

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Faculty of Education** 

Department of Curriculum & Pedagogy







### **Celebration of Life**

# **Dr. Joy Butler**

November 7, 2019 | 3:00-5:00 p.m.

### **Program**

Welcome | Dr. Samson Nashon, Department Head, EDCP

Land Acknowledgement | Dr. Peter Cole, EDCP

### Reflections

Dean Blye Frank, Faculty of Education

Dr. LeAnne Petherick, HOPE Program Coordinator, EDCP

Student representative

Open reflections

Dr. Claire Robson

# **Lifetime Athlete and Educator**







# **Department of Curriculum & Pedagogy**

Dr. Joy Butler was a Professor in the Dept of Curriculum and Pedagogy at UBC, Vancouver, Canada from 2005 until her passing on September 16, 2019. Joy's research and teaching developed around constructivism, complexity thinking, situated ethics and community wellness.









# **Research Interests**

Action Research, Assessment, Children & Youth, Curriculum Studies Research, Pedagogy, Teacher Education Research, Teacher Research

Constructivism

Physical Education Teacher Education (PETE)

Curriculum Innovation and change

Teaching and Learning in Sports

# **Courses Taught | UBC**

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EDUC500 | Research Methodologies

EDCP 501 | Knowing, Teaching and Learning

EDCP 508A | EDCP508B

EDCP 530 | Curriculum Innovations in Physical Education

EDCP 580 | Problems in Education

EDCP 585 | Seminar in Curriculum and Pedagogy - Secondary Physical Education

EDCP 585 | Seminar in Curriculum and Pedagogy - Elementary Physical Education

EDCP 590 | Graduating Projects

EDCP 320 (PETE320) | Curriculum and Pedagogy in Physical Education: Elementary

EDCP 322A (PETE314) | Curriculum and Pedagogy in Physical Education: Secondary

EDUC 471 | Practicum
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# **Research Projects**

2010-2-13 | A study of situated ethics through inventing games: Teacher perspectives and student learning

Funding Agency: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council

Grant Amount: \$125,775

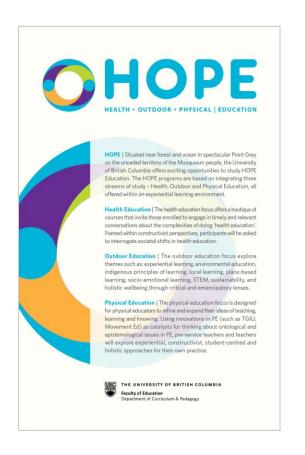
P.I.: Joy Butler, C.I. Dr. B. Davis (UCal); Dr. Tim Hopper (UVic), GRA's Sarah Taylor and Jessica Bania

2007-2008 | Using decision-making to improve the learning, understanding and playing of games

Funding Agency: Hampton Research fund (large grants)

Grant amount: \$5000





# HOPE

Joy's research interests and international work translated into the expansion of graduate and undergraduate PE programs at UBC.

The third M.Ed cohort in HOPE-Ed, began in July 2017.

# HOPE

Joy was coordinator of the **Health, Outdoor and Physical Education (HOPE)** programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels and include two-year M.Ed Cohorts for Health, Outdoor and Physical Experiential Education (**HOPE-Ed**).









# **TGfU**

Joy became one of the world's best-known advocates for TGfU (Teaching Games for Understanding), a teaching model that uses adaptations to sports and games to make them accessible for all students.

Joy was active in international scholarship, organization, and advocacy for TGfU. She was invited to give presentations and workshops on TGfU in many different countries, including *Finland*, *Singapore*, *Australia*, *Spain*, *Taiwan*, *Hong Kong*, *UK and Colombia*. She created and now Chairs the TGfU International Advisory Board comprising of 17 individual country representatives.

2002 | Founded and was Chair of the TGfU Task Force

2006 | Developed its evolution into the TGfU SIG

2001 & 2008 | Directed the International Teaching Games for Understanding (TGfU) Conferences

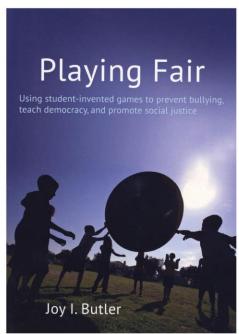


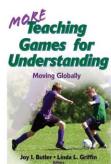
# **Publications**

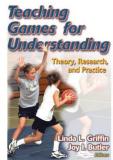
Joy edited or coedited six TGfU books. Her authored book, 'Using inventing games to prevent bullying, teach democracy and promote social justice,' was published in 2016.

**Butler, J.** (2016). Playing fair: Using inventing games to prevent bullying, teach democracy and promote social justice. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics. (Publication June 2016)

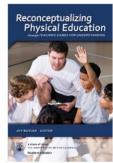
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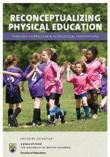












