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## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Community-driven collaborative research • Knowledge mobilization • Indigenous caregiving and helping • Indigenous mental health • Cultural safety • Settler colonialism & Decoloniality • Urban Indigenous peoples • Indigenous environmental ethics & territoriality • Social innovation & Community development • Oral History & Ethnography

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## FIELD STUDY SITES

**Eeyou Istchee (James Bay): Cree Nation of Nemaska** (2001-2007): research assistant forest ecology study; masters field study; high school science teacher; research associate Environmental and social impact assessment for EM1 Rupert diversion project; **Cree Nation of Chisasibi** (since 2010): doctoral field study; community consultations health and social services; land-based healing program manual; concept document integration of Eeyou (Cree) culture in service provision; research advisor food security and food sovereignty project; research advisor community greenhouse project; **Cree Women of Eeyou Istchee Association** (since 2016): strategic development and policy briefs; **Cree Board of Health and Social Services James Bay** (2013-2016): research and writing for Primary care organizational plan.

**Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtones du Québec (RCAAQ)** (multiple cities in Quebec since 2011): research assistant ODENA Community-University Research Alliance National Survey; training and knowledge mobilization team on cultural safety; strategic planning and development.

**International: Mexico** (Since 2017) Centro de Estudios para el Desarrollo Rural (CESDER – Centre for studies in rural development), Indigenous pedagogies and higher education, collaborative research for community development; **Aotearoa/New Zealand** (2017) knowledge mobilization mission on cultural safety with RCAAQ at Te Whanau O Waipareira (Auckland).

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## EDUCATION

**Post doctorate**, Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS), 2015-2018

**PhD, Humanities**, Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Society and Culture, 2008-2015

Thesis: [Miyupimaatsiium in Eeyou Istchee: Healing and Decolonization in Chisasibi](#)

**MA, Public Policy and Public Administration**, Faculty of Arts and Science, 2002-2004

Thesis: [Download in progress -- offline meets online @ Nemaska.JamesBay: the use of information and communication technologies among the youth of a remote Cree community.](#)

**B.A, Honors in Human Environment, minor in Spanish**, Faculty of Arts and Science, 1998-2002

## SCHOLARLY GRANTS & AWARDS

### Scholarships

Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la société et la culture (FQRSC), PhD	\$ 60,000	2009-2012
Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la nature et les technologies (FCAR), Masters	\$ 15,000	2002-2004
Carolyn and Richard Renaud Bursary	\$ 1000	1999-2000

### Other research grants

Bourse d'allocation de mobilité/diffusion pour les étudiants (DIALOG) X5	\$ 9,500	2010-2014
Northern Scientific Training Program (NSTP), PhD Research Grant	\$ 10,060	2008-2013
Humanities PhD Program Teaching Assistantship	\$ 5,000	2008-2009
Northern Scientific Training Program (NSTP), MA Research Grant	\$ 3,500	2002-2004

### Community development grants (not scholarly)

Nihtaauchin Chisasibi Center for Sustainability, Environment and Climate Change Canada, EcoAction community funding program	\$ 186,962	2020-2023
Nihtaauchin Chisasibi Center for Sustainability, Climate Change and Health Adaptation Program (CCHAP) for First Nations South of 60°N, ISC	\$ 80,895	2020-2021
Inshiyuu Miyupimaatissiiun (Chisasibi Mental Wellness Team), Indigenous Services Canada (formerly Health Canada), initial 4 years + renewal 3 years	\$ 1.75M	2015-2021
Inshiyuu Miyupimaatissiiun, Cree Solidarity Alliance, Cree Nation Government	\$ 47,650	2019-2021
Nihtaauchin Chisasibi Center for Sustainability, Community Greenhouse Program, Société du Plan Nord (feasibility study)	\$ 47,160	2019-2020
Nihtaauchin Chisasibi Center for Sustainability, Local Food Infrastructure Fund, AAFC	\$ 25,000	2019-2020
Inshiyuu Miyupimaatissiiun, National Aboriginal Youth Suicide Prevention Strategy	\$ 48,000	2014-2015

### Research activity

<i>Principal investigator</i> - SSHRC, Partnership Engage Grant, fall 2017 competition (# 892-2017-2069)	\$25,000	2017-2018
<i>Co-researcher</i> - Public Inquiry Commission on relations between Indigenous Peoples and certain public services in Québec (Quebec Government)	\$150,000	2017-2019
<i>Co-researcher</i> – Alliance KAPAKAN (INRS/DIALOG/Fondation Lucie et André Chagnon)	\$ 1.2M	2018-2021

### Awards & Distinctions

Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation Prize in Fine Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (Concordia University)	\$2000	2016
Best Project, Canadian Oral History Association/Canadian Historical Association		2016
2016 Award for Excellence in Oral History (COHDS, Concordia University)	\$ 500	2016
Concordia Standout Award (Concordia University), research-creation award	\$1000	2015
Excellence PhD Scholarship (DIALOG)	\$ 5,000	2013-2014
Miriam Roland Award	\$ 2,500	2008-2009
S.P Higgins Memorial Award	\$ 700	2000-2001

