The UBC Centre for Migration Studies (CMS) is an interdisciplinary, collaborative research centre housed on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the x̍�məθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam) people. CMS promotes innovative research, graduate training, and community and policy outreach on issues of migration and mobility. We disseminate knowledge through seminars, lectures, conferences, workshops, and publications, and seek to expand institutional and individual connections between UBC and institutions in Canada and beyond, and between UBC and settlement sector agencies and community organizations in British Columbia.

CMS is a UBC Senate-approved unit and the first interdisciplinary research centre in the Faculty of Arts.
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As another academic year marked by the ever-shifting demands of the COVID-19 pandemic winds down, I am excited to share with you the many inspiring initiatives currently underway at the Centre for Migration Studies which speak to the continued commitment of our affiliates and staff to moving our work forward.

**CMS WORKING PAPER SERIES**

This year, CMS launched its Working Paper Series to showcase the many research initiatives conducted under the CMS umbrella. The Series is published by an interdisciplinary team of faculty editors composed of CMS Director Antje Ellermann, Alessandra Santos (Associate Professor, Theatre and Film), Matthew Wright (Associate Professor, Political Science), and Gaoheng Zhang (Associate Professor, Italian Studies), with Tori Yang (PhD candidate in Sociology) serving as Editorial Assistant. The first set of issues in the Series features interdisciplinary research projects funded through the CMS Faculty and Graduate Student Collaborations Grant Program, with the first two papers already published on the CMS website.

**CMS INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOPS AND VISITING SCHOLARS**

The Centre for Migration Studies has continued with its full slate of programming: in 2021/22 we hosted 51 events! After a fall term of hybrid programming and a return to virtual events in January, CMS is now prioritizing in-person events to allow our community to (re)connect in person. In addition to our speaker series, research and policy roundtables, research group meetings, Grad Student Power Hours and community luncheons, the Centre also hosts international research workshops to facilitate collaborations between UBC and non-UBC migration and mobility scholars.
In the spring and summer of 2022 alone, CMS is organizing three international research workshops:

Public Views of Immigration and Diversity: Causes and Consequences for Policy was co-organized by Matthew Wright (Associate Professor, Political Science) and CMS Director Antje Ellermann, with financial support from the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Ottawa Office. The workshop, which built on the work of the CMS Political Behaviour Research Group, brought together leading scholars of public opinion from Canada, the United States, and Germany with Canadian policy practitioners to share and discuss cutting-edge work analyzing what people in immigrant-receiving countries think about immigrants and immigration, why they think it, and how knowing the answers to these questions shapes the policy-making process. In addition to discussing latest research, workshop participants reflected on how their work sheds light on broader relationships between researchers, the media, and policy makers.

The workshop Graphic Narratives of Migration, funded by a SSHRC Connection Grant and CMS matching funds, brought together 40 migration scholars from UBC and our institutional partner Concordia University with Vancouver-based graphic artists — including students from UBC’s Master of Fine Arts program — to collaborate in the creation of a collection of migration narratives in comics form. Organized by CMS Director Antje Ellermann, Frederik Byrn Køhlert (Associate Professor of Art, Media and American Studies, University of East Anglia), Sarah Leavitt (Assistant Professor of Graphic Forms, UBC), and Mireille Paquet (Associate Professor of Political Science, Concordia University), the workshop also featured a keynote address by British graphic novelist Kate Evans who discussed the process of writing her graphic novel Threads from the Refugee Crisis, including the ethical challenges of making artistic representations of vulnerable people in precarious situations.

A third workshop, Decolonizing and Indigenizing European and Migration Studies through Indigenous Storywork Methodologies, will take place this summer and is co-organized by Markus Hallensleben (Associate Professor, German Studies) and Biz Nijdam (Lecturer, German Studies). It is funded by a SSHRC Connection Grant and matching funds from several academic partners, including CMS. The workshop is part of the work of the CMS Research Group on Narratives and centres Jo-ann Archibald Q’um Q’um Xiiem’s educational storywork methodologies.

Despite the pandemic-related travel disruptions, CMS has been able to host 7 visiting scholars over the course of the academic year. The engagement of these scholars and policy practitioners in the work of the Centre has greatly enriched our research, programming, and networks: Berglind Asgeirsdottir, Iceland’s former ambassador to Russia; Demetrios Papademetriou, Distinguished Transatlantic Fellow and President Emeritus of the Migration Policy Institute in Washington, DC; Margie McHugh, Director of the Migration Policy Institute’s National Center on Immigrant Integration Policy in Washington, DC; Marie Sandberg, Associate Professor in European Ethnology and Director of the Centre for Advanced Migration Studies at the University of Copenhagen (Denmark); Conrad Ziller, Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Duisburg-Essen (Germany); Mathias Kruse, PhD candidate in Political Science and Sociology at Aarhus University (Denmark), and Tarik Englmann, MA student in Political Science at the University of Kassel (Germany).
**CMS GRADUATE TRAINING**

Graduate training has always been an integral part of the Centre for Migration Studies’ commitment to research excellence. This spring we launched our Mentor-in-Residence Program, with Rima Wilkes (Professor of Sociology) serving as the Centre’s inaugural mentor. The role supports CMS graduate affiliates in navigating the interdisciplinary field of migration studies. Dr. Wilkes led a discussion on professional and academic development as part of the CMS Grad Student Power Hour in addition to making herself available for informal conversations with interested graduate students.

I am excited to announce the launch of our CMS Fellows Program this summer. The program will recognize outstanding graduate and advanced undergraduate students who are pursuing migration and mobilities related studies and research at UBC. The program will provide an interdisciplinary community for these students by offering shared work space, research awards, faculty mentorship, and involvement in the Centre’s Research Groups, Grad Student Power Hours, and other CMS programming.

**CMS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Thanks to generous donor support, CMS has been able to create a new pilot staff position. In February, we hired an Engagement Strategist to advance the Centre’s commitment to building relationships with community-based organizations. The two-year part-time position allows CMS to expand existing relationships between the university and the community, focused on research, advocacy, and capacity building. Together with CMS Community Liaison Sean Lauer (Associate Professor, Sociology) and CMS Director Antje Ellermann, the Engagement Strategist also supports the work of the Centre’s Community Advisory Board. This newly-formed board is composed of an initial group of 13 members from mostly community-based local organizations as well as some private sector and government representatives.

**CMS POLICY ENGAGEMENT**

The Centre for Migration Studies continues to engage with policymakers and the broader public on critical questions of immigration and immigrant integration. In the fall, CMS co-sponsored two hybrid symposia on migration and integration at UBC Robson Square. Speakers from across North America shared their insights into the key trends they expect to see in Canadian migration and integration policy during the post-COVID recovery phase, and how these compare with developments in other major migration destination countries. A highlight was an armchair discussion with Catrina Tapley, Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) and Dr. Demetrios Papademetriou, Convener, Transatlantic Council on Migration and Co-founder of the Migration Policy Institute, moderated by CMS Policy Liaison Dan Hiebert (Professor, Geography).

The Centre’s policy engagement has been further strengthened by Dr. Hiebert’s secondment to IRCC, where he serves as the Department’s first ever Academic-in-Residence. At IRCC, Dr. Hiebert is situated in the Strategic and Program Policy Sector where he supports policy development on international student recruitment, economic immigrant selection, immigrant settlement in non-metropolitan regions, and the relationship between immigration and Canada’s housing markets.

**CMS GLOBAL MIGRATION PODCAST & INTERNATIONAL ART COMPETITION**

This year we launched the third season of our
Global Migration Podcast, titled “Resonant Research: Collaborations in Migration & Mobility Beyond the Academy.” Hosted and produced by Gabriele Dumpys Woolever (MA student in Geography), this two-part season includes six episodes. The first half of the season, released in January 2022, features personal stories from three people making their way in Canada as noncitizens during COVID-19. These stories are part of a collaborative project between UBC researchers in the Department of Geography and the Migrant Workers Centre in Vancouver, BC, titled “Temporary Foreign Workers During the Time of COVID-19.” The project was supported by funding from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

The second half of the season will continue in summer 2022 with three more episodes that take a storytelling approach about current research by UBC migration and mobility scholars and their community collaborators.

Building on the success of last year’s International Art Competition, CMS launched a second round of this juried competition, inviting both established and emerging artists to submit an artwork on migration. The 2022 competition was jointly supported by the work of the CMS Mobilities Research Group and CMS Research Creation Group and speaks to the importance of arts-based research and the contributions of artists to academic conversations about the causes, consequences, and experiences of global human migration and mobility. Artwork by A.P. Payal won first prize, and a video by Kunsang Kyirong was awarded the honourable mention. The submissions were fiercely competitive, with these two pieces standing out as the most original, thought-provoking and meaningful contributions to the space between art and scholarship.

None of the above initiatives would have been possible without the skill and dedication of our staff as well as the many faculty and graduate student affiliates who give of their time, energy and expertise. I am immensely grateful for the financial support we continue to receive from UBC’s Excellence Funds, the Faculty of Arts, the Departments of Political Science, Sociology, Geography, Anthropology and Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies, and the Peter A. Allard School of Law, as well as the administrative support provided by the Faculty of Arts. I am also pleased to report that, in February, the Centre for Migration Studies was approved by the UBC Senate as a research centre within the Faculty of Arts.

I wish all a restorative summer and look forward to (re)connecting in-person in the new academic year.

With gratitude,

ANTJE ELLERMANN
DIRECTOR, CENTRE FOR MIGRATION STUDIES

The C.K. Choi building at the UBC Vancouver campus. CMS is located on the third floor.
On paper, the Centre for Migration Studies was formally launched in November 2020 when the UBC Faculty of Arts announced its creation. Its history, however, goes back much further to when a small network of UBC scholars led by Antje Ellermann (Professor, Political Science—then Associate Professor) began exploring the idea of establishing a more formal collective centered on migration research. In late 2018, Ellermann met with colleagues to discuss the possibilities of filing an application with the Vice President’s Office of Research and Innovation (VPRI) at UBC to form an “Immigration Research Cluster” as part of VPRI’s new Grants for Catalyzing Research Clusters (GCRC) competition. As an immigrant to Canada and a scholar of migration, Ellermann had long felt that Vancouver, and UBC in particular, was an apt location to launch such a research initiative.

At a moment when the Trump administration was moving forward with a series of restrictive immigration policies, violence in Myanmar was displacing nearly one million ethnic Rohingya Muslims, and the EU was stumbling in managing the massive migratory flows of refugees from the Middle East and Africa, Metro Vancouver was—and is still—often seen as a model space for new immigrant settlement. Yet it was not without its own problems. Rising tensions related to the ethnically tinged concerns of foreign buyer speculation and skyrocketing housing prices often overlap with concerns over competition for jobs and rental housing from temporary foreign workers. With international students comprising 27% of UBC’s Vancouver campus student body, questions of “taking seats away” from domestic students are frequently asked by parents, students, and the media. At the same time, there are growing calls for Canada to acknowledge its settler colonial past and present, particularly with regards to ongoing immigration. In seeing these issues, Ellermann recognized that public discourse, transparency, and engagement with migration was required now more than ever. Having a collective research body to inform these conversations from an interdisciplinary and evidence-based approach could help address not just these issues but the wider global phenomena of international migration and mobility. When VPRI announced its awards, Ellermann’s “Migration Research Excellence Cluster” was born.

Over the course of the next two years, the Migration Cluster more than tripled in size, growing from an initial 17 faculty members to more than 50 UBC faculty and 40 graduate students across the Social Sciences, Humanities, and Health Sciences. As both faculty and graduate student membership
increased, so did the Cluster’s interdisciplinary research expertise. The initial focus on migration governance, immigrant integration, and national identity formation was soon joined by a growing body of scholars exploring questions of Indigeneity and migration, the politics of belonging and narratives, and mobilities and immobilities. With its growing footprint, the Migration Cluster developed partnerships with 11 local community organizations—most of whom work in the settlement sector—and two academic partners, the Berkeley Interdisciplinary Migration Initiative (BIMI) at University of California Berkeley and the Centre for the Study of Politics and Immigration (CSPI) at Concordia University. Through subsequent application cycles, the Migration Cluster’s commitment to research excellence, graduate training, community outreach, and policy engagement was recognized by VPRI through an additional year of funding as an “emerging cluster” in 2019/20 and as an “established cluster” in 2020/21. In 2019, Ellermann was joined by Suzanne Huot (Assistant Professor, Occupational Therapy and Occupational Sciences), who served as the Cluster co-lead from 2019 to 2020.

In early 2020, a task force composed of four Migration Cluster affiliates and led by Ellermann began working on an application to institutionalize the Cluster as a formal research centre in the Faculty of Arts. Later that year, after more than a year of consultation and careful planning, the Migration Cluster’s formal establishment as the Centre for Migration Studies (CMS) was realized through the generous financial support from the UBC Departments of Political Science, Sociology, Geography, Anthropology, and the Peter A. Allard School of Law, with matching funds from the UBC Faculty of Arts. Since that time, the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies has joined the Centre’s official list of departmental sponsors. Additional support, at the time of this writing, continues to be provided by the 2021 GCRC award arising from the Excellence Funds from the Office of the Vice-President of Research and Innovation.

