

Newsletter**Summer 2022 (Volume 9, Issue 1)**

Upcoming Events

- Coffee with POLI is hosting a Graduate session next week September 19th at 2PM.

Dr. Belge & Dr. Paquet ***Introduce you to Grad School***

Find out what you need and how to apply to graduate school

Our distinctive panel will share advice and experiences

Learn about: *Doctor of Philosophy (Political Science) Master of Arts Public Policy and Public Administration(MPPPA) Master of Arts (Political Science) Thesis Based*

Link to sign-up to register: <https://forms.office.com/r/7epnjnKtVj>

- We have a workshop on codes coming up with Dr. Schneider on October 13:

Concordia's Academic Code of Conduct: what students need to know and why

- Coffee with POLI will be hosting Concordia International if you are interested in studying abroad, you won't want to miss this on October 18.

Recent Events

"Exploring the Champ des Possibles and its milieu/Exploration du Champ des Possibles et son milieux." [Promenades de Jane/Jane's Walks](#) organized by Nik Luka (McGill), Amy Poteete, Giacomo Valzania (McGill), Karlo Trost (independent researchers), and [CRIEM](#) on 8 May 2022.

Concordia's Department of Political Science, with the University of Windsor, funded a pre-conference workshop on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Decolonization at the 2022 Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference on May 31, 2022. Nicole De Silva co-organized (with Rebecca Major and Ethel Tungohan) and chaired the workshop, with assistance from MA student Francesco MacAllister-

Caruso. Members of political science departments across Canada attended, and reflected on challenges and opportunities for EDID initiatives within political science in Canada.

We had our very first exciting **Scavenger Hunt** event hosted by the Political Science Department in collaboration with the Political Science Student Association (PSSA). Over 50 students participated. They were seen running around campus in groups of 5, getting their maps stamped and finding clues. Smiles all around and for those really competitive participants a few sweaty foreheads! It was a hot day :) Amazing prizes were given to the top 3 teams generously donated by the PSSA. Political Science Nerd tote bags and hats were passed around to each participant and freezies to enjoy amongst friends after a busy afternoon running around campus!







Departmental Speaker Series

Got Questions?

Our next “Got Questions?” session is September 15th at 1:00 pm.

If you have a question about Polisci, whatever it may be, come and ask away and we will do our best to answer!

Orientation

New students must attend a MANDATORY FAS Touchstone session, which is a virtual general advising session offered in collaboration with the Political Science department. For newly admitted fall term students: sessions begin at the end of March and run until early September. Here is a link to find out when the Political Science department is next offering a session:

<https://www.concordia.ca/artsci/students/sas/new-student-advising/touchstone-presentations.html#polisci>

Recent Publications

BOOKS

Kong, Hoi L. and Monforte, Tanya (Eds.). (2022). *Sustainability, Citizen Participation, and City Governance: Multidisciplinary Perspectives*. University of Toronto Press.

Lachapelle, Guy (2022), *René Lévesque. Un homme et son siècle - Une anthologie de sa pensée politique sur les enjeux internationaux et la place du Québec dans le monde*. Presses de l'Université Laval.

ARTICLES

Dodds, Graham G. "Assessing Exceptionalism: More but Different Cross-National Comparisons." *Studies in American Political Development*. July 29, 2022. <https://www.doi.org/10.1017/S0898588X22000104>

Hilgers, Tina, Anna Calderón, and Maxime Honigmann. "Tensions between the Middle Class and the 'New Middle Class' in Brazil: An Accidental Biographical Ethnography." *Latin American Research Review*, FirstView <https://www.doi.org/10.1017/lar.2022.17>.

→ Anna and Max are Concordia MPPPA graduates.

Marier, Patrik, Amanda Grenier, Karen Kobayashi, Debbie Rudman, Yoana Garcia-Poulin*, Stephanie Hatzifilalithis, and Chris Philipson. (2022). "Recognizing Precarity? A Comparative Analysis of Governmental Documents in Provincial and Federal Administrations." *Canadian Public Administration*, 60(2): 278-294.

Paquet, M. and Joy, M. 2022. "Canadian Sanctuary Policies in Context." *Canadian Public Administration* 1–18. <https://doi.org/10.1111/capa.12485>

Joy, M. and Vogel, R. 2022. "A Future Research Agenda for Transformational Urban Policy Studies." *Policy & Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1332/030557321X16521053190029>

Scala, Francesca. 2022. "Menstrual Activism, Insider-Outsider Alliances and Agenda-Setting: An Analysis of the Campaign to End the 'Tampon Tax' in Canada". *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*. DOI: 10.1080/1554477X.2022.2081913.

