

MA IN CRITICAL SOCIOLOGY

INFORMATION NEWSLETTER 2013-2014

Information for prospective
graduate students



Department website:

<http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/graduate-programs/critical-sociology>

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WELCOME FROM THE GRADUATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Welcome to the MA program in Critical Sociology at Brock University!

Our graduate program distinguishes itself from more traditional general MA programs by focusing on critical perspectives in sociological analysis. In particular, this approach attends to the dramatic evidence of global and local conflicts, inequalities, and challenges that characterize much of the modern era. Students are introduced to the classical and foundational texts in Critical Sociology, but are also encouraged to explore cutting-edge theories, methodologies, and empirical research. Drawing on existing strengths in the department, courses and graduate research focus on theory, methods, and empirical research that prioritize challenges to oppression, disenfranchisement, and social inequalities in social arrangements.

Our core faculty of 22 active scholars work hard to create a supportive student-focused environment in which students are able to prepare themselves effectively for doctoral studies or careers in areas where the ability to examine and analyze social inequalities in contemporary social arrangements is an asset.

As a small program that admits approximately ten students each year, we strive to provide an attentive, intimate, and nurturing learning environment that is responsive to the intellectual needs of individual students. Students may expect small class sizes (typically six to 10 students per course), lots of one-on-one attention from members of their supervisory committee, and plentiful opportunities for productive formal and informal interactions with other students.

To learn more about MACS, please visit the program's home page at <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/graduate-programs/critical-sociology>

Dr. Nancy Cook,

Graduate Program Director



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How can you reach us?

Initial Consultation:

Faculty Liaison Member

The Graduate Program Director assigns an academic Faculty Liaison member to each MA student upon entry into the program. Students should make an appointment with their Faculty Liaison Member, who will address any questions about the Program prior to September and during the first few months of the academic term.

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What are my options?

Scheme A: Course Work and Major Research Paper

The program of study must include: SOCI 5F91 (major research paper), SOCI 5P01, SOCI 5P02, four half-credit electives, and SOCI 5N00 (graduate workshop). Of the four half-credit electives, three will be offered as electives within the Critical Sociology program and one will be a course offered by another Brock graduate program, a graduate course at another Ontario university (OVGS), or a Directed Studies course. All courses must be pre-approved by the Graduate Program Director.

Scheme A is designed to be completed in three terms.

Major Research Paper

To complete the requirements of SOCI 5F91, each student must complete a major research paper that demonstrates capacity for independent work and original research or thought. The major paper shall be chosen in consultation with a Supervisor and will be evaluated by the Supervisor and a second faculty reader. Students interested in pursuing a broader range of courses should enroll in Scheme A. Full-time students must complete one year of full-time study (three successive terms).

Full-time students in Scheme A enroll in SOCI 5P01, SOCI 5P02, one elective course, and the graduate workshop (SOCI 5N00, note that this workshop runs over two terms) in the fall term. In the winter term students in Scheme A enroll in three additional elective courses.

Part-time students take one of either SOCI 5P01 or SOCI 5P02 in the first term and at least one half-credit course per year thereafter.

Students in the MA Program may choose either the Major Research Paper Stream or the Thesis Stream

Scheme B: Course Work and Thesis

The program of study must include: SOCI 5F90 (thesis), SOCI 5P01, CI 5P02, two half-credit electives, and SOCI 5N00 (graduate workshop). The electives are offered within the Critical Sociology program; however, subject to the approval of the Director, students may complete one elective credit offered by another Brock graduate program, a graduate course at another Ontario university (OVGS), or a Directed Studies course.

Scheme B is designed to be completed in five terms.

Thesis

To complete the requirements of SOCI 5F90, each student must complete, and defend at a public oral examination, a thesis that demonstrates a capacity for independent work and original research or thought. The thesis topic shall be chosen in consultation with the Supervisor and other members of the Supervisory Committee. A formal thesis proposal must be approved by the Committee. Scheme B is intended for students who are prepared to do an in-depth project on a specialized topic.

