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## EDUCATION

### Degrees

2020 - present

#### Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology

*Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta*

*Proposed*

*Research Topic: Diasporic Homecoming and Eating: Filipino Food in Edmonton and New York City*

*Supervisor: Dr. Helen Vallianatos, Associate Dean of Students and Professor of Anthropology*

2016 - 2021

#### Master of Arts (Thesis) in Anthropology

*Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta*

*Thesis: Trans-Form-Asians: The Liminal and Disrupted Lives of Singaporean and Balinese Transwomen Sex Workers*

*Supervisors: Dr. Helen Vallianatos, Associate Dean of Students and Professor of Anthropology [2020 - 2021]*

*Dr. Gregory Forth, FRSC, Professor Emeritus of Anthropology [2016 - 2020]*

2013 - 2016

#### Bachelor of Arts (Honors) in Anthropology

*Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta*

*Thesis: Transgender Cross-cultural Variations in Indonesia and the Philippines*

*Supervisor: Dr. Gregory Forth, FRSC, Professor Emeritus of Anthropology*

2012 - 2013

#### Bachelor of Arts, University Transfer

*Faculty of Arts and Science, MacEwan University*

### Certificates & Transcript Notations

In progress

#### Community-Based Research and Evaluation Certificate

*School of Public Health, University of Alberta*

In progress

#### Graduate Teaching and Learning Program (GTLP), Level 1: Foundations

*Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta*

2020 - present

#### Social Media Certificate

*Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta*

*Course(s) Completed: Visual Communications for Social Media*

2020 - present

#### Photography (Professional Development Certificate)

*School of Continuing Education, MacEwan University*

*Course(s) Completed: Digital Photography Level I: Modes, Exposure and Creative Foundations*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Non-normative gender and sexualities; transgender studies in Southeast Asia; transitioning and detransitioning; gendered religious ritual performances; beauty pageants and power; sex work; family patterns and intimate partnering/relationship models; queer spaces and time; diasporic homecoming/return; cultural memory; food studies; food (in)security; digital and visual anthropology; ethnic identities in Edmonton food scene; Indonesia; Singapore; Canada/Canadian Prairies; The Philippines

## RESEARCH & FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

- Summer 2018 Archival research on the term “transgender” at the Transgender Archives, University of Victoria
- Summer 2017 Ethnographic thesis research on transwomen in Singapore and Bali, Indonesia  
*Community Partners: Project X (Singapore) and Yayasan Gaya Dewata (Bali, Indonesia)*
- 2016 - 2018 Ethnographic research on Filipino food and restaurants in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada  
*Community Partners: Filistix, Panciteria de Manila, and Max’s Restaurant (Edmonton)*
- 2015 - 2016 Remote interview research on Filipino transwomen beauty pageant queens

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2021 - present **Sessional Instructor (Anthropology)**  
*Department of Anthropology, Economics and Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Science, MacEwan University*
- 2021 - present **Senior Lecturer I (Anthropology)**  
*Department of Anthropology, Sociology and Psychology, College of Social Sciences, University of the Philippines Baguio*
- 2020 - present **Affiliate**  
*Research at the Intersections of Gender, A Signature Area of Research and Teaching at the University of Alberta*
- 2019 - present **Instructor (Anthropology)**  
*University Transfer, Faculty of Health and Community Studies, NorQuest College*
- 2018 **Fellow and Visiting Scholar**  
*The Chair in Transgender Studies and The Transgender Archives, University of Victoria  
Research/Collections Focus: Virginia Prince/Transvestia Magazines (under The Rikki Swin Collection) and The University of Ulster TGA Collection*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE | *\*Online/\*\*hybrid delivery due to COVID-19.*

### **MacEwan University**

*Department of Anthropology, Economics and Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Science*

Winter 2022

**Primary Instructor, \*\*ANTHR 110: Gender, Age and Culture** [forthcoming]

### **University of the Philippines Baguio**

*Department of Anthropology, Sociology and Psychology, College of Social Sciences*

