



Early Career Researcher Day

February 26

10:00am-3:00pm | Via Zoom

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ECR Day 2021 Schedule



Morning Program: Plan for Success

10:00am	Welcome and Introduction Jino Distasio, Vice President, Innovation and Research, University of Winnipeg
10:10am	Research Manitoba Karen Dunlop, CEO, Research Manitoba
10:15am	Facilitators Lara Arnason, University of Winnipeg; Jaime Orr, University of Winnipeg
10:20am	Panel: Funder Mandates & Priorities <i>Speakers:</i> Barb Hewitt (SSHRC); Jackie Cooney-Birch (CIHR); Yvette Shang (Mitacs); Andrea Craig (NSERC); Jennifer Cleary (Research Manitoba);
10:45am	Q & A: Funder Mandates & Priorities <i>Moderator:</i> Heather Saunders, University of Winnipeg
10:55am	Workshop Welcome Lara Arnason, University of Winnipeg
11:00am	Workshop: Solving Big Problems Together <i>Facilitators:</i> See list
12:00pm	Announcement: Door Prize 1 Kristen Hooper, Research Manitoba
	Lunch Break

Afternoon Program: Structures for Success

12:30pm	Announcement: Door Prize 2 Kristen Hooper, Research Manitoba
	Panel: Planning Essentials I <i>Speakers:</i> Trish Roche (Knowledge Mobilization); Scott White (The Conversation Canada); EDI (Jackie Cooney-Birch); Brianne Selman (Publication Considerations); Jaime Orr (RDM)
1:00pm	Workshop: Planning Essentials In Action <i>Facilitators:</i> See list
1:30pm	Announcement: Door Prize 3 Kristen Hooper, Research Manitoba
	Panel: Planning Essentials II <i>Speakers Ethics:</i> Freyja Arnason (RITHIM); Robert Pryce (Ethics: General); Jaime Cidro (Community Engagement); Lynne Hiebert (Research Contracts); Shauna MacKinnon (Community-based Research)
2:00pm	Q&A: Planning Essentials II <i>Moderator:</i> Heather Saunders, University of Winnipeg
2:20pm	Conversation Panel: Resilience In Research <i>Chair:</i> Lara Arnason, University of Winnipeg <i>Panelists:</i> Bernadette Ardelli (Brandon University); Janilyn Arsenio (University of Manitoba); Jodi Dueck-Read (Menno Simmons College); Yadira Chinique de Armas (University of Winnipeg)
3:00pm	Announcement: Door Prize 4 Kristen Hooper, Research Manitoba
	Closing

Workshop Facilitators – 11:00am & 1:00pm

Stephanie Stobbe
Elyssa Warkentin
Dustin Lippert
Chantal Bassett
April Gislason
Jackie Cooney-Birch
Jocelyne Gaudet
Jodi Smith

Erik Magnusson
Vanessa Bayaraa
Andrea Szwajcer
Caleb Hassler
Freyja Arnason
Yannick Molgat-Seon
Lauren Bosc

Yadira Chinique da Armas
Andrea Craig
Valery Agbor
Jess Klassen
Kerry Murkin
Jill Condra

ECRD Speakers

Barb Hewitt

Barb Hewitt is a Research Grants Officer, handling SSHRC Grants, at the University of Manitoba for the past 7 years. Barb teaches Anthropology at the University of Manitoba and holds a PhD in Biological Anthropology from the University of Western Ontario.

Andrea Craig

Andrea Craig has been the Research Grants Officer (NSERC) at the University of Manitoba since 2009, and prior to that was a grant-funded Research Assistant in Rheumatology at the Health Sciences Centre. With an understanding of the many hats researchers must wear (teacher, scientist, mentor, writer, accountant...), Andrea most enjoys providing support that allows researchers to focus on their research. As of today she's reviewed 970 NSERC Discovery grant applications. Andrea holds a Bachelor's degree in Biochemistry and Biology from the University of Winnipeg.

Jackie Cooney-Birch

Jackie Cooney-Birch Jackie Cooney-Birch is the Research Grant Officer (CIHR) with the University of Manitoba's Office of Research Services, and has been with ORS since 2010. She holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in History from the University of Manitoba and a Master of Arts in United States and Gender and Women's History from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Yvette Shang

Yvette Shang joined Mitacs in 2019 as a Business Development Specialist for Manitoba. She is responsible for building partnerships between academics and business, and providing financial support for research projects and internships. The great joy in this role is to bring people together for research, innovation and knowledge translation. She obtained her PhD in the field of Animal Science and Integrative Biology from the University of Manitoba and the St. Boniface Research Centre in 2018. Prior to Mitacs, she also worked as an academic translator and medical writer for science communication.

