

## Angus Reid Applied Sociology Awards / Prix des praticiens Angus Reid/de sociologie appliquée



*Practitioner*

**Dr. Martha Dow, PhD**

**Director, Community Health and Social Innovation Hub  
Associate Professor, School of Culture, Media and Society  
University of the Fraser Valley**

As founder and director of the Community Health and Social Innovation Hub (CHASI) Professor Dow prioritizes community-driven and student-engaged research. As she consistently emphasizes, “community involvement and student engagement” are the pillars of her work.

Her work is an excellent example of how a sociological perspective is fundamental to her approach to community-driven projects such as the Archway Community Services and the National Indigenous Fire Safety Council. Professor Dow has worked to bring a critical analysis to constructions of risk, particularly the hazards associated with a colonial and essentializing lens. In the case of the National Indigenous Fire Safety Council, the community client was most interested in the application of a risk matrix. However, Professor Dow’s discussions of social determinants of “risk,” which were woven into her research, became a valuable contribution to the community’s understanding of fire safety. As with all her projects, several students were involved at each stage of the research process.

Dr. Dow is a true leader in bridging the gap between academia and the community. She is currently working on a project involving a drop-in center and shelter work (a project with an annual budget of \$1.7 million), to lead a food security strategy work and to strategize around elder abuse.

She is an exceptional researcher. She utilizes innovative methods and develops robust data. She presents her research findings in ways that are relevant, modern, and accessible for the general community and Dr. Dow is developing those perspectives through her inclusive, community driven and approachable style. Not only does she produce incredible work, she does so while empowering others. She is committed to diversity, equity and principles of social justice.



*Student*

**Mojtaba Rostami, PhD Student  
Department of Sociology, University of Calgary**

As the award nominators, Professors Michael Adorjan and Ariel Ducey explain, Mojtaba has applied his sociological training and research to benefit community initiatives in both Canada and Iran.

“Mojtaba’s doctoral research will produce knowledge about hate crime in Canada, especially perceptions of hate crime, safety and security among university students. This area of research is underdeveloped in Canada, and a central aspect of the research is geared to producing knowledge regarding campus community members’ understandings and experiences of hate crime, whether directly affected or not, and how these actions come to impact wider university communities. “

Mojtaba volunteers with several organizations including; Calgary Immigrant Women’s Association: Youth Mentorship Program, University of Calgary Graduate Students Association, Iran Child Foundation, and the Urmia Omid Hospital (Charity Cancer Center). He also serves as a Community Support Worker, assisting with the daily routines and activities of those on the Autism Spectrum and in the past as an English teacher and Educational Advisor for Iranian-Afghan refugee students in Tehran.

*The recipients of this student award are selected by the Department of Sociology at the University of Calgary.*

## Best Student Paper Award / Meilleur article étudiant



**Andrew Crosby, PhD Candidate**  
**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Carleton University**

*A “Framework for Social Destruction”: Community Well-being and Domicide in the Liveable City*

We are delighted to announce that the recipient of CSA’s 2021 Best Student Paper Award is Andrew Crosby, a Ph.D. Candidate at the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Carleton University. His paper titled, “A ‘Framework for Social Destruction’: Community Well-being and Domicide in the Livable City” deconstructed the discourse of “liveability” and “improvement” within Ottawa’s urban redevelopment plans that have resulted in displacement, marginality, and disposability of marginalized folks.

This paper was selected by the committee for its in-depth engagement with issues pertinent to the field of urban sociology and societal inequality. The reviewers appreciated the careful and nuanced analysis of displacement and marginalization of racialized, working-class, and lower-income households, and the resistance enacted by the Herongate evictees.

## Honorable Mention



**Sepideh Borzoo, PhD Student**  
**Department of Sociology, University of Calgary**

*Marketing Diversity in a gendered racialized marketplace: The everyday experiences of selling diversity in the cosmetic retail stores*

Sepideh Borzoo, has been given honourable mention for the CSA’s 2022 Best Student Paper Award. Borzoo’s paper “Marketing Diversity in a Gendered Racialized Marketplace” examines the complex lived experiences of how racialized employees and entrepreneurs navigate the beauty and cosmetic industry. Using a critical phenomenological and intersectional approach, the paper is based on 30 interviews with women of colour involved in the beauty industry. Among the many findings, Borzoo shows that discourses of diversity management were seen as profit and business-oriented, that employees navigated white-defined beauty and dress standards, and that self-exoticization of culture played large parts in defining life and work in the beauty industry. Contributing to literature around critical whiteness studies, diversity in organizations, and embodiment in service industries, the paper offers a critical analysis of the complexity of agency and resilience in the face of inequality and marginalization.

