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Unmasking Prejudice? Professor Denounces Maskless People as “Racist, Ableist, and Classist.”

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(<https://i0.wp.com/jonathanturley.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/download-4.png?ssl=1>) George Washington University (where I teach) this week became one of the last major universities to drop its mask mandate. Many students had long declined to follow the mandate, but the decision was met with relief by many at the school. Yet, some are vivid about the lifting of such mandates in various schools. One is a professor at the University of British Columbia who has participated in roundtable discussions as an expert with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. Dr. Amy Tan is a Clinical Associate Professor in Palliative Care and Family Practice at UBC’s Faculty of Medicine and an Adjunct Professor at the University of Calgary. She recently issued a blistering attack on those going maskless as being “racist, ableist, and classist.” The comments raise long-standing concerns that masks have become a vehicle for social and political rather than medical agendas.

[According to media reports \(https://tnc.news/2023/02/23/ubc-prof-masks/\)](https://tnc.news/2023/02/23/ubc-prof-masks/), Tan responded to a user who defended labeling non-maskers as “racist.” The user denounced dropping the mandates and [added \(https://twitter.com/ReesiePeacie/status/1627433399362236416?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E1627433399362236416%7Ctwgr%5E51d1a02b6aa59f01bbd76b137346947288b5c555%7Ctwcon%5Es1_%ref_url=https%3Fprof-masks%2F\)](https://twitter.com/ReesiePeacie/status/1627433399362236416?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E1627433399362236416%7Ctwgr%5E51d1a02b6aa59f01bbd76b137346947288b5c555%7Ctwcon%5Es1_%ref_url=https%3Fprof-masks%2F):

prof-masks%2F):

“once again and always – white people, you do not get to say what is or isn’t racist. stop speaking for and over BIPOC.

learn your place, sit down, shut up, and listen to us. your white saviorism is killing us. whiteness is a problem. oof.

(read & listen to James Baldwin! <3)”

Tan appeared to agree and added that “not masking is racist, ableist & classist.” Notably, some experts believe that the mandatory mandates are alarmist. Recent studies have [cast doubts on the efficacy of masks \(https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/14/unmasking-covid-claims-scientific-review-challenges-claim-that-masks-reduced-covid-transmissions/\)](https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/14/unmasking-covid-claims-scientific-review-challenges-claim-that-masks-reduced-covid-transmissions/) and revealed that even the CDC long harbored doubts on the question. Others continue to [challenge those contrary findings as incomplete \(https://www.gavi.org/vaccineswork/yes-masks-reduce-risk-spreading-covid-despite-review-saying-they-dont\)](https://www.gavi.org/vaccineswork/yes-masks-reduce-risk-spreading-covid-despite-review-saying-they-dont).

Notably, Tan is not attempting to engage skeptics on the science. Instead she (and others) are attempting to cut off debate by labeling opposing views as revealing a myriad of prejudices. These attacks have largely worked to intimidate many in government, business, media, and academia. Mask efficacy is a debate long suppressed by social media companies and disfavored by many universities. Experts were banned for raising such questions and others labeled conspiracy theorists.

Figures like Tan continue to argue that questioning mask efficacy is to self-identify as a racist, ableist and classist. That is a lot of “ists” for anyone and most academics do not want to risk becoming a target of such attacks. The problem is that the students and the public at large no longer appear to be buying into the mask mandates.

Hopefully, we can still have this long delayed debate at universities without the type of personal, vituperative attacks employed by figures like Tan. If one truly cares about public health, there is nothing to fear from hearing opposing views on the underlying science. People of good faith should be able to disagree on these studies without being allegedly “unmasked” as the Bull Connors of medicine.

Her [bio \(https://facdev.med.ubc.ca/about/our-team/\)](https://facdev.med.ubc.ca/about/our-team/) on UBC’s website highlights her work as “an advocate for health equity and an anti-racism educator and consultant” with expertise on “culturally-safe and anti-oppressive care with patients and families.” She has been a continuing advocate for masks where both inside and outside buildings.



<https://i0.wp.com/static.tnc.news/media/2023/02/Screen-Shot-2023-02-23-at-4.38.20-PM.png?ssl=1>

Screenshot of a tweet by Dr. Amy Tan published from Feb. 18 2023.

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The masking of children is a crime against humanity. It should be referred to as such, and I predict it eventually will.

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Unless you're at a BLM rally or riot. The virus doesn't show up to those.

