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EDUCATION

- 2017 **Master of Education**, Social Justice Education
Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto
Coursework Focus: *Mental Health and Over-Representation of*
First Nations Youth in Care
Supervisor: Njoki Wane (Toronto)
- 2011 **Honours Bachelor of Arts**, Indigenous Studies Specialist.
Woodsworth College, University of Toronto

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

- 2023-2024 **Adult / Non-Fiction Shortlist**
First Nation Communities Read
- 2023 **Recommenders' Grant**
Young Adult Fiction, Ontario Arts Council
- 2012 **Transforming Lives Award**
The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
- 2011 **Aboriginal Emerging Writer Residency Grant**
Canada Council for the Arts
- 2011 **President's Award for Outstanding Indigenous Student of the Year**
University of Toronto
- 2010 **Rosalind Murray Bradford Scholarship**
University of Toronto
- 2009 **Dr. Lillian McGregor Indigenous Award of Excellence**
University of Toronto
- 2007-2010 **Post Secondary Education Bursary**
National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation

EXPERIENCE

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023-2024 **Instructor, Partial Load**
Indigenous Studies Program, General Education, Fleming College
Introduction to Indigenous Studies

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2017 **Graduate Research Assistant**
Dalla Lana School of Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto
Supervisor: Anita C. Benoit
Project involvement: *Reducing stress and improving mental health and wellness among
Indigenous women with socio-economic insecurities, living with and without HIV*

2016 **Toronto Monitor**
Disability Rights Promotion International, York University
Supervisor: Marcia Rioux
Project involvement: *Expanding the Circle: Monitoring Human Rights of Indigenous,
First Nations, Aboriginal, Inuit, and Métis People with Disabilities in Canada.*

2012-2013 **Research / Media Assistant**
Centre for Indigenous Studies, University of Toronto

2011 **Research Assistant**
First Nations House, University of Toronto

2010-2011 **Research Assistant, Student Work-Study Program**
First Nations House, University of Toronto

2009-2010 **Media Coordinator, Research Assistant**
Centre for Indigenous Initiatives, University of Toronto
Project Involvement: *Cimaan Language Initiative*

ASSESSMENT EXPERIENCE

2023, 2022, 2015,
2010 **Judge**
Juno Awards, The Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences

2023 **Juror**
Indigenous Peoples' Writing Award, Saskatchewan Book Awards

2022 **Juror**
Toronto Book Awards

PROFESSIONAL & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

2023 **Provincial Indigenous Lived Experience Advisory Circle (PILEAC)**
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)

- 2023 **Program Advisor**
Indigenous Justice Division, Ministry of the Attorney General
- 2022-2023 **Resource Coordinator**
Miziwe Biik Aboriginal Employment and Training
- 2018-2023 **Community Member Representative**
Indigenous Advisory Council, Toronto Public Library
- 2018-2022 **Data Coordinator**
Miziwe Biik Aboriginal Employment and Training
- 2018 **Editorial Committee Member; Marketing Intern**
Between the Lines Book Publishing
- 2014-2018 **Writer**
The Piker Press
- 2013-2018 **Contributing Editor**
Shameless Magazine
- 2012-2018 **Contributing Editor**
The Toronto Review of Books
- 2012-2016 **Contributor**
Urban Society for Indigenous Youth, New Tribe Magazine

RESIDENCIES

- 2016 **Indigenous Emerging Writer in Residence**
Canada Council for the Arts, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity

PUBLICATIONS

- Miskonoodinkwe Smith, C. (Ed.) (2022). *Silence to Strength: Writings and Reflections on the Sixties Scoop*. Kegedonce Press.
- Miskonoodinkwe Smith, C. (2021). *These are the Stories: Memories of a Sixties Scoop Survivor*. Kegedonce Press.
- Miskonoodinkwe Smith, C, Adler, N (2019) *Bawaajigan: Stories of Power*. Exile Editions.
- Miskonoodinkwe Smith, C. (2020, July 1). "Canada Day is a Contentious Holiday. This is Why I do not Celebrate it." Opinion, Contributors. The Toronto Star.
- Rioux, Marcia et al. (2016 March). *Expanding the Circle: Monitoring the Human Rights of Indigenous, First Nations, Aboriginal, Inuit and Métis People with Disabilities in Canada: Site Report*. Disability Rights Promotion International (DRPI-Canada).
- Smith, Christine. (2016 Fall/Winter). "My Journey." In C. Dimaline (Ed.) *FNH Magazine*. University of Toronto Press.

- Smith, Christine. (2013, September / October). "A Legacy of Canadian Child Care: Surviving the Sixties Scoop" *Briarpatch Magazine*. Briarpatch Magazine Press.
- McFarlane, Christine. (2013). "Living with Diabetes: When Your Body Betrays You." In C. Dimaline (Ed.) *FNH Magazine*, Vol. 1, Iss. 10. University of Toronto Press.
- McFarlane, Christine. (2013). "Entertainer and Role Model, Tamara Podemski" In C. Dimaline (Ed.) *FNH Magazine*, Vol. 1, Iss. 9. University of Toronto Press.
- McFarlane, Christine. (2011 Spring) "Mother: An Essay." In Southwest Minnesota State University, *Yellow Medicine Review: A Journal of Indigenous Literature, Art and Thought*. Southwest Minnesota State University.
- McFarlane, Christine. (2011). "I Remember" In *xxx ndn: love & lust in ndn country*. Aboriginal Writers Collective of Manitoba.
- McFarlane, Christine. (2006) "Choosing the Path to Healing." In Michelle Sewell (Ed.), *Growing up Girl: An Anthology of Voices from Marginalized Spaces*. Girl Child Press.
- McFarlane, Christine. (2006) "As a Child" In K. Kenner (Ed.), *Yellow Medicine Review: A Journal of Indigenous Literature, Art and Thought*. McNaughton & Gunn.

INVITED READINGS, INTERVIEWS, & ENGAGEMENTS

- 2023 First Nation Public Library Week, Kitchener Public Library, Kitchener
Word Vancouver, Vancouver International Writer's Festival, Vancouver
Toronto Lit Up, Toronto International Festival of Authors, Toronto
King Township Public Library Author Reading Series
Author Talk, First Nation Public Libraries, Ontario Library Service
- 2022 Word on the Street, Toronto
The Writers Room, Assoc. for the Development in the Performing and Visual Arts, Toronto
Saskatchewan Writer's Guild Author Panel Series
- 2021 Interview: Why Canada is Reforming Indigenous Foster Care, P. Goffin, BBC World Service

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Writers' Union of Canada
Indigenous Editors Association of Canada
Indigenous Arts Collective of Canada