**Canadian Review of Sociology Best Article Award / Prix du meilleur article de la revue canadienne de sociologie**



(Left) Dr. William K. Carroll, PhD  
Department of Sociology, University of Victoria  
(Centre) Nicolas Graham, PhD Candidate  
Department of Sociology, University of Victoria  
(Right) Mark Shakespear, PhD Student  
Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

*Mapping the environmental field: Networks of foundations, ENGOs, and think tanks.* [Canadian Review of Sociology, Volume 58, Issue 3 \(pages 284-305\)](#)

Perspectives on the environment and climate change vary widely. Who decides which approaches get the most airtime and support? Carroll, Graham, and Shakespear “follow the money” through the network of Canadian charitable foundations and the environmental non-governmental organizations (ENGOs) and think tanks that they fund. They find that, although organizations that promote conservative initiatives (conservation, “clean growth”) are better funded than those offering political-economic alternatives, the latter nevertheless “...are able to carve out a space in the field of major environmental donees,” revealing opportunities for these organizations and social movements to advance transformative goals and strategies toward recomposing the political field. Committee members agree that it is an “...important, timely, and exceptionally well-researched piece,” that is “...exemplary of the kind of detailed/granular analyses of broad socio-political trends that help to clarify otherwise opaque processes.”

### Early Investigator Awards / Prix du jeune chercheur



**Dr. Yue Qian, PhD**  
**Associate Professor, Department of Sociology**  
**University of British Columbia**

The Canadian Sociological Association's distinguished recipient of the Early Investigator Award is Dr. Yue Qian, an associate professor within the Department of Sociology at the University of British Columbia.

Dr. Qian's prolific work within the field of population, inequality and well-being has been disseminated through more than thirty articles over the past six years in top journals such as *Social Science and Medicine*, *Gender and Society*, *Sociology Compass*, *Canadian Public Policy*, *Asian Population Studies*, and *American Sociological Review*. She has an outstanding track record of obtaining external funding through the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Canadian Institutes of Health Research, and The Chiang Ching-kua Foundation.

The committee was particularly impressed with Dr. Qian's work on anti-Asian discrimination, and the effect of COVID on the gender gap in employment of parents of young children. Dr. Qian deserves this and many more acknowledgements and celebrations for her exemplary and outstanding work in the field of sociology.

### Global Sociology Book Award / Prix de sociologie mondiale



**Dr. Kristin Victoria Magistrelli Plys, PhD**  
**Department of Sociology, University of Toronto**

*Brewing Resistance: Indian Coffee House and the Emergency in Postcolonial India*. [Cambridge University Press, 2020](#)

The CSA Global Sociology Award Committee selected *Brewing Resistance: Indian Coffee House and the Emergency in Postcolonial India* (by Kristin Victoria Magistrelli Plys, 2020, Cambridge University Press) as this year's award-winner. Drawing on a vast amount of historical and fieldwork data, this book documents a critical act of resistance in the 1970s' India – i.e., the Coffee House Movement (1975-76) -- when the country took a totalitarian turn (known as the Emergency, 1975-77) under Indira Gandhi. This movement turned a previously colonial space into a space of resistance, or as the author calls it, an 'autonomous zone'. This is a rich book that links the scholarship on social and labour movements with that of economic development, colonial policies, democratic politics, and post-colonial states. The book provides an exemplary model of research to the students of historical sociology.

## John Porter Book Award / Prix du livre John Porter



**Dr. Cynthia Cranford, PhD**  
**Department of Sociology, University of Toronto**

*Home Care Fault Lines: Understanding Tensions and Creating Alliances.* [Cornell University Press, 2020](#)

The John Porter Tradition of Excellence Book Award committee selected *Home Care Fault Lines: Understanding Tensions and Creating Alliance* as this year's award winner. The committee felt that *Home Care Fault Lines* addresses a major topic of fundamental and growing importance within Canada, drawing upon many years of in-depth research, positioned in a theoretically nuanced way, and with clear, careful, reflective and scholarly analysis that never loses sight of the humanity of participants.

*Home Care Fault Lines* considers a tension that arises in home care. Mostly poor, disabled, and elderly home care recipients need flexibility in regards to help with daily life activities. The predominantly immigrant women who provide this help, on the other hand, need security. Cranford draws on an impressive body of data including interviews with 111 workers, 127 recipients of home-based support services and 106 others with deep knowledge as to the organization of personal support services. She compares four programs offering different forms of service delivery: Toronto's Direct Funding; Home Care, and Attendant Services programs and Los Angeles' In-Home Supportive Services Home Care System. Cranford manages to showcase how these relationships are simultaneously affected by agency management, the labor process, the labor market, *and* the larger state and state policy. While attending to the impacts of these larger social structural forces, *Home Care Fault Lines* simultaneously brings to light the impact of race, age, gender, and immigration status.

