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U Victoria undergraduate student Rosie Child shows trophy hunting success relies on hiring a professional guide: Rosie Child, UVic geography student and research associate in Chris Darimont's Applied Conservation Science Lab, analyzed more than 3,000 online photos of guided and unguided trophy hunters as part of a recently published study. Child was able to show that it matters little whether you're skinny or fat, young or old, wearing camouflage clothing or a three-piece suit. The key to trophy hunting rests on hiring a professional guide to lead you to the biggest game. "Our results don't match what you might see in advertisements in hunting magazines," said Chris Darimont, a Hakai/Raincoast assistant professor in the department of geography at the University of Victoria. "But real life rarely mirrors what you see in advertisements. I don't think this is any different." The study also found camouflage clothing, despite being worn by 80 per cent of hunters, did not equate larger trophy kills. It is the "least important variable in predicting our measure of hunting performance". [Vancouver Sun](#)

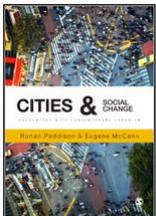
U Northern British Columbia geographers hard at work on Mt Polley disaster: UNBC's The Quesnel River Research Centre, also known as the Max Blow Research Centre, is located nearby the Mount Polley tailings pond breach. And staff there have been busy collecting water samples from some of the affected area. Philip Owens, Research Chair in Landscape Ecology, said "we have collected sediment from the bay into which Hazeltine Creek flows. We have collected some very simple sediment samples from Hazeltine Creek but it's very difficult to get access at the moment. We're restricted in what we can do because it's so dangerous and there's concerns about anyone getting in and rightly so because it's dangerous. So we have been sampling water and sediment from Quesnel Lake." The majority of the government's comments on this disaster so far have dealt with the human water supply. But Dr Owens agrees with those who fear the most serious and long-lasting consequences could be felt by the wildlife in the affected area. "That's the big concern that a lot of the local communities have and we have that concern, salmon runs and things like that. So we will sure be looking at that and will try to look at the long-term picture as well." [250 News](#)

UBC PhD graduate Junjia Ye to study the Auckland melting pot: The populations of New York, Johannesburg and Singapore have all been scrutinised, now human geographer Dr Junjia Ye has her sights set on Auckland. Dr Ye has joined the School of People, Environment and Planning at Massey University's Albany campus. She teaches and conducts research on how moving to a new city affects the lives of migrants, both domestic and international, and how those people interact with longer-term residents of those cities. Originally from Singapore, Dr Ye received her PhD in geography at the University of British Columbia in 2011. Based on her PhD dissertation, she argues that class is a deeply entrenched form of inequality perpetuated through division of labour and the lifestyle of workers. [Massey University News](#)

U Waterloo and Guelph graduate Patrick Lawrence interviewed on recent Drinking Water Crisis in Toledo, Ohio: During the recent drinking water crisis in the City of Toledo, Ohio where Harmful Algae Blooms in the western Lake Erie basin released toxins resulting in a three day on drinking water for over 500,000 residents, Dr. Patrick Lawrence, Professor and Chair of the Department of Geography and Planning at the University of Toledo, was interviewed on the various land management and policy aspects by local and national media, including the USA Today and appeared on a story presented on the national CBS Evening News. Dr. Lawrence is a graduate of the Departments of Geography at the University of Waterloo (1989 BES, 1996 PhD) and University of Guelph (MSc 1991). [USA Today](#) | [CBS News](#)

New Books

Ronan Paddison and Eugene McCann, eds. 2014. [Cities and Social Change: Encounters with Contemporary Urbanism](#). Sage.



What is the city? What is the nature of living in the city? This new textbook provides students with an in-depth understanding of the central issues associated with the city and how living in a city impacts its inhabitants. Theoretically informed and thematically rich, the book is edited by leading scholars in the field and contains an eminent, international cast of contributors and contributions. It provides a critical analysis of the key thinkers, themes and paradigms dealing with the relationship between the built environment and urban life. It includes illustrative case studies, questions for discussion, further reading and web links. Examining the contradictions, conflicts and complexities of city living, the book is an essential resource for students looking to get to grip with the different theoretical and substantive approaches that make up the diverse and rich study of the city and urban life. [Google Preview](#)



U Victoria's Rosaline Canessa and collaborators to explore and improve the utility and modeling of ship traffic, based on AIS and other data, as an indicator of noise to enable government, industry and, even individuals, make better decisions to mitigate marine noise impacts. [MEOPAR](#)