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## CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

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- ***Le Cercle du mieux-être et de la guérison communautaire Mikinakw:*** A partnership with the Manawan community, including continuous research, training and evaluation support of a 5-year project that aims to develop and implement an intervention and healing model for gender-based violence. Project financed by Status of Women Canada.
- ***Kapakan Alliance: Initiative for the coproduction and mobilization knowledge on the transmission, educational success and forms of learning in Indigenous contexts:*** A partnership between DIALOG Network (INRS) and the Fondation Lucie et André Chagnon that aims to support community reflections and actions centered on transfer and acquisition of knowledge by holding ten (10) community workshops and two forums. The initiative is supported by an advisory committee (a group of 20 Indigenous and non-indigenous actors) and local workshops are co-developed with the community.
- ***Nanonetan Mamo: (United in our Quest): assessing the needs for culturally safe services for long-term care of Indigenous patients in Joliette (Quebec):*** a partnership research project with the Centre d'amitié autochtone de Lanaudière (Lanaudière Aboriginal Friendship Center - CAAL) which aims to: 1) co-create a new knowledge base that will lead to a more contextualized and culturally appropriate understanding of the Indigenous urban experience in terms of the healthcare system and service provision for long-term care in the Lanaudière region; 2) co-produce a position paper that meets CAAL's strategic needs based on collaborative analysis and interpretation approaches; and 3) co-develop knowledge mobilization activities and products that enhance the knowledge base of patients, their families, CAAL employees, and municipal service providers about the needs, challenges and opportunities of culturally safe health services, supports, and interventions.
- ***Public Inquiry Commission on relations between Indigenous Peoples and certain public services in Québec: listening, reconciliation and progress: Member Expert research team*** - research on the health and social services sectors, which draws up the state of affairs and feeds the Commissioner's reflections leading to the drafting of his report and the elaboration of his recommendations. Research activities include: 1) review of Indigenous health literature (Québec-wide scientific literature, government sources, and documents from Indigenous institutions); 2) literature review on social services; 3) content analysis (qualitative processing) of oral (testimonies) and written sources (documents filed with the Commission) generated by the Commission's activities; 4) production of thematic factsheets related to the health and social services sector; 5) recommendations for the calls for action for the Commission.
- ***Cultural safety and its application in service delivery in Quebec's Aboriginal Friendship Centers:*** targeted knowledge synthesis on cultural safety (theoretical parameters, ethical approaches and service delivery protocols, orientation and application in an Indigenous context in Quebec); case studies in Quebec, Canada, New Zealand, and internationally; data analysis of the ODENA Research Alliance and development of knowledge mobilization products of urban Indigenous socio-demographic profile in 10 Quebec cities and a provincial portrait; a review of practices, programs, care and treatment by the various Aboriginal Friendship Center stakeholders at the provincial level;

coaching and support in strategic planning; development and supervision of tailor-made training with Centers staff and the administrative staff of the Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtone du Québec (RCAAQ).

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Jan. 2010 – 2019/ **Lecturer**, School of Community and Public Affairs/First Peoples Studies Program, *Concordia University, Qc*

- Indigenous Peoples and Globalization (FPST 341 – 2015/16 & 2018/19). An introductory course to globalization from global indigenous perspectives. For 2018/19 student research in collaboration with City of Montreal Archives. DIALOG funds.
- Research Strategies in First Peoples Studies (FPST 202 – 2017/18). An introductory course on basic concepts, practices, and issues for study and research consistent with the goals of First Peoples Studies. Student research was developed in collaboration with Native Montreal (Montreal Aboriginal Friendship Centre). Supported by IDLG Support Fund and DIALOG funds.
- The Indian Act (FPST 301). Historical and contemporary implications of the Indian Act for First Nations in Canada.

2007-2010/Geography, Planning & Environment Department, *Concordia University, Qc*

- Indigenous Resource Management (GEOG 407). This course explores contemporary Indigenous resource development issues in Canada, including protected areas and environmental impact assessment.
- Geography and Public policy (GEOG 440). This course explores the link between the discipline of geography and its intersection with public policy development and implementation in various fields such as Energy, Environmental Resource Management, Poverty and Social Exclusion, Immigration and Citizenship.
- Research Paper (GEOG695). The course involves an independent research work by a student.

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## CO-SUPERVISION & REVIEW

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2020 – External reviewer, Èva-Marie Nadon-Legault (Masters Indigenous Studies, UQAT), Thesis: *Perception des femmes Iiyiyuu-Inuu du Programme de sécurité du revenu des chasseurs et piégeurs cris*.

