

## Adam Fleischmann PhD, Anthropology, McGill University

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### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **EDUCATION**

McGill University, Montréal QC

**Ph.D.** in Anthropology (December 2022)

Thesis: "Possibility in an era of climate change: anthropology, knowledge, politics"

McGill University, Montréal, QC

**M.A.**, in Anthropology (2015)

Thesis: "A fertile abyss: an anthropology between climate change science & action"

The Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA

**B.A.** (interdisciplinary), in Anthropology, French, Environmental and Native Studies (2011) Senior Thesis: "Language and the Dilemmas of Anthropology in the 21st Century"

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**"Fire, Ice and Flood."** Fleischmann, Adam. March 2023. *American Anthropologist* 125(1). *Peer-reviewed essay*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/aman.13813">https://doi.org/10.1111/aman.13813</a>

**"Expert Activists and NGOs: Understanding and Acting on Global Climate Change."** Fleischmann, Adam. Forthcoming (2023) in Climate, Science, and Society: A Primer (Routledge), edited by Stephen Zehr, Zeke Baker, Tamar Law and Mark Vardy. Edited volume chapter.

"To hold up a mirror:' Complaint and Canadian Climate Change Activism in Anticipation of a Climate-Safe Future." Fleischmann, Adam. Forthcoming (2024) in Routledge Handbook on Grassroots Climate Activism, edited by Sabine von Mering, Thomas Bell, Mariana Soberon and Ann Ward (Routledge). Edited volume chapter.

"Affect, anxiety and apocalypticism: climate change 'in a world of wounds.'" Fleischmann, Adam. Forthcoming (2024) in How Does Climate Change Feel?, edited by Paula Saravia and Jennifer Liu (University of Colorado Press). Edited volume chapter.

"Telecommuting and Remote (Field)work: A Reluctant Neologism for a Time of Climate Change." Fleischmann, Adam. Forthcoming (in preparation for submission). *American Ethnologist. Peer-reviewed article manuscript.* 

"Review: Anand Pandian's 'A Possible Anthropology: Methods for Uneasy Times." Fleischmann, Adam. 2021. Anthropological Quarterly 94 (1). Editor-reviewed book review.

#### MULTIMODAL and PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

"Possibility and Climate Change." Fleischmann, Adam. 2021.

Talking Culture podcast. *Podcast episode* (writer, recorder, performer). Listen and preview here: <a href="https://www.adamfleischmann.com/writing/podcast-episode-possibility-and-climate-change-talking-culture-podcast">https://www.adamfleischmann.com/writing/podcast-episode-possibility-and-climate-change-talking-culture-podcast</a>

Climate Change and COVID-19: Online Learning and Experiments in Seeing the World Anew. 2021. anthro{dendum}. *Online magazine article.* https://anthrodendum.org/2021/05/01/climate-change-and-covid-19-online-learning-and-experiments-in-seeing-the-world-anew/

**How to Make Climate Change Feel Real**. 2020. SAPIENS. *Online magazine article*. https://www.sapiens.org/technology/climate-interactive/

Four-part series on the anthropology of climate change and graduate student research. 2018. anthro{dendum}. Digital magazine article.

Series of public anthropology blog posts over the course of a month for anthro{dendum} (est. 2005) "the central online site of the North American anthropology community." e.g. "1.5°C: The Future and Present of Anthropology in an Era of Climate Change"

Fleischmann A. and Kalman I. In Search of Hope. 2015. *Blog post, non-refereed* <a href="https://allegralaboratory.net/in-search-of-hope/">https://allegralaboratory.net/in-search-of-hope/</a>

#### **WORK and TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**University of Calgary**, Alberta, Canada (remote) **Senior Research Associate**, January-August 2023

Research lead for the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)-funded project "Virtual Primary Care: Policy issues and options." This project in health systems research seeks to identify themes and extract policy options for ensuring better alignment between virtually delivered primary care and the policy goal of improving access to the primary care model the Patient Medical Home in Alberta, Canada. Using my advanced qualitative research skills and theoretical background in the fields of Science and Technology Studies (STS) and network analysis, and leveraging my extensive experience with remote fieldwork, I conduct initial readings and probing interviews, collect high-quality interview data and conduct analyses, draft and hone manuscripts for submission to academic publishers.

#### McGill University, Montreal, QC

#### Course Lecturer, Fall 2022 Semester

Co-created diverse, multimedia syllabus and planned curriculum for ENVR 203, a 70-student, co-taught introductory-level course introducing topics in ethics, epistemology, political ecology, science and technology studies, Indigenous studies and ecological economics. Wrote and presented lectures and interactive Deliberative Democracy Forum exercises for two "controversies," nuclear power and genetically modified organisms. Collaborated with two other instructors, a fellow course instructor in environmental studies and a tenured ecological economist, to create an interactive, inclusive and timely inclass experience for students from many disciplines in the Bieler School of Environment.