Full-time students in Scheme B enroll in SOCI 5P01, SOCI 5P02, and the graduate workshop (SOCI 5N00, note that this workshop runs over two terms) in the fall term. In the winter term students in Scheme B enroll in two additional elective courses.

Part-time students take one of either SOCI 5P01 or SOCI 5P02 in the first term and at least one half-credit course per year thereafter.

How do I get started?

After you have accepted our offer through the student portal on the Faculty of Graduate Studies website, you will receive a student number and an email address. You will need this information to log on to our Brock Portal in order to register. Keep it handy!

Web registration for graduate programs will begin on July 8, 2013.

Course Offerings for Fall/Winter 2013-2014

Core Credits

SOCI 5N00 - Graduate Seminar (non-credit) (6 classes between September and April)

SOCI 5P01 - Critical Social Theory (September to December)

SOCI 5P02 - Social Research and Design Methods (September to December)

Electives

SOCI 5P40 - Animal and Human Species (September to December)

SOCI 5P50 - Gender and Sexuality (January to April)

SOCI 5P80 - Problems & Possibilities in Economic Life (January to April)

Now that I know what courses are offered, what is required for my Stream?

Students may complete the MA degree requirements through either the Major Research Project or the Thesis stream. Students must inform the Graduate Program Director and the Administrative Coordinator by November of their first year which stream they intend to pursue and ensure that all requirements for the program are followed.

REGISTRATION SEQUENCE (Full Time):

Major Research Paper

Fall Term

SOCI 5N00, Duration 1

SOCI 5P01, Duration 2

SOCI 5P02, Duration 2

SOCI 5P40, Duration 2

Winter Term

SOCI 5P50, Duration 3

SOCI 5P80, Duration 3

One other elective from another graduate program, or a Directed Study (consult with Graduate Director required)

Spring Term

SOCI 5F91

REGISTRATION SEQUENCE (Full Time):

Thesis

Fall Term

SOCI 5N00, Duration 1

SOCI 5P01, Duration 2

SOCI 5P02, Duration 2

Winter Term

SOCI 5P50, Duration 3

SOCI 5P80, Duration 3

Spring Term

SOCI 5F90

Fall Term

SOCI 5F90

Winter Term

SOCI 5F90

What are the financial differences between the MRP and Thesis stream?

Graduate Fellowships and Teaching Assistant positions are offered to full time domestic and international students for the Major Research Paper and Thesis Streams. The difference is in the number of terms for this funding. A Major Research Paper stream is funded for three terms (September to August) and a Thesis stream is funded for five terms (September to August and then September to April). Those students who do not complete their projects within this funded period are responsible for full tuition costs with no funding assistance. In addition, Teaching Assistant positions are not offered on a preferential basis to students who are outside their funded period.

For more information on tuition and ancillary costs, please refer to the Faculty of Graduate Studies website: <http://brocku.ca/finance/students/graduate>

What will be taught in my courses?

SOCI 5N00

Graduate Workshop

A non-credit graduate workshop that focuses on issues in graduate studies and critical sociological research students encounter while developing their programs of study and preparing their proposals, research papers and theses.

Note: Completion of the workshop is required for successful completion of the MA program.

SOCI 5P01

Critical Social Theories

A survey of key historical and contemporary theoretical themes in critical Sociology.

SOCI 5P02

Critical Social Research Design and Methods

An exploration of the methodological and epistemological foundations of major traditions of sociological inquiry, techniques of data collection, and case studies of critical sociological research in each tradition.

SOCI 5P40

Animals and Human Societies

Sociological perspectives on animal-human interactions, possibly including animal-human bonds and boundaries; the nature of animal rights; ethical treatment of animals; animals and the law; representations of animals; and cultural meanings of animals.

SOCI 5P50

Critical Sociologies of Gender and Sexuality

Current sociological perspectives on femininity, masculinity and sexuality as organizing principles of society at local, national and global scales that articulate with other social inequalities to shape principal social identities and institutions.

