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- Canadian. Born May 2nd 1986.
- Languages: Native English, Advanced Dutch.
- Project Manager & qualitative researcher in Social Sciences
- Excellent organizational skills, flexible, creative, entrepreneurial
- Enthusiastic, energetic and committed to working in the field of substance use and harm reduction

EDUCATION

WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY AND RESEARCH

Doctorate in Anthropology

PhD dissertation: Young people, recreational drug use, and safer practices in a changing world: Futuring Harm Reduction (8 Sept 2025)

[10.18174/682927](#)

2021 -
2025

UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM

Masters of Medical Anthropology and Sociology

Master's thesis examining drug use and risk practices in music festival settings (Winner of Society for Medical Anthropology graduate student paper; American Anthropology Association subdivision)
Amsterdam, the Netherlands

2013 -
2014

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

Masters of Public Health

Waterloo, Canada

2012

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

B.A Major in Sociology, Minor in Political Studies

Honours Thesis examining neo-conservative ideologies and their effects on family diversity.

Kingston, Canada

2004 -
2008

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Researcher and Project Manager

Major tasks include: planning and overseeing of conferences, and journal submissions, contributing to and submitting proposals and grants (ERC Advance Grant 101054300 EmbodiedEcologies) editing manuscripts of ethnographic books and articles, organization expert meetings and online events

WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY AND RESEARCH

Wageningen, the Netherlands

2021-
current

Researcher and Project Manager

AMSTERDAM INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT (AIGHD)

Major tasks include: planning and overseeing of PhD dissertations, conferences, and journal submissions,

2019-
2021

submitting proposals and grants, editing manuscripts of ethnographic books, organization expert meetings and online events (book launch, roundtable)

Amsterdam, the Netherlands

IMAGENPATHWAYS (ERANID)

Ethnographer

KINGS COLLEGE

Developed and conducted ethnographic interviews of 31 participants on their trajectories of their drug use

London, United Kingdom

2017-

2019

CHEMICALYOUTH

Project Manager

AMSTERDAM INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH (AISSR)

Major tasks include: planning and overseeing of PhD dissertations, conferences, and journal submissions, submitting proposals and grants (ERC Advance Grant 323646), editing, coordinating of 20 PhD's and researchers, organization expert meetings

Amsterdam, the Netherlands

2015 -

2019

STICHTING MAINLINE

Intern

Researched best practices of peer-based health models.

Connect with various international and national public health agencies and interview members on their current models on substance user involvement and present findings to Mainline for future consideration.

Amsterdam, the Netherlands

2014 -

2015

RUSSELL HILL CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC

Office Manager

Provide administrative support to a team of varied healthcare practitioners and Clinic Director.

Responsibilities include managing multiple schedules, front desk reception, booking appointments, marketing promotion, bookkeeping, payroll, banking and maintenance of office financial records.

Toronto, Canada

2008 -

2011

RELEVANT VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

POPPI DRUGS MUSEUM AMSTERDAM

Blogger

Conducted independent research on the impacts of Covid-19 pandemic on recreational drug use in the Netherlands and published blogs to Poppi's audience

2020 -

current

TRIP! OUTREACH VOLUNTEER

Volunteer

Attended an intensive two-month training session on how to help people make informed decisions that directly affect their health.

Toronto, Canada

2012 -

2013

STICHTING MAINLINE

Volunteer

With an agency that practices harm reduction with substances users. Based in Amsterdam but also traveled throughout the country to hand out info, products and resources to vulnerable populations.

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2011 -

2012

DE KLOOF (DE REGENBOOG GROEP)

Volunteer

Weekly shift at a homeless shelter in the Center where prepared and served breakfast to, assisted with showers and changing clothes of agency users.

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2011 –

2012 &

2020

AIDS COMMITTEE OF TORONTO (ACT)

Program Assistant to Harm Reduction Coordinator

In charge of various tasks, such as preparing for volunteer training sessions, disseminating harm reduction information to targeted communities, research and update harm reduction information for ACT website.

2008-

2011

Gay Men and Youth Outreach Volunteer

Bi-weekly volunteer shifts at gay-oriented events/locations where I handed out safer partying/safer sex packs and engaged in conversation with parties about their practices. Participated in focus groups for targeting these initiatives to different demographics.

