

THE GLOBAL HEALTH LECTURE SERIES

Vaccine Hesitancy and Science Denialism in Social Media, Martial Arts, and Fitness Subcultures
with Stephan Kesting, MSc and Jeff Dennis, PhD



Stephan Kesting is best known for being a martial artist and Brazilian jiu-jitsu blackbelt with a large social media following on Youtube, Instagram, and Twitter. He also has 2 degrees in biology, a strong background in experimental design and statistics, and 22 years of experience as a first responder, currently holding the rank of captain in the Delta Fire Department and having been awarded the Medal of Bravery from the Canadian Government. For the last 18 months he has generated significant amounts of backlash and controversy by using his social media to combat misinformation and disinformation about Covid-19, vaccination, and the scientific method. Website: Grapplearts.com Instagram: @stephan_kesting Youtube: youtube.com/stephankesting Podcast: The Strenuous Life Podcast

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