SOCI 5P80

Problems and Possibilities in Economic Life

Perspectives drawn from economic sociology, political economy and other interdisciplinary disciplines on the relationship between economic structure and social organization and inequalities; alternative ways of organizing material life and social life; and democratic socialist planning.

SOCI 5F90

MA Thesis

An in-depth research project involving the preparation and public defense of a thesis that demonstrates the capacity for independent work and original research or thought.

SOCI 5F91

Major Research Paper

A major research paper that demonstrates the capacity for independent work and original research or thought.

OTHER GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

IMPORTANT NOTE ON EMAIL

University policy requires that all students use their assigned Brock email address for correspondence. Students are responsible for any official communication sent by the Program or University officials to that address. Please monitor your Brock email regularly.

STUDY SPACE

There is a graduate lab available for the sole use of Critical Sociology graduate students. You will find seven computers, two printers, a small fridge, microwave and kettle available for your use. Many students use this place as a collaborative meeting space with their fellow students.

In addition, there is a Graduate Study Room, Meeting Room and lockers available for graduate student use only on the 6th floor of the James A. Gibson Library.

There are also many computer labs available to you scattered throughout the University.

PROGRAM STANDARDS

The Program expects students to maintain both a satisfactory level and rate of performance while they are enrolled in the Program. Students are expected to pass all courses with a B (70%) grade or better. Grades below 70% are considered failures.

The Program also expects students to complete their requirements within a reasonable period of time. The Faculty of Graduate Studies allows a maximum of three years (full time students) for completing MA Programs. Students not making satisfactory progress toward the completion of their degree may be required to withdraw.

ILLNESS AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Students must be prepared to provide medical documentation for any prolonged illness. Please see the Administrative Coordinator for assistance.

Students must register each term until they have received their degree. If students need to interrupt their studies, they may be eligible for an inactive term or Leave of Absence. Please see the Administrative Coordinator for assistance.



WHAT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE?

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

All qualified graduate students, if eligible, will receive financial assistance in the form of a Graduate Fellowship and a Teaching Assistant position during their funded period. This will vary from 3 to 5 terms depending on the stream selected. In the academic year 2013-2014, the Graduate Fellowship for domestic full-time students is \$7,000 (paid equally over each term) and the Teaching Assistantship (paid bi-weekly into the student's account) is \$7,536.00 for 240 hours of teaching. Additional funds may be available for students whose incoming average is over 80%.

Teaching Assistantships

The Program annually hires a number of graduate students as teaching assistants. In your first year in the Program and continuing through your funded period, the Graduate Program Director will assign you a teaching position. If you remain in the Program after your funded period has ended, you will need to source a teaching assistant position for yourself. Please keep in mind that there are limited teaching assistant positions available over the spring/summer term. You may not have that funding during this time period and should be prepared to cover your tuition and living expenses without the additional funds.

Research Assistantships

Professors may hire assistants from their own research budgets. This is done on an individual basis. If you are interested in a research assistantship with a professor, please contact him/her directly.

External Scholarships

Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) and Ontario Graduate Scholarships may be available to eligible candidates. These scholarships are due in early October. The Faculty of Graduate Studies will have more information and workshops on how to complete these applications. Start thinking about your research now in preparation for these competitions.

Internal Funding and Bursaries

The Faculty of Graduate Studies and the Graduate Students' Association has available bursary funds that are intended to assist full-time graduate students with unanticipated or non-typical financial needs. Please refer to their website for further information:

<http://brocku.ca/graduate-studies/current-students/internal-financial-support-2/internal-financial-support/funding-items>

Who are the Critical Sociology Faculty and what are their research interests?



PLEASE NOTE: Faculty members may be on sabbatical and other forms of leave in any given year. For further information contact the Critical Sociology Graduate Program Director.