Scala, Francesca and Orsini, Michael. 2022. "Problematising Older Motherhood in Canada: Ageism, Ableism and the Risky Maternal Subject". *Health, Risk & Society*. 24:3-4, 2022; 149-166. DOI: [10.1080/13698575.2022.2057453](https://doi.org/10.1080/13698575.2022.2057453)

BOOK CHAPTERS

Joy, M. 2022. "Horizontal and Vertical Mainstreaming of the Age Friendly Cities and Communities Programme: Lessons from Toronto." In Gardiner, C. and O'Brien Webb, E. Eds. *The Age Friendly Lens: 1st Edition*. London: Routledge Taylor & Francis.

Daniel Béland, Shannon Dinan, Oliver Jacques, et Patrik Marier (2022). 'La protection sociale à travers le parcours de vie,' in Lisa Birch, Dominic Duval, Yannick Dufresne, and Camille Tremblay-Antoine. *Le gouvernement de la CAQ de François Legault: 251 promesses* (Québec : PUL). P. 99-111.

Daniel Béland, and Patrik Marier (2022). 'The Magic is in the Mix: How the Guaranteed Income Supplement and the Old Age Security Interact in Canada's Pension System to Tackle Successfully Poverty in Old Age,' in Evert Lindquist. Michael Howlett, Grace Skogstad, Geneviève Tellier, and Paul T'Hart. *Policy Successful Public Policy in Canada* (New York: Oxford University Press). P. 206-224.

Sokolon, Marlene K. 2022. "Sophocles's *Philoctetes*: Disease and the Interconnected Needs," in *Diseases, Disasters, and Political Theory*, Lee Trepanier, ed. Routledge's Contemporary Liminality Series.

Conference and Roundtable Presentations

Amy Poteete, Pavel Kunysz (Liège) (presenter), and Nik Luka (McGill). "Is commoning compatible with heterotopia: Reflections from the Champ des Possibles," to be presented at the Nordic Environmental Social Science conference workshop on "Urban regeneration in partnership with nature: Local challenges and solutions," 7 - 9 June 2022 in Gothenburg, Sweden.

Joanny Bélair, Marie Gagné, and Linda Engström. "How productive was the land grab? A review of land deals in seven Sub-Saharan African countries," to be presented at The Netherlands Land Academy (LANDac) Annual International Conference, Utrecht University, June 29-July 1, 2022.

Hilgers, Tina. "Crime from Above and Crime from Below: How the Roots of Crime Structure Community Understandings and Responses." *Latin American Studies Association* annual conference, Virtual conference, May 5-8, 2022.

Hilgers, Tina, "Informality, Violence, and Resistance in São Paulo" presentation to the *Sindicato de Trabalhadores Domésticos do Município de São Paulo*, April 23, 2022.

Dodds, Graham G. "Threats to the Independence of the U.S. Judiciary during the Trump Presidency." Interim meeting of the Comparative Judicial Studies Research Committee (RC-09) of the International Political Science Association (IPSA): "Courts under Pressure: Threats to Judicial Independence and Rule of Law across the Globe." Georgetown University, Washington DC. August 11, 2022.

Marier, P. and Joy, M. "A Scoping Review of Coordination and Governance of Marginalized Seniors." Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference. June 1, 2022.

De Silva, Nicole. "Regulating Rights-Holders? Evidence from Canada's Human Rights Institutions During the COVID-19 Pandemic," Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, Online, 31 May 2022.

De Silva, Nicole. "Pay it Forward (PIF) Women Mentoring Women Roundtable." Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, Online, June 1, 2022.

De Silva, Nicole, and Misha Plagis. "Navigating State Backlash Against Human Rights Accountability: NGOs' Mobilization against Tanzania at the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights." Courts as an Arena for Societal Change Conference, Leiden University, 8 July 2022.

De Silva, Nicole. "Bridging the Gap: Theorizing International Lawyers as Global Actors." Roundtable, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Online, 13 July 2022.

Rowan, Sam S. "Conditional and unconditional climate policy." Paper presented at the Workshop on International Relations, Laval University, Québec City, QC. May 2022.

Rowan, Sam S. "Enforcing cooperation using issue linkage: Theory from the intersection of climate change and trade." Paper presented at the Political Economy of International Organization annual conference. University of Oxford, Oxford, UK. July 2022.

Sokolon, Marlene K. "Obligation to Help Strangers: War and Refugees in Euripidean Political Tragedy." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association: on-line May 2022.

Zeit, Alexandra O. (with Lauren L. Ferry) "The Money is in the Mission: Explaining variation in IMF negotiations." Paper presented at the Political Economy of International Organization annual conference. University of Oxford, Oxford, UK. July 2022.