2019 – Co-supervisor/Internal reviewer, Chloe Boone (Masters of Science, Geography Planning and Environmental Studies, Concordia University), Thesis: *Relationships, Language, and the Land: Language revitalization in the Cree Community of Wemindji, Eeyou Istchee*.

May – Aug. 2015 - DIALOG-Aboriginal Peoples Research and Knowledge Network, INRS. Co-supervision with Carole Lévesque (INRS) of team of interns [PhD (1), MA (3), BA (1)] charged with research and writing activities as part of SSHRC funded strategic grant, *Le monde autochtone et les défis du vivre-ensemble*.

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## OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

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2021 Expert reviewer New Frontiers in Research Fund 2020 Transformation Competition, Canada Research Coordinating Committee (CRCC).

- 2019 Canadian Association for Graduate Studies, member selection committee for CAGS-PROQUEST Distinguished Dissertation Award.
- 2015 Member scientific steering committee for [C'est vital. Portraits dynamiques de la production culturelle autochtone en milieu urbain au Québec](#), research project on Indigenous cultural production in five (5) Quebec cities led by [DestiNations](#).
- 2013/ 2015 Member of Working Group Strategic Plan for 1<sup>st</sup> Line Service Provision, Cree Board of Health and Social Services James Bay.
- 2010 DIALOG representative for Canadian delegation [3<sup>rd</sup> International Forum of People Affected by Dams](#), Temacapulin, Mexico.

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#### **OTHER TEACHING AND PEDAGOGICAL PROJECTS**

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Sep. & Nov. 2020 – The Māori Whanau Ora service delivery model in Aotearoa (8hrs) – Custom training given to the Val d'Or Friendship Center as part of the Cultural Safety Training co-organized with Carole Levesque (10 participants).

Aug. 2020 – Cultural safety in Indigenous health care settings – Custom training (15hrs) co-organized with Carole Lévesque for Pekuakamiulnuatsh Takuhikan (Mashteuiatsh) department of health and social services (35 participants).

Jan. 2018 – **14<sup>th</sup> Edition Nomad University** (DIALOG), Venice - [Northern Territories and Indigenous Peoples: Comparative perspectives](#): a week-long intensive training seminar developed by DIALOG and open to graduate students and professionals; overall scientific coordination; presenter; co-organized in collaboration with Venice International University and Centre for Arctic Social Studies, European University St Petersburg (Russia).

Nov. 2017 - **Transfert et mobilisation des connaissances sur l'approche de sécurisation culturelle chez les Maoris (Cultural safety knowledge mobilization mission)**: a week-long training mission with Quebec Aboriginal Friendship Centres service providers and administrators from RCAAQ on Maori cultural safety approaches at Te Whanau O Waipareira (a Maori urban health service provider); overall organization and scientific direction; Auckland, November 20-24, 2017.

July 2017 – **13<sup>th</sup> Edition Nomad University** (DIALOG), Cree Nation of Chisasibi - *Living a good life: the wellbeing of Indigenous Peoples*: a week-long intensive graduate seminar developed by DIALOG; overall scientific coordination; presenter; onsite logistical support; student supervision (1 MA student and 1 Cree Adult Education Student (GED)); co-organized in collaboration with Chisasibi Mental Wellness Team, Cree Board of Health and Social Services James Bay (CBHSSJB), and Cree School Board (Sabtuan Adult Education Services), July 3-7, 2017.

Feb. 2016 - **Classe des sages à Pikogan - Kitci Anicinape Okikentamo8in: Entre savoirs et apprentissages**: a 3-day intensive seminar developed by DIALOG and co-organized with community partners aims to expose graduate students to various community knowledge holders (elders, leaders, service providers, etc.); member of scientific coordination committee; presenter; onsite logistical support; member editorial board for *Kitci Anicinape Okikentamo8in* event publication (photo album, edited proceedings, and short video); validation of event publication package with community elders. See event publication community [launch coverage](#), February 19-21, 2016.

2016 – **Youth Fusion (North)** Community collaboration and local mobilization: a Cree perspective on schooling, education and social determinants of health a training workshop for graduate students working in Eeyou Istchee (James Bay) high schools.

Feb. 2015 - Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling, *Concordia University*

Co-Developed and delivered bilingual intensive workshop (with Aude Maltais-Landry) – [Decolonizing research: doing oral history in Indigenous contexts](#). Overall development, research, and training. Participants included graduate students, faculty, government and non-for-profit organization representatives (22 participants in total).