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 James says:

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@oldman

It does apparently jump out from behind trees in empty public parks, through car ventilators when you're alone, and through concrete, back yard walls, though. Nuclear fallout is jealous. 😏

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Good Lord. SMDH

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Dr Tan, I note, is listed as an expert in Palliative Care and Family Medicine. No specialty in virology, bacteriology, communicable diseases, pulmonary disease, occupational lung disease, molecular biology, pharmacology, and as such, her opinions are worth exactly O. Just because she has an MD degree does not mean she is not as crazy as a loon. I also note her picture above and her sentence about meeting with her covid conscious friends on a restaurant patio. I would suggest that those “friends” make up her “mental health support group”.

I would suggest people steer clear of her because she is in palliative care and Canada is now very liberal in their use of physician assisted death. Some news reports mention 14,000 cases since 2019. They are actually having discussions about physician assisted death for children with mental health issues without parental consent. (Not decided yet).

That's not a very great jump to labeling people who don't wear masks as being suicidal and/or a threat to public order and thereby in need of physician assisted suicide. Having been in medicine 46 years, I did meet a few loons there and kept my distance. It can get very messy when you have to pull them out of practice. There are frequent courses for department chairs and medical staff boards on how to recognize, intervene and, if needed, remove physicians from practice. Done it and never fun.

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I'll give Dr. Amy Tan credit at least for dutifully carrying water for Justin Trudeau and the Woke Left. Simply redefine any opposing statement as "racism" you win by default. The ultimate response that trumps anything ! Dr. Tan's lack of self-awareness is breathtaking. She is a true Koolaid drinker. Thank you, Jonathan, for an excellent article.

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Okyl says: [February 26, 2023 at 9:42 AM \(https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265877\)](https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265877)

This is a short video. Even Alan Dershowitz has admitted to the public he Phk'ed Up! Thks Alan, but you're to late for when it really Mattered.

And Biden Admin still has us, Hospitals, under the illegal Prep Act & the Cares Act for another month & a half! AKA, our govt is paying the hospitals extra to Whack Us.

Alan Dershowitz Now Pretends He Didn't Call for Forced Injections of the Experimental Covid Jabs [Video]

By J.D. Rucker • Feb. 25, 2023

<https://thelibertydaily.com/alan-dershowitz-now-pretends-he-didnt-call-for-forced-injections-of-the-experimental-covid-jabs/> (<https://thelibertydaily.com/alan-dershowitz-now-pretends-he-didnt-call-for-forced-injections-of-the-experimental-covid-jabs/>)

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I've seen it. Something like 'the government has the right to take you to a doctor's office and thrust a needle into your arm' in order to 'protect' others. Then Dershowitz says something like 'I didn't really mean it' or something to that effect. He just cannot admit (like millions of others) that he was wrong. People dropping dead all over 'unexpectedly'. "Just shut up and stop complaining" they will say.

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KC (<https://kronikoles.com>) says:

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Couple of problems here. As for the "racist" response: "once again and always – white people, you do not get to say what is or isn't racist.". Amy Tan, as evidenced by the Chinese writing in her Twitter account, is NOT white. Common problem that blacks think racism is between whites and blacks only (even though they think they don't). So it's not for just one race to define racism, is it. You can refine your statement, such that it reads: it's not up to anyone but blacks to determine if a statement is racist against blacks. Now Dr. Amy is, as Turkey said, a doctor who is not expressing a medical opinion. Even so, we don't really care what any doctor says, right? They are the auto mechanics of the medical field. Give me as virologist! We also have to recognize that in additional to political motives, there are many people in our society who are socially and emotionally challenged, and for whom the mask represents a very great form of escape from direct interaction with society, and a special ticket to their own isolative elitism.

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amy tan, is a perfect example of the human potential to be stuffed with knowledge, yet know absolutely nothing. She has no ability to think independently and can only regurgitate what she is spoon fed. It's pretty amazing, actually. These types of people seem easily persuaded by the appeal to authority fallacy.

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They don't give degrees for wisdom or common sense.

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I suppose some folks might wear a mask outside due to allergens. Some might wear them while sitting in close proximity with a fellow passenger so not to cough on the person next to them. However those who wear their masks in the car, while walking alone or in a public setting when they are far from other people are likely doing so as a security device. Like an infant pacifier. Perhaps it is a sign of submission, especially those who wear the big black masks. Almost like a sign to fellow submissive believers in the settled “science.”