### Honourable Mention



**Dr. Amal Madibbo, University of Toronto**  
*Blackness and la Francophonie: Anti-Black Racism, Linguicism and the Construction and Negotiation of Multiple Minority Identities.* [Presses de l'Université Laval, 2021](#)

In this book, Amal Madibbo skillfully weaves ethnography, history, and theory into a richly layered examination of the lives of Black-African Francophones in Alberta. The participants narrate experiences of linguistic, religious, and racial discrimination, systemic racism, and white supremacist violence. They also speak about resistance, Black pride, and the reconstruction of Canadian identity along lines of racial, ethnic, and linguistic diversity. Articulating Black experiences omitted from dominant narratives of a tolerant, multicultural Canada, while offering concrete recommendations for social change, *Blackness and la Francophonie* offers a fuller picture of Canada as it really is, and Canada as it could become.

## **Lorne Tepperman Outstanding Contribution to Teaching Award / Prix de contribution exceptionnelle Lorne Tepperman à l'enseignement**



**Dr. Catherine Corrigan-Brown, PhD**  
**Associate Professor, Department of Sociology**  
**University of British Columbia**

As evidenced by her textbook(s) and letters of recommendation, Catherine Corrigan-Brown gets the "fireworks to go off" for students just being introduced to sociology. Her introductory textbook innovatively provides readers with activities that stimulate problem-based learning, experiential learning, and critical thinking. As well, Corrigan-Brown's many publications in prominent sociology journals show evidence of a continuing effort to create and update her teaching through research and knowledge sharing.

In addition to these important pedagogical contributions to undergraduate teaching of the discipline, Dr. Corrigan's commitment to teaching development has extended to service on university committees, on course design, and transformational learning. In all these ways, Corrigan-Brown exemplifies the perfect combination of a teacher and researcher in sociology.

## **Outstanding Service Award / Prix de service remarquable**



**Dr. Tracey L. Adams, PhD**  
**Professor, Department of Sociology**  
**Western University**

Dr. Adams has been an engaged member within the Canadian Sociological Association (CSA) for many years. She first served on the Editorial Board of the CSA journal, the *Canadian Review of Sociology* before being elected to the Research Advisory Subcommittee (2010-2013). In 2014, she was appointed to the role of Managing Editor for the journal (2014-2018) and established the 'Committing Sociology' section in 2016. Currently, she holds the position as Editor of the journal (2019-2023) achieving a significant increase in article submissions and downloads.

In addition to participating in the governance of the CSA, Dr. Adams also co-founded the Work, Professions, and Occupations Research Cluster in 2014 and continues to be involved in organizing and Chairing Conference sessions.

The Executive Committee unanimously endorsed Dr. Adams for the 2022 Outstanding Service Award noting that the CSA has benefited greatly from her leadership skills as well as substantial contribution of time and work as a member of the Executive Committee and journal's editorial governing bodies. The CSA thanks Dr. Adams for her many years of service!

## Prix d'excellence en sociologie de langue française / Award of Excellence in French-Language Sociology



**Dr. Leyla Sall, PhD**

**Département de sociologie et de criminologie, Université de Moncton**

*L'Acadie du Nouveau-Brunswick et « ces » immigrants francophones : entre incomplétude institutionnelle et accueil symbolique.* [Presses de l'Université Laval, 2021](#)

Le livre apporte un éclairage original et une excellente compréhension sociologique, politique et historique de l'immigration francophone en situation minoritaire. Le livre démontre une très bonne maîtrise des approches théoriques concernant le contexte acadien et les enjeux liés à l'immigration. L'ouvrage présente également une analyse de l'échec des politiques publiques en matière d'immigration et de la marchandisation de la diversité.

À partir d'une étude qualitative rigoureuse, l'auteur donne la parole aux trois mondes d'immigrant.e.s francophones au Nouveau-Brunswick : les étudiant.e.s internationaux, les immigrant.e.s franco-belges et les réfugié.e.s congolais.es. Leurs récits présentent un décalage entre le discours performatif et la réalité concernant la diversité et l'immigration. Les conclusions de cette étude mènent à réfléchir aux modèles actuels et futurs d'intégration des nouveaux et nouvelles arrivant.e.s. Bref, il s'agit d'un ouvrage bien écrit et innovateur qui, de par sa thématique, touche au cœur de l'idée même du Canada.

The book provides an original perspective and an excellent sociological, political and historical understanding of Francophone minority immigration. The book demonstrates a mastery of theoretical approaches to the Acadian context and immigration issues. The book also presents an analysis of the failure of public immigration policies and the commodification of diversity.

Based on a rigorous qualitative study, the author gives voice to three worlds of francophone immigrants in New Brunswick: international students, Franco-Belgian immigrants and Congolese refugees. Their narratives reveal a gap between performative discourse and the reality of diversity and immigration. The conclusions of this study lead us to reflect on current and future models for integrating new arrivals. In short, this is a well-written and innovative work that, through its theme, goes to the heart of the very idea of Canada.