

6th Annual Sociology Graduate Student Conference

# AGENCY, POWER, AND STRUCTURE:

Navigating the Social World

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| <b>What's Happening:</b>                             |   | <b>When:</b>  | <b>Where:</b>                                  |
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| Continental Breakfast & Introductions                |   | 9:00 - 9:30   | Anso Lounge                                    |
| Session 1  | Panel A: Neoliberalism                                  | 9:30 – 10:40  | Anso 202                                       |
|  | Panel B: Frameworks for Conceptualization & Measurement |               | Anso 205                                       |
| Break  |   | 10:40 – 10:55 | Anso Lounge                                    |
| Session 2  | Panel A: Examining Relational Forms                     | 10:55 – 12:05 | Anso 202                                       |
|  | Panel B: Negotiating Institutional Access               |               | Anso 205                                       |
| Lunch  |   | 12:05 – 12:30 | Anso Lounge                                    |
| Keynote Address –<br><b>Dr. Lisa Loutzenheiser</b>   |   | 12:30 – 1:15  | Anso 207                                       |
| Break  |   | 1:15 – 1:30   | Anso Lounge                                    |
| Session 3  | Panel A: Contemplating Methodologies                    | 1:30 – 3:00   | Anso 202                                       |
|  | Panel B: Media Representations & Digital Technologies   |               | Anso 205                                       |
| Break  |   | 3:00 – 3:15   | Anso Lounge                                    |
| Session 4  | Panel A: Critical Education                             | 3:15 – 4:45   | Anso 202                                       |
|  | Panel B: Realms of Consumption                          |               | Anso 205                                       |
| Group walk to Mahoney & Sons (gather in Anso Lounge) |   | 4:50          | Mahony & Sons,<br>5990 University Blvd,<br>UBC |
| Conference Social (All welcome!)                     |   | 5:00          |  |

**Session 1 (9:30 – 10:40) | Panel A: Neoliberalism – Anso 202 | Moderated by Michaela Montaner**

*Sexual Agency or Obscured Power?: Considering Neoliberal and 'Postfeminist' Discourse in Contemporary Heterosexuality*  
**Misha (Michelle) Dhillon**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Otherworlds: Teachers' experiences of power vis a vis accountability policies in South Carolina*

**Mary R. Adkins Cartee**, MA Candidate in Society, Culture, and Politics in Education, Department of Educational Studies, University of British Columbia

*Sprinting towards 'success:' Masters athleticism, neoliberalism, and the responsabilization of aging*

**Bridget McGowan**, MA Candidate, Department of Sociology, University of Victoria

**Session 1 (9:30 – 10:40) | Panel B: Frameworks for Conceptualization & Measurement – Anso 205 | Moderated by Beatriz Arcoverde de Oliveira**

*Conceptualizing Social Capital: The Importance of Sociohistoric and Individual Contexts*

**Kamila Kolpashnikova**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Trends in Self-Assessed Perceptions of Job Quality: 1970-2006*

**Jonathan Adam Lind**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of Washington

*Brokerage Beyond Borders*

**Walker Frahm**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of Washington

**Session 2 (10:55 – 12:05) | Panel A: Examining Relational Forms – Anso 202 | Moderated by Misha Dhillon**

*Kids of the new normal or new gender outlaws? : Representations of kids with same-sex parents and genderqueer kids*

**Hélène Frohard-Dourlent**, PhD Candidate, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Racial and Educational Variation in Women's Transitions into and out of Single Motherhood*

**Angela Bruns**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of Washington

*Who are the 'Unmarried' in Demographic Research? Examining the Measurement Accuracy of Singlehood*

**Julie H. Broderick**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

**Session 2 (10:55 – 12:05) | Panel B: Negotiating Institutional Access - Anso 205 | Moderated by Devon Deckant**

*Title TBD*

**Beatriz Arcoverde de Oliveira**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Sociology's role in an alternative model leadership and employment skills training program for immigrant women*

**Heather Holroyd**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Blurred Identities: The Vietnamese Community in Trinidad and Tobago*

**Andrew N. Le**, Fulbright Scholar, The J. William Fulbright Commission

### **Session 3 (1:30 – 3:00) | Panel A: Contemplating Methodologies – Anso 202 | Moderated by Julie Broderick**

*Productive Tensions: The Methodological Establishment of Historical-Ethnography*

**Ashley Pullman**, PhD Student, Department of Educational Studies, University of British Columbia

*Rendering the Invisible Visible: Exploring visual counter-narratives from Migrant Workers in Islamabad, Pakistan and Youth in “Slum” areas of New Delhi, India*

**Roselynn Verwoord & Omer Aijazi**, PhD Students, Department of Educational Studies, University of British Columbia

*Picturing Social Inclusion: Photography and Identity in Downtown Eastside Vancouver*

**Natalie Robinson**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, Social Policy and Criminology - School of Law and Social Justice, University of Liverpool

*'Interesting people caught in difficult circumstances': Sociologists and case selection*

**Will Keats-Osborn**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

### **Session 3 (1:30 – 3:00) | Panel B: Media Representations & Digital Technologies – Anso 205 | Moderated by Lily Ivanova**

*Online communications to advance evidence-based illicit drug policy: A case study*

**Michaela Montaner**, MA Student, Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program, University of British Columbia

*Towards Understanding Virtual Technology: A Situational Becoming in the era of globalization*

**Mahtab Eskandari**, PhD Student, Department of Curriculum and Pedagogy, Faculty of Education, University of British Columbia

*Science under Cover: Unveiling the missing links between science and mainstream media coverage*

**Devon Deckant**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia  
& **Natascia Tamburello**, PhD Student, Department of Marine Biology, Simon Fraser University

*'Gentrification with real social values?': Restaurants and revitalization on Vancouver's Downtown Eastside*

**Zack Hyde**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

### **Session 4 (3:15 – 4:45) | Panel A: Critical Education – Anso 202 | Moderated by H el ene Frohard-Dourlent**

*Educating through Role-Plays: Critical Social Literacy in the Classroom*

**Lars Slovin**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Whose body matters? Representations of race and gender in medical textbooks*

**Patricia Louie**, B.A. Honours student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Sex Machine: BC Sex Education & the Historical Achievement of Sexual “Facts”*

**Katherine Lyon**, PhD Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Critiquing Hegemony of Capitalism: A Call for Popular Education*

**Kapil Dev Regmi**, PhD Student, Department of Educational Studies, University of British Columbia

**Session 4 (3:15 – 4:45) | Panel B: Realms of Consumption – Anso 205 | Moderated by Zack Hyde**

*Martin Heidegger and Seduction*

**Andrew Brown**, MA Student, School of Communication, Simon Fraser University

*(In)Escapable: The Malaise of Modernity and Vancouver's Leisure Culture*

**Samuel Johns**, MA Candidate, Department of Geography, University of British Columbia

*Consuming as a global citizen: The search for status through international volunteering*

**Lily Ivanova**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*'Crack Doc's': An exploratory look into the use of chiropractic treatment among athletes*

**Sarah M. Harvey**, MA Student, Department of Sociology, University of Calgary

**Don't forget to join us at Mahoney & Sons on campus for the conference social!**