February - June 2021

**Primary Instructor, \*ANTHRO 104: Human Evolution**

### **NorQuest College**

*University Transfer, Faculty of Health and Community Studies*

Fall 2021

**Primary Instructor, ANTH 1000: Introduction to Anthropology** [forthcoming]

Fall 2020

**Primary Instructor, \*ANTH 1000: Introduction to Anthropology** | *Nominated for a teaching award.*

Fall 2019

**Primary Instructor, ANTH 1000: Introduction to Anthropology** | *Nominated for a teaching award.*

### **University of Alberta**

*Department of Anthropology, Faculty of Arts*

Fall 2021

**Teaching Assistant, ANTHR 208: Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology** [forthcoming]

*Primary Instructor: Dr. Andie Palmer, Associate Professor of Anthropology*

Fall 2020

**Teaching Assistant, \*ANTHR 208: Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology**

*Primary Instructor: Dr. Andie Palmer, Associate Professor of Anthropology*

Winter 2020

**Teaching Assistant, ANTHR 393: Health and Healing**

*Primary Instructor: Dr. Mirjana Uzelac, Sessional Instructor of Anthropology*

Fall 2018

**Teaching Assistant, ANTHR 208: Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology** | *Received two teaching awards.*

*Primary Instructor: Dr. Andie Palmer, Associate Professor of Anthropology*

Fall 2017

**Teaching Assistant, ANTHR 207: Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology**

*Primary Instructor: Dr. Kathleen Lowrey, Associate Professor of Anthropology*

## AWARDS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS | *Amounts listed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated.*

*Total monetary awards and scholarships awarded to date: **\$137,235 CAD***

### **Admission & Program Funding**

2020 **Doctoral Recruitment Funding, Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta** (\$38000)

### **Academic Excellence & Distinction**

2021 **Stephen and Lynn Mandel Graduate Scholarship in Sexual and Gender Minority Studies, Institute for Sexual Minority Studies and Services, Faculty of Education, University of Alberta** (\$1200)

2021 **FGSR COVID Graduate Student Support, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta** (\$1500)

2019 **University of Alberta Graduate Fellowship, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta** (\$8000)

2018 **Ronald Gordon Rowswell-O'Connor Graduate Award, Institute for Sexual Minority Studies and Services, Faculty of Education, University of Alberta** (\$4200)

2018 **Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship - Master's, Government of Alberta** (\$5400)

2018 **Graduate Student Scholarship - Master's, Government of Alberta** (\$3000)

2017 **Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship - Master's, Government of Alberta** (\$5400)

2015 - 2016 Dean's Honors List, *Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta*  
2013 Jason Lang Scholarship, *MacEwan University* (\$1000)  
2012 Alexander Rutherford Scholarship, *Government of Alberta* (\$1300)

#### **Teaching & Mentorship Awards**

2019 & 2020 Jaye Fredrickson Teaching Excellence Award (Primary Instructor), *NorQuest College* [nominated]  
2019 Graduate Student Teaching Award, *Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta*  
2019 Graduate Student Teaching Award, *Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta*

#### **Teaching Assistantship Contracts & Stipends**

2021 Graduate Student Teaching Assistantship, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$3600)  
2020 Graduate Student Teaching Assistantship, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$3600)  
2020 Graduate Student Teaching Assistantship, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$3600)  
2018 Graduate Student Teaching Assistantship, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$3600)  
2017 Graduate Student Teaching Assistantship, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$3600)

#### **Research & Travel**

2020 Graduate Student Travel Award, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$2100)  
2018 Fellowship for Visiting University-based Scholars and Professionals, *The Chair in Transgender Studies, University of Victoria* (\$1000)  
2018 Graduate Student Travel Award, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$1100)  
2018 Graduate Student Travel Award, *Congress 2018, University of Regina* (\$500)  
2018 Travel Subsidy, *Trans Matters 2018, Centre for Feminist Research, York University* (\$525) [declined]  
2017 Travel Award, *Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore* (\$260 SGD)  
2017 Education Abroad Individual Award, *University of Alberta International* (\$1250)  
2017 Graduate Travel Award, *Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta* (\$2000)  
2016 Bryan-Gruhn Anthropology Graduate Research Award, *Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta* (\$1500)  
2016 Academic Travel Award, *Graduate Students' Association, University of Alberta* (\$500)