CMS is the first interdisciplinary research centre in the Faculty of Arts and was formally approved by the UBC Senate and Board of Governors as a bona fide UBC unit in March 2022. The Centre is now home to more than 135 faculty and graduate student affiliates from more than 30 Departmental units across UBC—as well as other higher education institutions in southwestern British Columbia—and has formal partnerships with 11 community organizations, two external universities, and one student-run undergraduate club, the UBC Political Science Student Association (PSSA).

This is the second annual report for CMS. It covers the entirety of the 2021/22 fiscal year from April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022.
CMS is led by its Founding Director Antje Ellermann, Professor in Political Science.

Including the Director, CMS is governed by a 17-member Executive Committee that meets 5–6 times a year. The Executive Committee serves to inform and guide CMS decision-making, including on strategic direction, compliance and accountability, and programs and initiatives. Its composition reflects the broad, interdisciplinary interests of those engaging with CMS. Executive Committee members also serve as evaluation committees for awards and grants offered internally by CMS.

Formal procedures concerning Executive Committee membership terms and protocols are guided by the CMS Governance Guidelines, approved by the Executive Committee via a 2/3 vote in November 2021. At present, membership in the Executive Committee is governed by the following principles: each departmental sponsor is allocated one seat on the Executive Committee and the coordinator of each CMS Research Group is provided a seat. Additionally, there are two graduate student representatives, a policy liaison, a community liaison, and a community representative.

At the end of the 2021/22 fiscal year, the Executive Committee comprises 14 faculty from across nine units at UBC: Efrat Arbel, Associate Professor, Allard School of Law; Alexia Bloch, Professor and Head, Anthropology; Amanda Cheong, Assistant Professor, Sociology; Antje Ellermann, Professor, Political Science and CMS Founding Director; Erin Goheen Glanville, Sessional Lecturer, Coordinated Arts Program, English Language & Literatures; Ben Goold, Professor, Allard School of Law; Markus Hallensleben, Associate Professor, Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies; Dan Hiebert, Professor, Geography; Suzanne Huot, Assistant Professor, Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy; Sean Lauer, Associate Professor, Sociology; Geraldine Pratt, Professor and Head, Geography; Matthew Wright, Associate Professor, Political Science; Gaoheng Zhang, Associate Professor, French, Hispanic, and Italian Studies; Yang-Yang Zhou, Assistant Professor, Political Science.

Two doctoral students hold seats as representatives of the graduate student body: Lisa Brunner, PhD student, Educational Studies; Caitlyn Yates, PhD student, Anthropology. The community seat is held by Katie Crocker, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Affiliation of Multicultural Societies.
Ellermann directs the Executive Committee and is also supported by a full-time Research Manager, a part-time Program and Administrative Assistant, a part-time Engagement Strategist, a Policy Liaison (Dan Hiebert, Professor, Geography), and a Community Liaison (Sean Lauer, Associate Professor, Sociology).

Collectively, the Executive Committee represents all university ranks (i.e., graduate students; assistant, associate, and full professors and a sessional lecturer). In 2020, Ellermann and Richard Johnston (Professor Emeritus, Political Science) were awarded a UBC President’s Research Excellence Chair (PEC) in Global Migration and the PEC will serve as Co-Director with Ellermann once in situ.

A Community Advisory Board (CAB) has been established. At the time of writing, more than 13 members from diverse community organizations and backgrounds have committed to join the CAB. Governance guidelines for the CAB will be finalized before the end of 2022. The CMS Community Representative on the Executive Committee will also hold a seat on the CAB and serve as the primary bridge between the two advisory bodies.

The research excellence of the Executive Committee has been recognized with numerous distinctions: 2 Canada Research Chairs, 1 Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, 2 Peter Wall Early Career Scholars, 2 Green College Leading Scholars, 1 Harvard Academy Scholar, 1 CIFAR Azrieli Global Scholar, an Academic in Residence at Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), a Metropolis Researcher Award, a Jacob Biely Research Prize, a Killam Research Prize, a Killam Graduate Mentoring Award, a Canadian Association of Geographers’ Scholarly Distinction Award, a Sam Black Award for Education and Development in the Visual and Performing Arts, and an Honorary Doctorate.

In their respective disciplines, Executive Committee members have served on more than a dozen editorial boards and as Editor of the Canadian Review of Sociology, President of the Canadian Sociological Association, Co-President of the American Political Science Association’s Migration and Citizenship section, Executive Board Member of the Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers, and Chair of the International Society for Occupational Science. Engagement with policymakers is reflected in memberships on the Advisory Committee for Statistics Canada, IRCC Deputy Minister’s Advisory Committee, IRCC Research Advisory Committee, IRCC Migration Experts Group, Global Affairs Canada’s Global Compact on Refugees Advisory Committee, Global Affairs Canada’s Global Compact on Refugees Advisory Committee, BC Information and Privacy Commissioner’s External Advisory Board, and the City of Vancouver Mayor’s Working Group on Immigration.

**RESEARCH AFFILIATES**

CMS provides and supports numerous opportunities for faculty and graduate students to engage in innovative cross-disciplinary research collaborations and produce new insights into migration studies. Our network of research affiliates comprises 77 UBC faculty and postdoctoral fellows, and 55 UBC graduate students. They come from more than 50 units across campus (see Appendix G for a full list of units represented by CMS affiliates). Several affiliates hold senior administrative positions at UBC including the Dean of Arts, the Associate Dean of Arts, Faculty and Equity, the Director of the Centre for European Studies, and the
Heads of Anthropology, Sociology, Geography, and Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies. While CMS is firmly integrated into UBC structures, it is also part of a larger network within the lower mainland of British Columbia and across the globe more widely. Within BC, this includes a combined 7 faculty affiliates from Simon Fraser University, University of the Fraser Valley, and University of Victoria. These affiliates partner and participate in many special programs, publications, initiatives, research projects, and groups.

Affiliation with CMS carries multiple benefits for both CMS and individual affiliates. Affiliates are eligible to apply for internal CMS workshop competitions, prizes and research funds, and are provided networking opportunities that allow them to explore ways to foster new research collaborations. CMS communicates and publicizes the migration research of its affiliates through both informal and formal channels, such as its Working Paper Series, thereby maximizing its impact. With our Senate and Board of Governors approval in March 2022, we are now able to provide additional research support services to faculty affiliates through the management and administering of certain grants. We hope to expand our impact through the appointment of postdoctoral fellows and research associates once the ability to appoint faculty centrally is permitted by the Dean’s Office. Graduate student affiliates are provided access to training opportunities via special internships with community organizations and through one-on-one and group consultation with the CMS Graduate Mentor in Residence, Rima Wilkes (Professor, Sociology). By affiliating with CMS, graduate students also gain critical experience by working directly with faculty, research experts, and community partners and are provided opportunities to workshop public talks through the regularly occurring Grad Student Power Hour. Next academic year, graduate students will be able to apply to the CMS Fellows Program which will provide an interdisciplinary student community and offer shared work space, research awards, faculty mentorship, and involvement in CMS Research Groups and other CMS programming.

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS
Community outreach and partnership is an essential component of CMS. At the end of the 2022/22 fiscal year, we have formal relationships with 11 community partners serving immigrant and refugee populations across Metro Vancouver. These are: Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of BC (AMMSA); Association of Neighbourhood Houses BC (ANHBC); Immigrant Employment Council of BC (IEC-BC); Immigrant Services Society of BC (ISSofBC); Migrant Workers Centre BC; MOSAIC BC; Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House; Options Community Services; Réseau en Immigration Francophone C.B.; S.U.C.C.E.S.S.; and World University Services of Canada (WUSC)-UBC. We also have informal partnerships with the Vancouver Local Immigration Partnership and the Mount Pleasant, Collingwood, Kiwassa, Little Mountain, and South Vancouver Neighbourhood Houses.

Despite the ongoing challenges and uncertainties caused by the global pandemic, we continue to expand our institutional partnerships and collaborations. This past year, we worked alongside more than 35 organizations, more than half of which were outside UBC, to organize events, launch new initiatives and run a robust array of public programming (see Appendix F for a full list of organizations we collaborated with in 2021-22).
To illustrate just a few examples, in October 2021 we hosted a large public-facing hybrid (virtual and in-person) symposium on the “Migration Dynamics of North America Before, During and After COVID-19” at UBC’s Robson Square. Much of the event’s success was undoubtedly a result of its collaborative approach and the various organizations that we partnered with to maximize its impact. These partners included the Washington DC-based Migration Policy Institute’s Transatlantic Council on Migration, the Vancouver-based Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia, and the Mexico City-based Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM). A second symposium on “Immigrant Integration During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic,” also held in downtown Vancouver at UBC Robson Square, took place just weeks later (November 2021) in collaboration with the Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia, The Migration Policy Institute’s National Centre on Immigrant Integration Policy, the Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of BC (AMSSA), and the UBC Killam Connection Award program. This sort of multi-partner approach is typical of much of our public programming. To provide one final example, earlier in the year (April 2021) we supported CMS faculty affiliate Miu Chung Yan (Professor, Social Work) to organize a comprehensive forum on the patterns and experiences of Chinese and Indian immigrants in Vancouver, Los Angeles and Singapore. This virtual event was held in conjunction with the Asia Pacific Center at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and the Sociology Division at the Nanyang Technological University in Singapore. Additional collaborative partnerships are highlighted below (see also Appendix B and F).

In addition to expanding our community partnerships through the addition of the
Migrant Workers Centre, we also developed our first student partnership with the undergraduate-led Political Science Student Association (PSSA) at UBC. The PSSA is an entirely student-run departmental club that promotes and creates opportunities to learn more about political science and has several members who are deeply invested in learning more about career and research pathways in migration studies. This new relationship is in addition to our two existing partnerships with academic institutions in the US and Canada: the Berkeley Interdisciplinary Migration Initiative (BIMI) at the University of California Berkeley and the Centre for the Study of Politics and Immigration (CSPI) at Concordia University. During the past year, CMS Executive Committee members have also strategically connected with academic institutions in the United Kingdom (University of Lancaster; Nuffield College at Oxford University; Queen’s University, Belfast) and Canada (University of Toronto; Toronto Metropolitan University) to explore further opportunities for institutional partnerships and intellectual exchange. A new Visiting Fellow Exchange program between CMS and the Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Migration and Integration Program at Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU; formerly Ryerson University) is currently in progress and we hope to launch it in 2023.

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

A Research Manager, Programs and Initiatives, (1.0 FTE) works with the Director and Executive Committee to support CMS research and policy projects, and to advance the role of CMS within UBC and in the broader community. In addition to overseeing the CMS annual program of events and initiatives and managing group research projects and budgets, they are also responsible for communications and supporting grant-writing activities.

Josephine Roele is the current CMS Research Manager. The position was previously held by Douglas Ober, who joined CMS in March 2020 and stepped down in May 2022. Ober is also a Research Associate in the Centre for India and South Asia Research (CISAR) at the UBC School of Public Policy and Global Affairs (SPPGA), and holds a PhD in Asian Studies from UBC. From September 2021 to January 2022, Ober took a leave of absence to serve as a Neubauer Fellow at the University of Chicago and in his absence, Dr. Sandra Schinnerl, a recent PhD from UBC in Interdisciplinary Studies (2021), served as Acting Manager. Schinnerl has more than two decades of senior administrative experience at higher education institutions across British Columbia and is an expert on internationalization and international student pathways and outcomes in Canada. She is also the driving force, along with Dan Hiebert (Professor, Geography) behind the CMS Migration Datahub.

In mid-July 2021, a part-time (.7 FTE) staff member was hired to support the Research Manager. This position was held by Sofia Ramos from July 2021-February 2022. In spring 2022, CMS increased the position to .8 FTE and hired Francine Rodrigues in May 2022. The Administrative and Program Assistant (CUPE 2950) staff member is tasked with event planning and coordination, expense processing and documentation, marketing support, and physical infrastructure support.

The Research Manager is also supported by a UBC graduate student administrative assistant who works on a part-time hourly basis (typically ranging from 3-5 hours weekly): Atieh Razavi Yekta, a PhD student in Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. Additional administrative and communication projects are supported by
other students, including Emily Amburgey, a PhD student in Anthropology; Aysan Deghani, an undergraduate student, and Sadie Rittman, an MA student in Anthropology.

Institution building in the Centre is augmented by a new part-time (.5 FTE) staff member, the Engagement Strategist. This position began in March 2022 and is funded for two years. The position is held by Javier Ojer, a project manager who has more than a decade of experience working with community partners in Vancouver and internationally. As Engagement Strategist, Ojer works to develop and enhance partnerships between UBC, CMS and community leaders and organizations across the Metro Vancouver region.

Community partnerships are further supported by the work of the Community Liaison, Sean Lauer (Associate Professor, Sociology), and a graduate student, Saguna Shankar (PhD student, School of Library, Archival and Information Studies). Together, Lauer and Shankar work to build relationships between academic and community partners that bring about new research and other collaborations.

Long-term plans for resource management will require securing an increase in base funding for personnel costs if current levels of programming are to be maintained. With the significant expansion of research and other programming led by an active CMS faculty and graduate student affiliate body and community partners, increased and stabilized permanent staffing will be essential. Currently, personnel expenses are covered by Arts and departmental funds with graduate student support provided by external grant revenue. Efforts began in 2021-22 to secure donor funding by developing a case for support with Arts Development.