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#### **PUBLISHED REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

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- 2020 Radu, I., Parent, É., Snowboy, G., Wapachee, B., and Beaulieu, G. Degrowth, decolonisation and food sovereignty in the Cree Nation of Chisasibi. In Ferne, N. and Nelson, A. (Eds.), [Food for Degrowth: Perspectives and Practices](#). Routledge Environmental Humanities Series: London, pp. 173-185.
- 2019 Radu, I., Snowboy, G., Wapachee, B. and Parent, É., [Food is healing: the story of Nihtaauchin \(Chisasibi Center for Sustainability\) and its journey to food sovereignty](#). *Women & Environments International* (WEI), Vol. 100, pp.46-49.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Cloutier, É., Radu, I., Parent-Manseau, D., Laroche, S., and Blanchet-Cohen, N. “Taking action to improve Indigenous health in the cities of Québec and Canada: the example of the Minowé Clinic at the Val-d’Or Native Friendship Centre”, In Reese, L. (eds), *Handbook of global urban health*. Routledge: New York, p. 347-362.
- 2018 Radu, I. [Land for Healing: Developing a First Nations Land-based Service Delivery Model](#), First Nations Mental Wellness Continuum Framework, Thunderbird Partnership Foundation (89pps).
- 2018 Radu, I. Blurred boundaries, Feminisms, and Indigenisms: Cocreating an Indigenous Oral History for Decolonization, *Oral History Review*, 45(1): 29-47.
- 2018 Radu, I. “Uschiniichisuu Futures: Healing, Empowerment and Agency Among the Chisasibi Cree Youth”, In Henry, R., LaVallee, A., Van Styvendale, N., & R. Innes (Eds). *Global Perspectives on Indigenous Health: Reconciling the Past, Engaging the Present, Animating the Future*. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 211-236.
- 2018 Radu, I (Ed.). Global movements, local shifts: migration, immigration and the city, Special Edition, *Journal of Urban Anthropology/Revista de antropologie urbana*, 6(11): 135pps.
- 2018 Parisien-Dumas, J., Jackson, S., Michaud, K., & Radu, I. A vision for Holistic Wellness Starts at Home: Indigenous urban mobility and two cases of social housing in Aotearoa New Zealand and Australia, *Urban Anthropology/Revista de antropologie urbana*, 6(11): 91-135.
- 2017 Radu, I. and Comat, I. (Eds). Emerging forms of Indigeneity, Special Edition, *Urban Anthropology/Revista de Antopologie Urbana*, 5(9): 128pps.
- 2017 Radu, I. and Comat, I. Editorial, Special Edition, *Urban Anthropology/Revista de Antopologie Urbana* 5(9): 8pps.
- 2016 Radu, I. The question of citizenship in a globalized world: Indigenous peoples and the Canadian State. *Journal of Urban Anthropology/ Revista de Antropologie Urbană*, 5(8): 15 pp.

- 2015 Lévesque, C., Cloutier, É., Sirois, T., Radu, I, and Labrana, R. The story of a successful partnership between Aboriginal leaders, practitioners and researchers engaged in a knowledge coproduction approach: The creation, implementation and achievements of the ODENA Research Alliance. In Basile S, Gentelet K, et Gros-Louis McHugh N (Dir) [\*Toolbox of Principles for Research in Indigenous Contexts: Ethics, Respect, Equity, Reciprocity and Cooperation\*](#)(pp.138-153).
- 2015 Radu, I. and House, L. Miyupimaatisiun in Eeyou Istchee: Indigenous healing and community engagement in health and social services delivery. In Basile S, Gentelet K, et Gros-Louis McHugh N (Dir) [\*Toolbox of Principles for Research in Indigenous Contexts: Ethics, Respect, Equity, Reciprocity and Cooperation\*](#)(pp.154-164).
- 2014 Radu, I., House, L. and Pashagumskum, E. [Land, life, and knowledge in Chisasibi: Intergenerational healing in the bush](#), *Decolonization Indigeneity, Education and Society*, 3(3), 86-105.
- 2012 Lévesque, C., Salée, D., and Radu, I (Eds.). *Les Peuples autochtones et le Plan Nord : éléments pour un débat*. Cahier DIALOG no 2012-04, Recueil de textes. Montreal: Institut national de recherche scientifique. [Online](#)
- 2011 Jolly, F., Whiteman, G., Atkinson, M. and Radu, I. Managing outside: a Cree hunter's perspective on management education. *Journal of Management Education special issue Close Encounters with Indigenous Peoples*, 35(1), 27-50, doi:10.1177/1052562910386112.
- 2010 Radu, I. Encounters with development: Environmental Impact Assessment and Aboriginal rights, *Inditerra*, 2(1), 44-59.

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#### **OTHER REFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS**

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- 2019 Radu, I. and Lévesque, C. *Troubles du spectre de l'alcoolisation fœtale en contexte autochtone. Fiche synthèse*. Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature SANTÉ Thème: état de santé de la population autochtone au Québec*. PD-7, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature SANTÉ Thème: organisation des services de santé au Canada et au Québec*. PD-8, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature, SERVICES SOCIAUX, Thème: la santé mentale en contexte autochtone*. PD-9, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature, SERVICES SOCIAUX, Thème: la violence en contexte autochtone - manifestations et perspectives*. PD-10, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature, Services sociaux Thème: le suicide en milieu autochtone au Québec. Une réponse personnelle aux origines sociales*. PD-21, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.

- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature, Services sociaux Thème: les dépendances chez les Premières Nations et les Inuit*. PD-22, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature, Santé Thème: la tuberculose. Aperçu de la situation au Nunavik*. PD-23, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2019 Lévesque, C., Radu, I, and Tran, N. *Revue de littérature Santé, Thèmes: L'alimentation, le diabète et les contaminants chez les Premières Nations et les Inuit au Québec*. PD-24, Commission d'enquête sur les relations entre les Autochtones et certains services publics au Québec. Gouvernement du Québec.
- 2018 DeLancey, D., Radu, I., Enosse, L. & Ritchie, S. [Measuring Connection: Evaluating Land-Based Programs](#), *Northern Public Affairs* 6(1): 39-45.
- 2014 Lévesque, C. and Radu, I. Feuilletés d'information. Modèles et approches autochtones en matière de santé et services de santé. Val d'Or Native Friendship Center and CURA ODENA, Montreal: INRS.
- 2014 Chisasibi Mental Wellness Team. *Chisasibi Land-based healing program manual*. Chisasibi: Quebec.

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## RESEARCH-CREATION

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**2018** – [Decolonial Street Art](#) (with Aude Maltais-Landry, Unceded Voices: Anti-colonial street artist convergence, Laurence Desmarais, & Cedar Eve Peters) installation aimed to promote the work of Indigenous street artists and recognize the importance of walls and structures as critical spaces to reclaim unceded Indigenous land. Included guided tour of Unceded Voices murals in St Henry and live painting by Cedar Eve Peters. Part of History Inhabits Each of Us: An Oral History Exhibition at the [Oral History Association Annual Meeting](#), Concordia University, October 10-14, 2018.

**2016** - [La guérison au féminin: récits des femmes de Chisasibi](#): multimedia installation (series of 5 posters with embedded video screens of Cree women lifestory interviews) presented at *12<sup>th</sup> Edition Nomad University: Aboriginal Women: from systemic discrimination to social innovation*, Institut National de la recherche scientifique, Montreal, 22-26 August, 2016.

**2016** – [Plan Nord and Indigenous peoples: Globalization and development in Northern Quebec](#) (Overall coordination & deployment). Students in Indigenous Peoples and Globalization ([FPST 341](#)) have collectively worked to create a comprehensive website outlining the Quebec economic and infrastructure agenda, Plan Nord. The articles explore aspects including but not limited to: land rights, economic benefits, ecological reports, sovereignty, education and housing ramifications, as well as the research of different impact assessments on the environment and local populations.

**2015** - *Companion website to PhD dissertation* – [www.chisasibi-healing.ca](http://www.chisasibi-healing.ca) (Research, Design & Deployment). This website is a companion to my PhD dissertation, in which I explore the connections between autonomy and wellbeing in Indigenous contexts through a case study in the Cree Nation of Chisasibi, Eeyou Istchee (James Bay, northern Quebec). The website includes five (5) Korsakow films



(non-linear interactive film web platform) comprised of three (3) hours of footage or a total of 65 clips ranging from 2min to 7 min in length, edited from the eight (8) video interviews conducted during my PhD research.

**2014** - [Miyupimaatisiun in Eeyou Istchee](#) (Research, Editing & Directing). Documentary that follows a group of youth on their journey to healing and learning about Cree ways of living a good life. Shot in on location in Eeyou Istchee, James Bay, northern Quebec. Produced in collaboration with: [Chisasibi Miyupimaatisiun Committee](#), the [Nishiyuu Department](#) (Cree Board of Health and Social Services James Bay), and [Zerosum Productions](#).

**2012** – [Indian Act Wiki](#) (Overall coordination & deployment). This wiki was created by the students enrolled in The Indian Act course (FPST 301) I taught in 2012, [First Peoples Studies Program, School of Community and Public Affairs at Concordia University](#). It summarizes the history of the Indian Act and its impacts on First Nations in Canada. Issues of accommodation and resistance are discussed. Effects of proposed changes to the Indian Act are analyzed and alternative solutions are explored in the last section.

**2010** – [Eeyou Histories](#), digital story (Research & Editing). Short digital story on the hydroelectric development in the James Bay based on the life-story interview of Bertie Wapachee, Nemaska, Quebec (interviewed November 2009). Project presented at the Oral History Association of Australia conference "Communities of Memories", Melbourne, 2010.