#### McGill University, Montreal, QC

#### Course Lecturer, Fall 2019 and Fall 2020 Semesters

Created diverse, multimedia syllabus and planned curriculum for ANTH 206, a 200-student introductory-level course in environmental anthropology for both in-person and synchronous and asynchronous online teaching and learning. Wrote and presented two 80-minute lectures and discussions each week covering topics from early environmental anthropology and conservation to Indigenous environmental governance and climate change. Managed teaching team of two doctoral student teaching assistants. At the end of the academic year, received special recognition from The Office of Teaching and Learning Services for the contribution of my "ethnographic attunement" assignment, where students conducted ethnographic observation of human-environment interactions. Course evaluations: 4.1/5.0 (department average: 3.8) (2019), 4.4/5.0 (department average: 4.1) (2020).

#### **TEACHING and RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS:**

Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Montréal, QC: Winter 2017 Semester. ANTH 308: Political Anthropology (Prof. Katherine Lemons); Fall 2016. ANTH 227 Medical Anthropology (Prof. Lisa Stevenson); Winter 2016. ANTH 339 Ecological Anthropology (Prof. Colin Scott); Fall 2015. ANTH 206 Environment and Culture (Prof. Karen MacAllister); Winter 2015. ANTH 302 New Horizons in Medical Anthropology: After Ethnos (Prof. Tobias Rees); Fall 2014. ANTH 202 Socio-Cultural Anthropology (Prof. Eduardo Kohn); Winter 2014. ANTH 222 Anthropology of Law (Prof. Ronald Niezen).

**Research Assistant, McGill University**: Summer 2020 Semester. (Prof. Ronald Niezen); Winter 2017. (Prof. Tobias Rees); Winter 2015. (Prof. Ronald Niezen); Fall 2013. (Prof. Ronald Niezen).

#### **OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Ministère de l'Éducation nationale, Lycée-College Brocéliande, Guer, France *English Language Teaching Assistant*, October 2011 – May 2012
At a public high school in rural Brittany for one academic year, independently, and occasionally in collaboration with teachers, created lesson plans and independently taught

English language and American culture to 14 classes of 30 high school students each, students ranging in age from 15 to 22.

**Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, Camp Michigania,** Boyne City, MI **Program Area Leader and Director of the Nature Center**, June-September 2009 – 2012 Over the course of eleven week-long sessions for four summers, at a camp with a diverse clientele of all ages/generations (400 UM alumni and their families), developed programming curriculum and led 20 hikes and workshops each week covering ethnobotanical and ecological information about the Northern Great Lakes and its peoples; managed a staff of four people—college students and a mid-career science teacher.

#### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP**

#### **Peer Review:**

American Ethnologist Wiley-Blackwell

#### **Selected Service Positions:**

**Society for Cultural Anthropology** 

Section Editor and Contributing Editor, 2018-present

Contributing Editor (CE) for the Society for Cultural Anthropology, the largest section of the American Anthropological Association, and its journal, *Cultural Anthropology*, the first AAA journal to become an Open Access publication; CEs create, edit and curate digital content for the SCA website including author interviews, themed collections of articles, podcasts, instructional materials and more; as Section Co-Editor of the Social Media Team, serving as the public (education) face of the Society by managing team of nine fellow CEs and the SCA's popular Facebook and Twitter accounts (about 40,000 followers each), one of the largest, and most dynamic, social media presences in North American academia.

# Racial Justice Working Group, Anthropology Graduate Student Association (AGSA), McGill University, Montréal, QC

*Member*, Winter 2021-Present

Active member of the Racial Justice Working Group, which started as a Summer 2020 reading group, and evolved into an official autonomous working group mandated by AGSA in Spring 2021 to advocate for and act to further the cause of racial justice on both the individual and structural levels in the department at McGill and beyond. Organized an event series for this academic year, including ethnographic poetry workshop, a film screening and discussion, a workshop on podcasting and a dance workshop. Succeeded in cross-listing a course on racial justice for anthropology graduate students and later succeeded in bringing back a graduate and upper-level undergraduate course in the department, "Concepts of Race." Partnered with the undergraduate association and the faculty EDI committee to begin to address racism in the classroom, decolonising syllabi. In the broader Montreal community, partnered with the Black Community Resource Center.

**Anthropology Graduate Student Association (AGSA),** McGill University, Montréal, QC *President*, Fall 2014-Summer 2017

As chair of the executive board, served as leader and chief organizer of the association; organized monthly meetings, including the creation of meeting agendas and meeting recaps; successfully worked to increase graduate student participation in the Department of Anthropology; participated in representing AGSA at the level of the Post-Graduate Student Society (PGSS), including organizational work with Student Life Coordinator and attending several President's and VP Finance meetings per semester.

