

# Curriculum Vitae

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## **EDUCATION**

- 1974 – Marianopolis College, Montreal Quebec BSW  
1975 - Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto, Ontario SW Certificate Programme  
2003 - Present - University of Toronto – Pre-requisite Programme  
Masters – Community Development

## **PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

Present **Sexual Assault Co-Ordinator – Investigator – Sex Crimes Unit**

As Sexual Assault Co-Ordinator, I am responsible for developing contacts with approximately 100 agencies in the City of Toronto in relation to the mandate of the Sex Crimes Unit and the implementation of the services provided to victims of sexual assault. I also provide training to agencies on sexual assault investigation and victim issues.

1991 –2004 **Sexual Assault Investigator – Sex Crimes Unit  
Toronto Police Service**

A team leader of an investigative team within the unit, responsible for monitoring and directing investigations of unknown and serial sexual assaults.

Extensive background in investigative techniques, management of personnel, interpersonal skills and report writing.

1986-1991 **Sergeant, 14 Division Uniform, Toronto Police Services**

Uniform Sergeant responsible for the evaluation and supervision of uniform officers during their day to day duties.

1985-1986 **Joint Forces – OPP – Pornography Unit**

Investigated occurrences involving child and adult pornography in partnership with the Ontario Provincial Police. Investigations were conducted across Ontario.

1981-1985 **Secondment to the Federal Government – Department of Justice Committee on Sexual Offences Against Children and Youth, The Badgley Study.**

- Responsible for the development and implementation of a Child Prostitution Study across Canada.
- Worked under the leadership of Dr. Robin Badgley-University of Toronto.
- Carried out extensive review of known research in Canada relating to abuse issues.
- Developed a research protocol for the Child Prostitution Study.
- Implemented study in nine provinces across Canada.
- Site visits to twenty Police Services across Canada.
- Collated and reviewed all research data from across Canada in relation to study.
- Assisted in the analysis of the final data that led to changes in the Criminal Code of Canada in regards to sex offences against young persons.

1979-1981 **Planning and Research Unit – Toronto Police Service**

Developed policies and procedures for the Police Service.

1977-1979 **51 Division – Youth Bureau – Toronto Police Service**

Investigated crimes involving children under the age of sixteen years.

1975-1977 **Uniform Patrol – 55 Division**

General Uniform Patrol with extensive experience in community issues.

**Police specialized training courses and projects available upon request.**

### **COMMUNITY COMMITTEES**

- The YMCA of Metropolitan Toronto – Board of Governors(1985-1989)
- Springboard – 1997-1999
- Mennonite Central Committee – Circle of Support (1999-present)
- Variety Club of Ontario ( 2004)

### **SELECTED EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND RECENT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

1985-1989

#### **University of Toronto – Faculty of Medicine and Social Sciences**

- Appointed Honorary Lecturer- Faculty of Medicine
- Developed and implemented a course for first year medical students on Sexual Assault and Pedophile Profiling.
- Course consisted of in-class lectures and on street interviews with prostitutes and homeless youth.
- Several medical students chose to do their internship in settings that serviced street youth and prostitutes as a result of their involvement in this class.

1991-Present

#### **C. O. Bick College**

- Assisted in the development and introduction of the Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Course and presently lecture on Victim Interviewing, False Allegations and Pedophile Investigation.

January 1995

#### **National Conference on Sexual and Physical Abuse Sao Paulo,Brazil**

- Represented the City of Toronto and the Toronto Police Service at the Conference with representatives from the Department of Health.
- Presented an information paper on the investigation of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence in Canada.
- Lectured to representatives of Sao Paulo Police Service to exchange information on investigative procedures in the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence area.

December 1998

**International Seminar on “Women Human Rights and Police And Judicial Systems”**  
**Quito, Ecuador**

- Sponsored by the United Nations, the Ecuadorian Women Research and Investigation Centre, the Ecuadorian Government and Police Ministry.
- Represented the Canadian Government in company with delegates from seventeen countries.
- Purpose of Conference was to share political, social and cultural perspectives and some mechanisms intended to improve judicial and police systems and also to foster the interchange of relationships and/or co-operation between attending countries.
- Presented lectures on sexual assault and domestic violence laws, victim issues and investigative techniques as part of a symposium on “The Medical, Legal System, Marital and Sexual Crimes”

1998-2004

**Royal Canadian Mounted Police**

- Developed and implemented a two week Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Investigator’s course for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- Course was presented in six provinces, Nunavut, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

**Canadian Forces – National Investigation Services – Ottawa**

- Developed and implemented a two week Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Investigator’s course for the officers with the National Investigation Service of the Canadian Forces.
- Course presented yearly in Ottawa, Ontario.

December 2000  
November 2005

**The Quaker Society - London England**  
**The Quaker Society – Oxford England**

- The Quaker Society of London, England invited the Mennonite Central Committee – Circle of Support to visit London to share their experience in the development of community –based support groups for pedophiles and sex offenders.
- As a volunteer with this organization and as a member of the Toronto Police Service, I was invited to lecture on my experiences.
- Presented four training sessions to Police, Probation, Parole and penitentiary personnel in London and surrounding areas.

2001-2003

**University of Toronto – School of Continuing Studies**

- Guest speaker for “Special Topics in Forensic Science” for the Science and Design Unit, School of Continuing Studies.

March 2004

**Jordan Police Directorate – Amman, Jordan**

- Presented a two week Sexual Assault training course to Police personnel, Psychiatrists and Forensic Scientists on Sexual Assault Investigation, Victim Issues and interviewing techniques In Amman, Jordan.

September 2003  
to  
January 2004

**Centennial College – Lecturer**  
**Lecturer – Political Science**

- Part-time lecturer, Centennial College, Policing Foundations.

**REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST**

**Additional Information**

**Guest Lecturer:**

The Canadian Police College  
The Ontario Police College  
The Ontario College of Teachers  
The Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons  
The Memorial Chiropractic College of Ontario  
The College of Naturopathic Medicine  
The Law Society of Upper Canada  
Upper Canada College  
The University of Toronto  
York University  
Ryerson University –Humber College  
Humber College  
Canadian Forces – Borden Ontario