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Bio: Originally from too-small Twillingate, Newfoundland, on September 8th, '98, I moved into res at MUN and spent three years doing random courses in an attempt to gain some insight into the plight of humanity. I gave up on this and joined the Sociology faculty instead, minoring in philosophy. I spent the next three years doing an Honours programme, with a focus on disability studies and social theory, which culminated in my bailing on a much-too-personal Honours thesis. It is at this point that I joined the Humanities programme.

Research Interests: After having a spinal cord injury in 1998 that necessitated in my need to use a wheelchair, I came to seek courses that would help me understand how my social world was altered. I have since written several papers on the history, social constructions, and various models of disability. My primary interests in this field are medical representations of disability and the development of a culture of disability.

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Future Plans: I intend to either do a doctorate in Disability Studies and Community Rehabilitation in Vancouver or Sweden, or move to California and work in a rubber glove factory. It's still up in the air.