## **Publications**

#### Selected Publications

#### **BOOKS | Authored**

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#### **Edited**

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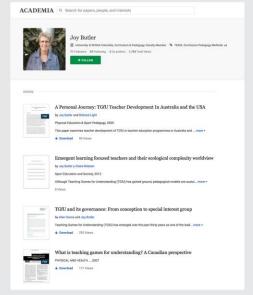
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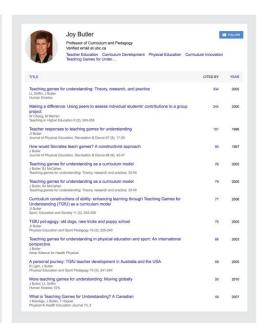
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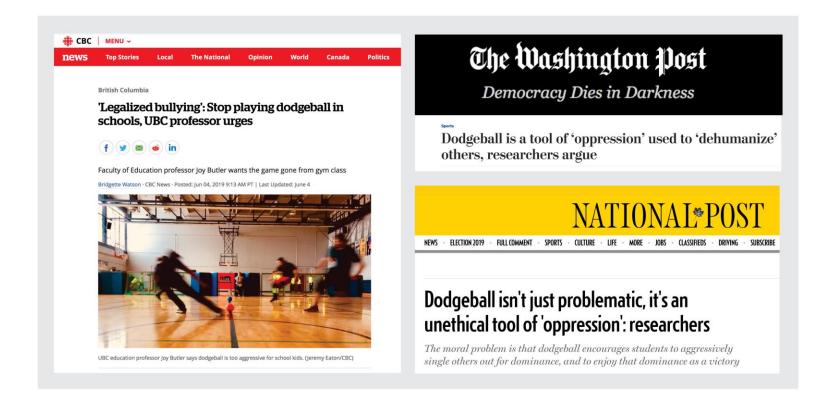
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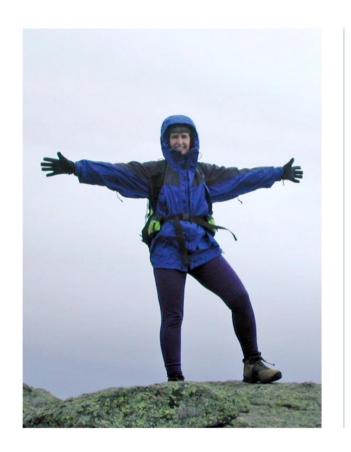




## **Presentations**

Joy was invited to give two presentations in Medellin, Columbia at their *National Physical Education Expomoticidad Conference* in November 2013. There were over 500 delegates in attendance for her keynote presentation, titled *Teaching Games for Understanding – developing decision-makers in games*.

She was also invited to close the conference with an hour's presentation, titled *Changes in teachers' beliefs, intentions and actions after integrating situated ethics in physical education.* These presentations were sponsored by the Physical Education and Sport special interest group.



# **WALKABOUT**

Joy designed and launched Walkabout in 2005

Walkabout is an annual 9-week health and wellbeing challenge promoting regular exercise in social settings. It is a partnership initiative with UBC Recreation and UBC Human Resources to encourage physical activity.

walkabout.educ.ubc.ca



# Lifetime Achievement Award

In 2016 Joy was awarded a 'Lifetime Achievement Award' at the 6th International TGfU Conference in Cologne, Germany by the Teaching Games for Understanding SIG of The Association Internationale des Écoles Supérieures d'Éducation Physique (AIESEP).



# R. Tait McKenzie Award

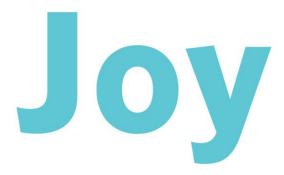
Joy received the 2018 R. *Tait McKenzie Award*. Presented by *Physical & Health Education Canada* (PHE Canada), the R. Tait McKenzie Award is geared toward Canadians who have made a significant impact on physical education, health education/promotion, recreation, and dance and who have served the profession over an extended period of time.











# Joy

Born in the United Kingdom, Joy taught secondary school Physical Education there for ten years, as well coaching three basketball teams to national finals. She was a visionary Head of Department and national youth basketball coach, using methods and programs that were considered innovative at that time.

In 1989, Joy and her partner Claire moved to the US where Joy completed her master's degree and then her doctorate, both at Boston University. After taking up a faculty position at Plymouth State University in New Hampshire.

2005-2019 | Department of Curriculum & Pedagogy, Faculty of Education, UBC

1993 | Boston University, US | Ed.D, Curriculum & Teaching

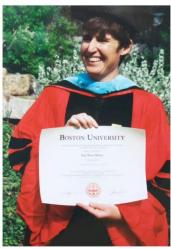
1990 | Boston University, US | M.Ed, Human Movement

1979 | London University, UK, B.Ed, Movement Studies











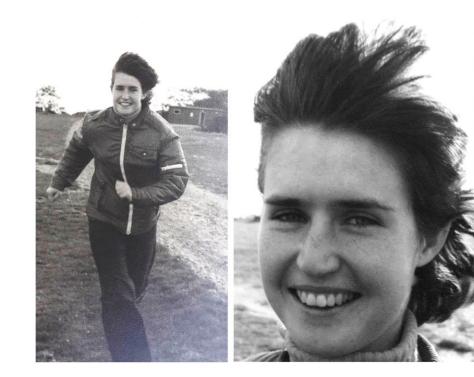










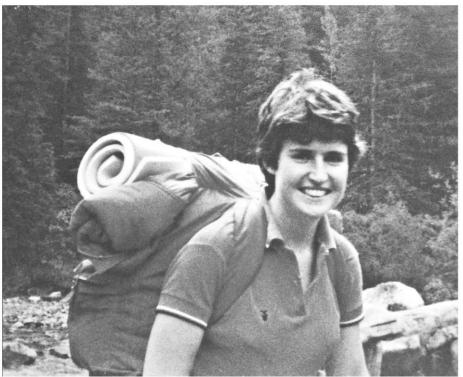
























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# **Family & Friends**



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