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Kate Bezanson works in the areas of social and labour market policy, comparative and Canadian political economy, feminist and welfare state theory, and international development. Her research centres on the dynamics of the reconfiguration of the Canadian welfare state in relation to families and family policy. Dr. Bezanson's scholarship considers the ways in which households manage changes in labour markets, family forms and social policies. Dr. Bezanson is involved in food security and local food initiatives and she has two young sons. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#katebezanson>

JONAH BUTOVSKY Associate Professor of Sociology (jbutovsky@brocku.ca, Ext. 4371)

Jonah Butovsky is affiliated with the Centre for Labour Studies at Brock University. He has written articles on the New Democratic Party and on Canadian political values. His current research is on migrant agricultural workers in Niagara and the representation of public opinion in the press. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#jonahbutovsky>

JANET CONWAY Canada Research Chair in Social Justice and Associate Professor Sociology (jconway@brocku.ca, Ext. 4196)

Janet Conway teaches in the areas of social movements, feminism, and democratic theory. She is the author of *Praxis and Politics: Knowledge Production in Social Movements*, Routledge, 2006 and *Identity, Place, Knowledge: Social Movements Contesting Globalization*, Fernwood, 2004. Her work has appeared in journals in sociology, law, politics, geography and women's studies. Her current research focuses on the World Social Forum. She completed her PhD in Political Science at York University in 2002. She holds two Master's degrees, Political Science (2000, York) and Theology (1990 University of St. Michael's College) and a BA (hons.) History (1984, Memorial) Before coming to Brock in 2007, she taught for five years at Ryerson University, Toronto in the Department of Politics and Public Administration. She is a long-time social justice activist in women's and anti-poverty organizing, a founder of the Metro Network for Social Justice and founding chair of the Toronto Social Forum. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#janetconway>

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Nancy Cook teaches and supervises in the areas of gender and sexuality, qualitative research methodologies, imperialism and globalization, gender relations in Pakistan, gender and mobility,

and feminist, postcolonial and poststructural theory. She has published a book and several articles on transcultural interactions between Western women development workers and local populations in northern Pakistan. Her new research project examines the immense implications of road infrastructure as a new mobility platform for shifts in mobility regimes, social organisation, and gender relations in the community of Shimshal, northern Pakistan. <http://edit.brocku.ca/social-sciences/graduate-programs/critical-sociology/faculty/dr-nancy-cook>

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June Corman is co-author (with Meg Luxton) of *Getting By in Hard Times: Gendered Labour At Home and on the Job* (University of Toronto Press, 2001), which received Honourable Mention for the John Porter Prize 2002. Research interests include: women and work, and social reproduction. She is author of articles on women working in the steel industry, in the education sector, and on farms. June was awarded the Graduate Mentorship Award in 2012 in recognition of excellence in graduate student supervision and mentorship. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#junecorman>

LAUREN CORMAN Assistant Professor of Sociology (lcorman@brocku.ca, Ext. 5080)

Lauren Corman teaches in the area of Critical Animal Studies. Her intersectional research draws on feminist, anti-racist, posthumanist, and environmental approaches to the "question of the animal." Dr. Corman's dissertation focused on voice, politics, and the animal rights and liberation movements. <http://brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#laurencorman>

ANDREA DOUCET Canada Research Chair in Gender, Work, and Care; Professor of Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies (adoucet@brocku.ca, Ext. 3150)

Andrea Doucet has published widely on themes of gender and care work, fatherhood, masculinities, parental leave policies, embodiment, reflexivity, and knowledge construction processes. Her book *Do Men Mother?* (University of Toronto Press, 2006) was awarded the John Porter Tradition of Excellence Book Award from the Canadian Sociology Association. She is also co-author of *Gender Relations: Intersectionality and Beyond* (with Janet Siltanen, Oxford, 2008). She is currently completing two long standing book projects - one on breadwinning mothers and caregiving dads and a second book on reflexive and relational knowing (with Natasha Mauthner); a second edition of *Gender Relations* is also in progress (with Siltanen). Andrea approaches her teaching and research from an eclectic interdisciplinary perspective and background; she has degrees in political theory (York), international development studies (Carleton), and a PhD in social and political sciences (Cambridge University, funded as Commonwealth Scholar). Her work on care has been deeply influenced by her parenting of three daughters while her work on knowing processes began thirty years ago when she spent nearly six years as a participatory research facilitator in water supply and sanitation projects in marginalized communities in Central and South America. She is currently working on questions of materiality, agency, embodiment, subjectivities, and relationality in knowing processes and in everyday practices of work, care, and consumption. http://brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#Andrea_Doucet