#### **Leadership & Community Work**

2021 ECF Awards and Bursaries (formerly Community Scholarship), *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$5000) [expected]  
2020 ECF Awards and Bursaries (formerly Community Scholarship), *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$5000)  
2020 Alberta's Top 30 Under 30, *Alberta Council for Global Cooperation*  
*Read letters from:*  
The Rt. Hon. Justin Trudeau, *Prime Minister of Canada*  
The Hon. Heather McPherson, *Member of Parliament, Edmonton Strathcona*  
The Hon. Leela Sharon Aheer, *Minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women, GoA*  
The Hon. Mike Lake, *Member of Parliament, Edmonton Wetaskiwin*  
2019 ECF Awards and Bursaries (formerly Community Scholarship), *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$6000)  
2018 ECF Awards and Bursaries (formerly Community Scholarship), *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$6000)  
2017 Community Scholarship, *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$6000)  
2016 Community Scholarship, *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$5000)  
Centenary Outstanding Campus Involvement Award, *Students' Union, University of Alberta* (\$2000)  
2015 Community Scholarship, *Edmonton Community Foundation* (\$3500)  
2015 Tom Lancaster Memorial Award, *Students' Union, University of Alberta* (\$1000)

**Grants & sponsorships written for student groups & events** | First author unless otherwise stated.

Total monetary event/project grants and sponsorships awarded to date: **\$6,800 CAD**

**(1) Event: 26th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series & Student Conference**

Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta | Role: VP Finance, Frucht 2018

- 2018 Faculty of Arts Conference Fund (co-written with Katherine Bishop), Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta (\$2000)
- 2018 GSA Academically-Related Graduate Student Group Award (co-written with Katherine Bishop), Graduate Students' Association, University of Alberta (\$1500)
- 2018 FGSR Dean's Support Fund for Student-Led Conferences (co-written with Katherine Bishop), Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta (\$1000)
- 2018 URI Research Support Fund, Undergraduate Research Initiative, University of Alberta (\$478)
- 2018 University of Alberta Press Sponsorship, University of Alberta Press (\$100)

**(2) Project: Sociology Undergraduate Student Association's (SUSA) "Unwind Your Mind" Room & Permanent Chill Space**

Department of Sociology, University of Alberta | Role: VP Academic and Finance, SUSA

- 2016 Wellness Grant, Healthy Campus Unit, University of Alberta (\$1000)

**(3) Project: Sociology Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA) Rebranding Initiative**

Department of Sociology, University of Alberta | Role: VP Academic and Finance, SUSA

- 2015 SGS Activity Grant, Student Group Services, Students' Union, University of Alberta (\$722)

**PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES** | First author unless otherwise stated.

**Invited Talks & Speaking Engagements**

- 2021 Invited Speaker. "Warias: The Lives of Balinese Transwomen Sex Workers From Transitioning to Detransitioning." *Binalot Talks Online Edition*, Archaeological Studies Program, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines: May 12. [delivered online]
- 2020 Invited Speaker (with Katherine Bishop). *Community Engagement Foundations for Graduate Students*. Organized by Charity Slobod and Dr. Jay Friesen, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: August 7. [delivered online]
- 2020 Keynote Speaker. *The Bayanihan: It Takes a Village Fundraising Gala*. Organized by the University of Alberta Philippine Students' Association (PhilSA), Edmonton Inn and Conference Centre, Edmonton, AB: April 25. [postponed until further notice due to COVID-19]
- 2020 Invited Speaker. "Transitioning and Detransitioning: Singaporean and Balinese Transwomen Sex Workers' Experiences" (Tentative Title). *Chair in Transgender Studies Visiting Speaker Series*, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC: 2020. [postponed until further notice due to COVID-19]
- 2020 Invited Discussant. *Queering Anthropology*. Organized by the University of Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates (UAAU), University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 13.
- 2020 Opening Message. *The 9th Annual Top 30 Under 30 Celebration Event*. Organized by the Alberta Council for Global Cooperation (ACGC), Central Library, Calgary, AB: February 4.

