

(abbreviated) Curriculum Vitae:

BLAKE POLAND

Associate Professor

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AREAS OF INTEREST/EXPERTISE

Substantive foci: health promotion theory & practice; community development as an arena of practice for health professionals; building community resilience; emerging threats to health equity (climate change, ecosystem degradation, peak oil, economic instability); hospital-community collaboration; environmental health promotion; urban environmental health justice; marginalized / street-involved inner city youth

Cross-cutting themes: space, place and public health (settings for health promotion); qualitative research methods; dialogical methods for reflexive practice development; arts-enabled approaches to knowledge translation and popular education; processes of social exclusion and marginalization (critical social theory)

EDUCATION

1993 Ph.D. (Health) Geography, McMaster University

1988 M.A., (Health) Geography, McMaster University

1986 B.A. Hon., (Human/Health) Geography, Carleton

SELECTED RECENT ACADEMIC, PROFESSIONAL & RELATED APPOINTMENTS, HONOURS

Member, Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA) Working Group on Human & Ecosystem Health, 2012-2013

Awardee, *Community Spirit Award* (Environment Category), Town of Oakville, Ontario (2012)

Member, Expert Panel on Settings Approach, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) (2010-2012)

Member, Expert Panel on Health Promotion, Health Council of Canada (2010)

Co-Director, Urban Environmental Health Justice Research Group, Centre for Urban Health Initiatives (2008-2011)

Member, Editorial Board, *Aporia*, an international scholarly peer-reviewed journal in critical social theory and health (2008+)

Director, Collaborative Program in Community Development, University of Toronto (2007-2008) www.citiescentre.utoronto.ca/programs/commdev.htm

Director, Masters of Health Science Program in Health Promotion, University of Toronto (1999-2007)

Kiran van Rijn Annual Award for outstanding contributions made to the Health Care, Technology & Place CIHR Strategic Research Training Program, University of Toronto (2007)

Founding member, Canadian Network on Environment, Health and Social Equity (CNEHSE) (2007-present)

Board member, Centre for Health Promotion, University of Toronto (2005-2007)

Associate Scientist, Centre for Research on Inner City Health, St Michael's Hospital, Toronto (2006-present)

Member, Research Advisory Board, Instituto de Promoção da Saude (Health Promotion Institute), CNPq (National Research Office), Brazil (2006-2007)

Member, Editorial Board, *Revista Brasileira em Promoção da Saude* (Brazilian Journal of Health Promotion) (2006-2007)

Visiting Scholar, Wellesley Central Health Corporation, Toronto (Urban Health program) (2005-2006)

Robin Badgley Award for Excellence in Teaching, Graduate Dep't of Community Health, Faculty of Medicine (2001)

Associate Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto (2000-present) (*Assistant Professor* 1994-2000)

Co-Investigator, Ontario Tobacco Research Unit (1994-2007)

Research Scientist, Social & Evaluation Research Unit, Addiction Research Foundation (1993-1994)

RESEARCH GRANTS (Co-Investigator unless otherwise specified; PI = Principal Investigator)

Current Grants

2012-15 "Resilience, Equity and the Development of Ecological Social Practices: Examining the Transition Town Movement in Canada" (PI) (SSHRC Insight Grant, \$184,609) www.TransitionEmergingStudy.ca

2011-12 "A Japan-Canada Symposium on Knowledge Sharing, Local Governance, and Resilience in Food Systems" (CIHR MPD, \$17,492)

2011-16 "Promoting Health Through Collaborative Engagement with Youth in Canada: Overcoming, Resisting, and Preventing Structural Violence" (CIHR, \$1.37M, Collaborator)

2010-13 "The Provision of Charitable Food Assistance in Canada: Forging a More Adequate Response" (CIHR, \$121,039)

CIHR Training Programs (current & past) (Faculty/Key Mentor listed in grant application)