**2010** - [Rivers for Life](#) - Documentary screened at LatiNordicos Montreal Film Festival (Research, Filming, Editing & Directing). Short documentary on the controversy surrounding the construction of the Zapotillo Dam in Mexico. Shot on location in the village of Temacapulin during the [3rd International meeting of people affected by dams and their allies](#) organized by International Rivers October 2010. Project developed in collaboration with [Committee for Human Rights in Latin America \(CDHAL\)](#). Travel provided by DIALOG - Aboriginal Peoples Research and Knowledge Network.

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## SELECTED CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed

- 2016 Radu, I. *La guérison comme outil de décolonisation : récits de femmes sur la santé et l'autonomie à Chisasibi*. Panel Le rôle des femmes et des jeunes dans l'expression de ces nouvelles voix et voies, [Congrès annuel de la Société québécoise de science politique Voix/Voies politiques Citoyenneté, représentation et transformation](#), l'Université Laval, Québec, 19 au 21 mai 2016.
- 2016 Radu, I. *La recherche en contexte autochtone: partager l'autorité et mobiliser les connaissances*. DIALOG, [Classe de Sages](#), Pikogan, Première Nation Abitibiwinni, 19-21 février, 2016.
- 2013 Radu, I. *Uschiniichuu Futures: Healing, empowerment and agency among the Chisasibi Cree youth*, [Native American and Indigenous Studies \(NAISA\) 2013 Annual Meeting](#), University of Saskatoon, Saskatoon, Canada, 13-15 June, 2013.
- 2013 Radu, I. *La gouvernance des services de la santé et des services sociaux dans la Baie James: nouvelles tendances en matière de guérison de la Nation Crie*. Colloque/atelier no 483 : Gouvernance autochtone et développement nordique, [81e Congrès de l'ACFAS](#), Université Laval, Québec, mai 6-10, 2013

- 2013 Radu, I. *Healing the body, healing the soul: knowledge mobilization in Aboriginal research*, Pressing [against] Methods – An Interdisciplinary Conference, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, 26-27 April, 2013.
- 2013 Radu, I. *Healing as empowerment: reflections on contemporary realities of Indigenous youth in a James Bay Cree community*. Youth Studies Conference: New Agendas on Youth and Young Adulthood, Glasgow University, Glasgow, UK, April 8-10, 2013.
- 2012 Radu, I. and House L. *Myupimaatisiun in Eeyou Istchee: Indigenous healing and community engagement in health and social services delivery*, 5<sup>th</sup> Biennial International Indigenous Development Conference - Nga Pae o te Maramatanga (Indigenous Centre of Research Excellence), Auckland, New Zealand, June 27-30, 2012.
- 2011 Radu, I. *Eeyou Histories: unveiling socio-cultural meanings of development through life story interviews*, Communities of Memory, 17th National Conference of the Oral History Association of Australia, Melbourne, Australia, October 6-9, 2011.

### **Chaired & co-organized**

- 2019 Co-organizer panel L'Alliance Kapakan. Coproduction et mobilisation des connaissances autochtones et scientifiques sur la transmission des connaissances, la réussite éducative et les formes d'apprentissage en contexte autochtone', *4e édition du Colloque sur la persévérance et la réussite scolaires chez les Premiers Peuples*, Montreal, 16-18 October, 2019.
- 2019 Co-organizer with Inshiyuu Miyuupimatisiun and Cree Nation of Chisasibi. *Piiskuutamakuunipijuu: Chisasibi Community Dialog on Knowledge Transmission and Opportunities for Supportive Learning Environments*, Chisasibi, Eeyou Istchee, 30-31 July, 2019
- 2019 Co-organizer and presenter. *Interactive forum on Indigenous knowledge*, Kinawit Cultural Site, Val-d'Or, 22-24 July, 2019.
- 2018 Panel organiser and presenter (with Sophie Tukalak & Philippe Meilleur). Decolonial Knowledge Mobilization in the Classroom: how student research can be used to support urban Indigenous service providers, [The Action Research Network of the Americas \(ARNA\) Annual Conference](#), University of California, San Diego, June 28-30, 2018 (Supported by IDLG Support Fund and DIALOG funds. Conference report submitted to Indigenous Directions Leadership Group).
- 2017 Radu, I. et Lévesque, C. International Panel: Border pedagogies and culturally safe education: exploring North/South transformations in Indigenous teaching and learning, *CINSA (Canadian Indigenous/Native Studies Association) Beyond Borders: Indigenous Thought and Mobility in a Contentious World*, Benemérta Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, Puebla, Mexico 14-16 June, 2017.
- 2017 Organizer. *You Are on Unceded Land*, series of three panels to honor and acknowledge the role of Indigenous peoples in the City of Montreal's history and collective identity of the province, held at Concordia University ([Jan 1](#), [Mar 1](#), [Mar 22](#), 2017). Collaboration with First Peoples Studies Program (School of Community and Public Affairs, Concordia University), the Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling (Concordia University) and DIALOG (Aboriginal Peoples Knowledge and Research Network).