ANN DUFFY Professor of Sociology (aduffy@brocku.ca, Ext. 3517)

Professor Duffy is current publishing an interview-based book (with Professors Nancy Mandell and Sue Wilson) on mid-life women. She is also a participant in a major grant application that explores the international impact of the new economy on workers and their communities. Research interests include social inequality, paid and unpaid work, and violence against women. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#annduffy>

THOMAS DUNK Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Professor of Sociology (tdunk@brocku.ca, Ext. 3425)

Thomas Dunk's research program is in the area of linkages between economy, culture and society, with particular focus on class, masculinity, and economic transformation. He is the author of *It's a Working Man's Town: Male Working Class Culture*; the editor of *Social Relations in Resource Hinterlands*; and the co-editor of *The Training Trap: Ideology, Training and the Labour Market*. He is currently working on two SSHRC-funded projects: "Adaptation and Resistance to the Information Age in Natural Resource Dependent Regions in Canada and Norway," and "Hunters, Bears, Masculinity and the Politics of Identity in Ontario and France." http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#Thomas_Dunk

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MARGOT FRANCIS Associate Professor of Sociology and Women's Studies

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Margot Francis is an Associate Professor in Women's and Gender Studies, cross-appointed to the Department of Sociology. She teaches courses on queer communities and popular culture, the construction of gender and race in Canadian culture and the Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies. Her research interests include: feminist and post-colonial perspectives on settler societies, critical explorations of culture, arts and identity and integrative approaches to gender, sexuality and the body. Francis' book, *Creative Subversions: Whiteness and Indigeneity in the National Imaginary* (UBC Press, 2011) explores how whiteness and Indigeneity are articulated through iconic images of Canadian identity - and the contradictory and contested meanings these images evoke. Juxtaposing historical images with work by contemporary artists she explores how artists are giving taken-for-granted symbols new and suggestive meanings opening up new questions about history, memory and national identity.

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Professor Glenday grew up in Quebec where he received an Honours BA from Sir George Williams University (now, Concordia University). After spending a year in Europe, he returned to Canada to continue graduate work, and received his MA from McGill University and his PhD from Carleton University. He has been awarded three Social Science and Humanities Research Council grants totalling over \$180,000. His publications include "Modernization and the Canadian State", "Le domain colonial: Class Formation in a Natural Resource Enclave", "What has Work Done to the Working Class?" and most recently, "Canada, the Left and Free Trade" and "Rich but Semiperipheral". At present he has completed work with Professors Ann Duffy and Norene Pupo (York University) on another SSHRC-funded project entitled "Do Unions Make a Difference?". He and Professor Duffy have completed a manuscript published by McClelland and Stewart entitled *Canadian Society: Understanding and Surviving the 1990s*. He, Professors Duffy and Pupo have completed a second manuscript entitled *Good Jobs, Bad Jobs, No Jobs: The Transformation of Work in the 20th Century* published by Harcourt, Brace and Company and is completing *Plugged in at the Office: The Impact of Gender, Culture and Technological Change in Clerical Workers' Lives*

to be published by Oxford University Press. His research interests include the sociology of work, comparative methods in social analysis, and the Canadian political economy in the modern world-system (The Work of Immanuel Wallerstein). <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/graduate-programs/critical-sociology/faculty/dr-daniel-glenday>

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Kevin Gosine's primary areas of research interest include the critical study of ethnicity and racialization, social identity construction, social inequality, the sociology of education, and cultural studies. Recent published work has explored processes of multiple identity construction and cultural negotiation among highly educated and upwardly mobile Black Canadians. In collaboration with Dr. Gordon Pon of Ryerson University, he has also published work that examines racial bias and disproportionality within Ontario's child welfare system. Alongside his ongoing collaborative work on child welfare, Dr. Gosine is currently studying academically at-risk youth in Toronto's Regent Park who participate in the Pathways to Education Program (the latter project is supported by a Public Health Agency of Canada research grant which Dr. Gosine holds in partnership with Pathways to Education Canada). <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#kevingosine>