Clinical anxiety has skyrocketed. The television and media is nonstop controversy. The pandemic created little tyrants. Human behavior is interesting but during the pandemic some folks went off the deep end.

We are now three years out and the unintended (or intended?) consequences of neglected routine ongoing healthcare care staggering. The attack on personal businesses has disrupted our economy and we have an addled occupant in the White House who has always been on taco short of a combination plate.

The best thing a person can do is turn off the TV and enjoy their family, meet with friends, attend their faith based services and realize that there are some who are on “Team Crazy.”

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How can it be people like this Dr. Amy Tan are to be licensed doctors? If they cared about that piece paper why do they rip it up?

These doctors below seem to have been suffering from cognitive retardation, mass-formation- psychosis or illegal coercion (Think Nuremberg Art 1 + Nuremberg 2), regardless like so many millions of other they chose poorly!

<https://thescotfree.com/covid19/triple-covid-vaxxed-25-year-old-medical-doctor-dies-suddenly-132-canadian-doctors-have-now-died-since-covid-vaccine-roll-out/> (<https://thescotfree.com/covid19/triple-covid-vaxxed-25-year-old-medical-doctor-dies-suddenly-132-canadian-doctors-have-now-died-since-covid-vaccine-roll-out/>)

<https://rwmalonemd.substack.com/p/mass-formation-psychosis> (<https://rwmalonemd.substack.com/p/mass-formation-psychosis>)

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Dr. Amy Tan “recently issued a blistering attack on those going” crutchless.

“Don’t the able-legged realize that the mere sight of them frightens the differently-legged?! In their mad dash to get places, the able-legged can bowl over the differently-legged. The mere thought of that horror triggers terror. Have the able-legged, and their QAnon supporters, no compassion? We must stop the ableists (legists?) from running roughshod over the differently-legged.

“Crutch mandates for all! Including children.”

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The left is only for “choice” on one issue.

They want you to wear a mask so they will know that you are not a decent voting person and they can shun you in every day endeavors. How else can they spot a quiet conservative if not for a mask?

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 Justice Holmes says: [February 26, 2023 at 8:39 AM \(https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265857\)](https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265857)

To all those who say masks don’t work, I assume that you will be objecting to your surgeon using a mask during your next operation.

As to crazed outbursts about masks....just look at some of these comments.

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I found most of the comments on the topic to be thoughtful, and based on logic.

The responses from people like Tan, those are the ones that seem a bit unhinged.

Your asserting about a surgical mask during an operation, as several have already commented, COVID virus is much smaller. The purpose of a surgical mask is to prevent spittle from entering the surgical clean area.

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Only a liberal would compare a surgeon wearing a mask during an operation to a person wearing a mask at a bistro. They are laughable, albeit scary.

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HullBobby,

Right?

You have to wear a mask when entering a restaurant or bar. But once you sit down you can take off your mask. Somewhere between the entrance and the table the virus magically can no longer be transmitted! It is stopped right there! And 6ft! SIX FEET!!!!

Laughable they are.

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Don't laugh at Holms. He is triple-masked, alone, and in a leaky rowboat in the ocean.

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Airborne versus droplet borne . . . a distinction that eludes people like Holmes.

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Yes surgeons do wear a mask but only for short periods of time, not all day and into their bed. The mask people don't won't to be known, it gives them a superiority stance, 'I know yo but you don't know me' haha.

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 **Ralph de Minimis** says: [February 26, 2023 at 9:16 AM \(https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265869\)](https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265869)

Generally speaking, surgeons wear masks to block BACTERIA, which are MUCH larger than any virus and can be carried on the moisture of breathing down into an opened wound during an operation.

Science is your friend — ignorant argumentation, not so much.

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If my surgeon thinks a mask will prevent viral transmission, I don't want him within 50 feet of me.

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"I assume that you will be objecting to your surgeon using a mask during your next operation."

I'll make the Left a deal:

Next time I'm in an operating room standing over a body that has been cut open, I'll wear a mask.

You stop compelling me to wear one everywhere else.

When you drop context, you can conclude anything or nothing.

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I wouldn't object to a surgeon operating on me who is wearing a respirator mask, fitted to his/her face and normally discarded after every use. I do object to virtue signaling members of tribes who ignore scientific studies.