Jennifer Cleary

Jennifer Cleary joined the Research Manitoba team in August 2019. Prior to joining Research Manitoba, she worked at The University of Winnipeg as the Program Officer, Research Development in the Vice-President, Research and Innovation Office for thirteen years. Throughout her career she has worked closely with researchers and research administration colleagues to support and promote a strong research community in Manitoba and Canada. As the Manager, Programs, Jennifer oversees and supports the research and innovation grant programs offered by Research Manitoba. She works closely with Research Manitoba partner organizations, post-secondary institutions, and other stakeholders in Manitoba and Canada.

Patricia Roche

Trish Roche is a Knowledge Broker at the Centre for Healthcare Innovation (CHI), supporting researchers and clinicians in the implementation of research findings in practice and the involvement of patients and members of the public in research decision-making. She joined CHI as a Knowledge Translation Research Coordinator in 2015 and has worked as a Knowledge Broker with Translating Emergency Knowledge for Kids (TREKK), a national knowledge mobilization initiative aimed at improving pediatric emergency care. She has a background in molecular cell biology, with a Bachelors in Biochemistry from the University of Winnipeg and a Masters in Cardiovascular Physiology and Pathophysiology from the University of Manitoba.

Scott White

Scott White is CEO and Editor-in-Chief of The Conversation Canada. Previously, he was Editor-in-Chief of The Canadian Press and VP Content Strategy and Business Development at Postmedia. He has an MBA from the Rotman School of Management and is a graduate of the journalism program at Ryerson University.

Jaime Orr

Jaime Orr is the Research Data Management Librarian at the University of Winnipeg. Jaime supports researchers with data management all stages of the research data lifecycle through research consultations, events, and training. Her research interests include data management practices, Indigenous data governance and learner-centered pedagogy in the context of research services.

Freyja Arnason

Freyja Arnason is the Manager of the Research Improvements Through Harmonization in Manitoba (RITHIM) initiative. The overall goal of RITHIM is to improve time-to-conduct for health research in Manitoba through process improvement and harmonization. RITHIM will consolidate multiple and complex ethics, privacy and institutional impact review processes into one system. Freyja has a Masters Degree in Canadian Politics from the University of Manitoba. Prior to joining Research Manitoba in 2014, she worked for the Manitoba government as the project manager for research and innovation. She has vast experience in project and program management, change management, policy analysis and research. She works closely with researchers, companies, and public stakeholders at the regional and national level to foster research and innovation in Manitoba.

Rob Pryce

Rob Pryce is an Associate Professor in the Gupta Faculty of Kinesiology and Applied Health at the University of Winnipeg. His research in clinical biomechanics examines prehospital care of patients with suspected spine injury, as well as IMU-based measures of health behaviors. Rob is also a member of the University of Winnipeg Human Research Ethics Board, currently serving as vice-chair.

Lynne Hiebert

Lynne Hiebert graduated from the Faculty of Law at the University of Manitoba in 1998 and was called to the Bar in Manitoba in 1999. Lynne has been with the Office of Legal Counsel at The University of Manitoba since 2008 providing support to a large client base including the Vice-President (Research & International), the Office of Research Services, Faculties of Engineering, Education and Law, Technology Transfer Office, National Center for Truth and Reconciliation and many more. Lynne's practice area focuses primarily on contract law with a particular emphasis on research and commercialization related agreements.

Jaime Cidro

Jaime Cidro is an Indigenous faculty member and Professor in the Department of Anthropology, Director of the Master's in Development Practice: Indigenous Development Program, and Canada Research Chair in Health and Culture at the University of Winnipeg, and she has just been appointed Associate Vice-President, Research. Since beginning her work at the University of Winnipeg, she has secured over \$6 million dollars as Principal Investigator on CIHR- and SSHRC-funded research, recently being awarded a \$3.5 million dollar grant from CIHR that focuses on Indigenous community health research and research capacity building in Manitoba. In 2019 she was awarded the University of Winnipeg Indigenous Research Scholar Award. Her community-based research primarily focuses on Indigenous maternal and child health and Indigenous social determinants of health.

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Speakers (Continued)

Shauna MacKinnon

Shauna MacKinnon is Associate Professor and Chair in the Department of Urban and Inner-City Studies at the University of Winnipeg, and Principal Investigator of the Manitoba Research Alliance (MRA). The MRA is a community-led research consortium established in 2003. In 2020 the MRA was awarded its 4th multi-year SSHRC Grant, a 7-Year Partnership Grant, for the project: Community-Driven Solutions to Poverty: Challenges and Possibilities. In 2020 Dr. MacKinnon began work with colleagues to establish the Community-Based Research Training Centre at the University of Winnipeg with the aim to further develop research capacity in this field. She is the author of many publications including the 2018 Practising Community-Based Participatory Research: Stories of Engagement, Empowerment and Mobilization.

