

# Talya Jespersion

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References available upon request

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## Skills & Proficiencies

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**Skills:** Academic writing; conducting literature reviews; qualitative and quantitative research; web development, event coordination, project management; lesson planning; facilitating classes and tutorials; evaluating student work; working in teams; collaboration; leadership

**Programs:** Stata, SPSS, NVivo, Microsoft, Office Suite, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Hootsuite, and more

**Strengths:** Highly organized, strong communication skills, fast and dedicated learner, team player

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## Relevant Experience

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### My Learning Coach | 2022 – present

(<https://mylearningcoach.ca/>)

Learning Coach

Vancouver, BC, Canada

- Coaching and advising post-secondary students on coursework and learning strategies so they can best succeed in their programs

### Electronic Textual Cultures Lab | 2020 – present

(ETCL; <https://etcl.uvic.ca/>)

Research Assistant

University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada

- Coordinating the annual Digital Humanities Summer Institute (DHSI) (bookings, coordinating with partners and instructors, managing registrations etc.)
- Helping to develop the Canadian Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) Commons
- Writing and reviewing research articles and other content produced in the lab

### UVic Sociology Department | September 2020 – present

(<https://uvic.ca/socialsciences/sociology>)

Teaching Assistant

University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada

SOCI 271 - Introduction to Social Statistics | x3 terms

SOCI 355 - The Corporation, Capitalism, and Globalization | x2 terms

- Marked midterms and final exams
- Held office hours
- Facilitated small group discussions

- Guest lectured

### **Song Hagwon Academy | 2018 – 2021**

English Tutor  
Victoria, BC, Canada

- Taught English grammar and writing to ELL students from ages 8 to 19
- Developed tailored lesson plans
- Taught classes of 1-6 students in person and through Zoom

### **Dominique Forand Creations Inc. | 2017 – 2019**

Personal Assistant and Project Manager  
Montréal, QC, Canada

- Prepared presentation materials
- Lead communications with clients and colleagues
- Coordinated and managed projects
- Helped to develop company brand (cornerstones, website, other written content)

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## **Education**

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### **Master of Arts in Sociology | 2020 – 2022**

Concentration in Cultural, Social, and Political Thought (CSPT)  
University of Victoria

- Thesis: A Siri-ous Conversation about AI: Understanding Human Relationships with Artificial Intelligence
- Supervisors: Dr. William K. Carroll, Professor (Sociology) and Dr. Jentery Sayers, Associate Professor (English)
- GPA: 8.40/9.00

### **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Sociology | 2013 – 2020**

Minor in Technology and Society  
University of Victoria

- Thesis: Creating Context for the Democratization of Technology: Exploring Platforms for Decentralization of the Internet and Digital Knowledge Commons
- Supervisors: Dr. William K. Carroll, Professor (Sociology) and Dr. Jentery Sayers, Associate Professor (English)
- Graduating GPA: 7.59/9.00

### **Certificate in Business Administration | 2015**

University of Victoria, Division of Continuing Studies

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## **Awards**

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### **University of Victoria**

- President's Research Scholarship – \$5,000 | 2021
- SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's – \$17,500 | 2021
- University of Victoria Graduate Award – \$5,000 | 2020
- CSPT Entrance Award – \$5,000 | 2020

- Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award – \$1,500 | 2019

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## Committees & Service

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### Sociology Department | 2021 – 2022

MA Student Representative

### Associate Dean Academic Search Committee | 2021

Graduate Student Representative

Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada

### Student Affairs Committee | 2020 – 2021

Representative

University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada

### Department Representative for Grad Council | 2020 – 2021

University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada

### Coastal Research Education Alliance Network | 2019 – 2020

(CREAN; <https://creansociety.ca/>)

Volunteer

Victoria, BC, Canada

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## Publications & Presentations

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### Publications

- Jespersion, T., Jensen, G., Winter, C., Arbuckle, A., & Siemens, R. (forthcoming). Open, Collaborative Commons: Web3, Blockchain, and Next Steps for the Canadian Humanities and Social Sciences Commons. *Pop! Public. Open. Participatory.*
- Jensen, G., Arbuckle, A., Winter, C., Jespersen, T., & Siemens, R. (forthcoming). Fostering Digital Communities of Care: Safety, Security, and Trust in the Canadian Humanities and Social Sciences Commons. *IDEAH.*

### Co-presenter at Putting Open Scholarship into Practice 2021 | December 2022

- Jensen, G. & Jespersen, T (2022, December 9). New Pastures: Expanding the Humanities and Social Sciences Commons. *IDEAH. Putting Open Scholarship into Practice 2021*, Victoria, BC, Canada.  
<https://inke.ca/putting-open-social-scholarship-into-practice>

### Co-presenter at DHSI 2022 | June 2021

- Jensen, G., Arbuckle, A., Winter, C., Jespersen, T., & Siemens, R. (2021, June 2). *Fostering Digital Communities of Care: Safety, Security, and Trust in the Canadian Humanities and Social Sciences Commons*. [Conference Presentation]. Digital Humanities Summer Institute 2021, Victoria, BC, Canada.  
<https://dhsi.org/dhsi-2021-online-edition/dhsi-2021-online-edition-aligned-conferences-and-events/dhsi-2021-conference-colloquium/>