

Innovation Funding Project Report and Student Stipend Report Pamela Dickey Young

Project Title: Religion, Gender and Sexuality among Youth in Canada: Preparing for and Conducting Interviews

1. Project Goals

The Religion, Gender and Sexuality among Youth in Canada project has four primary aims:

- To explore the constructions and management strategies undertaken by young adults (aged 18-25) concerning their religious and sexual identities, values, and choices;
- To examine the significant social, cultural, and political factors that inform the abovementioned processes;
- To study how these young adults manage their religious, sexual, and gender identities;
- To generate rich qualitative and quantitative data that will contribute new knowledge to academic and policy debates on religion, youth, sexuality, and gender.

2. Researchers and Students Involved

- Pamela Dickey Young (PI)
- Heather Shipley (Collaborator)
- Ian Cuthbertson (RA, Queen's)

3. Summary of Activities

2013-2014

- Survey was closed July 1, 2013.
- Maintained web site: http://www.queensu.ca/religion/Faculty/research/dickeyyoung.html
- Maintained Facebook page
- Data analysis begun
- Ethics approval for the Interview and video diary phases of the project obtained.



Presentations

Heather Shipley

2014

- Invited Panelist, "Strange Bedfellows: Religion, Relationships, Spirituality, Sex and Health on College Campuses," Indiana State University, Indiana, 3 November.
- "Religion, Youth and Queer Identities in Canada," Queer Religious Young People II, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Indianapolis, Indiana, 31 October 2 November.
- "Apathy or Misunderstanding? Youth's Reflections on their Religious Identity in Canada," Youth, Religion and Identity: A Canadian and International Workshop, University of Ottawa, Ontario, 16-18 October.
- "Belief not Religion: Youth Negotiations of Religious Identity in Canada," Religion & Immigration, Canadian Society for the Study of Religion, Brock University, Ontario, 25-27 May.

2013

- "The spaces in between: religious and sexual intersections in education," Whose Religion?

 Education about religion in public schools, University of Ottawa, Ontario, 4-6 November.
- Invited, "The Policy of Identity: Regulating Religion, Youth and Sexuality in Education in Canada," panel: Sexuality, Spirituality and the Educational Experience, Gender and Education Association: Compelling Diversities, Educational Intersections, London South Bank University, London, UK, 23-26 April.

Pamela Dickey Young

2013

"Who Speaks for Religion?" Whose Religion? Education about religion in public schools, University of Ottawa, Ontario, 4-6 November.





Chapters:

- Shipley, Heather, and Pamela Dickey Young. 2014. "Values and Attitudes: How are Youth Integrating Religion and Sexuality in their Daily Lives?" In Globalized Religion and Sexual Identity: Contexts, Contestations, Voices, edited by Heather Shipley, 276-294. "International Studies in Religion and Society." Leiden: Brill Academic Press.
- Shipley, Heather, and Pamela Dickey Young. 2015. "Religion, Youth and Queer Identities in Canada." In Sexual Diversity and Religions, edited by Martin Jaime. PEG/Diversities Publishing, accepted.
- Young, Pamela Dickey, and Heather Shipley. 2015. "'A Protestant with a seatbelt, I guess': Christianity, Gender and Identity." In The Brill Handbook of Global Christianity, edited by Stephen Hunt. Leiden & Boston: Brill Academic Press, forthcoming.
- Young, Pamela Dickey, and Heather Shipley. 2015. "Belief, not religion: Youth Negotiations of Religious Identity in Canada." In Handbook on Child and Youth Studies, edited by Johanna Wyn, and Helen Cahill. New York: Springer, in press.
- Young, Pamela Dickey. 2015. "Who Speaks for Religion?" In Issues in Religion and Education: Whose Religion?, edited by Lori G. Beaman, and Leo Van Arragon, 307-320. Leiden: Brill Academic Press.
- Shipley, Heather, and Pamela Dickey Young. 2015. "Religion, Youth and Queer Identities in Canada." In Sexual Diversity and Religions, edited by Martin Jaime. PEG/Diversities Publishing, accepted.
 - Interviews conducted and video diaries completed by participants—interviews and video diaries still in process but will be completed before the end of 2014.
 - The Advisory Committee did not meet in 2013-14, but the funding is available from the grant to do that in the near future.

Next stages:

- Completing interviews and collection of completed video diaries (to be completed by December 2014).
- Transcription of all interviews and video diaries



- Further data analysis
- Further presentation of results
- Book manuscript will be in preparation in 2015.

4. Finances

Project: Continuation Grant

Budget as granted 2013-14:

Research Assistant* \$ 12, 916 (this employs an RA at Queen's for 2 terms)

Travel for Interviews* \$ 6,745

Equipment and supplies \$ 300

Total \$ 19,961

Because the interviews did not take place in neatly clustered geographic locations much less was expended on travel than expected. More interviews were done by phone and Skype.

* Ian Alexander Cuthbertson worked on a number of areas related to the Religion and Diversity Project. He was responsible for upkeep of web site, Facebook page, interface between SurveyMonkey and SPSS, tracking participant numbers, compiling data as requested, etc. for the Religion, Gender and Sexuality among Youth in Canada project. He conducted a number of interviews for the project and transcribed both interviews and video diaries.

Note: \$6000 is the approximate cost of a Research Assistant at Queen's for one term, so this funding paid for approximately 2 terms of Mr. Cuthbertson's RAship.

Budget Carried over from 2012-13:

Advisory Committee Meeting** \$ 2235

Travel for Interviews \$ 3658

\$ 5893

^{**}This sum was not spent in 2013-14, but will be used in 2014-15



Breakdown of Expenses Sept 1, 2013-August 31, 2014				
Student Funding*				
	Amount	Name	Dates	Project
Student Stipends				
Student Assistantship	\$9,364.08 (plus the \$6000 budgeted from the RA fund)	lan Cuthbertson	September 2013- August 2014	
Research Funding				
	Amount	Project	Dates	Specifics**
Funding for Research Costs				
Funding for Research Travel	1606.77		March 2014	
Funding for Administrative/Supply Costs Related to Research	781.06			Camera for video diaries, several encrypted USB drives and other storage devices, one encrypted



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Carryover into 2014-15 \$14,103 (\$5893 from 2012-13 and \$8210 from 2013-14. The money will be spent on the continuation of the RGSY project: for an Advisory Committee meeting, to employ the RA for another 3 terms (using this money and the \$6000 that comes for RA funding), further funding for equipment and transcription.