- 2009-15 “A Strategic Training Program in Public Health Policy: Determinants, Analysis and Impacts” (CIHR STIHR, \$1.78M)
2003-09 “Integrated Training Program in Health and Social Science Research to Improve the Health of Marginalized Populations” (\$1.35M)
2002-08 “Health Care, Technology and Place Trans-disciplinary Research Training Program” (\$1.78M)
2002-07 STIHR - Tobacco Research (\$1.5M)

SELECTED PAST/COMPLETED FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2009-12 “Who Has the Power?: The Energy Crisis and Environmental Justice in Toronto” (SSHRC, \$59,819)
2011 “Socially Engaged Citizenship Pathways to Health Equity for Displaced Populations” (**lead co-PI**) (CIHR, LOI, \$15,000)
2010-11 “Different Smokes: Creating a Reflexive Space for Tobacco Control with Youth” (CIHR MPD KT Grant, \$40,000)
2009-10 “Inner City Environmental Justice” (SSHRC RDI, \$79,031)
2009-10 “SUCCEED: Strengthening Urban Communities’ Capacity to promote Environmental health Equity through Dialogue-centred Research” (CIHR Catalyst Grant, \$74,686)
2008-10 “Environmental Health Justice in the City” (Research Interest Group & 2 Seed Project Grants) (**co-PI**) (Centre for Urban Health Initiatives/CIHR, \$45,000)
2005-10 “Community gentrification and building inclusive communities from within: A case study of Toronto’s west-central neighbourhoods” (SSHRC/CURA, \$1 million)
2007-09 “New Approaches to Addressing Social Inequalities in Tobacco Use Among Youth” (CIHR, \$148,554)
2007-09 “Embodied Selfhood and Person-Centred Dementia Care: Exploring an Arts-Informed Educational Intervention” (CIHR, \$189,360)
2007-09 “Revisioning our (Embodied) Place in a Warming Planet: A Resonant Installation Approach” (HCTP ICE Seed Grant, \$8,000) (**PI**)
2008 “Health Promoting Inner City Environments: Towards a participatory research partnership to reduce environmental and health inequities and promote health in Vancouver’s Downtown East Side” (Michael Smith Foundation, \$9820)
2005-08 “Hospital-Community Collaboration Knowledge Translation Extension Grant”, **PI**, TCF/HCTP Strategic Alliance Grants Program, \$50,000
2006-07 “Tracing Spatial Inequities in Environmental Risk: Towards An Environmental Health Promotion Framework” (CIHR/Health Care, Technology & Place ICE Seed Grant, \$7,953)
2006-07 “Social Context of Smoking Knowledge Translation Development Grant”, **Co-PI**, CTCRI (ICE Seed), \$5,000
2004-06 “The Social Context of Smoking : Laying the Conceptual and Empirical Foundation for a Theoretical Toolkit in Tobacco Research”, **Co-PI**, (CTCRI, \$49,970)
2003-06 “A Pilot Study of Local Responses to the Food and Nutritional Needs of Homeless Youth” (CIHR, \$98,294)
2002-04 “Food: Nutritional Vulnerability and Social Exclusion among Homeless Youth” (CIHR, \$295,000)
2002-04 “Youth Voices: Linking New Technologies with Participatory Action Research” (WCHC Foundation, \$43,750)
2001-04 “Reducing Infant Exposure to Environmental Tobacco Smoke in Private Places” (CTRI, \$145,869)
1999-03 “Hospital Involvement in Community Action”, **PI** (SSHRC, \$374,000)
2003 “OTRU Investigator Award for Research in Tobacco Control” **PI**, (OTRU, \$6,490)
2000-03 “Hitting Home: The Home as a Site for Long-Term Care” (SSHRC, \$403,987)
2000-03 “‘Left Out’: Perspectives on Social Exclusion and Social Isolation in Low-Income Populations” (SSHRC, \$311,126)
2001-02 “Smoking in Outdoor Public Places: A Study of Socio-Spatial Relationships” **Co-PI** (CTCRI/SSHRC, \$28,398)
2000-02 “A National Study on Environmental Tobacco Smoke in the Home” (NCIC, \$362,133)
2000-01 “Training in Community Health Psychology” (MRC, \$41,500)
1999-00 “Interactions Between Smokers and Non-Smokers in the Home: A Qualitative Study”, **PI** (OTRU, \$35,700)
1999-00 “Understanding the Use of Health Information by Youth: The Role of I.T. in Equity and Access”, **PI** (NHRDP, \$69,189)
1996-99 “Indicators of Community Capacity” (NHRDP, \$112,548)
1997-98 “Street-Involved Youth Harm Reduction Project - Dissemination & Impact Evaluation” (ARF-Operating Grant, \$6,355)
1996-98 “Community Action in Public Health” (NHRDP, \$139,607)
1996-97 “Smoking, Smoking Cessation, Tobacco Control And Programming: A Qualitative & Quantitative Study”, **Co-PI**, NHRDP, \$199,840)
1996-97 “Qualitative Research On Smoking And Tobacco Control”, **PI** (UofT Connaught New Faculty Start-Up Grant), \$6,200
1996-97 “Street-Involved Youth Harm Reduction Project Evaluation”, **PI** (ARF, \$13,430)
1995-96 “Street-Involved Youth Harm Reduction Project” (ARF, \$36,800)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (since 2000) (sole author unless otherwise listed) (complete list available upon request)