At present, CMS is located at the northwest end of the UBC Vancouver campus on the third floor of the C.K. Choi Building (1855 West Mall). We hold three dedicated offices: one for the Research Manager, one for the Administrative and Program Assistant, and a third larger office currently arranged as a community room for graduate students and visiting scholars. The CMS Director also has their own office in the same wing of the building, although formally, this space is held by the Department of Political Science, of which Ellermann holds a faculty appointment as Professor. In addition to these offices, the CMS wing is enriched by having three additional offices occupied by Political Science faculty that are also CMS affiliates. These are: Richard Johnston (Professor Emeritus); Matthew Wright (Associate Professor; Research Coordinator of the Political Behaviour Group); Yang-Yang Zhou (Assistant Professor). Zhou is currently on leave until 2023 and her office has been used during the past year to host Visiting Scholars along with the Centre’s Engagement Strategist.

In the past year, our events were held online, in-person and with a hybrid format. While we have committed to hosting at least sixty percent of our external speakers via virtual formats in the coming year to reduce our carbon footprint as well as best manage pandemic uncertainties around travel and in-person interaction, a significant number of our events continue to take place in person. Under these circumstances, most larger CMS events are held in either the C.K. Choi conference room or the Place of Many Trees (xʷθə qiθəm) in the Liu Institute for Global Issues.
In spring 2021, CMS began working with Arts Development to secure donor funding to cover both staffing and non-staffing expenses currently paid for by existing funds and to secure long-term funding for new research, student support and community engagement initiatives (see the “Looking Forward” section below for more information). CMS also continues to explore possibilities for third-party grant funding, including from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), and Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF). For instance, in a cross-Canada partnership with the Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) CERC in Migration and Integration, University of Alberta, and Concordia University, CMS submitted a Letter of Intent in March 2022 for CFREF funding. If awarded, CMS would secure $12.5 million (prior to overhead costs) over 7 years (2023 – 2030) out of a total request of $85 million.

In the past academic year, the research excellence of CMS has been demonstrated by the more than $7 million combined in Tri-Council migration-related grants secured by CMS affiliates. Much of this leveraged funding is carried into co-supporting CMS programs, initiatives and research projects. With Senate approval in March 2022, CMS is now able to administer collaborative faculty grants and at the time of writing, five grants awarded to UBC faculty totalling nearly $499,000 are being transferred to CMS accounts. This brings the total Term 1 funds managed by CMS to just under $1.4 million. (Note: Year 1 of CMS’ first term was truncated to align with the UBC fiscal calendar, so while Year 1 ran from December 2020 - March 2021, subsequent years follow standard fiscal calendars: i.e., Year 2, April 2021 - March 2022; Year 3, April 2022 - March 2023; Year 4, April 2023 - March 2024; Year 5, April 2024 - March 2025).

The contributions by UBC departmental sponsors and matching funds by the UBC Faculty of Arts are used to pay two staffing positions: a full-time (1.0 FTE) Research Manager and a part-time (.7 to .8 FTE) CUPE Program and Administrative Assistant. The GCRC funds are allocated to support research collaborations, programming, networking, and outreach.

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CMS is governed by an Executive Committee whose mandate is to provide strategic guidance and advice on CMS research initiatives, policy, and community outreach, and help achieve the goals and objectives of the CMS strategic plan. The Executive Committee also oversees the allocation of CMS funding.

In 2021/22, the Executive Committee comprised two graduate student representatives, a community member representing community and settlement sector interests, and fourteen faculty from across nine units at UBC, including a Policy Liaison and a Community Liaison. Each departmental sponsor is allocated one seat on the Executive Committee, and each CMS Research Group is allocated one seat on the Executive Committee, held by the Research Group Coordinator.

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Lisa Brunner, PhD candidate, Educational Studies  
Amanda Cheong, Assistant Professor, Sociology  
Katie Crocker, Chief Executive Officer, Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of British Columbia (AMSSA)  
Antje Ellermann, Associate Professor, Political Science; CMS Director  
Erin Goheen Glanville, Lecturer, Coordinated Arts Program, English Language & Literatures  
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Dan Hiebert, Professor, Geography; CMS Policy Liaison  
Suzanne Huot, Assistant Professor, Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy  
Sean Lauer, Associate Professor, Sociology; CMS Community Liaison  
Geraldine Pratt, Professor, Geography; Head, Geography  
Matthew Wright, Assistant Professor, Political Science  
Caitlyn Yates, PhD candidate, Anthropology  
Gaoheng Zhang, Assistant Professor, Italian Studies; Associate Head, Italian Studies  
Yang-Yang Zhou, Assistant Professor, Political Science
CMS is committed to providing a respectful environment where equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) are valued and recognized as a source of excellence. Collectively, we are a large and diverse group, coming from disparate personal and professional backgrounds and serving as faculty of all university ranks, graduate students, and staff from 30 units across UBC. Our 11 community partners work to support and represent Metro Vancouver’s immigrant, refugee, and newcomer populations in all their diversity. Our 17-member Executive Committee represents numerous career stages and paths, including 2 graduate students, 1 sessional lecturer, 3 assistant professors, 5 associate professors, 5 full professors and 1 community member (from AMSSA). Nearly two-thirds are women. In light of Truth and Reconciliation and the growing acknowledgment of Canada’s history as a settler colonial state, the Executive Committee voted in February 2022 to strengthen its own commitments to decolonization and participated in a full day decolonization training (April 2022) by completing UBC’s Indigenous Strategic Initiative Self-Assessment Tool.

The study of migration is by definition focused on questions of equity, diversity and inclusion. Our research and programming direct attention to issues of belonging, inclusion and exclusion by ensuring that not only are research subjects diverse but that our organizing committees and presenters include underrepresented groups. This past year, of all of our presenters (including workshops, conferences, etc.), seventy percent were women and forty-six percent were either Black, Indigenous, or People of Color. We work to establish equitable and supportive conditions for graduate students in their professional development, such as in the 11 Grad Power Hour events hosted by grad students, 3 community partner internships, or in the 12 grants we awarded in 2021-22 to graduate students to support research collaborations between faculty and graduate student affiliates.

Intellectually, we foster a variety of disciplinary and methodological perspectives and in this past year, Humanities and performing arts collaborations made up more than half of our public events. Three CMS Research Groups — Research Creation, Mobilities, Narratives — explicitly draw on and promote programming and initiatives at the intersection of art and scholarship. All of our programming is open to the public, free, and (if permission is granted) recorded and...
Decolonizing migration studies remains one of our core commitments. The Centre for Migration Studies recognizes that its work takes place on unceded Coast Salish territories where we, collectively and individually, benefit from the dispossession of Indigenous peoples. As university-based researchers, we are mindful that our ways of knowing, learning, and teaching are shaped by colonial worldviews. We are committed to pursuing the decolonization of migration studies by supporting research and programming that centres the intersection of migration, settler colonialism, and Indigeneity, and by exploring reciprocal ways of generating and sharing knowledge. We seek to decolonize the ways in which CMS is governed and builds relationships, both within and beyond the university.

We continue to uphold a policy that all public events and meetings begin with a land acknowledgement. We have budgeted funding for honoraria for Indigenous openings for larger events. Three of our research groups — Migration and Indigeneity, Narratives, Research Creation — place settler-colonialism and Indigeneity at the centre of their research. The SSHRC Partnership Development Grant (“Belonging in Unceded Territory”) that we were awarded in 2020 examines decolonized belonging in Vancouver. It is supported in an advisory capacity by Sheryl Lightfoot, Senior Advisor to the UBC President on Indigenous Affairs and the United Nations Representative on Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The project also includes Indigenous staff of the Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House (FHNH), one of our community partners. In partnership with FHNH, the Belonging in Unceded Territory Steering Committee and research team — composed of CMS faculty affiliates, graduate student affiliates, staff, and community partners AMSSA and ISSofBC — underwent two decolonization trainings led by Indigenous facilitators Travis Angus and Norm Leech, with commitments to hold a third in late spring.

In planning programming, CMS considers representation within and across events to ensure that equity, diversity and inclusion are taken into account. Season 3 of our Global Migration Podcast — titled “Resonant Research: Collaborations in Migration & Mobility Beyond the Academy” — is hosted and produced by CMS graduate student affiliate, Gabriele Dumpys Woolever (MA student, Geography). While previous seasons had focused on migration in the time of COVID-19 (Season 1) and newcomer stories in their own words (Season 2), the first half of Season 3 (three episodes) is part of a research project “Temporary Foreign Workers during the Time of COVID-19” and is born out of a collaboration between UBC researchers (Vanessa Banta, Gabriele Dumpys Woolever, and Geraldine Pratt) and the Migrant Workers Centre in Vancouver. The final three episodes of Season 3 will feature profiles and conversations about three different faculty research projects at UBC covering issues of decolonization and migration in British Columbia, immigrant detention, and immigration in Latin America.

We collaborate with other UBC units to plan additional events, including the year-long Indigenous Presence Lecture Series, co-organized by the CMS Narratives Research Group with the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies, and archived on our website and social media channels for increased accessibility.
in several of our annual Speaker Series events. This included the Speaker Series seminar in November 2021 on “Migration and Pandemics” by Dr. Chinmay Tumbe (Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad) supported by diverse units such as the Interdisciplinary Histories Research Cluster (IHRC), Centre for India and South Asia Research, and School of Public Policy and Global Affairs. Many of our events are also developed through sustained collaborations with non-UBC units, such as the Co-Created Story Project (November 2021), a participatory initiative undertaken by CMS and Options Community Services (OCS). This unique collaboration was designed in order to support OCS staff working to support clients in sharing their stories in a safe manner.
BY THE NUMBERS

APRIL 1, 2021 - MARCH 31, 2022

- 84 Faculty + Postdoctoral Affiliates
- 55 Grad Student Affiliates
- 33 UBC Units Represented
- 2 University Partners
- 7 Research Groups
- 4 Episodes of Global Migration Podcast
- 11 Community Partners
- 46 Public Talks
- 4 Workshops and Conferences
- 7 Visiting Scholars
- 23 Grad Students Employed
- 4 Grad Students Working with Community Partners
RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

Fostering innovative and interdisciplinary collaborative research partnerships and projects is one of the core mandates and strengths of CMS. From migration governance, immigrant integration, and national identity formation, to the politics of belonging, public opinion and xenophobia, migration narratives, (im)mobilites and the relationships between Indigeneity and migration, our network of interdisciplinary scholars and community collaborators illuminates crucial questions surrounding migration.

Our research aims to understand the complex challenges and opportunities for governments, societies, and the international community regarding global migration. Meaningful collaboration and knowledge mobilization are key to our approach to research partnerships, evidenced by our active schedule of public events where researchers and community collaborators have shared their expertise with a wide range of stakeholders, including policymakers, immigrant and refugee service-providers, and the public.

In 2021/22, we were pleased to demonstrate our commitment to fostering innovative, interdisciplinary and collaborative research with a new grant initiative for migration and mobilities research collaborations between faculty and graduate student affiliates. The CMS Small Grants for Faculty-Graduate Student Research Collaborations provided funds for research projects to lead to faculty-graduate student co-authored papers, to be submitted to our Working Paper Series. Twelve grants were awarded overall, demonstrating the value of CMS programming as a platform for promoting interdisciplinary and collaborative research.

Beyond our wider-ranging research projects and initiatives, many CMS collaborations are focused more specifically around seven areas of research excellence, each of which forms its own research group. The following section provides brief sketches of each group.

**BORDERS**

With 15 members from 6 disciplines, the Borders Research Group focuses on border governance, with research themes focused on movement across international borders but also including the securitization of borders, cross-border labour mobility, gendered borders, mobile, imagined, and constructed borders.
constructed borders, and sovereignty, territory, and borders. The goals of this group are two-fold: to advance interdisciplinary understandings of migration laws, processes, and outcomes; and to build collaborative networks that enable comparison across disciplines and perspectives.

In 2021/22, the Group Coordinator was Professor Ben Goold, Allard School of Law.

COMMUNITY-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS
This CMS Research Group has the goal of developing strong collaborative partnerships between CMS academic and community members. To that end, the group aims 1) to develop the community-university approach at CMS and 2) to facilitate research collaborations between academic and community partners leading to grant proposal development.

The group is led by Suzanne Huot, Assistant Professor, Occupational Sciences and Occupational Therapy. Community-University Partnerships has 19 members from 12 disciplines.

MIGRATION AND INDIGENEITY
The Migration and Indigeneity Research Group is an interdisciplinary group of migration scholars committed to exploring the intersection of migration studies and Indigeneity through reading, discussing, teaching, writing, and engaging in dialogue with scholars and activists. The group seeks to advance the Indigenization of migration studies, both through teaching and research, and is led by Professor Antje Ellermann, Political Science.

Migration and Indigeneity is home to 9 members from 8 disciplines.

MOBILITIES
Addressing the mediums and meanings of mobilities and immobilities, the Mobilities Research Group aims to produce a new line of inquiry within mobility analysis at UBC: a humanistic, interpretive, multilingual, culturally sensitive scholarship on multiple and intersecting mobilities. The Mobilities Research Group engages with the attention to mobility in cultural, historical, media, and literary studies of the circulation of humans, objects, ideas, and images by drawing from both the humanities and social sciences.

With 27 members from 11 disciplines, the Mobilities group is led by Gaoheng Zhang, Associate Professor, French, Hispanic and Italian Studies.