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Jane Helleiner was trained in social/cultural anthropology at the University of Toronto. She has conducted research in Ireland and Canada. Her current research examines differentiated local experience of a changing, stratified Canada/US border. Areas of graduate supervision include critical border studies, racism/antiracism, gender and sexuality, childhood and youth. Dr. Helleiner is on the editorial board for the journal *Studies in Social Justice*. <http://edit.brocku.ca/social-sciences/graduate-programs/critical-sociology/faculty/dr-jane-helleiner>

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TAMARI KITOSSA Associate Professor of Sociology (tkitossa@brocku.ca, Ext. 5672)

Tamari Kitossa's areas of course instruction inclusive of: critical perspectives on the criminal legal system; sociology of law, punishment, and society; and counter-colonial approach to criminological theory. Research interests include: counter-colonial theorizing of racial profiling; Marxian approaches to police, the state and repression; the environment; and sexual racism and hypersexualism of African males. Immediate research projects include: a qualitative and quantitative examination of race and representation in Canadian criminology; mainstream criminological discourse as 'bad faith' toward blackness and epistemic violence; and, with Dr. Katerina Deliovsky is developing the theory of 'repressive tolerance' toward interracial couples. Dr. Kitossa is working on an edited collection entitled: *Protest, Repression and the Police State: Critical Studies of Policing, the State and Society, 1960 -1990*. He is Co-Chair of the Brock/Niagara African Canadian Renaissance Group (<http://brockniagaraafricangroup.weebly.com/>). Through the Brock/Niagara African Renaissance Group he is co-developer of the Dr. Wilma Morrison Annual African Heritage Lecture (<https://www.brocktv.ca/watch/1100>). He is Secretary to the Black Canadian Studies Association (<http://bcsa.wordpress.com/the-bcsa/>); and, with Richard Ndayizigamiye, is drafting a proposal for an Africana Chair in Borders, Migration and Settlement Studies at Brock University. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#tamarikitossa>

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Hijin Park works in the area of anti-racist feminism. Her research and teaching interests include feminist criminology, refugee and migration studies, and securitization studies. She has published articles and book chapters on violence against racialized women, the criminalization of migration, and Canadian white settler nationalism. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#hijinpark>

MARY-BETH RADDON Associate Professor of Sociology (mraddon@brocku.ca, Ext. 3460)

Mary-Beth Raddon researches the sociology of money, and the intersections of non-market and market economies. Critical analysis of "the gift" is a core theme that ties together work on philanthropy, charitable giving and volunteering, inheritance, unpaid service and caring work. She has a longstanding interest in community currencies: initiatives to create parallel local money systems that seek to generate meaningful work and convivial, sustainable, democratic and sovereign local economies. Her book, *Community and Money: Men and Women Making Change* (Black Rose, 2003), shows how experimentation with new exchange networks exposes problems and injustices of everyday economic life, including gendered patterns of reciprocity, exchange, work and shopping, identification of which helps point the way to new economic politics. Professor Raddon teaches courses in research design, qualitative methods, service-learning, and anti-poverty strategies. <http://www.brocku.ca/social-sciences/undergraduate-programs/sociology/faculty-and-staff#marybethraddon>

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Murray Smith researches and publishes in the areas of social and political theory, labour studies, the sociology of medicine, and Marxist political economy. He is the author of *Global Capitalism in Crisis: Karl Marx and the Decay of the Profit System* (Fernwood, 2010), *Invisible Leviathan: The Marxist Critique of Market Despotism beyond Postmodernism* (University of Toronto Press, 1994) and the editor of *Early Modern Social Theory: Selected Interpretive Readings* (Canadian Scholars Press, 1998). He is also the co-author (with Judith Blackwell and John Sorenson) of *Culture of Prejudice: Arguments in Critical Social Science* (Broadview Press, 2003; now published by University of Toronto

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