**Association of Graduate Student Employees at McGill (AGSEM),** McGill University, Montréal, QC

Anthropology Department Union Delegate, 2015 to 2017 Member, Mobilization Committee, 2015 to 2017

#### **Selected Committee Work:**

**Medical Anthropology Screening & Search Committees,** McGill University, Montréal, QC *Graduate Student Committee Member*, December 2019-March 2020
Served as the first graduate student member on the committee to hire a new tenure-track medical anthropologist faculty member. Read and evaluated over 120 applications, participated in the entire screening process, including long and short list decision meetings, on-campus screening committee interviews of short-list candidates, lunches and dinners with candidates and final deliberations. Coordinated with the graduate student association hiring committee to draft letter of hiring recommendations.

Society for Cultural Anthropology, Student Faculty Workshop Organizing Committee *Committee Member*, 2018-2019

**AGSA Committee on Faculty Tenure Decisions,** McGill University, Montréal, QC *Member*, Winter 2015

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Affect, anxiety and apocalypticism: climate change "in a world of wounds." (*Panel presentation*, "How does climate change feel? (re)thinking sociocultural, emotional, and embodied responses to environmental precarity"). American Anthropological Association (AAA) 2022 conference, Seattle, WA. 2022. *Conference presentation*.

"Climate Change Futures: Feelings, Foucault and Dana Meadows' Rubber Band." Fleischmann, Adam. U.S. National Science Foundation-Funded "STS and Climate Change" Invited Workshop, Evansville, IN, USA. 2022. Invited workshop presentation.

"Dada on Zoom: An Experiment in Collaborative Methodologies."
(Panel co-organizer, "Disjunction and Reverberation—Across the Virtual and Material")
Society for Cultural Anthropology and Society for Visual Anthropology 2022 biennial virtual/in-person conference, "The Virtual Otherwise." Multimodal film presentation.

Climate Change: 'a dream of Apocalypse' and the time of possibility. Fleischmann, Adam. American Anthropological Association (AAA) 2021 conference, "Changing

Climates", Baltimore, MD and Online. 2021. Conference presentation.

"Anthropocene Ironies: responsibility and possibility in an era of climate change." (*Panel co-organizer*, "Unbound Obligations: A Multimodal Exploration of Distributed Response-Ability In a Time of Rapid Political Change") **Society for Cultural Anthropology and Society for Visual Anthropology 2020 biennial virtual/in-person conference**, "Distribute." *Multimodal video conference presentation*.

"Culture' and Climate Change: Anthropology and The Greatest Challenge of Our Time" with Julianne Yip. (*Panel co-organizer*, "Anthropology in a time of climate change: theoretical questions productive problems") American Anthropological Association (AAA) 2019 conference, "Changing Climates", Vancouver, BC. 2019. *Collaborative conference presentation*.

"Disciplinary Desires, Systematic Benefits, and the Impossibility of Our Times" American Anthropological Association (AAA) 2019 conference, "Changing Climates", Vancouver, BC. 2019. Invited roundtable presentation. (Video recording: <a href="https://culanth.org/fieldsights/reimagining-the-annual-meeting-for-an-era-of-radical-climate-change">https://culanth.org/fieldsights/reimagining-the-annual-meeting-for-an-era-of-radical-climate-change</a>)

Predictability's Possibilities and the Political Promise of Anthropogenic Global Climate Change, (*Panel co-organizer*, "Predictability's Promises: Knowing Futures, Practicing Presents"), Society for the Social Studies of Science (4S) 2017 conference, "STS (In)Sensibilities", Boston, Mass. 2017. *Conference presentation*.

Climate change humans & climate change action: worlds of possibility in North American science and activism. Royal Anthropological Institute (RAI) 2016 conference "Anthropology, Weather, and Climate Change", London, United Kingdom. 2016. *Conference presentation.* 

#### **SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS**

David Hakken Graduate Student Paper Prize, Honorable Mention, Committee for the Anthropology of Science, Technology & Computing, AAA, 2022
Distinguished James McGill Professor Graduate Award, 2021
Pearson Chair in Civil Society Graduate Award, 2018-2019
Wolfe Chair in Scientific & Technological Literacy Fellowship, McGill University, 2018-2019
International Graduate Mobility Award, McGill University, 2018
Pearson Civil Society Graduate Award, 2013-2018
McCall MacBain Fellowship in the Arts, McGill University, 2013 – 2014

#### **LANGUAGES**

Speaking, writing, reading and listening fluency in French (bilingual) and English (native). Spanish (beginner).