

## **Jeremy Pittman**

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**Brief Personal Description:** I am a transdisciplinary researcher investigating governance in complex social-ecological systems. My PhD research focuses on governance in relation to land-sea connections in the Lesser Antilles islands of the Caribbean. I draw on multiple theoretical frames in my research (e.g., resilience, institutional fit, Actor-Network Theory) and employ a range of qualitative and quantitative methods oriented towards action research (e.g., participatory scenarios, social-ecological network analysis). Prior to re-entering academia to pursue doctoral studies I was employed with both national- and provincial-level governments in Canada and the private sector working on issues of climate change adaptation, sustainability, and environmental policy. Through my academic and professional experience I've been lucky enough to work in rural, remote and indigenous communities and resource-based sectors (e.g., agriculture, fisheries, tourism, mining) in Canada, Chile, Uruguay, St. Lucia, Dominica, Antigua and Barbuda, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Grenada.

**Educational Background:** BSc Geography; MSc Geography; PhD Social and Ecological Sustainability (in progress).

### **Last 3 work related positions:**

- 2011-2012 – Social Practice Consultant – ERM Canada
- 2009-2011 – Climate Change Adaptation Specialist – Water Security Agency of Saskatchewan
- 2008-2009 – Agroclimate Analyst – Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

### **Last 3 projects:**

- 2014-present - Navigating the unforeseen: How governance can better account for and accommodate surprise in social-ecological systems
- 2014-present – The Evolution of Interdisciplinarity over 20 years of global change research by the IAI
- 2012-present – Partnership for Canada-Caribbean Community Climate Change Adaptation

### **Most relevant publications:**

- Pittman, J., Tiessen, H. and Montaña, E. (submitted) The evolution of interdisciplinarity over 20 years of global change research by the IAI. *Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability*.
- Pittman, J., Wittrock, V., Kulshreshtha, S. and Wheaton, E. 2010. Vulnerability to Climate Change in Rural Saskatchewan: Case Study of the R.M. of Rudy #284. *Journal of Rural Studies* 27(1):pp. 83-94.
- Pittman, J. 2010. Nêhiyawak (Cree) and Climate Change in Saskatchewan: Insights from the James Smith and Shoal Lake First Nations. *Geographic Research Forum* 30:88-104.