



## YorkU Graduate Studies Early Childhood Research Group

### Brown Bag Series

Welcome to the first edition of the brown bag series for graduate students with an interest in research directly or broadly related to early childhood education and studies. The brown bag series is a space to discuss work in progress and bring early writing and thinking into conversation with other graduate students.

#### **Presenting: Dragana Mirkovic**

##### **Disrupting the Human: Rethinking Common World Difficulties with(in) a Pandemic**

**Description:** With much of the evidence for the origins of Covid-19 pointing to the illegal wildlife trade, I began to wonder if education offered a space to rethink human-animal interactions. In reviewing a course paper I had written prior to the pandemic, I realized a critical place to begin was disrupting human supremacy. The Covid-19 pandemic offers is the call to acknowledge the fragility and interdependence of the multi-species in the Anthropocene. In this paper I hope to unfold how the complexities brought on by the pandemic showcase the need to radically rethink human-animal interactions as a way to disrupt human supremacy in education. In thinking with common-worlds pedagogies and notions of spirituality, I attempt to reimagine education as a place for profoundly complex engagements with human and more-than-human worlds as a way to invite new ways of being in the world.

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