- 2019 **Invited Speaker.** “The Transwomen of Singapore and Bali and their Right to Live and Love.” *Edmonton Public Library (EPL) On The Edge: Emerging Scholars Speaker Series*, EPL Strathcona Branch, Edmonton, AB: September 18.
- 2019 **Invited Discussant.** *Call Her Ganda\* Film Screening*. Organized by Migrante Alberta, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: June 7. \*A documentary film about the murder of Filipina transwoman Jennifer Laude.
- Conference Talks & Posters (Peer-Reviewed & Published Abstracts)**
- 2020 **“Transwomen Sex Workers in Singapore and Bali, Indonesia: Stories of Transformation, Beauty, Love, and Death.”** Paper to be presented at the panel “Intimate Archives: Perspectives from South and Southeast Asia,” *2020 Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS)*, Sheraton Boston Hotel and the Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA, USA: March 19-22. [cancelled due to COVID-19]
- 2018 **“Transient Beauty, Waria Subjectivity: On Transwomen Transitioning, Ageing, and Death in Bali.”** Presentation materials circulated at the *Trans Matters - Inaugural Interdisciplinary Trans Studies Graduate Student Conference*, Centre for Feminist Research, York University, Toronto, ON: June 21-22.
- 2018 **“Queens of All Sorts: Indonesian and Filipino Transwomen, Past, Present, and Everything in Between.”** Paper presented at the panel “Marginalized Sexualities in Asia,” *6th Annual Meeting of the Sexuality Studies Association (SSA) in conjunction with Congress 2018*, University of Regina, Regina, SK: May 27-29.
- 2018 **“The Traditional, Modern, and Traditional-Modern: Three Cases of Serving Filipino Food Authenticity in the City of Edmonton (Alberta).”** Paper presented at the panel “Culture and Ideology,” *13th Annual Assembly of the Canadian Association of Food Studies (CAFS) in conjunction with Congress 2018*, University of Regina, Regina, SK: May 26-29.
- 2017 **“Savour the Flavour, Swallow the World: Serving and Consuming ‘Authentic’ Filipino Food in Edmonton.”** Paper presented at the panel “Food in Southeast Asia,” *2017 New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS)*, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY, USA: September 22-23.
- 2017 **“Trans-aging: A review of the current literature on the aging of sexual and gender-minority persons.”** Poster presented at the *Campus Alberta Student Conference on Health (CASCH) 2017*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: September 15-16.
- 2017 **“Beautiful Trans-form-Asians: A cross-cultural study of Indonesian and Filipino Transwomen.”** Paper presented at the panel “Sexuality,” *12th Annual Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies*, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, SG: July 24-28.
- 2017 **“Edible Ethnicities, Defining Authentic Filipino Food in Edmonton.”** Poster and pecha-kucha-style presentation at the “Food in Canada and Beyond: Communities, Collaboration, Complexity,” *12th Annual Assembly of the Canadian Association of Food Studies (CAFS) in conjunction with Congress 2017*, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON: May 27-30.

