George Clinical (The George Institute)

Sydney, NSW, Australia

Research project: CANVAS study

Administrative Assistant

February 2012- April 2012

University of New South Wales

Research project: public understanding of Chlamydia

School of Public Health and Community Medicine

Dr. Juliet Richters

Administrative Assistant January 2012- April 2012
University of New South Wales
Research project: STI risks and sex workers in the pacific
School of Public Health and Community Medicine
Dr. Heather Worth

Teaching Position(s):

Teaching Assistant Sept. 2016- present
McGill University
The Sociology of Mental Disorder
Prof. Robert Whitley

**Teacher of The *GROOVE*
dance method** Sept. 2016-present
McGill University Athletics and
Recreation

Teaching Assistant January 2016 – April 2016
McGill University
The Sociology of Jews in North America
Prof. Morton Weinfeld

**Teacher of The *GROOVE*
dance method** Nov. 2015- April 2016
McGill University Athletics and
Other private venues/events

Teaching Assistant Sept. 2015- Dec. 2015
McGill University
The Sociology of Mental Disorder
Prof. Robert Whitley

Teaching Assistant January 2015 – April 2015
McGill University
Health and Illness
Prof. Amelie Quesnel-Vallee

Teaching Assistant Sept. 2014- Dec. 2014
McGill University
The Sociology of Culture
Prof. Amm Quamruzzaman

Teaching Assistant January 2014- April 2014
McGill University
The Sociology of Mental Disorder

Prof. Erin Denton

Teaching Assistant
McGill University
Technology and Society
Prof. Michael Smith

Sept. 2013- Dec. 2013

Teaching Assistant
McGill University
Socialization
Prof. Anahi Morales

January 2013- April 2013

Teaching Assistant
McGill University
Sociology of the Welfare State
Prof. Nicole Denier

Sept. 2012- Dec. 2012

Teaching Assistant
The University of Sydney, NSW
The Sociology of Childhood and Youth
Dr. Amanda Elliot

July 2011-November 2011

Teaching Assistant
Queen's University
Introduction to Consumer Culture
Dr. Martin Hand

January 2011- April 2011

Teaching Assistant
Queen's University
Social Theory
Dr. Richard Day

Sept. 2010- December 2010

Teaching Assistant
Queen's University
Introduction to Sociology
Dr. Rob Beamish

Sept. 2009-April 2010

Teaching Assistant
McMaster University
Introduction to Sociology
Dr. Deanna Behnke-Cook

Sept. 2008-April 2009

Committee Position(s):

Departmental Representative
Association of McGill University Research Employees (Union)

January 2014- present

AMURE

Chair of Social and Cultural Committee Sept. 2013- Sept. 2015
McGill Sociological Students Association (MGSSA)

Quebec/Atlantic Regional Director Jan. 2013- July 2015
AllerGEN Students and New Professionals Network (ASNPN)
Leadership Committee

Hiring/Recruitment Committee Member Sept. 2012-Sept. 2013
Department of Sociology, McGill University

Publications:

Das, A., & Nairn, S. (2013). Race Differentials in Partnering Patterns among Older U.S. Men: Influence of Androgens or Religious Participation? *Archives of Sexual Behavior*.

Das, A., & Nairn, S. (2014). Conservative Christianity, Partnership, Hormones and Sex in Later Life. *Archives of Sexual Behaviour*.

Das, A., & Nairn, S. (2014). Religious participation and stress-induced physiological weathering in late life. *Journal of Gerontology- Social Sciences*.

Scholarships, Fellowships and Awards:

July 2016	Co-investigator on SSHRC Insight Grant	\$70 000.00
May 2016	AllerGEN Travel Award	\$835.00
April 2015	FRQSC Doctoral Fellowship (Application ranked first place for category in Sociology)	\$60 000.00
May 2015	<i>Honourable Mention</i> Award from Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Montreal	
October 2014	AllerGEN Travel Award	\$500.00
September 2013	Arts Graduate Student Travel Award (McGill University)	\$1 000.00
April 2013	AllerGEN Travel Award	\$530.00
March 2013	Graduate student travel/conference	\$340.00

	Presentation award (McGill University)	
September 2012	AllerGEN Travel Award	\$400.00
2012-2013	Graduate Excellence Scholarship (McGill University)	\$16 500.00
2010-2011	Ontario Graduate Scholarship	\$15 000.00
September 2010	The New Transparency Travel Award (Queen's University)	\$500.00
April 2010	The New Transparency Travel Award (Queen's University)	\$500.00
2009-2010	The R. Samuel McLaughlin Fellowship (Queen's University)	\$10 000.00
2007-2008	The T.H.B. Symons Prize in Canadian Studies (McMaster University)	\$650.00
2007-2008	The Dr. Harry Lyon Hooker Scholarship (McMaster University)	\$1 500.00
2005-2006	The McMaster Award (Lv. 3)	\$1 200.00

Conference Papers/Posters, Seminars and Workshops:

Invited Presenter: Students in Mind Mental Health Conference, McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada (October 1-2, 2016).

Invited Lecturer: Women's Mental Health, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada (September 28, 2016).

HQP Attendee: AllerGEN Nce.'s Annual Conference – Connecting and Collaborating: Globalizing Advances in Allergic Disease Research, Fairmont Waterfront Hotel, Vancouver, BC, Canada (May 28-June 1, 2016).

Invited Lecturer: The Sociology of Food, Health & Illness, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada (November 5, 2015).

Invited Participant/Discussion Facilitator: AllerGEN Students and New Professionals Network 10th Annual Trainee Symposium, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (April 29- May 1, 2016).

