

# DAN PRISK

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## EDUCATION

**Master of Arts, Sociology**  
**University of British Columbia**

*2022 (expected)*  
*Vancouver, BC*

- Advisor: Dr. Emily Huddart Kennedy

**Bachelor of Arts with Honours, Sociology**  
**Simon Fraser University**

*December 2019*  
*Vancouver, BC*

- **Honours paper:** *Killing for the Environment: Is Environmentalism Functioning as a Tool of White Supremacist Terror?* A mixed-methods approach to examining the manner in which ideas of the environment circulate in far right communities, via Black feminist and decolonial theory. Advisor: Dr. Travers
- 4.17/4.33 cumulative GPA (as of November 2019)

**Bachelor of Arts, English with Creative Writing**  
**University College Falmouth**

*2007 (incomplete)*  
*Falmouth, UK*

## RESEARCH

### Interests

*Environmental Sociology, Social Movements, Social Theory (broadly continental and critical).*

Understanding the social structures that give rise to, and form the outcomes of, contemporary environmental social movements. What structural factors lead people to care about the environment, engage in environmental movements, and align those movements with decolonial environmental and social justice goals?

### Manuscripts in Progress

Prisk, Dan and Nicholas Scott, *The Place of Helicopters: Understanding the Ways of Valuing Nature in Mountain Biking*.

- Methods: document and media analysis, interviews, auto-ethnography.
- Theory: pragmatic sociology (Boltanski and Thévenot), place-based pedagogy.

Prisk, Dan, *Mobilizing Social Capital: An Exploration of the Forms of Mobilization Employed by Extinction Rebellion*.

- Methods: movement document analysis.
- Theory: resource mobilization theory (McCarthy and Zald), Bourdieu.

## Experience

### Eco-Social Relations

*Fall 2020 – ongoing*

**University of British Columbia (RA)**

*Vancouver, BC*

- Worked with Dr. Emily Huddart Kennedy to generate figures, both statistical and conceptual, for several publications. Technologies: R, ggplot, yEd.

### E-Mobilities

*2020*

**Simon Fraser University (RA)**

*Vancouver, BC*

- Worked with Dr. Travers

### Cycling in Halifax

*2020*

**Simon Fraser University (RA)**

*Vancouver, BC*

- Worked with Dr. Nicholas Scott

### Feminist Pedagogical Strategies

*Fall 2017 – Spring 2018*

**Simon Fraser University (Work Study)**

*Vancouver, BC*

- Worked with Dr. Amanda Watson to conduct and document reviews of teaching and learning centers for universities in Canada. Created initial bibliography for project literature review.

## TEACHING

### SOCI 101: Social Interaction and Culture

*Fall 2020*

**University of British Columbia**

*Vancouver, BC*

- TA

## PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

### Regional Humane Educator

*January – August 2020*

**BCSPCA (Animal Welfare Organization)**

*Whistler, BC*

- Helped develop internet based humane education programs for children aged 6 to 16.

### Mountain Bike Coach

*Summers 2017 and 2019*

**Whistler Off-Road Cycling Association (Sporting Organization)**

*Whistler, BC*

- Taught mountain biking skills to students aged 6 to 16.

### Trail Crew Lead

*Summer 2018*

**Squamish Off-Road Cycling Association (Sporting Organization)**

*Squamish, BC*

- Managed a team of five trail maintenance staff.
- Worked with youth from Squamish Nation Summer Employment Program.

### Software Product Manager

*February 2016 - June 2017*

**MS Group (Geological Consulting)**

*Vancouver, BC*

- Hired and led software product development team.
- Handled product strategy and project management.
- Wrote technical and user documentation.

**Consultant** *October 2014 - February 2016*  
**Independent** *Squamish, BC*

- Technical writing contracts for tax claim documentation.
- Written communications: proposals, sustainability documentations, and blog posts.
- Ecommerce software analysis and implementation.

**Software Product Manager** *November 2010 – December 2014*  
**CCN Bikes (Web Services)** *North Vancouver, BC*

- Hired and led software product development team.
- Responsible for product strategy and project management.
- Wrote technical and user documentation.

**IT Manager** *March 2006 – April 2010*  
**World of Camping Ltd (Ecommerce)** *Cornwall, UK*

**Retail Manager** *June 2005 - March 2006*  
**Aztec Leisure Ltd (Outdoor Retailer)** *Cornwall, UK*

**Software Developer** *2004 (6 months)*  
**World of Camping Ltd (Ecommerce)** *Cornwall, UK*

**Software Developer** *2002 - 2003 (1 year)*  
**TUI Interactive Media (Interactive Design Agency)** *London, UK*

**Software Developer** *2001 (9 months)*  
**Refined Precious Metals (Precious Metals)** *London, UK*

## **SCHOLARSHIPS, HONOURS, AND AWARDS**

**Faculty of Arts Graduate Award** *2020*  
**University of British Columbia**

- Award offered to support full-time study and/or research at The University of British Columbia.

**Outstanding Graduating Student Award** *2020*  
**Canadian Sociological Association**

**Usamah Ansari Top Student Award** *2020*  
**Simon Fraser University**

- Awarded to the student with the highest GPA across Sociology and Anthropology.

## **Student Learning Commons Undergraduate Writing Contest**

### **Simon Fraser University**

Upper Division: First Place

*2018*

Paper Title: "The Place of Helicopters: Exploring the Ways of Valuing Nature in Mountain Biking"

Open Undergraduate: Honourable Mention

*2017*

Paper Title: "Dirty Theory: Sketches of an Anthropological Account of Mountain Biking"

## **Presidents Honours Roll**

*2018-2019*

### **Simon Fraser University**

- Every eligible semester: Spring 2018; Fall 2018; Spring 2019; and Summer 2019
- Based on achievement of a 4.0 or higher GPA after completion of a minimum of 30 units at SFU, and a minimum of 12 units in the term being evaluated.

## **Deans Honours Roll**

*2018-2019*

### **Simon Fraser University**

- Every eligible semester: Spring 2018; Fall 2018; Spring 2019; and Summer 2019
- Based on achievement of a 3.5 or higher GPA after completion of a minimum of 30 units at SFU, and a minimum of 12 units in the term being evaluated.

## **Dosa Family Undergraduate Scholarship**

*Spring 2018 and 2019*

### **Simon Fraser University**

- Awarded in any term to a 3rd or 4th year full-time undergraduate student in excellent academic standing, majoring in Sociology and/ or Anthropology.

## **Undergraduate Open Scholarship**

*Fall 2018 to Fall 2019*

### **Simon Fraser University**

- Every eligible semester: Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, and Fall 2019.
- Awarded based upon a cumulative GPA of 3.67 or greater after completing 30 units at SFU.

## **SFU Alumni Scholarship**

*Fall 2018 to Fall 2019*

### **Simon Fraser University**

- Fall 2018, Summer 2019, and Fall 2019.
- Awarded based on excellent academic standing.

## **SOFTWARE**

- Linux, R, NVivo, SPSS