



Get to know Candice Muir

Q. What drew you to the gambling field?

A: My research interests have always been interdisciplinary, with a hope of using bio-psycho-social science to help inform applied initiatives in health and education. During my undergrad (Carleton), I had the opportunities to do research in numerical cognition (Math Cog Lab); volunteer at a mental health hospital; and do a summer studentship in clinical epidemiology. Through my numerous conversations with players over the years, in addition to my teaching experience and opportunity to do postdoctoral research (Peter Boris Centre for Addictions Research; McMaster/SJHH) in addictions, I have developed a very strong passion for understanding how experience, motivation, and emotional processes lead some individuals to path of problems/harm and others to a path of resiliency, wellness, and hope.

Q. What kind of research do you hope to accomplish at RGC?

A: I am interested in conducting research and advancing methods to help identify factors that can help prevent players from going down a negative route to experiencing harms, and leading players to a more positive RG route of gambling as a form of responsible recreation. From an applied perspective, I am interested in developing RG resources and tools that help promote player education, RG behaviours and harm assessment/minimization.

View some of Candice's published works:

- [Greo Evidence Centre Summaries](#)
- [Addictive Behaviours](#), (2020)
- [Journal of Behavioural Addictions](#), (2019)
- [International Gambling Studies](#), (2017)

Candice Muir is a **Researcher** with the **Centre for the Advancement of Best Practices (CABP)** at RGC. She has been conducting primary gambling research for 13 years, and has used her research and teaching experience in psychology/health sciences to develop gambling-related educational resources. At the RGC, Candice leads gambling research initiatives aimed at advancing health promotion, harm minimization, and safer play.

We asked Candice some questions about what drew her to the gambling field and the research she hopes to accomplish at RGC.