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EXPERIENCE

CWAV Society, Remote/Hybrid — *Digital Media and Fundraising Coordinator*

June 2023 - Present

Grant writer with additional responsibilities of social media management, web design, event planning, and content creation.

Worthpoint, Remote — *Content Writer*

January 2021 - March 2023

Article writer for antiques and collectables on WorthPoint's online library and dictionary.

PRISM International, Remote — *Beta Reader*

December 2022 - September 2023

Beta reader for fiction and CNF contests.

University of British Columbia, Kelowna — *Teaching Assistant*

September 2021 - April 2023

Ran writing workshops, provided guest lectures, and graded student work

University of British Columbia, Kelowna — *Anti-Racist Bookclub Assistant*

October 2021 - April 2022

Assistant to Kevin Chong. Responsibilities included note-taking, zoom hosting, providing discussion topics, engaging with members, and promoting events.

Stadtteilschule Blankenese, Germany — *ESL Instructor*

October 2019 - March 2020

Student ages ranged from 10-20 years. With less fluent students, basics and simple grammar were covered while advanced students received more complex exercises, conversation, and mediated group discussions.

PRESENTATIONS & READINGS

CBC Radio Segment: On the Coast - Live Guest. Oct 2023

My Colleague in the Ethernet: A Discussion on the Competition between Writers and Artificial Intelligence—Critical Relations Symposium
Presenter. April 2023.

UBCO Winter Reading
—*Presenter.* December 2021;
December 2022.

Ideafest—Presenter. March 2017.

PUBLICATIONS

Getting Familiar with *The Strangers*: An Interview with Katherena Vermette —*UBCO.* March 2022.

101 Guide to Epoxy and Woodworking —*Self Published e-book.* December 2021.

Looking for Love in the World's Smallest Pond —*Well+Good.* June 2021.

Covid-19: Love, Loss, and Citizenship —*Passion Passport.* March 2020.

The Trials and Perks of Being an LGBTQ Traveler —*Passion Passport.* January 2020.

The Martlet —*Senior Writer.* 2019.

7 Fall Treats for a Student Budget —*Her Campus.* October 2016.

EDUCATION

University of British Columbia, Kelowna Campus — MFA

September 2021 - September 2023

Master of Fine Arts with a focus on Creative Writing.

University of Victoria, Victoria, BC — Double BA and Minor

September 2013 - April 2018

Double Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Creative Writing with a Minor in Italian Studies

PROJECTS

Eavesdrop Lit Mag — Co-Founder, Editor

My latest project is a queer-operated, audio-focused lit magazine that celebrates accessible publishing, challenging industry stereotypes, and celebrating local artists. We connect work to audiences who care.

Landsailors Travel — Personal Travel Blog

This was a project I started while living abroad in Germany. It was a way to stay connected with friends and family back home, practice writing articles, and, tired of the intense you-can-travel-full-time-too marketing schemes on the internet, a resource I wanted to build to help fellow travellers through an expat's lens.

RELEVANT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

UBCO Graduate Student Research Award, 2023

UBCO Faculty and Creative and Critical Studies Research Fellowship, 2022

UBCO Graduate Research Scholarship, 2022

SSHRC Alternate Candidate, 2021

UBCO Graduate Dean's Entrance Scholarship, 2021

AFFILIATIONS

Craft Council of BC Member—
June 2023–Present

FBCW Member— November
2022–Present

**Assoc. of Writers & Writing
Programs—**September
2021–Present

**Graduate Advisory Student
Council—FCCS Grad Seat.** Sept
2021–Sept 2023.

**Graduate Leadership
Council—Narrative Seat.**
October 2021–April 2023.

The Writing Union—Member.
January 2016–April 2018.

LANGUAGES

B Level Proficiency in Italian