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Seems like it must have been at least a year ago that it was established to my satisfaction that masks are, at best, useless concerning transmission/reception of coronavirus, given that as a matter of PHYSICAL SCIENCE the pores in even the best masks were reported to be somewhere on the order of 200 times LARGER than the coronavirus. So wearing a mask to keep out coronavirus was illustratively described as having the efficacy of using a chainlink fence to block the wind.

Meanwhile, a little Sunday-morning word-checking on this article:

(1) "Yet, some are vivid about lifting such mandates in various schools." — is it possible that that sentence is supposed to be ""Yet, some are LIVID about lifting such mandates in various schools" ?

(2) "Notably, some experts believe that the mandatory mandates are alarmist." — "mandatory mandates" ? Seriously? — as opposed to voluntary mandates?

(3) "She has been a continuing advocate for mask where both inside and outside buildings." — "She has been a continuing advocate for mask WEAR both inside and outside buildings." ?

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 **Ellen Evans** (<http://gravatar.com/locusnola>) says: [February 26, 2023 at 2:51 PM \(https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265927\)](https://jonathanturley.org/2023/02/26/unmasking-prejudice-professor-denounces-maskless-people-as-racist-ableist-and-classist/comment-page-1/#comment-2265927)

Mandatory mandates, brought to you by the Department of Redundancy Department.

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I have TWICE liked your comment, only to accidentally return after the first like and notice that it was missing.

Hmmm. Hopefully the second like sticks. I'm not accusing anyone of wrongdoing in this regard because this is the first time I've noticed that happen at this website, compared to it being a regular feature (moderator-created bug) at the Fox and NY Post websites.

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 More important that the mask controversy, watch the interview of Ed Dowd, author of the book "Cause Unknown"—The epidemic of sudden deaths in 2021 and 2022. You have been warned.

link:

<https://beforeitsnews.com/opinion-conservative/2023/02/tucker-carlson-today-sudden-death-epidemic-a-must-video-3655806.html> (<https://beforeitsnews.com/opinion-conservative/2023/02/tucker-carlson-today-sudden-death-epidemic-a-must-video-3655806.html>)

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The recent update by Cochrane of its systematic review of RCTs on the efficacy of masks concluded that they make little to no difference. The group also called for more studies, noting that they have low to moderate confidence in their conclusions. Finally they indicated that the issue of harms caused by masks has not been sufficiently studied.

Vinay Prasad, Tracy Hoeg and Ian Miller have written extensively on the absence of evidence that masks work. The website Brownstone.org has a section on masks that collects a lot of information.

Until Covid, the US public health consensus was that community masking did not work for respiratory viruses. Public health authorities inexplicably changed their recommendations in April 2020, without any sound evidence.

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“forcing people to wear masks is a form of control.”

Yes — via wiping out a person’s individual identity.

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The Mask Crowd, Left Wing Dem’s, wear their Masks every where, in fresh air, driving along and etc. They will be wearing their Masks forever. They are nuts.

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It’s science that liberals, especially younger ones with the worst opinions, experience higher levels of mental illness than normal people.

<https://www.eviemagazine.com/post/over-50-percent-white-liberal-women-under-30-mental-health-condition> (<https://www.eviemagazine.com/post/over-50-percent-white-liberal-women-under-30-mental-health-condition>)

While silly cloth masks offer little protection against the Wuhan virus, I think cloth masks do offer one valuable benefit. The mask provides a visual cue to normals that they are in the vicinity of someone who may suffer from mental illness. The mask acts like a traffic sign that reads “WARNING: Approach with caution.”

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“Mask efficacy is a debate long suppressed by social media companies and disfavored by many universities. Experts were banned for raising such questions and others labeled conspiracy theorists.”

I, too, would love to see/hear this scientific “debate” on mask efficiency, hopefully between experts in the medical field. Where can I find it?

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Is wearing a mask really about the efficacy of that device, or does it symbolize, “The fall of the bourgeoisie and [that] the victory of the proletariat are equally inevitable” (The Communist Manifesto)

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When you are wearing a mask, and someone smoking a cigarette walks in front of you, and you notice that you can smell the tobacco smoke through the mask, just remember that the coronavirus is smaller than the particles that constitute the smoke passing through your mask.

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Yes, leave that mask on. We do not care to be exposed to any of your oral expulsions.

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A recent study revealed a strong correlation between facial unattractiveness and support for masking. Does it surprise anyone that this homely, insecure woman wishes to level her competition? These are powerful subconscious evolutionary forces that her ability to reason as yet to overcome.

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