Hot Papers by Canadian Geographers

Thomas E. Barchyn, Chris H. Hugenholtz, Bailiang Li, Cheryl McKenna Neuman and R. Steven Sanderson. 2014. From particle counts to flux: [Wind tunnel testing and calibration of the 'Wenglor' aeolian sediment transport sensor](#). Aeolian Research. DOI: 10.1016/j.aeolia.2014.06.009

Laura J. Cameron. 2014. [Participation, archival activism and learning to learn](#). Journal of Historical Geography. DOI: 10.1016/j.jhg.2014.07.003

Chris T. Darimont and K. Rosie Child. 2014. [What enables size-selective trophy hunting of wildlife?](#) PLoS ONE 9: e103487. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0103487

Myriam Fillion, Brian Laird, Vasiliki Douglas, Linda Van Pelt, Diane Archie and Hing Man Chan. 2014. [Development of a strategic plan for food security and safety in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region, Canada](#). International Journal of Circumpolar Health 73: 25091. doi.org/10.3402/ijch.v73.25091

Neil Hanlon, Mark Skinner, Alun Joseph, Laura Ryser and Greg Halseth, G. 2014. [Place integration through efforts to support healthy aging in British Columbia's interior: The role of voluntary sector leadership](#). Health and Place 29:132-139.

Jennifer Hyndman and Amarnath Amarasingam. 2014. [Touring "Terrorism": landscapes of memory in post-war Sri Lanka](#). Geography Compass 8:560-575.

E. Reid-Musson. 2014. [Historicizing precarity: A labour geography of 'transient' migrant workers in Ontario tobacco](#). Geoforum 56:161-171.

Sai Latt and Robin Roth. 2014. [Agrarian change and ethnic politics: Restructuring of Hmong and Shan labour and agricultural production in northern Thailand](#). Journal of Agrarian Change. DOI:10.1111/joac.12081

Alvin Simms, David Freshwater and Jamie Ward. 2014. [The Rural Economic Capacity Index \(RECI\): A benchmarking tool to support community-based economic development](#). Economic Development Quarterly. DOI: 10.1177/0891242413512672

Andrew M. Song and Ratana Chuenpagdee. 2014. [Exploring stakeholders' images of coastal fisheries: A case study from South Korea](#). Ocean & Coastal Management 100:10-19.

Kiara Winans, Joann K. Whalen, Alain Cogliastro, David Rivest and Lisa Ribaudou. 2014. [Soil carbon stocks in two hybrid poplar-hay crop systems in southern Quebec, Canada](#). Forests 5:1952-1966.

Other “Geographical” News

Tahltan elders blockade Red Chris Mine: A group of Tahltan elders has set up a blockade of Imperial Metals' Red Chris Mine near Iskut. The Klabona Keepers say the action is in response to the tailings pond disaster at Imperial's Mount Polley Mine in the Central Interior -- and also to show their serious concerns over the Red Chris Mine, which is about to begin production. The Klabona Keepers gained fame several years ago, when they successfully fought Shell Canada's plans to drill for coalbed methane in the area dubbed "the Sacred Headwaters". They have also been at the forefront of the battle against Fortune Minerals' efforts to develop an anthracite coal mine in the Klappan. [CFTK](#)

The Great Lakes’ mounting problems: The range of problems impacting the Great Lakes is enormous, many of which are impossible to change. Nutrient pollution that created the latest algae bloom on Lake Erie, the shallowest and warmest of the Great Lakes, may be only partially controllable by controlling the nutrients entering the lakes. The algae problem, however, is further exacerbated by the warming of the Great Lakes’ water associated with global climate change, making total control even more difficult. [National Geographic](#)

Op Nanook scenario preps Nunavut for cruise ship mishaps: Nunavut’s most recent real experience with a troubled ship came in 2010, when the Canadian-operated Clipper Adventurer ran aground with some 128 passengers on board. All had to be evacuated to nearby Kugluktuk. That number of passengers pales in comparison to the 1,070 passengers — plus 665 crew — who will ply the Northwest Passage on board the massive Crystal Serenity in two years. Operation Nanook will allow EMO to test its specialized communications equipment for emergency response, and “allow us to find our gaps.” [Nunatsiaq Online](#)

Some not so “Geographical” News



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