- 2016 Panel organizer and Chair. [Caring for the land and well-being: challenges and opportunities of Indigenous women in Canada](#), 7<sup>th</sup> Biannual International Indigenous Research Conference, Auckland, New Zealand, 15 - 18 November, 2016.
- 2016 Panel organizer and presenter with Aude Maltai-Landry and Ioana Comat. *Aboriginal people and autonomy: from the Indian Act to Urban Decolonization*. Cultural outskirts and Global spaces, [The Urban Anthropology Symposium](#), 2nd Edition, Bucharest, Romania July 8, 2016.
- 2015 Panel organizer and presenter with House, L. and Pashagumiskum, E. 2015. *Designing a Culturally Safe Land-based Wellness Model: Lessons Learned from the Cree Nation of Chisasibi*. [CINSA \(Canadian Indigenous/Native Studies Association\) Survivance & Reconciliation: 7 Forward - 7 Back](#), Concordia University, 11-13 June 2015, Montreal, Canada.
- 2014 Organizer and presenter, *Indigenous Oral History Session*, [Power and Democracy: the many voices of oral history – XVIII International Oral History Conference](#), Barcelona, Spain, July 9 – 12, 2014.
- 2014 Co-organizer and presenter with House L. and Cozier G.A., workshop *Designing a Culturally Safe Land-Based Wellness Model: Lessons Learned from the Cree Nation of Chisasibi, QC*, [National Native Addictions Partnership Foundation \(NNAPF\) 2014 Honouring Our Strengths National Conference](#), Ottawa, Canada, June 24-25, 2014. Received **Best Workshop Award** (\$1000).
- 2014 Session Chair, *L'Alliance de recherche ODENA: Bilan d'une expérience réussie en coproduction des connaissances*, Enjeux de la recherche #49, [82<sup>nd</sup> Congrès de l'Association francophone pour le savoir-Acfas](#), Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, May 14, 2014.
- 2014 Co-organizer (with COHDS), [2nd Annual Emerging Scholars Symposium in Oral, Digital and Public History](#), Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, March 21, 2014.

### By invitation

- 2021 Radu, I. La recherche en contexte autochtone: partager l'autorité et mobiliser les connaissances, *Troisième journée d'étude sur les méthodes et la méthodologie de la recherche en contexte autochtone* (CIÉRA-UQO), 30 mars, 2021.
- 2020 Snowboy, G. et Radu, I. Supporting food security and social innovation in Chisasibi, [Colloque sur la gestion des matières résiduelles des Premières Nations au Québec et au Labrador](#), 23-26 novembre 2020.
- 2019 Roundtable participant. *Remembering Tomorrow: Archiving Indigenous Digital Art*, Initiative for Indigenous Futures' (IIF), Concordia University, April 10, 2019.
- 2018 Radu, I. (closing keynote). Co-creation of knowledge: a process of coming to know and negotiation of meaning. *4e séminaire sur l'éthique de la recherche avec les peuples autochtones*, UQAT, 22-23 November, 2018.
- 2018 Radu, I. (panellist). Beyond Women's Words: Decentering and Decolonizing Feminist Oral Histories, [Oral History Association Annual Meeting](#), Concordia University, October 10-14, 2018.
- 2018 Radu, I. (roundtable). Using Digital Media in an Age of Participatory Research: Hearing Difficult Emotions, Learning with Participants, and Transferring Knowledge to Wider Audiences, [Oral History Association Annual Meeting](#), Concordia University, October 10-14, 2018.

- 2018 Radu, I. Indigenous social innovation: sustaining miyupimaatisiun and building partnerships locally. [VIU Graduate Seminar Northern Territories and Indigenous Peoples: comparative perspectives](#). Venice International University, January 14 –19, 2018.
- 2017 Radu, I. (panellist). Indigenous knowledge systems, decolonization and research innovation in Canada, SSHRC Reconciliation Event, *Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences*, Ryerson University, Toronto, May 30, 2017.
- 2017 Session chair. *Uncovering New Voices, 4th Emerging Scholars Symposium on Oral, Digital and Public History*, Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling, Concordia University, March 31, 2017.
- 2017 Radu, I. (panellist). *Evaluation as coming-to-know*, Pan-Territorial On-The-Land Summit, Yellowknife/Dettah, Northwest Territories, March 14-16, 2017.
- 2016 Radu, I. (paneliste). *Le rapport de la Commission royale sur les peuples autochtones (1996) : vingt ans plus tard, quel bilan?*, [Colloque 468, 84e du Congrès de l'Association francophone pour le savoir-Acfas](#), Université du Québec à Montréal, 9 et 10 mai, 2016.
- 2016 Radu, I. (Keynote address). [3rd Annual Symposium for Emerging Scholars in Oral, Digital and Public History](#), Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling, Concordia University, April 1, 2016.
- 2016 House, L., Pashagumiskum, E., and Radu, I. *Integrating Eeyou culture in service provision: why local collaboration matters* [Bringing Our Voices Together in Wellness Gathering](#), Kwanlin Dün First Nation (KDFN), Whitehorse, March 29-31, 2016.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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September 2020 – March 2021/***Food Secure Canada***

Description of work: Analysis of federal Food Policy for Canada from an Indigenous policy governance perspective, including the Sustainable Development Goals dimension. Resulting policy briefing paper will inform and guide the Canadian Food Policy Advisory Council implementation of the federal food policy. Panel moderation at [Cultivating Change: A Just Transition To A Regenerative Food System Conference](#).