“Mutual determinants of individual, community, and societal health and peace”. *International Journal of Peace and Development Studies*. 2013; 4(1):1-7. (Abuelaish et al)

Community health promotion with people who are experiencing homelessness. *Journal of Community Health Nursing*, 2013; 30(1):28-41. (Oudshoorn et al)

“Health, austerity, and affluence”. *The College Quarterly*. 2012, 15(4) <http://www.collegequarterly.ca>

“Client-provider relationships in a community health clinic for people who are experiencing homelessness”. *Nursing Inquiry*. DOI: 10.1111/nin.12007 (Oudshoorn et al)

“Out of our inner city backyards: Re-scaling urban health inequity assessment”. *Social Science and Medicine*. 2012; 75(7):1244–1253 <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2012.04.034> Masuda et al

“Creating the socially marginalized youth smoker: the role of tobacco control” *Soc Health & Illness*. 2012; 34(7): 978-993 Frohlich et al

“Securing supportive environments for health in the face of ecosystem collapse: Meeting the triple threat with a sociology of creative transformation” *Health Promotion International*. 2011. 26(S2):ii202-ii215. (Poland, Dooris & Haluza-Delay)

“Typologies of smokers and non-smokers: Encouraging changes over time” *Tobacco Control* 2011. 20(5):385 (Mecredy et al)

“Energy solutions, neo-liberalism, and social diversity in Toronto, Canada”. *Int J Env Res & Pub Hlth*. 2011. 8(1): 185-202. (Teelucksingh & Poland)

“ Reaching for environmental health justice through health promotion: a Canadian perspective” *Health Promotion International* 2010. 25(4): 453-463 (Masuda, Poland, Baxter)

“A green and healthy future: the settings approach to building health, equity and sustainability”. *Critical Pub Hlth* 2010. 20(3): 281-298. (Poland & Dooris)

“The Transition Town Handbook, by Rob Hopkins (Book Review)” *Critical Publ Hlth*. 2010. 20(3):385-387.