Bernadette Ardell

Bernadette Ardelli is a Professor and Dean of Science at Brandon University. She is responsible for supporting academic programming and scholarship/research for eight departments and two programs. She holds a B.Sc. (Biology), a M.Sc. and a Ph.D. Her research is concerned with control of infectious disease. She has secured funding to support research through a number of agencies including the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), Manitoba Health, NSERC, MHRC, CFI, MRIF and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Her service activities have focused on advancing research and scholarship including as a Member of NSERC (adjudicating Discovery Grants), the NSERC Leaders network, the NSERC Vanier CGS Committee and as a reviewer for the Canada Research Coordinating Committee New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF).

Karen Dunlop

Karen is a strategic leader familiar with Manitoba's industry, academic, government, association, and research ecosystem and has a strong understanding of government systems. She will guide Research Manitoba as the organization embraces new opportunities, responds to changing needs, and builds strategic partnerships, which will strengthen Manitoba's research and innovation enterprise.

Karen has over 20 years of experience leading organizations at an operations and governance level to grow and transform in the healthcare, professional regulation, insurance, and professional services sectors. Dunlop's professional education includes law and nursing degrees and certification in leadership, change management, governance, and executive coaching.

Before coming to Research Manitoba, Karen was a Critical Care Nurse, the Registrar and President of the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba, Regional Director of Emergency at the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA), Founder and first Executive Director of the Association of Registered Nurses of Manitoba, and Past Chair of the WRHA. Karen has also participated on number of provincial and national Boards such as the Canadian Nurses Protective Society, the Canadian Nurses Association, and the Health Insurance Reciprocal of Canada.

Lara Arnason

Lara Arnason is the Program Officer, Research Development at The University of Winnipeg. She is responsible for supporting researchers to submit compelling funding applications to external funders and her current portfolio includes NSERC, CIHR, and other federal, provincial, and non-profit funding organizations. Lara joined the University of Winnipeg in 2019 from the research contracts team at The University of Manitoba, where she gained a keen eye for research compliance and an interest in data management. Outside of research administration, Lara is interested in virtual economies, online research methods, and jurisdictional challenges to regulatory development. She obtained her PhD from the University of Edinburgh in 2016 where she studied how virtual economies in online games are regulated in China. Lara has participated in the research lifecycle in a variety of roles (student, early career researcher, instructor, research administrator) and has substantial research experience outside of Canada. She has learned that bringing people together can be a powerful tool for success and enthusiastically applies this knowledge to her research development work.

Jodi Dueck-Read

Jodi Dueck-Read holds a PhD in Peace and Conflict Studies from the University of Manitoba and is currently Assistant Professor of Conflict Resolution Studies at Menno Simons College and Academic Director of the Canadian School of Peacebuilding at Canadian Mennonite University. As a qualitative researcher with ethnographic fieldwork experience, she currently uses mixed methodologies in a research project to explore the financial experiences of low and modest income Winnipeggers with the Canadian Financial Diaries (<https://financialdiariesca.wordpress.com/>).

Yadira Chinique de Armas

Yadira Chinique de Armas is an Assistant Professor in Bioanthropology at the Department of Anthropology, University of Winnipeg, with expertise in human skeletal biology, paleobotany, and stable isotope analysis. Her research focuses on the interaction between ancient populations and their environment, with emphasis in their dietary practices and migrations. Her current research deals with the cultural and biological differences among Caribbean indigenous groups, the origins of agriculture in The Antilles, and the biological and cultural determinants of breastfeeding and weaning practices in ancient human populations. Her academic background includes a BSc. in Biology [Magna cum laude, University of Havana (UH), 2007], a MSc. in Anthropology (UH, 2009), and a PhD in Biological Sciences (UH, 2014).

Brianne Selman

Brianne Selman is the Scholarly Communications and Copyright Librarian at the University of Winnipeg. Her research interests include the economics of scholarly publications, and cultural economics and copyright. She currently holds a SSHRC Insight Grant for a project looking at issues for Canadian independent musicians.

Jino Distasio

Jino he has served as the Associate and Vice President of Research and Innovation for the past eight years. This role has involved working with the senior management team at the University of Winnipeg and supporting the development of strategic plans and operations. As a faculty member in the Department of Geography, Jino focuses on urban issues. He has held Adjunct Professor status in the departments of Psychiatry, Geography and City Planning at the University of Manitoba where he supports graduate students. He enjoys writing commentary and provides local and national media comment on issues relating to urban policy, poverty, transportation, inner city renewal and other civic and urban concerns.