2016-present/***Nihtaachin Chisasibi Center for Sustainability and Chisasibi Business Service Center (CBSC), Cree Nation of Chisasibi***

Description of work: research ethics and research collaboration agreement support and revision for *Indigenous knowledge and food security* (SSHRC Partnership Development Grant 2015-2019), a collaborative research project between CBSC and Centre d'innovation sociale en agriculture (Cegep Victoriaville); development of community Food Sovereignty Action Plan (2017); Scientific direction Chisasibi Greenhouse Project (Community Greenhouse Program, Société du Plan Nord); Grants secured: *Fort George Island stream rehabilitation and monitoring initiative* (EA-PQ-2020C2957), Environment and Climate Change Canada, EcoAction community funding program [\$186,962 - in progress] & *Indoh-hoh Istchee Sustainable Food Systems*, Climate Change and Health Adaptation Program (CCHAP) for First Nations South of 60°N, Indigenous Services Canada [\$80,895 - in progress].

2009-present/***Inshiyuu Miyupimaatissiiun*** (Chisasibi Mental Wellness Team), *Cree Nation of Chisasibi*

Description of work: Development of traditional healing policy and programs; community consultation; Indigenous healing and mental health research. Secured and co-managing Health Canada Funding for Mental Wellness Team (\$1.75M/7 years) and National Aboriginal Youth Suicide Prevention Strategy (NAYSPS/2014-2015).

2016-present/***Cree Women of Eeyou Istchee Association***

Description of work: Strategic planning and program development; funding applications and grant diversification; targeted gender analysis research planning, development and implementation.

2009-present/***DIALOG - Aboriginal Peoples Research and Knowledge Network***

Description of work: Project development; research synthesis & position papers relating to Indigenous people in Canada and abroad; conference planning & coordination; web development & support. Member research team Partnership SSHRC grant *Le monde autochtone et les défis du vivre-ensemble : gouvernance, pluriculturalisme et citoyenneté*; member ODENA CURA (Aboriginal peoples in Quebec Cities) study research team (2012-2013).

2016-2017/ ***Thunderbird Partnership Foundation***

Description of work: research and writing of *Land for Healing: Developing a First Nations Land-based Service Delivery Model*; consultation with First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (Santé Canada) and First Peoples Wellness Circle (formerly Native Mental Health Association of Canada).

2013-2016/***Cree Board of Health and Social Services James Bay (CBHSSJB)***

Description of work: Research and writing for primary care strategic plan *Integrated Service Delivery Model in the Community Miyupimaatissiiun Centers (CMC)*. Comparative analysis of service provision in Community Miyupimaatissiiun Centers – *Global Portrait of Service Provision*.

September – December 2013/ ***Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling, Concordia University***

Description of work: Communications Intern: internal and external communications; writing and disseminating newsletter; publicizing special events; video-recording events and workshops.

2008-2012/ ***Comité pour les Droits Humains en Amérique Latine (CDHAL)***

Description of work: provided research focused on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of large dams and aboriginal participation in EIA in Canada (2008), as well as logistical support for annual international conference (ongoing).

2006-2008/ ***Fondation Rivières, Montreal, Quebec***

Description of work: Development and implementation of on-going communications strategies, EIA analysis, and general environmental research.

Ioana Radu

2005-2008/ ***Working Group on Energy and Sustainable Development***, Cree Nation of Nemaska

Description of work: Capacity building and knowledge transfer through community development awareness campaigns, workshops, proposals, research projects.

May 2000 – Jan. 2005/**Research & Teaching Assistant**, *Concordia University, Montreal, Qc*

Political Science Department and Geography, Planning & Environment Department.

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#### **ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS**

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[DIALOG](#) – *Aboriginal Peoples Research and Knowledge Network*, Institut national de recherche scientifique – Culture, Urbanisation et Société, Montreal

[Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling](#), (core member), History Department, Concordia University, Montreal

[Laboratoire de recherche sur les enjeux relatifs aux femmes autochtones](#) – ***Mikwatisiw (UQAT)***

[Native American and Indigenous Studies Association \(NAISA\)](#)

[Canadian Society for Ecological Economics](#)