NARRATIVES
The interdisciplinary Narratives Research Group is interested in any social, political, artistic, practical and theoretical implications pertaining to narratives of migration, belonging and politics of belonging. By investigating settler, migrant, refugee, and Indigenous narratives we seek to identify alternative narratives that critically and constructively challenge Eurocentric notions of settlement, ownership, and identity. In order to foster a viewpoint of decolonized social belonging, we will question binary and place-based concepts of hybridity, diversity, integration, settlement and Indigenous belonging, as they appear in literature, film, and other media. Our aim is to discuss a set of criteria for a transformative aesthetics that renegotiates and changes political perspectives, and thus plays a crucial part in challenging collective core narratives in plural societies.

With 13 members from 9 disciplines, the CMS Narratives Research Group is led by
Markus Hallensleben, Assistant Professor in the Department of Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies.

POLITICAL BEHAVIOUR
This CMS Research Group of 4 political scientists was launched in early 2021 and aims to discuss current research on immigration as it connects to topics in political behaviour and political attitudes. This is broadly construed so as to be inclusive of work that analyzes immigrants and minority-members as units of analysis as well as more mainstream public opinion work.

The Group Coordinator is Matthew Wright, Assistant Professor, Political Science.

RESEARCH CREATION
The goal of this new multidisciplinary group of 8 UBC and SFU faculty and graduate students from six disciplines is to bring together researchers and artists at UBC and beyond to explore the intersection of the arts and scholarship in the study of migration, and the creative forms that research can and should take as we seek to understand the dynamics and implications of migration in a settler colonial state.

Launched in January 2021, Research Creation is co-led by two coordinators, Erin Goheen Glanville, Sessional Lecturer, English, and Anne Murphy, Associate Professor, History.
Graduate student training, mentorship, and professional development is at the heart of the CMS vision. CMS provides numerous opportunities for specialized education and training in migration studies. Graduate student affiliates receive all communications and are welcome to join research groups. They are also eligible for special travel awards and conference funding.

To ensure graduate student perspectives and priorities, two elected graduate student representatives (Lisa Brunner, Educational Studies; Caitlyn Yates, Anthropology) serve on the Executive Committee. Service on the Executive Committee also provides students with training in cross-sectoral collaboration, working with multiple stakeholders, and institution-building. CMS also makes concerted efforts to ensure graduate student leadership in our public events. More information about participation in the Graduate Student Power Hour is found in the “Year Highlights” section of this report.

Graduate student affiliates are frequently involved in multiple research projects and training initiatives. At the end of 2022, CMS funds were directly supporting 8 students from 7 disciplines: Saguna Shankar (Ph.D. student, School of Library, Archival and Information Studies) facilitates the Community-University Partnerships group’s programming. Atieh Razavi Yekta (PhD student, Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy) provides communications support and website development, in addition to supporting online events and social media. Emily Amburgey (PhD student, Anthropology) and Sadie Ritman (MA student, Anthropology) support quarterly and annual communications, such as the CMS Newsletter and Annual Report.
Tori Yang (PhD student, Sociology) serves as Editorial Assistant for the CMS Working Paper Series. Gabriele Dumpys Woolever (MA student, Geography) hosts the third season of the Global Migration podcast. William Canero (MA student, School of Community and Regional Planning) holds an internship with CMS community partner, AMSSA, and is supported by Ellermann’s Belonging in Unceded Territory SSHRC PDG. Aysan Deghani (BA student, Political Science) assists with in-person events. Four other students also support smaller CMS projects (i.e., workshops, competitions) and more than a dozen other graduate student employees were supported by CMS through its small grants competition, faculty network and accompanying grants.

Rima Wilkes, Professor and Graduate Student Chair in Sociology, serves as the inaugural Mentor in Residence for CMS graduate student affiliates. In this position, she provides advice and support in navigating graduate studies in migration related research. In March 2022, we formally launched the Mentor in Residence program with a public “Coffee Hour” where Wilkes delivered a presentation to undergraduates and graduate student affiliates on trends in migration research, tips for choosing a research topic and getting through graduate school, and academic and non-academic career pathways in migration studies. Additionally, numerous graduate students benefit from supervision of not just one CMS affiliate faculty member but multiple. For instance, Sabine Zimmermann (Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies) is supervised by Hallensleben (Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies) and Ellermann (Political Science). Francesca Pegorer (Anthropology) is supervised by Markus Hallensleben (Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies) and Sara Shneiderman (Anthropology). Emily Amburgey (Anthropology) is supervised by Sara Shneiderman (Anthropology) and Geraldine Pratt (Geography).
Along with innovative collaborative research and graduate student training, the third pillar of CMS concerns community outreach and evidence-informed policy making. Since its inception, CMS has maintained strong relationships with community-based organizations and service-providing agencies that work with immigrants and refugees in BC. The value CMS places on these relationships is reflected in the development of the Community Advisory Board (CAB). As a collective research initiative working on issues of public relevance, CMS also works tirelessly to bring scholarly insights and knowledge into the wider public domain through public-facing initiatives such as talks, workshops, media appearances, podcasts, documentary films, filmmaking campaigns, and general media publications.

COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD DEVELOPMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT

Plans for developing the CMS Community Advisory Board (CAB) were a commitment in our application for 2021 GCRC funds, springing from the ways that community partnerships were already intricately woven into CMS research, programming and initiatives. Led by our Community Liaison Sean Lauer (Associate Professor, Sociology), in close consultation with the CMS Executive Committee’s Community Representative (Katie Crocker, AMSSA), a working group of Executive Committee members explored approaches to establishing the CMS CAB. As an outcome of the working group discussions, CMS held two open consultations with diverse stakeholders in migration policymaking and service-provision. To ensure broad participation in the consultations, CMS shared the open call through its communication channels, including through our community partners and broader networks.

In May 2021, CMS Executive Committee member Suzanne Huot (Assistant Professor, Occupational Sciences and Occupational Therapy) led the consultation discussions, covering what the purpose of a CAB should be, its composition, and the selection process. Over 30 individuals participated in the consultations, representing both large and small immigrant-serving organizations from across the province, including representatives from school districts and policymakers. A clear recommendation from the consultations was to hold an open call for membership of the CAB alongside a
targeted selection process. This would help to ensure that the CAB was representative of a range of voices from immigrant-serving organizations, as well as from those from outside the sector with lived experience of migration and/or from underrepresented groups, including students and Indigenous people.

In September 2021, CMS shared an open call for applications for individuals from community organizations and service-providing agencies, with a clear outline of the expertise sought, the service expected, the networking opportunities arising from CAB membership, and the accessibility and supports available to ensure participation. The selection process was conducted by members of the CMS Executive Committee, including those who were not involved in the initial working group discussions, to ensure a broad sense of ownership. At the same time, CMS conducted direct targeted outreach to engage representatives from the Provincial Government, IRCC, Indigenous organizations and student/youth organizations. Strong interest in participation has resulted in 13 members currently sitting on the CAB. This demonstrates the wide-ranging and enthusiastic buy-in from the community to the Community Advisory Board.

The CAB works with CMS and its Executive Committee as an advisory group on issues of CMS policy, programming and activities. It also provides a bridge between CMS, the Metro Vancouver community, and the broader community of organizations and leaders in BC with an interest in research and other economic, political and social issues surrounding migration. The CAB advises CMS on research priorities in the region and on building productive partnerships between researchers and the community, including on appropriate practices for managing fair and equitable research partnerships. The CAB is supported by the CMS Community Liaison and the Engagement Strategist. It has held its preliminary orientation meeting and will hold its first formal meeting in fall 2022.

PUBLIC-FACING INITIATIVES

In 2021/22, CMS events were hosted in-person, via Zoom, and using a hybrid format to promote safe and accessible public participation. Over two thirds of CMS events in 2021/22 were aimed at public audiences and/or worked in collaboration with community partners. Examples include the two hybrid symposia on migration and integration at UBC Robson Square, expanded upon in the “Year Highlights” section of this report. Each symposium was co-sponsored by a diverse range of academic and community partners: one by UBC (Killiam Connection Award program and CMS) together with the Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia, the Migration Policy Institute’s Transatlantic Council on Migration, and the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM); the other also co-sponsored by UBC (Killiam Connection Award program and CMS), The Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia, The Migration Policy Institute’s National Center on Immigrant Integration Policy, and our community partner AMSSA. Collectively, the two symposia were attended by more than 500 people from a dozen countries around the world.
The following section provides glimpses of just some of this past year’s highlights. This list is not exhaustive but selects a series of items highlighting our breadth and interdisciplinarity. A complete list of events is provided in subsequent sections and in Appendix B.
Originally launched by CMS Manager of Programs and Initiatives Douglas Ober in 2020, the Global Migration Podcast continues to share stories, perspectives and insights from expert researchers, community partners, and migrants on-the-ground. 2021/22 saw the launch of its third season.

Season 3, titled "Resonant Research: Collaborations in Migration and Mobility Beyond the Academy," is hosted by Gabriele Dumpys Woolever (MA student, Geography). The first half of the season features three episodes on the diverse experiences of migrant workers over the past year as COVID-19 and immigration processes have impacted their lives. These episodes were created as part of the research project “Temporary Foreign Workers During the Time of COVID-19,” a collaboration between UBC researchers and the Migrant Workers Centre in Vancouver, BC. Three additional episodes focused on UBC faculty research on migration are slated for release in summer 2022.

In addition, the podcast released a special episode as part of the October 2021 “Symposium on the Migration Dynamics of North America Before, During, and After Covid-19.” In an armchair discussion, Dan Hiebert (Professor, Geography) spoke with Christina Tapley (Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) and the late Demetrios G. Papademetriou (Convener, Transatlantic Council on Migration; President Emeritus, Migration Policy Institute) about the key trends we expect to see in Canadian migration policy during the post-Covid recovery phase, and how to compare these developments with other major migration destination countries.

The Global Migration Podcast is free on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts and can also be accessed at: https://migration.ubc.ca/programs-initiatives/podcast/
Supported by a Killam Connection Award, with matching funds from CMS and the School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, Dan Hiebert (Professor, Geography) taught an interdisciplinary graduate course on international migration and settlement in collaboration with the late Demetrios G. Papademetriou and Margie McHugh, two Washington DC based, world-renowned policy experts. Demetrios G. Papademetriou was the creator of the Migration Policy Institute (Washington DC) and convener of the Transatlantic Council on Migration, while Margie McHugh is a leader in the field of immigrant education. Student assignments included policy briefs which were evaluated by the IRCC Research and Evaluation Branch.
With support from a Killam Connection Award and matching funds from CMS and the School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, CMS Policy Liaison Dan Hiebert (Professor, Geography) organized two large public symposia exploring immigration policy in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each symposium was hosted at UBC Robson Square Theatre in downtown Vancouver, and drew together a stellar range of domestic and international expertise, including the Migration Policy Institute’s (MPI) Margie McHugh and Demetrios Papademetriou (the latter of whom passed away not long after the event — see the insert on the following pages of this report for an obituary). The “Symposium on the Migration Dynamics of North America Before, During and After COVID-19” was held in a hybrid format on October 18, 2021, and was co-sponsored by the University of British Columbia (Killam Connection Award and the Centre for Migration Studies) and the Universidad Autónoma de México (UNAM). The “Symposium on Immigrant Integration During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic: Government and NGO Plans to Support Integration Success” followed on November 1, 2021, and was co-sponsored by the University of British Columbia (Killam Connection Award program and CMS), The Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia (IEC-BC), The Migration Policy Institute’s (MPI) National Center on Immigrant Integration Policy, and the Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of BC (AMSSA). This was also a hybrid event. Collectively, the two symposia were attended by more than 500 people from a dozen countries around the world.
IN MEMORIAM:
DEMETRIOS PAPADEMETRIOU
1946-2022

Former UBC Centre for Migration Studies Visiting Scholar and Distinguished Transatlantic Fellow at the Migration Policy Institute, Demetrios G. Papademetriou, passed away on January 26, 2022.

It is with great sadness that the UBC Centre for Migration Studies acknowledges the passing of Demetrios G. Papademetriou who left us unexpectedly on January 26, 2022. Known to his colleagues and friends as Demetri, his contribution to the fields of migration studies and migration policy was profound and long-lasting. In fall 2021, Demetri graced our Centre with his characteristic wit and insight as a Visiting Scholar with UBC’s School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, and the Centre for Migration Studies.

Dr. Papademetriou was a Distinguished Transatlantic Fellow at the Migration Policy Institute (MPI), which he co-founded and led as its first President until 2014. He held a PhD in comparative public policy and international relations (1976) from the University of Maryland. Over his long career, he taught at the University of Maryland, Duke University, American University, The New School for Social Research, and most recently, the University of British Columbia. He also served until 2018 as the founding President of MPI Europe, a non-profit, independent research institute in Brussels aimed at fostering a better understanding of migration trends and effects within Europe.

As a scholar of the finest repute, he published more than 270 books, articles, monographs, and research reports on a wide array of migration topics. While he lectured widely on all aspects of migration policy, his success in promoting migration studies was based not just on the strength of his scholarship but in his tireless work as an advisor and consultant for innumerable foundations, civil-society groups, and senior government and political party officials in dozens of countries (including Canada).
As one of those rare individuals who shaped both the world of academia and government, Papademetriou was also the convener of the Transatlantic Council on Migration, which is composed of senior public figures, business leaders, and public intellectuals from Europe, the United States, Canada, and Australia. He was the co-founder of Metropolis: An International Forum for Research and Policy on Migration and Cities (for which he acted as International co-Chair for the initiative’s first five years) and served as Chair of the World Economic Forum’s Global Agenda Council on Migration (2009-2011); Founding Chair of the Advisory Board of the Open Society Foundations’ International Migration Initiative (2010-2015); Chair of the Migration Group of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD); Director for Immigration Policy and Research at the U.S. Department of Labor and Chair of the Secretary of Labor’s Immigration Policy Task Force; and Executive Editor of the International Migration Review.