AllerGEN Trainee Attendee: The Canadian Society for Allergy and Clinical Immunology Annual Conference, The Delta Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (October 23-26, 2014).

Paper presenter: “Tracing the Re-Emergence of Immunotherapy for Food Allergies”, The Canadian Society for the Sociology of Health Annual Conference, The Omni Hotel, Montreal, Quebec, Canada (May 5-6, 2014).

Invited Presenter: “Arts Graduate Student Travel Award Information Session”, Faculty of Arts, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, (April 2, 2014).

Invited Participant: AllerGen Students and New Professionals Network 9th Annual Trainee Symposium, Vancouver, BC, Canada (April 30-May 2, 2014).

Paper presenter: The Third Annual Food Studies Conference, Austin, Texas, United States (October, 2013).

Paper presenter: “Religious participation and stress-induced physiological weathering in late life”, American Sociological Association annual meeting, Hilton and Sheraton New York, NY, United States (August, 2013).

Paper presenter: “Contemplating Pleasures and Enacting Tensions: The Everyday Experience of Food Allergy”, Canadian Sociological Association annual meeting, Victoria, BC, Canada (June, 2013).

Invited Participant: AllerGen Students and New Professionals Network 8th Annual Trainee Symposium, Montreal, QC, Canada (May 2-4, 2013).

Poster Presenter: “Race Differentials in Partnering Patterns Among Older Men: Influence of Androgens or Religious Participation?” Population Association of America annual meeting, Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, LA, United States (April, 2013).

Guest Lecturer: “What is Socialization? A Review”, Socialization 305, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada (February, 2013).

Presenter: “Why Risk It?": (de)constructing diagnoses and negotiating food allergy in everyday life,” Third Biennial Bilingual CSSH Conference Sociological - Contributions to Health Equity, The National Hotel and Suites, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (October, 2012).

Presenter: “Negotiating Food Allergy/Intolerance in Contemporary Consumer Culture,” British Sociological Association Food Study Group Conference 2012: Food and Society, The British Library Conference Centre, London, United Kingdom (July, 2012).

Participant: “Turbo charge your writing- Writing workshop for PhD students- presented by Maria Gardiner,” The Department of Gender, Work and Social Inquiry, University of Adelaide, South Australia, (February 2012).

Presenter: “Learning to Live With Food Allergies: Negotiating Dangers and Deconstructing Risks,” University of New South Wales (The Kirby Institute for Infection and Immunity in Society) Dangerous Consumption Colloquium, Sydney, NSW, (November, 2011).

Participant: “Orientation Program for Undergraduate Tutors,” Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney Teaching and Learning Network, (July 2011).

Presenter: “An Introduction to Understanding the Everyday Experience of Food Allergy,” Queen’s University Department of Sociology Graduate Symposium, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, (April, 2011).

Presenter: “Surveillance as Symbolic Resources: On the Representations of Surveillance in the Culture Industries,” Queen’s University Department of Sociology Seminar Series, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, (February, 2011).

Presenter: “The Visibility and Trivialisation of the Trojan Horse? Surveillance Representation in Advertising and Popular Culture,” A Research Workshop: The Political Economy of Surveillance, Milton Keynes, United Kingdom, (September 2010).

Presenter: “Problematizing 'surveillance': Exploring Subjectivities,” The Fourth Biannual Surveillance and Society/SSN Conference, London, United Kingdom, (April 2010).

Presenter/Delegate: “Student Safety in Public Space,” City Council Meeting No. 11- 2010, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, (April 2010).

Professional Affiliations:

Ambassador/Co-chair January 2014- present
The Youth Movement (The Royal Victoria
Hospital Foundation)
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Student Member May 2013- present
American Sociological Association

Student Member March 2013-present
Canadian Sociological Association

Member July 2012- present
AllerGen Students and New
Professionals Network (ASNPN)

Student Trainee February 2013- Sept. 2015
Center on Population Dynamics
McGill University

Quebec/Atlantic Regional Director January 2013- July 2015
(AllerGen Students and New Professionals Network)

Student Member
Canadian Society for the Sociology of Health January 2011- present

Student Member
The Surveillance Studies Centre September 2009- Sept. 2012
(Queen's University)

Other Work Experience:

Guest Blogger June 2016- present
Miscellaneous Blogs On-line

Instagram Content Provider June 2016- present
McGill University
GradLife McGill

Deputy Returning Officer October 2007
Ontario Provincial Election

Deputy Returning Officer November 2006
Hamilton Municipal Election

Deputy Returning Officer January 2006
Canadian Federal Election

Volunteer Experience:

Volunteer/Mentor September 2014-present
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Montreal
Westmount Park Elementary School
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Volunteer/Mentor December 2013-June 2014
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Montreal
F.A.C.E School
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Student Life Ambassador September 2013
McGill University

Volunteer/Mentor October 2012- June 2012
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Montreal
Westmount Park Elementary School

Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Volunteer
Participation House/Able Living
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

September 2008- August 2009

Volunteer
New Democratic Party of Canada (Chris Charlton MP)
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

June 2008- September 2008

Media Experience:

Interviewee – Student safety in public space
The Kingston Whig Standard
Kingston, Ontario, Canada

February 2010

Interviewee – Student safety in public space
Local Radio Interview
Kingston, Ontario, Canada

February 2010

Delegate- Student safety in public space
City Council Meeting
Kingston, Ontario, Canada

April 2010

Interviewee – Food allergy and university ‘life’
The Hamilton Spectator
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

September 2006