- 2017 “Edible Ethnicities, Flavours of Modernity: Serving Filipino Food Authenticity in the City of Edmonton.” Poster presented at the *25th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series and 2017 Student Conference*, Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 8-10.
- 2017 “High-Altitude F\*cks”: Imagined Landscape and Queer Space in *Brokeback Mountain*.” Paper presented at the *25th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series and 2017 Student Conference*, Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 8-10.
- 2016 “Transgender Cross-cultural Variations in Indonesia and the Philippines.” Paper presented at the panel “Gender and its Variations,” *54th Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (WCAAS)*, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, USA: September 23-24.
- 2016 “Transgender Cross-cultural Variations in Indonesia and the Philippines.” Poster presented at the *Festival of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (FURCA)*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 14-18.
- 2016 “Transgender Cross-cultural Variations in Indonesia and the Philippines.” Poster presented at the *24th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series and 2016 Student Conference*, Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 2-4.
- Guest Lectures & Seminars**
- 2020 “Trans-Form-Asians: Singaporean and Balinese Transwomen Sex Workers.” *ANTHR 208: Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology [Dr. Andie Palmer]*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: December 1. [delivered online]
- 2020 “Healing a Community, Community as Healing: Sex Work, Drag, Love, and Vanity Among Singaporean and Balinese Transwomen.” *ANTHR 393: Health and Healing Fall 2020 [Dr. Mirjana Uzelac]*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: February 25.
- 2018 “Transwomen, Trans-form-Asians: Transvestia, Bali and Singapore, and the Right to Live.” *ANTHR 208: Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology Fall 2018 [Dr. Andie Palmer]*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: November 29.
- 2017 “Exceptional\* Trans-form-Asians: The Transwomen of Singapore and Bali (Indonesia).” *ANTHR 207: Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology Fall 2017 [Dr. Kathleen Lowrey]*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: December 7.
- Campus Talks**
- 2021 “The Liminal and Disrupted Lives of Singaporean and Balinese Transwomen Sex Workers.” Special lecture for *Anthro-In-Action Speaker Series: UPB Edition*, Department of Anthropology, Sociology and Psychology, University of the Philippines Baguio, Benguet, Philippines: April 13. [delivered online]



- 2019 “Entangled Trans-Form-Asians, (Trans)Gendered Connections: An Anthropological Study of Transwomen Sex Workers in Singapore and Bali, Indonesia.” Pecha-kucha style presentation at the *Graduate Student Intersectional Research Showcase*, Intersections of Gender Official Launch, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 28.
- 2017 “Exceptional Trans-form-Asians: The Transwomen of Singapore and Bali, Indonesia.” Graduate student research presentation at the *November Staff Meeting*, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: November 3.
- 2017 “A Crown, Hijab, and Nationalism: Shades of Being a (Wo)Man.” Joint presentation with Dafna Rachok and Samira Torabi, *Association of Graduate Anthropology Students (AGAS) Fringe Friday Speaker Series*, Devaney’s on Campus, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 24.
- 2016 “Transgender Cross-cultural Variations in Indonesia and the Philippines.” Honors thesis presented at the *Department of Anthropology Honors Student Presentations*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: April 13.
- Conferences for Professional Development** | *No paper or poster presentations.*
- 2019 “Changing Climates.” *Joint Annual Meeting of the Canadian Anthropological Society (CASCA) and the American Anthropological Association (AAA)*, Vancouver Convention Centre, Vancouver, BC: November 20-24.
- 2019 “Invest In Your Future Career Symposium 2019.” Organized by the *Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB*: November 14-15.
- 2019 “Linguistic Anthropology.” *27th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series and 2019 Student Conference*, Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: March 6-8.
- 2018 “Invest In Your Future Career Symposium 2018.” Organized by the *Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB*: November 15-16.
- 2016 “Invest In Your Future Career Symposium 2016.” Organized by the *Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB*: November 8-9.
- Public Talks Organized**
- 2021 Kapehan (Coffee) with Kevin, *University of the Philippines Baguio* | \*Organized **4** talks (4 speakers) in total.
- 2021 Anthro-in-Action Speaker Series: UPB Edition, *University of the Philippines Baguio* | \*Organized **5** talks (5 speakers) in total.
- 2020 Anthro-in-Action Speaker Series: NorQuest Edition, *NorQuest College* | \*Organized **4** talks (4 speakers) in total.
- 2017 -2018 Fringe Friday Speaker Series (co-organized with Helena Ramsaroop), *Association of Graduate Anthropology Students (AGAS), University of Alberta* | \*Organized **10** talks (12 speakers) in total.