His influence, from the highest levels of migration policymaking to the smallest, most personal gestures of mentoring and connecting, is too immense to capture. We will miss him dearly.
The “Grad Student Power Hour” has provided a regular platform for connection, networking, and exchange amongst graduate students across program areas. Carving an hour out of a weekday afternoon for students to share research in an informal setting, the Power Hours have served as a focus point for students with an interest in migration from across the university and beyond, allowing them to explore migration through various lenses, think about how their disciplines influence the study of migration and mobility, and identify interconnections as well as divergences across disciplines.

This year, 11 Grad Student Power Hours highlighted an immense diversity of critical issues and topics, including but not limited to:

- “Creating Possibilities for Music and Belonging: A narrative and arts-based approach to immigrant and youth’s group singing” – Natasha Damiano (PhD student, Rehabilitation Sciences)
- “Ageing in a Neuropolis: Growing Old as Diaspora Chinese in Global-City Singapore” – Louisa-May Khoo (PhD student, Community and Regional Planning)
- “Transcontinental Migration through the Americas” – Caitlyn Yates (PhD student, Anthropology)
- “Exploring Systemic Barriers to Economic Security of Racialized Newcomer Women and their Overcoming Strategies” – a conversation with Nasim Peikazadi (PhD student, UBC Educational Studies), Monika Imeri (PhD student, Carleton University), Roxana Fazli (MA student, Memorial University), and Serah Ghazali (Manager, Women’s Economic Council of BC)
This past year, CMS launched the Belonging in Unceded Territory project, bringing settler colonialism into the center of debates on social belonging in Vancouver. Funded by a SSHRC Partnership Development Grant, the project brings together faculty from the Centre for Migration Studies with Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House, the Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of BC (AMSSA), and the Immigrant Services Society of BC (ISSofBC). The UBC team (PI Antje Ellermann) includes 8 faculty members from Political Science, Sociology, and Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies who bring a multidisciplinary knowledge base and a mixed methods skill set that includes text analysis, in-depth interviewing, survey research, and focus group research.

Through mixed methods, including text analysis, interviews, focus and dialogue groups, and survey research, the project seeks to engage questions critical to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s calls for action. What does it mean for today’s settlers – those among us who have lived here for generations, and those who have just arrived – to acknowledge our own position in relation to Indigenous presence in these lands? How can we develop place-based narratives of belonging that do not shy away from confronting the ugly truths of ongoing settler colonialism and that are mindful that we live, work, and play in unceded lands? How can the answers of these questions inform the creation of socially inclusive communities in this superdiverse city?

As part of the collaborative project, CMS Director Antje Ellermann (Professor, Political Science; Director, CMS) and Frog Hollow Neighborhood staff member Ancel Zhu connected with local activists and community leaders to compile a Decolonizing Initiatives map. A public inventory of decolonizing initiatives across Metro Vancouver, this digital map — available on the CMS website — documents and introduces local projects dedicated to efforts of Truth and Reconciliation, decolonization and/or Indigenization on unceded Coast Salish territories.

Screenshot of Decolonizing Initiatives Map on the CMS website: https://migration.ubc.ca/programs-initiatives/decolonizing-initiatives-map/
In September 2021, Dan Hiebert, CMS Policy Liaison and Geography Professor, was seconded to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), where he became the first scholar to occupy a new Academic in Residence program. In this position, he is situated in the Strategic and Program Policy Sector of the department and also works closely with the Settlement and Integration Program. He helps to support and enhance the integration of research into the policy development process, and works in policy development in a variety of areas, including: the International Student Program, the Express Entry system, efforts to encourage immigrant settlement in non-metropolitan regions of Canada, and the relationship between immigration and housing markets in Canada. The appointment will run to the end of 2022.
CMS has continued to provide matching funds for SSHRC Connection Grant-funded workshops as part of a wider effort to foster cross-disciplinary collaborations at UBC. This year, CMS issued two $8,000 dollar Workshop Awards. The first went to Markus Hallensleben (Associate Professor, Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies) and Elizabeth Nijdam (Sessional Lecturer, Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies) for their workshop on “Decolonizing and Indigenizing European and Migration Studies through Indigenous Storywork Methodologies.” The workshop is to be held in August–September 2022 and will involve collaborators from UBC’s Departments of Curriculum and Pedagogy, Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies, First Nations and Indigenous Studies, as well as Humboldt University (Berlin) and the University of Potsdam. The workshop will centre Jo-ann Archibald Q’um Q’um Xiixem’s educational storywork methodologies. The second CMS Workshop Award, subject to a successful SSHRC award, was issued to Amanda Cardoso (Lecturer, Linguistics) and Marie-Eve Bouchard (Assistant Professor, French, Hispanic and Italian Studies) for their SSHRC Connection proposal on “Language Attitudes and Social Consequences in Diverse Contexts.” Their proposed workshop will focus on the intersections of language attitudes, multilingualism and social consequences in diverse contexts. This May 2022, CMS will also finally host — after a long hiatus due to the pandemic — a CMS workshop award-funded SSHRC Connection Grant: “Graphic Narratives of Migration,” organized by Antje Ellermann (Professor, Political Science; Director, CMS). This exciting workshop brings together an interdisciplinary team of UBC and Concordia migration scholars with Vancouver-based graphic artists, including 5 UBC Master of Fine Arts students, to collaborate in the creation of a collection of migration narratives in comics form.
This year, CMS hosted 13 speakers as part of its Central Speaker Series. This included 6 talks and 2 roundtable discussions, with speakers covering topics ranging from pandemic migration, to comparative international politics of migration, to village WhatsApp groups in sending communities. Due to the pandemic, events took place in every format possible from fully online, to in-person, and hybrid, and drew audiences from across disciplines.

For a full list of events, see "CMS Events" section below and Appendix B.
At the end of the 2021-22 academic year, CMS opened its second round of the UBC Centre for Migration Studies International Art Competition. Believing that artists and artwork play a vital role in fostering our understanding of migration and mobility, as well as in shaping public narratives around this critical aspect of everyday human life and history, the art competition is part of an effort to open a conversation with established and emerging artists on topics of migration and mobility. Last year’s winning works and honorable mentions included linocuts, graphic art, and experimental animation submitted from around the world. The competition is organized by the CMS Mobilities Research Group, in collaboration with the CMS Research Creation Research Group, and is headed by Gaoheng Zhang (Associate Professor, Italian Studies). It is open to anyone, includes cash prizes in different categories, and is adjudicated based on strength, creativity, relevance and originality. This year’s submissions were fiercely competitive, with two pieces standing out as the most original, thought-provoking and meaningful contributions to the space between art and scholarship.

A.P. Payal won first prize for their piece *Kakkemammalo Gintu*, or *The Song of the Crow*. The artwork is a palimpsest comprised of collage, origami, ink drawings, and photographs, with a musical accompaniment. It illustrates a visualization of a children’s lullaby from the Konkani people of India, a predominantly coastal community who, after the Portuguese conquest of Goa, made forced migrations from their homeland to various places in India.

*Yarlung* by Kunsang Kyirong received the honourable mention. This piece is a video that tells the story of three children who experience the death of a loved one during the heat of midsummer in a small village. As they navigate this experience, they return time and again to the nearby Yarlung Tsangpo river — a fourth central figure in the story, with which each child has their own relationship.

CMS is approaching the midpoint in its 5-year term. As such, CMS has outlined and started implementing the following concrete plans with aims to increase its global visibility, secure financial sustainability, train future migration researchers, and deepen and expand research collaborations and community outreach.
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**SECURING SELF-SUSTAINING FUNDING**

In 2022-23, we will work with the Faculty of Arts Development Office to secure donor funding that — together with the financial commitments by departments and the Faculty of Arts secured in 2020, which cover our staff salaries — will allow CMS to become financially self-sustaining.

**EXPANDING AND ANCHORING INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

In 2022/23, the Executive Committee will develop a strategic plan for research partnerships with migration centres in Canada, the US, Asia, and Europe. The partners will be represented on a new International Research Advisory Board — to be selected in fall 2022 and hold its first meeting in spring 2023 — to provide research guidance and amplify our impact.

**INCREASING RESEARCH VISIBILITY AND IMPACT**

In order to globally showcase migration research at UBC, this year we launched an open-access CMS Working Paper Series. The Series is published by an interdisciplinary team of faculty editors composed of CMS Director Antje Ellermann, Alessandra Santos (Associate Professor, Theatre and Film) Matthew Wright (Associate Professor, Political Science), and Gaoheng Zhang (Associate Professor, Italian Studies), with Tori Yang (PhD candidate in Sociology) serving as Editorial Assistant. Following the success of the 12 grants awarded in 2021/22 to graduate students to support research collaborations between faculty and graduate student affiliates, we will make available further competitive GRA Grants in 2022-23 to support co-authored research to be published in the series.

**FACILITATING NEW RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS**

CMS will participate in a major international research partnership funded by a SSHRC Partnership Grant, led by Anna Triandafyllidou, Professor and Canada Excellence Research Chair in Migration and Integration at Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU). The partnership is titled Complex Migration Flows and Multiple Drivers in Comparative Perspective (MEMO) and investigates the drivers of different types of migration, examining the journeys of migrants and refugees through different migration systems across three continents. The project will produce innovative policy and visualization tools, analytical frameworks and modelling, to support an efficient and rights-based approach to international migration governance. There are 37 researchers and 28 partners involved. Suzanne Huot (Assistant Professor in Occupational Therapy and Occupational Sciences) will lead for CMS on the partnership.

CMS is one of four institutional co-applicants to the 2022 CFREF (Canada First Research Excellence Funds) competition, in a process led by Anna Triandafyllidou, Professor and CERC Migration and Integration, TMU. The CMS team is led by CMS Director Antje Ellermann and includes 7 core faculty researchers from 6 different disciplines spanning 3 UBC faculties. The project is titled Migrant Integration in the mid-21st Century: Bridging Divides, and will investigate how accelerating technological transformation interacts with immigrant integration processes. At time of writing this report, the application successfully passed the Letter of Intent stage and the full application will be submitted in August 2022.
CMS will continue to provide matching funds (as required for SSHRC Connection) and GRA support for grant applications by CMS faculty affiliates who commit to developing new research and grant collaborations. We will hold the SSHRC Connection workshop "Decolonizing and Indigenizing Migration Studies through Indigenous Storywork Methodologies" (PI Hallensleben) that brings together several academic partners with the CMS Narratives Research Group, and centres Jo-ann Archibald Q’um Q’um Xiixem’s educational storywork methodologies. We will also hold a series of workshops in the fall, in partnership with the David Lam Chair in Multicultural Education and the Canada Research Chair in Indigenous People’s Well-being, titled “Racialization and Settler Complicity: The complicated interface of migration, colonization, and Indigeneity in Canada.” We will continue to support interdisciplinary research collaborations through all CMS Research Groups, including inviting expressions of interest to establish new research groups to reflect the disciplinary diversity of the Centre.

ADVANCING THE DECOLONIZATION OF MIGRATION STUDIES

CMS continues its commitment to pursuing the decolonization of migration studies, informed by UBC’s Indigenous Strategic Plan (ISP, 2020). In 2022/23, CMS will: complete the Intent to Action Tool as a follow-up from the ISP Self-Assessment Tool; connect with local decolonizing initiatives and Indigenous scholars (ISP Goal 3, Actions 10, 14); support new research and programming that centres the intersection of migration, settler colonialism, and Indigeneity, and explores reciprocal ways of generating and sharing knowledge (ISP Goal 2, Action 8; Goal 3, Actions 10, 14); integrate the intersection of Indigeneity and migration into CMS graduate student training (ISP Goal 4, Actions 16, 17); and prioritize Indigenous businesses and artists for the provision of goods and services (ISP Goal 5, Action 23). We will support the activities and outreach of existing decolonizing CMS initiatives, in particular the Migration & Indigeneity Research Group, the Narratives Research Group, and the Belonging in Uoked Territory project (aligned with ISP Goal 3, Actions 10, 12, 13, 14). To support progress in this area, CMS plans to apply to UBC’s Indigenous Strategic Initiatives Fund for 2022–23.

DEEPENING COMMUNITY RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS AND KNOWLEDGE MOBILIZATION

CMS aims to mobilize knowledge generated through collaboration and to promote strong partnerships between researchers, community partners, and policy makers. We will continue to enact the SSHRC Partnership Development Grant (PDG) funded research partnership (Belonging in Uoked Territories, 2020–23), composed of 8 UBC faculty (PI Ellermann), AMSSA, ISSofBC, and Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House.