Toronto, Canada

2008 -

2011

HIV/AIDS REGIONAL SERVICES (HARS)

Front desk volunteer

Kingston, Canada

2005 -

2006

NINE CIRCLES COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

Trained Volunteer Member

Winnipeg, Canada

2006

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

EUROPEAN HARM REDUCTION CONFERENCE

Presenter

Warsaw, Poland

2024

AUTHOR

Controlled to uncontrolled drug use: the impact of Covid-19 among young people in the UK

Human Organization [DOI: 10.33140/JAR](https://doi.org/10.33140/JAR)

2024

AUTHOR

Young adults' pathways of navigating harms and pleasure related to recreational poly-drug use:

A complex balancing act

Journal of Addictions Research [DOI: 10.33140/JAR](https://doi.org/10.33140/JAR)

2023

AUTHOR

The impact of Covid-19 on Amsterdam's harm reduction model: an exploratory study

Practicing Anthropology <https://doi.org/10.17730/0888-4552.45.1.28>

2022

CO-AUTHOR

Substance use policy and practice in the COVID-19 pandemic: Learning from early pandemic responses through internationally comparative field data

Global Public Health [doi: 10.1080/17441692.2022.2129720](https://doi.org/10.1080/17441692.2022.2129720)

2022

CO-AUTHOR

Caring for "Hassle-Free Highs" in Amsterdam

2022

Anthropology and Humanism <https://doi.org/10.1111/anhu.12298>

2020

CO-AUTHOR

Is Smartphone addiction a 'real' addiction?

Psychology of Addictive Behaviours (under review)

2021

CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON MDMA

Presenter, panel

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2023

STADT NACH ACHT (BERLIN NIGHTLIFE CONFERENCE)

Presenter, cocaine panel

Berlin, Germany

2021

2021

INTOXICATING SPACES

Presenter, HERA "Fast-Talk" on drug use in public spaces

Virtual

2021

SOCIETY FOR SOCIAL STUDIES OF SCIENCE (4S) CONFERENCE

Presenter

Paper: Entangled practices: Seeking good relations between harm reduction and poly-drug use

Toronto, Canada

2021

CONTRIBUTOR

Harm Reduction for Young People Who Use Drugs

Youth RISE

2018

CO-AUTHOR

Are psychotic-like experiences related to a discontinuation of cannabis consumptions in young adults?

Schizophrenia Research DOI: [10.1016/j.schres.2021.01.002](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.schres.2021.01.002)

2016

CONTRIBUTOR

Speed Limits: Harm reduction for people who use stimulants

Mainline https://www.gpdpd.org/fileadmin/media/mainline_report_complete.pdf

2016

CO-AUTHOR

Harm reduction from below: On sharing and caring in drug-use

Journal of Contemporary Drug Problems <https://doi.org/10.1177/009145091666324>

CONTEMPORARY DRUG PROBLEMS: ENCOUNTERING ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Presenter

Paper: In-between Intention and behaviour: ecstasy at musical festivals and the perception of risk

European Monitoring Center for Drug and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

Lisbon, Portugal

2015

MEMBERSHIPS

CHOICES SUPPORT CENTER

Board member

2021-
present

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER X COVID DATA COLLECTIVE

Member

2020-
present

NETWORK OF DRUG RESEARCHER WITH LIVED EXPERIENCES (NDRLE)

Member

2021-
present

CHEMICAL YOUTH PROJECT

Researcher

Ethnographic collaborative aiming to understand the practices of chemicals, pharmaceutical, and illegal substances from the perspectives of youth

2014-
2019

SUPERVISION

Highschool of Amsterdam Bachelor student thesis: *Communication on drugs in Postmodern Era: What is the meaning of being a Unity peer?*

2018

RELEVANT TRAININGS/COURSES/MEETINGS

MASTERCLASS ON DRUG POLICY

July 2020

MAINLINE SUBSTANCE USE TRAINING

June 2020

MDMA SERIOUS GAMES (UTRECHT UNIVERSITY)

Oct 2019

FOCUS GROUP FOR APP DEVELOPMENT (CHOICES)

Sept 2019