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Social Sciences and Humanities Working Group Presents:

# Research is Land Relations

**Dr. Max Liboiron**

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All research methods can align with or against colonialism, as all research methods have land relations. Even when researchers are working toward benevolent goals such as environmentalism, conducting environmental science and activism is often premised on a colonial worldview and access to land. Dr. Max Liboiron will draw on their new book, *Pollution is Colonialism*, to discuss how anticolonial science and research are not only possible, it is currently being practiced in ways that enact more ethical modes of being in the world.



**Dr. Max Liboiron** develops and promotes anticolonial research methods in a wide array of disciplines and spaces and is the author of *Pollution is Colonialism* (Duke University Press, 2021). Their lab, **CLEAR**, is an interdisciplinary plastic pollution laboratory whose methods foreground humility and good land relations. Dr. Liboiron is an Associate Professor in Geography at Memorial University.



**Discussant:  
Jamie Snook**

Jamie Snook has mixed Inuit ancestry and is from Mary's Harbour, Labrador, within the NunatuKavut Community Council territory. Jamie is extensively involved in wildlife research and public policy with the Torngat Wildlife Plants and Fisheries Secretariat. Jamie completed his Ph.D at the University of Guelph in Public Health and researched the ways wildlife co-management intersects with Inuit well-being.



**Discussant:  
Calvin White**

Elder Calvin White is Mi'kmaw. He was born and raised in Flat Bay, NL and is one of the founders of the Aboriginal revival in Newfoundland and Labrador. Elder White is one of the original petitioners in the 1989 legal action brought by the FNI against the federal government, which eventually resulted in the agreement to form the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation. For his pivotal role in achieving recognition for Newfoundland Mi'kmaq and his longstanding commitment to the rights of his people, Elder Calvin White received the Order of NL in 2015, an honorary doctor of laws degree in 2017, and the Order of Canada in 2019.

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