COMMUNITY LIAISON

Led by Sean Lauer (Associate Professor, Sociology), CMS will continue to maintain and build relationships between academic and community partners to facilitate collaborative research. In 2022/23, CMS will hold a retreat with AMSSA, the community partner represented on both the Executive Committee and the Community Advisory Board. We will also hold our inaugural Community Advisory Board meeting, organize joint programming and support outreach by the WUSC Student Refugee Program, which supports refugee students at UBC, publish community-university profiles of successful collaborative research projects, and organize outreach opportunities for CMS researchers to share findings.
**ENHANCING NETWORKING**
Given our ongoing expansion (3 additional UBC units represented under the CMS umbrella; double the number of public talks in 2021/22 compared with the previous year; 10 new faculty and postdoctoral affiliates in 2021/22; 4 additional migration hires in 2021/22 in Anthropology, Asian Studies, Geography and Psychology under the President’s Academic Excellence Initiative; 2 visiting scholars confirmed from Université Laval and Queen’s University Belfast and 1 postdoctoral fellow at CMS in 2022/23), we will organize three Community Luncheons (Sept. to Apr.) to bring together faculty, postdocs, graduate students, and community members to network and identify common research interests. For CMS graduate affiliates, we will also hold a professional development day focused on migration related career opportunities in policymaking, the settlement sector, and in academia, offering an opportunity to network with faculty affiliates, community partners and government contacts working in migration.

**PUBLIC SPEAKER SERIES**
CMS will hold two complementary Speaker Series throughout the 2022/23 academic year. Firstly, new President’s Academic Excellence Initiative (PAEI) migration cluster hires will be invited in the fall to present their research through CMS, providing an opportunity for new faculty to connect with the Centre, network with colleagues and generate awareness of their work. Secondly, building on the work of the Executive Committee retreat, CMS will invite Indigenous scholars (faculty and grad students) from various UBC Departments to co-present their work at roundtables. The roundtables will be an opportunity to build relationships with and through CMS, and to deepen connections with UBC colleagues. CMS plans to hold its Speaker Series in-person, restrictions allowing.

**COMMUNICATION & OUTREACH**
We will continue to publish our weekly updates and quarterly newsletter, expand our social media presence, and update the CMS website to advertise CMS-related announcements and opportunities and to enhance our public and media outreach.

**ENHANCING INTERDISCIPLINARY AND POLICY-ENGAGED TEACHING & LEARNING**
Building on previous graduate training initiatives — Migration Summer School (2018), Graduate Student Conference & Professional Development Workshops (2019-2021) — CMS will embark on a new teaching and training initiative with the goal of establishing a Migration Studies graduate certificate within the next two years.
This year CMS organized more than 50 public events in collaboration with more than 35 institutions and/or units, both internal and external to UBC.
EVENT ANALYTICS AND ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS
In 2021/22, CMS held 15 in-person events, 31 virtual events and 5 hybrid events. On average, CMS events in 2021/22 attracted 41 registrations per event. Overall, attendance rates were high, with 11 events achieving over 80% attendance rates (based on registration numbers). Where possible, CMS also recorded both in-person and virtual events, which were published on our YouTube Channel and publicized via our weekly updates and social media. The YouTube recordings proved very popular; half of the recordings achieved over 100 views with some reaching into the high hundreds and even thousands.

The list below provides a brief summary of each event.

APR 7-9 | STORYTELLING AS RESEARCH ROUNDTABLE: POSTMIGRANT NARRATIVES
This exciting webinar brought together filmmakers and scholars to discuss film portrayals of postmigrant narratives from around the world. Featuring filmmakers from the UK, the US, Canada, Denmark and Germany, the webinar also featured an illuminating talk by Dr. Regina Römhild (Professor, Institute for European Ethnology, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin) on “Other Europes in Moments of Post-Otherness”.

Part of the Storytelling as Research: Unsettling the Cultural Politics of Diversity through Filmmaking program, co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group with the UBC Institute for European Studies and UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies (CENES)

APR 13 | HOW DOES THE SUBALTERN SPEAK?: A CRITICAL HUMANIST RESPONSE FOR THE TIMES OF MIGRANT HYPERMEDIATION
In this online keynote lecture for the New Media Aesthetics of Migration Workshop, Dr. Myria Georgiou (Professor, Media and Communications, London School of Economics) focused on digital representation of voice in the context of migration’s hypermediation. Arguing that we need to move beyond questions such as Does the subaltern speak? to How does the subaltern speak and for whose benefit, she drew from five years of research on digital representation of migration in Europe to bring a critical humanist perspective to decolonization of knowledge on migration.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

APR 14 | SELFIES AND THE ETHICS OF THE FACE: A CASE STUDY ON MIGRANT SELFIES IN WESTERN NEWS
In this nuanced online keynote lecture for the New Media Aesthetics of Migration Workshop, Dr. Lilie Chouliaraki (Professor, Media and Communications, London School of Economics) proposed a new understanding for the refugee selfie as moral practice. With this lens, she applied critical questions to the circulation of refugee selfies on western news platforms in order to show how the face of the refugee is systematically subjected to the institutional flows of western media that appropriate, marginalize or displace this face in our digital screens in a process that she called “symbolic bordering”.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies
APR 15 | MAP’S IN FOCUS LECTURE SERIES - CANADIAN REFUGEE LAW: WHO DOES IT PROTECT?

In this important online talk moderated by Amanda Aziz (Immigration and Refugee Lawyer, Staff Lawyer, Migrant Workers’ Centre), Dr. Efrat Arbel (Associate Professor, Peter A. Allard School of Law) discussed how legal measures like the Multiple Borders Strategy and the Safe Third Country Agreement restrict access to refugee protection in Canada, eroding protections that would otherwise be available to refugee claimants under Canadian law. Addressing as well how refugee protection has been further restricted by the pandemic, he projected what we may expect when pandemic measures begin to ease and the Canadian border reopens.

Co-sponsored by Multi-Agency Partnership BC (MAP) and UBC Centre for Migration Studies

APR 16 | DIVERGENT PATTERNS AND EXPERIENCES OF INTEGRATION: FINDINGS ABOUT CHINESE AND INDIAN IMMIGRANTS IN LOS ANGELES, VANCOUVER, AND SINGAPORE

In this comprehensive e-forum, five scholars from UCLA, University of British Columbia, and Nanyang Technological University presented findings from an international study examining how immigrant selectivity and reception shapes identity formation, sense of belonging, and the idea of home in Los Angeles, Vancouver and Singapore. As opposed to fitting neatly into linear models of assimilation, the research showed how these immigrants display multivariate, and even peculiar and counterintuitive, patterns of sociocultural integration.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Interdisciplinary Histories Research Excellence Cluster, with UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies (CENES), UBC Centre for Migration Studies and UBC Institute of European Studies

APR 21 | BEHIND THE MYTHOLOGICAL CURTAIN: RECEPTION OF GREEK TRAGEDY DURING THE COMMUNIST RULE IN SERBIA

In an online talk, Jelena Todorovic (PhD candidate, Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies, UBC) discussed how the reception of Greek mythological tragedy in postwar Serbian literature both mapped onto a unique sentiment that Serbian authors had for Greek antiquity, and provided a safe space for social and political criticism inside the communist apparatus. What with the history of the Mediterranean as a preferred destination of Serbian authors, approached with a sense of kinship and spiritual continuities, Todorovic explored the role of this patrimony in helping to define Serbian identity during communist rule.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Interdisciplinary Histories Research Excellence Cluster, with UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies (CENES), UBC Centre for Migration Studies and UBC Institute of European Studies
APR 30 | BOOK LAUNCH: A COMPANION TO GREEKS ACROSS THE ANCIENT WORLD
In this online launch for A Companion to Greeks Across the Ancient World, edited by Dr. Franco De Angelis (Professor, Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies), panelists engaged the book’s new story of ancient Greeks, which recognizes that about one-half of all ancient Greeks actually lived outside Greece. Showing how a seemingly well-trodden subject like the ancient Greeks can still be opened to new horizons in research, the book’s e-launch drew together Dr. Megan Daniels (Assistant Professor, Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies, UBC), Dr. Franco De Angelis (Professor, Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies, UBC), Ben Winnick (PhD student, Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies, UBC) and Tamar Hodos (Reader, Mediterranean Archaeology, University of Bristol) in exciting critical conversation.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

MAY 28 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR – “EDUGRATION” AS A WICKED PROBLEM
In this talk, Lisa Brunner (PhD student, Educational Studies, UBC) introduced the term “edugration” as an amalgamation between “education” and “migration.” She argued that the growing retention of international students as “skilled” migrants globally shifts the role of higher education in society, and drew from her own perspective to use Canada as an example in thinking through the concept of complicity.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

JUN 10 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR - APPLYING AN OCCUPATIONAL SCIENCE LENS TO STUDY MIGRATION
Following ten minutes of student networking, Anne-Cécile Delaisse (PhD student, Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, UBC) presented a fascinating perspective on migration through the perspective of occupational studies. Drawing on studies that take an occupational science lens, she showed how a focus on migrants’ daily occupations can deepen understanding of migration not only in academia but also in policymaking and community practices.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

JUN 24 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR - TRANSCONTINENTAL MIGRATION THROUGH THE AMERICAS
In this informative Grad Student Power Hour, Caitlyn Yates (PhD student, Anthropology, UBC) shone light on the extra-continental migrants who arrive in Latin America and use existing migrant routes towards the United States and Canada. Addressing how their long and complex journeys are often overlooked in both the literature and public discourse on immigration issues, Yates introduced her doctoral research which will ask how such migrants navigate transit through the Americas, and how Latin American states respond differently to them.

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María Cervantes (PhD student, Geography, UBC) explored how skilled Mexican immigrants in Vancouver employ strategies to combat the vulnerability they face in the constant upward and downward mobility of their immigration journeys. Arguing that these strategies are transferred into digital technologies, Cervantes examined how digital technologies reinforce existing social behaviours and media discourses that encourage expats to refuse association with the Mexican community in Vancouver.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

In this online Grad Student Power Hour, Natasha Damiano (PhD student, Rehabilitation Sciences, UBC) discussed her doctoral research on the experiences of children and youth participating in the choral program at St. James Music Academy in Downtown Eastside Vancouver. Looking at how music can be cultivated as a resource for lifelong wellness, Damiano shared how immigrant, low-income and refugee children face barriers to music opportunities, and how her own research navigates tensions between ensuring rights to protection, participation and possibility in research with children and other potentially vulnerable populations.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

Director Yu-Ying Wu’s debut documentary “The Good Daughter” portrays an intimate angle of a transnational couple bonded together by tradition and obligations, bickering frequently while also protecting each other. Part of the Vancouver Taiwanese Film Festival, the screening joined an exciting collection of films aiming to focus on unique yet relevant social issues, leading to dialogue between communities.

Sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies in partnership with the Vancouver Taiwanese Film Festival

In this hybrid talk, Dr. Antje Ziethen (Assistant Professor, French, Hispanic and Italian Studies, UBC) explored the history of the Agudas — enslaved Africans and free Blacks from Brazil who relocated to Togo, Benin, Ghana and Nigeria in the 19th and early 20th centuries. As they represent reverse African diaspora, Ziethen highlighted how returnees contribute to culture and identity in their communities of origin.

Part of the MOA Visual + Material Culture Research Seminar Series
SEP 24 | **HOW ANCIENT DNA REVIVED ANCIENT MIGRATIONS IN ARCHAEOLOGY**
In this virtual talk, Dr. David W. Anthony (Associate, Human Evolutionary Biology, Harvard University; Professor Emeritus, Anthropology, Hartwick College) presented exciting new insights on ancient migration from ancient DNA analysis. An archaeologist of the Eurasian steppes known for his interdisciplinary research on the origins and spread of Indo-European languages, Dr. Anthony shared evidence of ancient migration dynamics that offer an opportunity for integration between modern migration studies and archaeological interpretation. Dr. Anthony’s talk is posted on the CMS Youtube page and has (at the time of writing) been viewed more than 25,000 times!

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Mobilities Group in co-sponsorship with the UBC Department of Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies

SEP 29 | **MIGRATION & CITIZENSHIP SECTION PRE-CONFERENCE**
This full-day pre-conference for the 2021 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference was co-organized by Dr. Matthew Wright (Associate Professor, Political Science). Hosted online via Zoom, the pre-conference featured two panel discussions, “The Language Around Migration” and “Getting Your Research to a Broader Audience,” as well as a talk on “Immigrant Outsiders: a Reporter’s View of How the Immigration System has Created Vast Exclusions in American Society” with Julia Preston, contributing writer for the Marshall Project. A total of nine speakers shared expertise from across North America.

Co-organized by Matthew Wright, Group Coordinator of the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Political Behaviour Group

OCT 4 | **“SEARCHING FOR WINNETOU” (2018): FILM SCREENING & CONVERSATION WITH DIRECTOR**
We were fortunate to be joined by award-winning Ojibway filmmaker, playwright, author, and columnist Drew Hayden Taylor for a special screening of his 2018 film Searching for Winnetou. A quest to understand the roots of the German obsession with Native North Americans, the film was followed by an insightful conversation with director Hayden Taylor via Zoom.

Part of the Indigenous Presence Lecture Series, co-organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Group with the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies

OCT 7 | **ARE PARTICIPATORY ARTS-BASED METHODS CULTURALLY SAFE?**
In this online talk, Dr. Caroline Lenette (Associate Professor, School of Social Sciences, University of New South Wales) critically addressed the tendency to assume that participatory and creative research approaches are inherently ethical. Arguing that reflexivity must be a crucial element of participatory arts-based research in decolonizing methods and the academy, Dr. Lenette drew from her experiences in refugee studies to share lessons on cultural safety, and how we can disrupt colonialist-infused research approaches.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Community-University Partnerships Group
OCT 8 | WINNETOU, WHITE INNOCENCE, AND SETTLER TIME
In an online talk, Dr. Maureen Gallagher (Lecturer, German Studies, Australian National University) offered critical examination of cinematic adaptations of Karl May’s original 1893 trilogy Winnetou. Applying concepts from settler colonial studies, Indigenous studies and critical race theory, Dr. Gallagher exposed how these adaptations centre whiteness, reinscribing fantasies of white conquest in the American west.