## EXHIBITIONS & CREATIVE WORKS

### *Digital/Social Media*

2021 “Trans-Form-Asians: The Liminal and Disrupted Lives of Singaporean and Balinese Transwomen Sex Workers.” Virtual poster presented at the *University of Alberta Digital Innovation Showcase*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: May 10-14. <https://bit.ly/2ShTJEU>

### *Public/Community*

2019 - 2020 “**Bunga (Flower)**”. Research image exhibited at the *Edmonton Public Library (EPL) Community Gallery*, EPL Strathcona Library, Edmonton, AB. Published in ERA (DOI): <https://doi.org/10.7939/R36T0HB34>

### *Juried*

2018 “**Bunga (Flower)**” (Semi-finalist). Research image exhibited at the *2018 Images of Research Public Exhibition*, Cameron Science and Technology Library, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: April 5-30. Published in ERA (DOI): <https://doi.org/10.7939/R36T0HB34>

2017 “**Beauty is Painful**” (Semi-finalist). Research image exhibited at the *2017 Images of Research Public Exhibition*, Cameron Science and Technology Library, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB: April 5-30. Published in ERA (DOI): <https://doi.org/10.7939/R3959CM88>

## MEDIA COVERAGE (OF MY WORK) & PROFILE INTERVIEWS

2021 “Honouring our Volunteers: Kevin Laxamana.” Author: Marilyn Gray. *REACH Edmonton*, April 20, <https://bit.ly/3eJL2Ml>

2020 “Quiambao, Laxamana honored for global cooperation work.” Author: Canadian Filipino Net Staff. *Canadian Filipino Net: People Stories*, February 16, [bit.ly/2W1FyU5](http://bit.ly/2W1FyU5)

2020 “Filipino grad student gets prestigious Top 30 Under 30 Award.” Author: INQUIRER.NET U.S. Bureau. *INQUIRER.net, the official news website of the INQUIRER Group of Companies*, February 6, [bit.ly/2VYqhDD](http://bit.ly/2VYqhDD)

2020 “FGSR staffer among three graduate students named Top 30 Under 30 by ACGC.” Author: Robert B. Desjardins. *University of Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research News*, February 5, [bit.ly/2vbS7kN](http://bit.ly/2vbS7kN)

2020 “2020 Top 30 Under 30 Recipients: Kevin Laxamana.” Interviewer: Kendra Thompson. *Alberta Council for Global Cooperation (ACGC) Top 30 Under 30 Website*, January 29, [bit.ly/2U1rUOm](http://bit.ly/2U1rUOm)

2018 “2018 University-based Fellows: Kevin Laxamana.” Video: Michael Radmacher. *University of Victoria's The Chair in Transgender Studies website and YouTube Channel*, August 24, [bit.ly/2DZjRJW](http://bit.ly/2DZjRJW) & [bit.ly/2PletWY](http://bit.ly/2PletWY)

2018 “Busting 8 Misconceptions About Anthropology.” Author: Hallie Brodie. *University of Alberta's YouAlberta Blog*, March 13, [bit.ly/2DW8x1y](http://bit.ly/2DW8x1y)

2017 **"The Impact of Culture on Gender Variance."** Author: Sasha Roeder-Mah. *University of Alberta Faculty of Arts News and Work of Arts Blog*, December 8, [bit.ly/2DXGPS0](http://bit.ly/2DXGPS0) & [bit.ly/2sTdL5j](http://bit.ly/2sTdL5j)

#### **Podcast Guest Interviews**

2021 **My Way! Podcast.** Streaming on Anchor.FM and organized by Harshavardhan Mamdelesai and Bilal Rizvi, Edmonton, AB. <https://bit.ly/3coQlue>

2020 **What's The Tsismis? Podcast.** Streaming on CJSR FM88 and organized by Micah Leonida, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB. [episode forthcoming]

### **ACADEMIC SERVICE & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

#### **Graduate**

2019 **Host** (*REACH Edmonton Annual General Meeting 2019*)

*Central Lions Recreation Centre, City of Edmonton*

2019 **Maharlika Sponsor** (*Pearl of the Orient Gala 2019*)

*Philippine Students' Association, University of Alberta*

2019 **Adjudicator** (*University of Alberta Award for Outstanding Mentorship in Undergraduate Research & Creative Activities 2019*)

*Undergraduate Research Initiative, University of Alberta*

2017 - 2019 **Advisor and Chief Returning Officer**

*Philippine Students' Association, University of Alberta*

2017, 2018 & 2020 **Conference Judge**

*Festival of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities, Undergraduate Research Initiative, University of Alberta*

