

Jennifer King

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EDUCATION

Master of Social Work **2016**
University of Victoria Victoria (BC)

Thesis: *That's my Grandma: My Grandmother's stories, resistance and remembering*

Advisors: Dr. Jacquie Green and Dr. Robina Thomas

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies **2009**
Carleton University Ottawa (ON)

Program concentration: Women, gender and human rights

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

University of Victoria Fellowship **2013**

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Governing Circle (Volunteer Board Member) **January 2016 - Present**
Justice For Indigenous Women Ottawa (ON)

- Collaborative work to develop and oversee the mission, values, and activities of a national non-profit organization that promotes justice for Indigenous women through public education and redress.

Reconciliation and Policy Coordinator **October 2016 - Present**
First Nations Child & Family Caring Society Ottawa (ON)

- Applies a critical lens to policies that impact First Nations children and families, proposes evidence-based solutions to address causes of disadvantage, and facilitates the transfer of knowledge through written materials and public engagement tailored to different groups, from keynote presentations to participating in executive-level government meetings on behalf of the Executive Director.

Sessional Instructor **2017 Summer, 2018 Winter, 2019 Spring**
University of Victoria Distance Education

- Accepted three terms as a Sessional Instructor in the School of Social Work delivering content developed by Indigenous faculty and evaluating assignments for two undergraduate courses: Introduction to Indigenous Perspectives on Social Work Practice (SOCW 354) and Indigenous Policy Analysis in Social Work (SOCW 451).

Education and Public Engagement Coordinator **February 2012 – August 2014**
First Nations Child & Family Caring Society Ottawa (ON)

- Responsible for developing age-appropriate evidence-based materials, public speaking to diverse audiences, and building relationships with varied groups to support equity for First

Nations children, including collaboration with educators and children to plan annual reconciliation-based events attended by 500+ students from Ottawa-Gatineau.

Consultant, Evidence to Action **June – September 2012**
Native Women's Association of Canada Ottawa (ON)

- Co-authored a technical manual to assist staff in carrying out quantitative data collection and basic statistical analysis in support of research on missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.

Master of Social Work Practicum Student **May – September 2011**
First Nations Child & Family Caring Society Ottawa (ON)

- Assisted the Director of Research in conducting a community-based participatory evaluation of an urban child welfare agency, including revisions to the evaluation framework, identifying research questions, conducting interviews, and liaising with stakeholders.

Consultant, Evidence to Action **August – November 2010**
Native Women's Association of Canada Ottawa (ON)

- Developed an Indigenous-based ethical framework for qualitative research and engagement with Aboriginal women, families, and communities impacted by violence.

Research Coordinator, Sisters In Spirit Initiative **September 2007 – August 2010**
Native Women's Association of Canada Ottawa (ON)

- Conducted quantitative research on cases of missing and murdered Aboriginal women and girls, carried out qualitative interviews with loved ones, and connected with stakeholders such as family and community members, police officers, academics, and government partners to promote information sharing, dialogue, and advance the objectives of the initiative.

Research Assistant, Sisters In Spirit Initiative **September 2005 – September 2006**
Native Women's Association of Canada Ottawa (ON)

- Carried out primary research, data collection, and data entry related to missing and murdered Aboriginal women in Canada and provided support to communication and education activities.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS, COMMUNITY, AND ADVISORY WORK

Expert Committee, Mandatory Review for Child Deaths **January 2022**
 Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta Virtual

Facilitator, Touchstones of Hope Information Session **December 2021 & March 2022**
 Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario Ottawa (ON)
 Social Work Professional Development Days

Facilitator, Two-Day Touchstones of Hope Community Session **November 2018**
 Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI Charlottetown (PEI)

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Keynote Speaker National Child Welfare Conference	October 2018 Calgary (AB)
Guest Lecturer School of Social Work, Carleton University Social Work Practice: Individuals, Families/Groups (SOWK 3201)	December 2013, December 2014 & November 2015 Ottawa (ON)
Presenter Forum for Aboriginal Study and Research, University of Ottawa	March 2010 Ottawa (ON)
Presenter Aboriginal Education Research Forum (<i>Shawane Dagoiwin</i>)	May 2009 Winnipeg (MB)
Presenter Aboriginal Policy Research Conference	March 2009 Ottawa (ON)
Witness Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights	May 2006 Ottawa (ON)
Keynote Speaker Aboriginal Women Against Violence Conference	February 2006 Whitehorse (YT)

PUBLICATIONS

- Blackstock, C., Libesman, T., **King, J.**, Mathews, B., & Hermeston, W. (in-press). Decolonizing First Peoples child welfare. In *The Routledge international handbook on decolonizing justice*. Routledge.
- King, J.** (2022). Decolonizing social work education through Indigenous family-based research. *Intersectionalities: A Global Journal of Social Work Analysis, Research, Polity, and Practice*, 10(1), 37-51. <https://journals.library.mun.ca/ojs/index.php/IJ/article/view/2113>
- Mathews, B., **King, J.**, & Blackstock, C. (2022). Canada's "old mindset" and the struggle to fully honour Jordan's Principle. In J. Albert, D. Badry, D. Fuchs, P. Choate, M. Bennett, & H. Montgomery (Eds.), *Walking together: The future of Indigenous child welfare on the prairies* (pp. 3–24). University of Regina Press.
- King, J.** (2021). The stories of Carolyn King of Parry Island. In K. Manthas (Ed.), *Grandmothers & grandmothing: Creative and critical contemplations in honour of our women elders* (pp. 73-87). Demeter Press.
- King, J.**, Wattam, J., & Blackstock, C. (2016). Reconciliation: The kids are here! Child participation and the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal on First Nations child welfare. *Canadian Journal of Children's Rights*, 3(1), 32-45. <https://ojs.library.carleton.ca/index.php/cjcr/article/view/75>

King, J. (2016). *That's my Grandma: My grandmother's stories, resistance and remembering* [Master's thesis, University of Victoria]. UVicSpace.
<https://dspace.library.uvic.ca:8443/handle/1828/7511>

King, J., Edwards, C., & Blackstock, C. (2013). A time for dreams: The right to education for First Nations children and youth living on-reserve. In K. Tilleczek & H. B. Ferguson (Eds.), *Youth, education, and marginality: Local and global expressions* (pp. 93-111). Wilfrid Laurier University Press.

King, J. (2012). "But how can anyone rationalize policies that discriminate?" Understanding Canada's failure to implement Jordan's Principle. *First Peoples Child & Family Review*, 7(1), 29-39. <https://fpcfr.com/index.php/FPCFR/issue/view/13>

King, J. (2009). Sisters In Spirit research framework: Reflecting on methodology and process. In J. P. White, J. Peters, D. Beavon, & P. Dinsdale (Eds.), *Aboriginal policy research: Voting, governance and research methodology* (pp. 269-285). Thompson Educational.