

ANNUAL PSA DAY CONFERENCE OCT 21, 2022

Afternoon Workshops



2. DISMANTLING WHITE FEMINISM: How white women can be better allies to marginalized, oppressed, and equity-seeking colleagues, friends, and community members

White women can be complicit in upholding white supremacy culture, even with best intentions in mind - so, what can we do to make change for the better? Facilitators for this workshop will explore the defining characteristics of white supremacy culture, as well as other crucial terms, like intersectionality, gatekeeping, and fragility. Participants in this workshop will engage in activities that will help them recognize the privilege and power they hold in various workspaces, and how that privilege and power can be used to dismantle systems of oppression.



Kailey Willets (she/her) is a white, cis, queer settler who has been teaching and learning on the stolen territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), sḵwəxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səliilíwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations for the past six years. Kailey first engaged in anti-oppression work through queer community organizing, and continues to engage with anti-oppressive practice in educational spaces as a member of the Raising Educator's Voices caucus. Kailey currently teaches English at Britannia Secondary in so-called Vancouver



Christine McKinnon (she/her). A former professional cook and Pastry Chef, Christine has been an English and French teacher with the Vancouver School Board since 2017. As a white, cisgender occupier (uninvited person) of the stolen ancestral territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), sḵwəxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səliilíwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations, other hə́n̓qəmi̓hə́n̓-speaking peoples, and all those who hold rights and responsibilities in what is now known as Vancouver, she is grateful for the opportunity to engage in anti-oppression work on this land. She began her anti-o journey in earnest in January of 2020 when she joined the Raising Educators' Voices caucus, and she looks forward to continuing the uncomfortable work of facing and dismantling systemic oppression.