2017 - 2018 **Program Committee Member**

*6th Annual Meeting of the Sexuality Studies Association, Congress 2018, University of Regina*

2017 - 2018 **Fringe Friday Speaker Series Co-Coordinator**

*Association of Graduate Anthropology Students, University of Alberta*

2017 - 2018 **Vice-President Finance** | *Total monetary grants & sponsorships awarded: \$5328 CAD*

*26th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series and Student Conference*

2016 - 2017 **Finance and Sponsorship Advisor**

*25th Annual Richard Frucht Memorial Lecture Series and Student Conference*

2016 - 2018 **Treasurer**

*Association of Graduate Anthropology Students, University of Alberta*

#### **Undergraduate**

2015 - 2016 **President**

*Philippine Students' Association, University of Alberta*

2015 - 2016 **Vice-President Academic and Finance** | *Total monetary grants & sponsorships awarded: \$1722 CAD*

*Sociology Undergraduate Student Association, University of Alberta*

2015 - 2016 **Secretary**

*University of Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates*

2015 **Newsletter Editor**

*International Students' Association, University of Alberta*

2014 - 2017 **Awareness Committee Team Leader**

*University of Alberta Campus Food Bank*

- 2014 - 2015 **Social Convenor**  
*University of Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates*
- 2014 - 2015 **Director of Social Media - Marketing**  
*Philippine Students' Association, University of Alberta*
- 2014 - 2015 **Communications Director**  
*REACH Edmonton Students' Association, University of Alberta*
- 2014 & 2015 **Faculty of Arts Orientation Leader**  
*Orientation and Week of Welcome, University of Alberta*
- 2013 - 2015 **Arts Faculty Council and Academic Affairs Committee Student Representative**  
*Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta*
- 2013 - 2014 **Classroom Mentor**  
*USchool, University of Alberta Senate*
- 2013 **Art Program Assistant**  
*Cerebral Palsy Association in Alberta and Art Gallery of Alberta, City of Edmonton*

### **EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2018 - present **Invited Reviewer**  
*Spectrum (An Interdisciplinary Undergraduate Journal), University of Alberta*

### **MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE**

#### ***Philippine Students' Association (PhilSA), University of Alberta***

- 2018 - present **Mentor, Ate/Kuya Mentorship Program**
- 2018 - 2020 Maissie Hillman, BA (Double Major) in Linguistics and French with Psychology (Minor)

#### ***Other Mentees, University of Alberta***

- 2020 - present Danika Freeman-Lau, '20 BA in Anthropology (Major) and Biological Sciences (Minor)
- 2019 - present Beatriz Rubio, '20 BSc in Nursing (After-Degree Program)
- 2017 - present Dorota Surma, '20 BA (Double Major) in Anthropology and Women's and Gender Studies

#### ***Other Mentees, University of the Philippines Baguio***

- 2021 - present Sheila Anne Abanto, BA in Social Sciences, Anthropology (Major), *first year*
- Aiseel Mae Custodio, BA in Social Sciences, Anthropology (Major), *first year*
- Florabea Charis Iñon, BA in Social Sciences, Anthropology (Major), *first year*
- Charlene Jemima Lopez, BA in Social Sciences, Anthropology (Major), *first year*
- Danielle Ann Mabalot, BA in Social Sciences, Anthropology (Major), *first year*

#### ***Association of Graduate Anthropology Students (AGAS), University of Alberta***

- 2016 - present **Graduate Mentor, AnthHelp Mentorship Initiative**  
Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta

## PROFESSIONAL & WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2020 - present  
2019  
2018 - 2019  
2016 - 2018
- Digital and Social Media Associate**  
**Communications and Web Assistant - Operations and Professional Development Unit**  
**Web and Professional Development Content Support**  
**Web Content Development Intern (Graduate Student Internship Program)**  
*Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Alberta*
- Spring - Summer 2019
- Communications Assistant**  
*Intersections of Gender (A Signature of Research and Teaching), University of Alberta*
- 2017
- Research Assistant/Photographer (Toxic Media Ecologies Exhibition 2017)**  
*Intermedia Research Studio, Department of Sociology, University of Alberta*
- Summer 2016
- Transcriptionist (5AsT-SDM Intervention Project)**  
*Obesity Canada and Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta*
- 2015 - 2017
- YouAlberta Student Communicator | Portfolio: <https://www.medium.com/youalberta/kevin/home/>**  
*University Relations, University of Alberta*
- 2015
- Web Resource Library/OutREACH Assistant (Serving Communities Internship Program)**  
*REACH Edmonton, City of Edmonton*

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

### **Academic & Research**

- Active Memberships
- Women's and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes (WGSRF)
  - Alberta Society for the Promotion of Sexual Health (ASPSH)
  - Sexuality Studies Association (SSA)
  - Ugnayang Pang-Agham Tao, Inc. (UGAT)/Anthropological Association of the Philippines
  - Canadian Anthropological Society (CASCA)
  - Canadian Association for Food Studies (CAFS)
  - Association for Asian Studies (AAS)
  - YouthWrite Canada (Alumni)

### **Community**

- 2021 - present
- Founder and Moderator**  
*AnthroChats (PelikulAnthro), University of the Philippines Baguio*
- 2020 - present
- Co-Chair and Co-Founder**  
*Board of Alumni, Philippine Students' Association, University of Alberta*

## COMMUNITY PROJECTS & IMPACT

2020 - present

**The Annual Kevin Chavez Laxamana (KCL) Volunteer of the Year Award | *Collaborator***  
*Administered by the Philippine Students' Association (PhilSA), University of Alberta*



*Kevin Chavez Laxamana*  
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

**Description:** This award recognizes a PhilSA member who has made exceptional contributions to the PhilSA and the Filipino community in Edmonton and beyond through their volunteer efforts during the past year. One award will be given each year with a \$250 CAD prize, an engraved plaque, and the recipient's name on the KCL x PhilSA trophy. This award is open to PhilSA members pursuing either an undergraduate or graduate program at the U of A.

**Recipients:** 2020, 2021, & 2022 | TBA on the upcoming gala (postponed due to COVID-19)  
**Award Liaison:** Maissie Hillman

2019 - present

**The Cabalen Project | *Founder & Director***  
*Edmonton, Alberta, Canada*



**Description:** This is a work in progress. Continuing the work I have done during my tenure as the President of the Philippine Students' Association (PhilSA) at the University of Alberta (2015-2016), The Cabalen Project hopes to organize education and knowledge mobilization initiatives, such as collecting school supplies and books for the youth and (re)building classroom and libraries among indigent and rural communities in the Philippines.

2018 - present

**Filipinx in the Diaspora Collective | *Co-Founder*** *[with Dr. Carla Hilario, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Nursing]*  
*Edmonton, Alberta, Canada*



**Description:** This initiative aims to engage the Filipinx (graduate) community in a collective reflection on topics and issues concerning Filipinx in the motherland and beyond (and of course, graduate studies). Additionally, this is also a place to connect with other Filipinx at the University of Alberta and the province—across the disciplines—to share opportunities and resources (e.g., grant application templates, peer-reviewing papers, preparing grad school application packages, writing resumes/CVs, etc.).

## OTHER RELEVANT SKILLS & TRAINING

### *Website & Content Management Systems (CMS), Digital Media & Analytics*

- 2020 CMS Cascade Level 1 [Introduction], Level 2 [Intermediate] and Administration  
2019 Google Analytics for Sitecore  
2016 CMS Sitecore 3 Level 1 [Contributor] and Level 2 [Author and Administrator] Modules  
*Technology Training Centre, University of Alberta*

### *Digital Media & Design*

- 2020 Adobe Premiere  
2017 Adobe InDesign Level I  
*Technology Training Centre, University of Alberta*

### *Others*

- 2016 QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Program  
*Community Social Work, University of Alberta*

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- Native/Multilingual English | Filipino (Tagalog) | Kapampangan  
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