Part of the Indigenous Presence Lecture Series, organized by the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies in co-sponsorship with the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Group and the Waterloo Centre for German Studies

OCT 13 | MIGRATION WITHOUT MOBILITY: VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS IN RUSSIA
In this virtual talk, Dr. Lan Anh Hoang (Associate Professor, Developmental Studies, University of Melbourne) shared original insights into migrant immobilities drawn from ethnographic research on Vietnamese migrants trading at Moscow markets. Highlighting the social technologies and imaginaries that arise from gendered, raced and classed experiences of immobilisation, Dr. Hoang addressed the complex relationship between migration and mobility and the various ways in which it shapes social practice, identity and belonging.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Mobilities Research Group

OCT 14 | POSTMIGRANT NARRATIVES: AUTHOR READING AND DISCUSSION WITH ZAFER ŞENOCAK ON BERLIN, “THE CAPITAL OF THE FRAGMENT”
On Zoom, we were honored to be joined by acclaimed writer Zafer Şenocak. After reading from his essay on Berlin, “the Capital of the Fragment”, Şenocak engaged Dr. Markus Hallensleben (Associate Professor, Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies, UBC) in a dynamic discussion on narratives of postmigration.

Part of the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies Ziegler Lecture Series, co-organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group

OCT 15 | ROUNDTABLE FOR DR. ANTJE ELLERMANN’S THE COMPARATIVE POLITICS OF IMMIGRATION
This hybrid roundtable featured Dr. Antje Ellermann (Professor, Political Science; Director, CMS) in discussion on her new book, The Comparative Politics of Immigration (Cambridge University Press, 2021). Moderated by Dr. Sandra Schinnerl (Acting Manager of Programs and Initiatives, CMS), Dr. Ellermann was joined in critical conversation with panelists Dr. Catherine Dauvergne (Vice-President Academic and Provost, Simon Fraser University), Dr. Richard Johnston (Professor Emeritus, Political Science, UBC), Dr. Asha Kaushal (Assistant Professor, Allard School of Law, UBC), and Dr. Matthew Wright (Associate Professor, Political Science, UBC).

Part of the 2021/22 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series
OCT 15 | PLAYING MANITOBA - A GERMAN BOARD GAME AND THE NEED FOR NEW STORIES

In this virtual talk, Dr. Lars Richter (Instructor, German and Slavic Studies, University of Manitoba) addressed serious concerns about misappropriation, misrepresentation and racism in the 2018 German strategy board game Manitoba. Analyzing the game as a cultural product indicative of German’s long-standing “Indianthusiasm,” Dr. Richter further showed how the game as a material object, when received on treaty territory, actually takes on a life of its own, eluding the intention of its authors and opening possibilities for more critical and thoughtful readings.

Part of the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies Ziegler Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group and the Waterloo Centre for German Studies, and the Indigenous Presence and Representation in European Studies Lecture Series

OCT 18 | SYMPOSIUM ON THE MIGRATION DYNAMICS OF NORTH AMERICA BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER COVID-19

This full-day symposium at UBC Robson Square Theatre in downtown Vancouver featured some of the most eminent voices on migration policy in North America today. Hybrid and open to the public, the symposium included important panels on “Asylum and Protection Issues in the North American Region” and “Economic Migration in North America.” In addition, Dr. Demetrios G. Papademetriou (Convener, Transatlantic Council on Migration; Co-Founder and President Emeritus, Migration Policy Institute) and Catrina Tapley (Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) spoke in a lunchtime armchair discussion on key emerging trends in migration policy. While the in-person capacity was capped to 75 people in order to accommodate pandemic-necessitated physical distancing, the program was also livestreamed and attended by more than 350 viewers from around the world.

Co-sponsored by the University of British Columbia (Killam Connection Award program and the Centre for Migration Studies), the Migration Policy Institute’s Transatlantic Council on Migration, the Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia, and the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)

OCT 19 | GENETICS AND MEMORIALS: PEOPLE AND THEIR REMEMBRANCE IN BYZANTINE, ISLAMIC AND NORMAN SICILY

Online via Zoom, archaeologist Dr. Martin Carver shared nuanced insights from the European Research Council project Sicily in Transition - the Archaeology of Regime Change. As primary investigator of the project, Dr. Carver has worked with collaborators throughout Europe to research the effect of successive regimes and religions on Sicilian farmers, merchants and their families between 550 and 1250 CE. Drawing from data from 22 partially excavated cemeteries, Dr. Carver painted an intriguing and perhaps unexpected picture of migration and demographic change.

Part of 2021/22 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series, organized by the Mobilities Research Group and co-sponsored by UBC Department of Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies and the UBC Department of Anthropology
OCT 20-22 | INDIGENOUS REPRESENTATION AND SELF-REPRESENTATION IN BOARD GAME CULTURE: PE METAWE BOARD GAME WORKSHOP

Online via Zoom, David Plamondon and Jayde Gravel of Pe Metawe, an Indigenous-owned and operated consulting company that blends cultural teachings with positive social interaction and a passion for community engagement, led a two-day workshop on Indigeneity in board game culture. With “pe metawe” translating to “come and play” in Cree, the workshop provided a fun and unique learning experience in Indigenous representation and self-representation in relation to board games.

Part of the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies Ziegler Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group

OCT 21 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR - THE PROSPECTS AND PERILS OF INTERGROUP INTEGRATION

In this in-person Grad Student Power Hour, Mathias Kruse (PhD student, Political Science, Aarhus University) introduced his research on when and why intergroup integration has positive and negative consequences. Embracing the mixed literature on integration, which sometimes emphasizes ethnic similarity and sometimes shows the importance of intergroup contact, Kruse presented his findings as he focused on Danish classroom settings in shaping adolescents’ perceptions of themselves and others.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

NOV 1 | SYMPOSIUM ON IMMIGRANT INTEGRATION DURING AND AFTER THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC: GOVERNMENT AND NGO PLANS TO SUPPORT INTEGRATION SUCCESS

In this timely half-day symposium, hosted in downtown Vancouver at UBC Robson Square Theatre, two panel discussions explored planning efforts as well as the opportunities and challenges of today’s historic confluence of immigration circumstances. Given that, as the economy recovers, Canada is likely to see unprecedented numbers of migrants in the form of students, temporary workers and refugees, the symposium provided a platform for important discussion and perspectives from government and NGO leaders from Canada and the US.

Co-sponsored by the University of British Columbia (Killam Connection Award program and the Centre for Migration Studies), the Immigrant Employment Council of British Columbia, the Migration Policy Institute’s National Center on Immigrant Integration Policy, and AMSSA (Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of BC)
Hosted online via Zoom, this robust international discussion brought together three diverse voices to exchange important insights on various aspects of decolonizing practice in different parts of the world. **Riel Dupuis-Rossi**, a psychotherapist of Kanien’kehá:ka (Mohawk), Algonquin, and Italian descent, who works to provide decolonizing and culturally-centred Indigenous trauma therapy, spoke with **Mohamed Amjahid**, a journalist focusing on human rights, equality and upheaval, and **Dr. Max Czolleck**, a poet, publicist and political scientist whose work surrounds memory culture, integration and Jewish identity in post-war Germany.

*Part of the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies Ziegler Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group*

**NOV 9 | MIGRATION AND PANDEMICS**

In this virtual talk, **Dr. Chinmay Tumbe** (Assistant Professor, Economics, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad) addressed the migration crisis of 2020 unleashed by the lockdown to contain Covid-19 in India. Drawing crucial insights from his two recent books, *India Moving: a History of Migration* (2018, Penguin Viking) and *The Age of Pandemics, 1817-1920: How they Shaped India and the World*, Dr. Tumbe’s talk engaged questions on India’s history and geography of migration, the pandemics between 1817 and 1920 that claimed 40 million lives in India, and how such knowledge should inform policymaking with respect to migration and pandemic management.

*Part of the 2021/22 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series, co-sponsored with the UBC Interdisciplinary Histories Research Cluster, the UBC Centre for India and South Asia Research, and the UBC School of Public Policy and Global Affairs (SPPGA)*

**NOV 15 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR - POISED FOR RESONANCE: A LEXICAL CURRENT OF SONIC KNOWING**

In this intriguing Grad Student Power Hour presentation, **Gabriele Woolever** (MA student, Geography) drew from her masters research, taking form as audio stories with temporary foreign workers in British Columbia, to engage the relationship between fugitivity, sound and sanctuary. Guided by concepts of attunement and accompaniment, and troubled by the politics of liberal empathy as critiqued by the Black radical tradition, Woolever engaged how audio storytelling can create a kind of narrative sanctuary and public presence for people on the margins of state-articulated belonging.

*Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies*
In this thought-provoking online seminar, Dr. Roger Bromley (Professor Emeritus, Cultural Studies, University of Nottingham) engaged concepts including ‘necropolitics,’ disposability, ‘lives worth living,’ racialized dehumanization and ‘coloniality of power’ in order to examine complex symbolic-material nets of coloniality. He argued that by exploring the limits of sympathy, the shortcomings of liberal claims of common humanity, and insisting on ethical dimensions of representation, it may be possible to discover new interventions with which to subvert the presumption of ‘knowing the refugee.’

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Mobilities and Narratives Research Groups

In this exciting in-person talk, CMS Visiting Scholar Dr. Marie Sandberg (Associate Professor, European Ethnology; Director, Centre for Advanced Migration Studies, University of Copenhagen) examined the border as a site of tension and productive space for change. Drawing on recent ethnographic research of volunteers’ welcome practices in Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands, she shows the border to emerge as an ambivalent sphere, and further suggests how border tensions and the melancholia of volunteering exposes Europe as a troubled topos for civic participation.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Borders Research Group

In this thoughtful Grad Student Power Hour in-person presentation, Louisa-May Khoo (PhD student, Community and Regional Planning, UBC) shared her research examining the ageing experience of diaspora Chinese seniors in Singapore, and social toll that strident urban development has on well-being in late life. Through urban ethnography spotlighting everyday realities of growing old in Singapore, she highlighted the adaptations seniors in Singapore must grapple with alongside urban change, and considered what it means to protect and foster thriving communities in disrupted contemporary societies.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies
In this fascinating virtual presentation, Indigenous Sámi game researcher and designer Dr. Outi Laiti (Associate Researcher, Indigenous Studies, University of Helsinki) discussed her research on Sámi game development. Drawing from her background in ethnoprogramming, supporting Indigenous youth in programming education, and the “Sámi game Jam,” a rapid-paced game development event, Dr. Laiti shared powerful ideas on Sámi empowerment in game design.

Part of the Indigenous Presence Lecture Series, co-organized by the Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Group with the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies

In this informative online lecture, Dr. Tamsin Barber (Senior Lecturer, Sociology, Oxford Brookes University) drew from research with Vietnamese migrants in Britain to explore how the modern slavery agenda aligns with tendencies of the UK’s restrictive approach to immigration, and further, how alternative narratives can depict a far more nuanced and complex range of social processes and forms of agency.

Part of 2021/22 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series, organized by the Mobilities Research Group

In this second of two dynamic panels on radical diversity, Berlin-based writers Max Czollek and Mohamed Amjahid returned this time to speak with Indigenous filmmaker Dr. Jules Koostachin (Attawapiskat First Nation) and LGBTQ+ Support Worker Kristi Pinderi, who immigrated from Albania. Meeting online via Zoom, the panelists exchanged expansive perspectives on human rights and gender politics, integration and diversity issues, and the significance of Indigenous documentary practices based on storytelling.

Part of 2021/22 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series, and Indigenous Presence and Representation in European Studies Lecture Series, co-organized by the Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group and the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies
JAN 28 | BETWEEN LOSS AND RECOVERY: CROSS CONFESSIONAL HEALTH CULTURE IN OTTOMAN BOSNIA

In this intriguing online talk, Dr. Amila Buturovic (Associate Professor, Humanities, York University) discussed medical pluralism in Ottoman Bosnia through its confessional differences, medical theories and curative practices, illuminating how pre-modern Bosnians negotiated between local and trans-local values and knowledge systems. Drawing from primary sources such as treatises on medicine and religious healing, talismanic texts and amulets, herbalist manuals and archival records, Dr. Buturovic’s talk recalibrated understandings of this historical period by focusing on examples of cultural intimacy and cross-confessional dynamics in ideas and practices of healing.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Interdisciplinary History Research Cluster, the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies, the UBC Institute for European Studies, and the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

JAN 28 | INDIGENOUS LITERARY PRESENCE IN EUROPE

In this illuminating online presentation, Diné scholar Dr. Renae Watchman (Associate Professor, English; Associate Professor, Indigenous Studies; Co-Director, Office of Academic Indigenization, Mount Royal University) examined how Indigenous presence from Turtle Island has been depicted in film and literature by diasporic Indigenous creators in Europe. Seeking to centre Indigenous presence as it occurs in Europe and beyond, Dr. Watchman drew attention to depictions of distinctive Indigenous lifeways amid disparate historical and cultural contexts.