"I'm a young student, I'm a girl. and for some reason they are hard on me for smoking": the role of gender and social context for smoking behaviour. (forthcoming) *Critical Pub Hlth*. 2010. 20(3): 323-338. (Alexander, Frohlich, Poland, et al)

“Tobacco control and the inequitable socio-economic distribution of smoking: Smokers’ discourses and implications for tobacco control. *Critical Pub Hlth*. 2010. 20(1): 35-46 (Frohlich, Poland, et al)

“The missing picture - tobacco use through the eyes of smokers” *Tobacco Control* 2010. 19: 206-212. (Haines, Oliffe, Bottorff, Poland)

“Settings for health promotion: an analytic framework to guide intervention design and implementation” (2009) *Hlth Promotion Practice*. 10(4): 505-516. (Poland, Krupa, McCall)

“Food deprivation is integral to the 'hand to mouth' existence of homeless youth in Toronto”. *Pub Hlth Nutr* (2009) (Tarasuk, Dachner, Poland & Gaetz)

“Celebrating risk: the politics of self-branding, transgression and resistance in public health”. *Aporia*, 2009, 1(4), 27-36. (Poland & Holmes)

“Mapping new theoretical and methodological terrain for knowledge translation: Contributions from critical realism and the arts” (2009) *Implem Sci*. 4(1):1-10. (Kontos & Poland)

“The interpersonal management of environmental tobacco smoke in the home - a qualitative study”, *Critical Pub Hlth*, 2009, 19(2), 203-221 (Poland et al)

“An ethnographic study of meal programs for homeless and under-housed individuals in Toronto”. (2009) *J of Hlth Care for the Poor & Underserved*. 20: 846-853. (Dachner, Gaetz, Poland, Tarasuk)

“Becoming a 'real' smoker: cultural capital in young women's accounts of substance use”. *Soc Hlth & Illness*, 2009, 30(1): 66-80. (Haines, Poland & Johnson)

“Environmental health and vulnerable populations in Canada: mapping an integrated equity-focused research agenda” *The Cdn Geographer* 52(4): 427-450. (Masuda, Zupancic, Poland, Cole)

“Context as a fundamental dimension of health promotion program evaluation”, (Poland, Frohlich, Cargo) in L Potvin, DV McQueen, et al (Eds), *Health Promotion Evaluation Practice in the Americas: Values and Research*, New York, NY: Springer. (2009)

“Healthy settings: Building evidence for the effectiveness of whole system health promotion - challenges & future directions” in D. McQueen & C. Jones (Eds), *Global Perspectives on Health Promotion Effectiveness, Vol.1*. New York, NY: Springer, 2007 (Dooris, Poland, Kolbe, deLeeuw, McCall, Wharf-Higgins)

“Displacement and emplacement of health technology: making satellite and mobile dialysis units closer to patients?” *Sci, Tech & Human Values* , 2007 (Lehoux, Poland, Daudelin, Holmes, Andrews)

“Designing better place for patients: Professional struggles surrounding satellite and mobile dialysis units”. *Soc Sci & Med*, 2007, 65:1536-1548 (Lehoux, Daudelin, Poland, Andrews, Holmes)

"Youth voices: evaluation of participatory action research". *Cdn J of Progr Eval*. 2007, 22(1):125-150 (Chin, Poland & Skinner)

"Health promotion in Canada: Perspectives and future prospects" *Revista Brasileira em Promoção da Saude*. 2007, 20(1), 3-11.

"Focus group research and 'the patient's view'". *Soc Sci & Med*. 2006, 63 (8): 2091-2104 (Lehoux, Poland & Daudelin)

"Health psychology and social action" *J Hlth Psychology*. 2006, 11(3): 379-384 (Murray & Poland)

"The social context of smoking: The next frontier in tobacco control?" *Tob. Control*. 2006, 15: 59-63 (Poland et al)

"Family, friend or foe? Critical reflections on the relevance and role of social capital in health promotion and community development". *Soc Sci & Med*. 2005, 60(12): 2819-2832. (Wakefield & Poland)

"Working at the margins' or 'leading from behind'? A Canadian study of hospital-community collaboration". *Hlth & Social Care in the Community*. 2005, 13(2):125-135. (Poland et al)

"How place matters: unpacking technology and power in health and social care" *Hlth & Social Care in the Community*. 2005, 13(2): 170-180. (Poland et al)

