

## Education

2023

### Ph.D. Urban Planning

*University of California, Los Angeles*

Dissertation focus: Indigenous peoples; land-use planning; planning theory/history; human/political geography

Visiting Researcher: The University of the Ryūkyūs, Research Institute for Islands and Sustainability

Language Training: Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies

2014

### M.A. Planning

*University of British Columbia*

Specialization:

2021 Iwama, D, Umemoto, K, Matsuda, K. (2021) *Calling Nikkei to Empire: Diaspora and Development in Historic Little Tokyo*. *Journal of Historical Geography*, 74, 44-55

\* Winner of the Association for Asian American Studies' 2022 Outstanding Graduate Student Research Article Award (Social Science Category)

2021 Iwama, D. (2021). *Tides of Dispossession: Property in Militarized Land and the Coloniality of Military Base Conversion in Okinawa*. *Okinawan Journal of Island Studies*, 2, 93-114.

### *Policy & Essays*

2021 Iwama, D. *The Islands Where People Live*. Boston Review [re-titled as *The Battle for Okinawa*]

2018 Iwama, D. *On the Road to the New Reserve: Considering Canada's Preferred Path to Land Restitution*. Yellowhead Institute

2018 [credited] Ong, P. M.; Comandon, A.; Cheng, A.; Gonzalez, S. R. *South Los Angeles Since the Sixties: Half a Century of Progress?*

2013 Iwama, D., Ma, E., Stone, J. *Retail Continuity in the Downtown Eastside: An Analysis of Present and Future Policies*. City of Vancouver Downtown Eastside Planning Team

### *Book Reviews*

2017 Iwama, D. (2017). *Imprints: The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians and the City of Chicago*. *UCLA American Indian Culture and Research Journal*, 41, 139-182

### *Teaching*

2024 (Spring) Simon Fraser University (Vancouver, British Columbia)

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## Professional Experience

- 09/2023-Present     Lecturer, Simon Fraser University Dept. of Indigenous Studies  
Burnaby, British Columbia
- 09/2022-09/2023     Policy Analyst, City of Vancouver  
Vancouver, British Columbia