Part of the Indigenous Presence and Representation in European Studies Lecture Series, organized by the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies in collaboration with the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group and the Waterloo Centre for German Studies

JAN 28 | TO CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR LISTENING: SOUND STORIES AS RESEARCH METHODS

In this exciting online workshop, Gabriele Woolever (MA Student, Geography) focuses on sound and listening as manifestations of already interdependent relationships, both materially and politically, and thus rich site-processes for interventions in research itself and how research might be shared in and beyond academic contexts. Engaging her own thesis work on creating sound stories about contemporary foreign workers in British Columbia, Woolever discussed interview methods, tech for sound research, narrative crafting, writing for the ear, and the many challenges and opportunities of sound as a research medium.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Research Creation Group
FEB 4 | RE-STORYING HIGHER EDUCATION: TOWARDS INDIGENOUS RESURGENCE & SETTLER DECOLONIZATION
In this insightful online presentation, accomplished Indigenous scholar Dr. Shauneen Pete (Professor, Leadership Studies, University of Victoria) used storying techniques to share some of her pedagogical practices which allow for deepened understandings of both Indigenous resurgence and settler decolonization. Drawing from her years of experience in guiding settler, pre-service, teacher candidates towards engagement with Indigeneity, her talk worked to re-story a vision for curriculum design in Canadian higher education that may advance reconciliation efforts.

Part of the Indigenous Presence and Representation in European Studies Lecture Series, organized by the UBC Department of Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies, co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group

FEB 7 | EXTENDING THE REACH OF ACADEMIC RESEARCH THROUGH PHOTOVOICE: THE LIVED EXPERIENCE OF AGING IMMIGRANTS PROJECT
Online via Zoom, Dr. Sharon Koehn (Senior Lecturer, Gerontology, Simon Fraser University; Principal, Sharon Koehn Research Consulting) presented her exciting Lived Experiences of Aging Immigrants project, which used narrative photovoice methodology to explore the experiences of aging immigrants in Vancouver, British Columbia and Montréal, Québec. A form of participatory action research that provides participants with the opportunity to express themselves via photography, the innovative Photovoice project produced multi-sited exhibitions which sought to impact diverse stakeholders, including policymakers.

Co-Sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies University-Community Partnerships Group

FEB 11 | ETHNIC IDENTITY AS A STRATEGY FOR DEALING WITH UNCERTAINTY: DARFURIAN-SUDANESE ASYLUM SEEKERS IN ISRAEL AS A CASE STUDY
In this important virtual talk, Dr. Lisa Richlen (Sessional Instructor, Sociology, UBC) drew from her research to show how ethnic identity is harnessed amongst asylum seekers to cope with a hostile hostland. In the absence of viable futures as well as legal and social rights, and amidst ongoing uncertainty, Dr. Richlen highlighted how the Darfuri Sudanese community in Israel has reverted to strategies from the homeland which facilitate survival and belonging.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Migration and Indigeneity Group
FEB 16 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR - CARING FOR NEWCOMERS’ DATA: SHIFTING PRACTICES, TENSIONS, AND STORIES TO GUIDE ACTION
In this online Grad Student Power Hour, Saguna Shankar (PhD student, Library, Archival and Information Studies, UBC) shared stories of care for newcomers’ data, as told by settlement service providers, migrant justice activists, immigration researchers, government staff, and designers of digital systems oriented towards newcomers. Within the context of shifts in the ways that immigration and settlement data are being used, Shankar shared her research exploring the practices of groups engaged in caring for newcomers and their data to better understand their concerns, interests and ethical perspectives.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

FEB 17 | WHAT IS THINKABLE IS ALSO POSSIBLE: SURREALISTS ON THE NORTHWEST COAST
In-person at UBC, poet, filmmaker and film historian Colin Browne (Professor Emeritus, Simon Fraser University) joined us to reflect on the journeys of various European surrealists as they travelled to Alaska and British Columbia in the late-1930s to experience firsthand the monumental and ceremonial Indigenous arts of the Northwest coast. Interrogating these journeys, Browne provoked critical thought and discussion about the multifaceted impacts of these pilgrimage experiences.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Narratives Research Group

MAR 1 | GRAD STUDENT POWER HOUR - YOUNG ADULT WOMEN FROM REFUGEE BACKGROUNDS AND THE ROLE THAT SYSTEMATIC BARRIERS PLAY IN THE PURSUIT OF THEIR EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER GOALS
Online via Zoom, Sonja Aicha van der Putten (PhD Student, Educational Theory and Practice, Simon Fraser University) focused on the role of gender in the practical ability for young women of refugee backgrounds to pursue their educational and career aspirations. In examining systemic barriers, van der Putten shared findings that call for a redistribution of resources at all levels of decision-making, from higher education to affordable housing.

Organized by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies

MAR 3 | VILLAGES GONE DIGITAL: VILLAGES’ WHATSAPP GROUPS AND MIGRANTS’ NEW FORMS OF INTERVENTION IN SENDING COMMUNITIES
In-person at UBC, Dr. Abdoulaye Kane (Associate Professor, Anthropology and the Center for African Studies, University of Florida) presented an exciting paper on evolving relationships between Haalpulaaren migrants in Africa, Europe and America and their home communities through the use of evolving social media platforms such as WhatsApp. A member of such digitized community himself, Dr. Kane was able to ethnographically illuminate new dynamics of migrants’ intervention that complement traditional roles of hometown associations in a remittance dependent region of Senegal.

Part of the 2021-2022 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series, co-sponsored with the UBC Department of Anthropology
MAR 25 | MOBILITY, CREATIVITY AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN THE ANCIENT AEGEAN
In an in-person talk at UBC, Dr. Carl Knappett (Professor and Chair, Art History, University of Toronto) turned a creative lens on the mobility (or immobility) of Ancient Aegean production and consumption practices. Arguing for a meso-scale approach to mobility and social change, he elucidated the physical, conceptual and spatial localization of these practices to enable an understanding of their infrastructural and institutional settings.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Department of Central, Near Eastern and Religious Studies with the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Mobilities Research Group

MAR 28 | THE GUITAR IN THE CEILING
This riveting webinar illuminated the vital role that the arts, and particularly music, have in nurturing healing, connection, resilience and self-empowerment in the face of trauma. Performing artist Susan McDonald drew from her experiences performing in refugee camps and teaching guitar in Lebanon and Iraq, to speak alongside Meer Mahmoud, a Syrian photographer and guitarist currently living as a refugee in Canada, in sharing lived experiences and insights on the importance of the arts in healing for traumatized populations.

Co-sponsored by the UBC Centre for Migration Studies Mobilities and Community-University Partnerships Research Groups

MAR 31 | THE GLOBAL GOVERNANCE OF MIGRATION: TOWARDS A ‘MESSY’ APPROACH
In this in-person presentation at UBC, Dr. Anna Triandafyllidou (Professor and Canada Excellence Research Chair in Migration and Integration, TMU) discussed how global migration is changing in the 21st century, and looked critically at the emerging global governance regime today, particularly in relation to the Global Compacts. With the pandemic inviting us to rethink systemic resilience in migration governance and to centre our perspectives, Dr. Triandafyllidou concluded her talk by arguing in favour of a ‘messy’ approach to the global governance of migration.

Part of the 2021-2022 UBC Centre for Migration Studies Speaker Series
APPENDIX A
BUDGET OVERVIEW
The charts in this section provide an overview of the base funds used to operate and support the workings of CMS in the past year, based on the total revenue by source and total expenses by category.

Since its beginnings, the work of the Migration Cluster (now CMS) has been funded through the annual GCRC competitions from UBC’s Excellence Funds. UBC Excellence Funds are a joint initiative of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic and the Vice-President, Research and Innovation. We are thrilled to have been successful in securing GCRC awards in 2018 ($100,000), 2019 ($100,000), 2020-21 ($200,000), and 2021-23 ($200,000), and will reapply for a final round of the GCRC award for 2023-25. If we are successful, we recognize that GCRC funds are not designed for the long-term funding of clusters: they serve as seed funds with which to pursue financial sustainability from other sources.

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During the 2021/22 year, GCRC funds were used to pay all project and office expenses, as well as student salaries and the salaries of a full-time (1.0) research manager and a part-time (.7) CUPE administrative support position. Moving forward, the contributions by UBC departmental sponsors and matching funds by the UBC Faculty of Arts are earmarked for two staffing positions: a full-time (1.0) research manager and a part-time (.8) CUPE administrative support position hired in 2022/23. The GCRC funds in 2021-23 are allocated to support research collaborations, student salaries, CMS programming, networking, and outreach until the end of the program’s pilot phase (spring 2023).
The budget provided above, however, does not represent the full financial commitment to CMS programming because many other contributions have been made by other entities at UBC and from outside the University via in-kind support and co-sponsorship. All co-sponsored events and programming are indicated in the CMS Events and Year Highlights sections above, and a list of all supporting programs and units is found in Appendix F.

In 2021/22, CMS research affiliates have demonstrated research excellence by securing over $7 million in Tri-Council migration-related grants. Much of this leveraged funding is carried into co-supporting CMS programs, initiatives and research projects. CMS also administers several collaborative faculty grants (excluding GCRC funds). The chart on this page only includes grants secured, excluding grants where the award decision is pending.

This brings the total Term 1 funds managed by CMS to date to just under $1.4 million. In 2022, CMS affiliates also applied as PI or co-applicants for more than $13 million of additional funding.

Collaborative Faculty Grants ($) Administered by CMS in Term 1 (2020-2022)

- SSHRC Connection Grants: $43,498
- SSHRC Partnership Development Grant: $200,000
- SSHRC Partnership Grant (CMS co-applicant): $74,000
- Other sources: $82,190
APRIL - DECEMBER 2021

APR 7-9 | Storytelling as Research Roundtable: Postmigrant Narratives
APR 13 | How Does the Subaltern Speak?: a Critical Humanist Response for the Times of Migrant Hypermediation
APR 14 | Selfie and the Ethics of the Face: a Case Study on Migrant Selfies in Western News
APR 15 | MAP’s In Focus Lecture Series – Canadian Refugee Law: Who does it protect?
APR 16 | Divergent Patterns and Experiences of Integration: Findings about Chinese and Indian Immigrants in Los Angeles, Vancouver, and Singapore
APR 21 | Behind the Mythological Curtain
APR 30 | Book Launch - A Companion to Greeks Across the Ancient World
MAY 28 | Grad Student Power Hour: “Edugration” as a Wicked Problem
JUN 10 | Grad Student Power Hour: Applying an Occupational Science Lens to Study Migration
JUN 24 | Grad Student Power Hour: Transcontinental Migration Through the Americas
JUL 8 | Grad Student Power Hour: Digital Transnationalism: Strategies Against Vulnerability in the Immigration Journey
JUL 22 | Grad Student Power Hour: Creating Possibilities for Music and Belonging: a Narrative and Arts-Based Approach to immigrant children and youth's group singing
SEP 10 | Vancouver Taiwanese Film Festival Presents: “The Good Daughter”
SEP 15 | Reverse Diaspora: The “Brazilians” in West Africa
SEP 20 | Community Luncheon
SEP 24 | How Ancient DNA Revived Ancient Migrations in Archaeology
SEP 29 | Migration & Citizenship Section Pre-Conference
OCT 4 | Searching for Winnetou (2018): Film Screening & Conversation with Director
OCT 7 | Are Participatory Arts-Based Methods Culturally Safe?
OCT 8 | Winnetou, White Innocence, and Settler Time
OCT 13 | Migration without Mobility: Vietnamese Migrants in Russia
OCT 14 | Postmigrant Narratives: Author Reading and Discussion with Zafer Şenocak on Berlin, “The Capital of the Fragment”
OCT 15 | Roundtable for Dr. Antje Ellermann’s The Comparative Politics of Immigration
OCT 15 | Playing Manitoba – A German Board Game and the Need for New Stories
OCT 18 | Symposium on the Migration Dynamics of North America Before, During and After COVID-19
OCT 19 | Genetics and Memorials: People and their Remembrance in Byzantine, Islamic and Norman Sicily
OCT 20 | Community Luncheon
OCT 20-22 | Indigenous Representation and Self-Representation in Board Game Culture “Pe Metawe Board Game Workshop”
NOV 1 | Symposium on Immigrant Integration During and After the Covid-19 Pandemic: Government and NGO Plans to Support Integration Success
NOV 4 | Radical Diversity: An International Discussion on Colonial Practices, Structures and Discourses, and Strategies to Disrupt them
NOV 9 | Migration and Pandemics
NOV 15 | Grad Student Power Hour: Poised for Resonance: a Lexical Current of Sonic Knowing
NOV 18 | ‘Less than human’: Examining the Representation of Refugees through the Lens of Decoloniality
NOV 19 | Troubling Borders and Melancholic Subjectivity: European Welcome Culture in the ‘Order of the Border’
NOV 22 | Grad Student Power Hour: Ageing in a Neuropolis: Growing Old as Diaspora Chinese in Global-City Singapore
NOV 23 | The Co-Created Story Project
NOV 26 | Sámi New Media and Digital Games
NOV 30 | Modern Slavery and Constructions of Undocumented Vietnamese Migration in the UK
DEC 7 | Community Luncheon

JANUARY - MARCH 2022

JAN 20 | Radical Diversity: An International Discussion of Transformative Narratives from an Indigenous, Jewish and Immigrant Perspective
JAN 28 | Between Loss and Recovery: Cross Confessional Health Culture in Ottoman Bosnia
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