"The personal significance of home: Habitus and the experience of receiving long term home care". *Soc Hlth & Illness*. 2005, 27(2): 161-187. (Angus et al)

The interpersonal management of environmental tobacco smoke in the home: a qualitative study. OTRU Working Paper Series #82 (2005), Toronto, ON: Ontario Tobacco Research Unit. (Poland et al)

"Building capacity in community health action research: Towards a framework of training guidelines" *Action Res*. 2004, 2(4): 389-408. (Nelson, Poland et al)

"Assumptions and values of community health psychology". *J Hlth Psychology* 2004, 9(2): 323-333. (Murray et al)

"Drug use, risk and urban order: Examining Safe Injection Sites (SIS) as 'governmentality'" *Int J Drug Policy*. 2004, 15:357-365. (Fischer et al)

"How adolescents use technology for health information: Implications for health professionals from focus group studies" *J Med Internet Resources*, 2003, 5(4): e32. (Skinner et al)

"Working with Toronto neighbourhoods toward developing indicators of community capacity" *Hlth Prom Int*. 2003, 18(4): 339-350 (Jackson et al)

"Quality of internet access: key challenge for youth health promotion" *Soc Sci & Med*. 2003, 57(5): 875-880 (Skinner et al)

"Involving street youth in peer harm reduction education – The challenges of evaluation". *Cdn J Pub Hlth*. 2002, 93(5): 344-348 (Poland, Tupker & Breland)

"We're hired by the hospital, but we work for the community': Examining hospital involvement in community action" *Hospital Q*. 2001, 4(3): 52-59 (Poland et al)

"Transcription quality", Chapter 30 in J. Gubrium & J. Holstein, *Handbook of Interview Research*, 2001, Newbury Park, CA: Sage Publications.

"Playing on shifting sand": The impact of political shifts on community action and public health" *Cdn J Public Hlth*. 2001, 92(2): 87-88. (Boutilier et al)

"Community action success in public health: Are we using a ruler to measure a sphere?" *Cdn J Pub H*. 2001, 92(2): 90-94. (Rajkumar et al)

"Heterogeneity among smokers and non-smokers in attitudes and behaviour regarding smoking and smoking restrictions" *Tobacco Control*. 2000, 9:364-371 (Poland et al)

"A policy context for community development practice in public health: a Canadian case study", *J Pub Hlth Policy* 2000, 21(1): 5-19. (Poland et al)

"The considerate smoker in public space: the micro-politics & political economy of 'doing the right thing'". *Hlth & Place*. 2000, 6(1): 1-14. *Settings for Health Promotion: Linking Theory and Practice*. 2000, Sage. (Poland, Green, Rootman, eds)

TEACHING (graduate level): *Introduction to Qualitative Methods* (2008-present); *Building Community Resilience* (2009-present); *Theory & Practice in Qualitative Research* (2010); *Health Promotion* (1997-2008); *Community Development in Health* (1995-2005 & 2012-present); *Community Development* (co-instructor, 2006-2008); *Settings for Health Promotion* (2002-2004); *Dialogical Methods & Reflexive Practice Development* (2006-2007); + 15 additional directed reading courses and numerous guest lectures

Selected Community Service / Creative Professional Activity: Founding President, Go Local Oakville (www.golocaloakville.ca); Co-founder, Transition Oakville (<http://transitionoakville.ning.com>); Founding President, West Kerr Village Residents Association (www.wkvra.ca) (2008-2012); Co-Founder & Lead Organizer, Halton Green Screens eco-film & discussion series (2009-2012) (www.HaltonGreenScreens.ca); Co-Founder & Organizer, Halton Ecopartners (2010-2012) (www.ecopartners.ca); Board member, Oakvillegreen Conservation Association (Oakville, ON) (2007-2010); Board member, St Stephens Community House (Toronto, ON) (1999-2004)