Book Reviews

Dodds, Graham G. Review of Weir, Todd and Hugh McLeod, eds. *Defending the Faith: Global Histories of Apologetics and Politics in the Twentieth Century*. Oxford, 2021. [*Politics, Religion & Ideology*. June, 2022.]

Dodds, Graham G. Review of Howell, William G. and Terry M. Moe. *Presidents, Populism, and the Crisis of Democracy*. Chicago, 2020. [*American Political Thought*. Vol. 11, Issue 3 (Summer, 2022), p433-436.]

Announcements

Lab for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

The LLACS working group *Informal Cities* received funding under the 2022 –2023 Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Society and Culture Working Groups program. Group members are:

Organizer: Tina Hilgers (Political Science)

Coordinator: Greg Labrosse (PhD candidate, Humanities)

Faculty Members: James Freeman (Geography)

Kevin Gould (Geography)

Kregg Hetherington (Anthropology; Ethnography Lab)

Nora Jaffary (History)

Jean François Mayer (Political Science)

Student Members: Rubens Lima Moraes (PhD candidate, Political Science)

Luis Londoño (PhD candidate, History)

Omar Adrián Nuño Íñiguez (MSc candidate, Geography)

Camila Patiño Sanchez (PhD candidate, Anthropology)

Luisa Seidl (MA candidate, Political Science)

LLACS member Laura Sofía Rivera (BA) presented the paper, “Clientelism Under Chávez's Venezuela: The Clients' Perspective”, at the 7th annual RÉLAM Student Conference. May 11-12, 2022, University of Montreal.

LLACS and ERIGAL co-sponsored the panel “Governance, Inclusion, and Citizenship in Times of COVID-19”, Annual Conference of the *Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, University of Toronto, August 23-26.

Media Appearances and Op Eds

Since Spring, Graham Dodds has been interviewed about U.S. politics on CJAD radio twice, on CTV news twice, on *TVA Nouvelles* once, and by the Associated Press once.

James Kelly, Stephanie Paterson and Francesca Scala. "Could a Roe v. Wade-style reversal of abortion rights happen in Canada?" *The Conversation*. <https://theconversation.com/could-a-roe-v-wade-style-reversal-of-abortion-rights-happen-in-canada-185988>

Kudos

With support from Concordia's new Sustainable Transitions Team Research Initiative. Amy Poteete, Emma Despland (Biology), Elizabeth (Liz) Miller (Communications), Rebecca Tittler (Loyola Sustainability Research Centre), and Carly Ziter (Biology) will be exploring strategies for "Enhancing biodiversity, social inclusion, and climate resilience through informal urban green spaces" in four informal green spaces in Montreal: the Falaise St. Jacques, the Technoparc wetlands, the Champ des Possibles, and the Boisé Vimont.

With the support of a MITACS Global-Link Research Award, postdoctoral fellow Marie Gagné is spending the summer at the University of Copenhagen, working under the co-supervision of Christian Lund (Copenhagen) and Amy Poteete (Concordia). During this period, she will be working on manuscripts related to her post-doctoral research on the politics of large-scale land acquisitions in Senegal.

The FRQSC has awarded an additional year of postdoctoral support to Marie Gagné (PhD. Toronto) for 2022 – 2023. This supplemental award will support knowledge mobilization activities related to her post-doctoral research on large-scale land acquisitions in Senegal. She has also received a short-term grant from the University of Gothenburg's Program on Governance and Local Development, where she is a fellow.

Meghan Joy is the new Interim Director of engAGE, Concordia's Centre for Research on Aging.

With the support of a grant from the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Society and Culture, Sam Rowan and Alexandra Lesnikowski (Geography) are convening an interdisciplinary working group entitled, “Advancing Climate Policy”. The group convenes researchers and graduate students interested in climate policy at Concordia, as well as other academics at Montreal universities.

Francesca Scala was selected as the Concordia Newsmaker of the Month for June 2022 for the outstanding media coverage of her recent research on the stigma older mothers face in policy texts, medical guidelines, and educational materials.

Sam Rowan and Alexandra Zeitz received funding from the School of Graduate Studies in the Horizon Postdoctoral Fellowship to hire a two-year postdoctoral fellow on the project “Integrating Diverse Interests in Global Governance”. The new postdoctoral fellow, Isabel Rodriguez Toribio, will join the department in November 2022.

Aiden Cyr (Poli Sci undergrad alum) received the Schwarzman Scholarship and will complete an MA in Global Affairs in Beijing China. Full story here:

<https://www.concordia.ca/cunews/main/stories/2022/02/10/concordian-aiden-cyr-receives-the-schwarzman-scholarship-to-study-global-affairs-in-beijing.html>

MPPPA outreach



The Consul General Mr. Ishtiaq Akil Ahmed

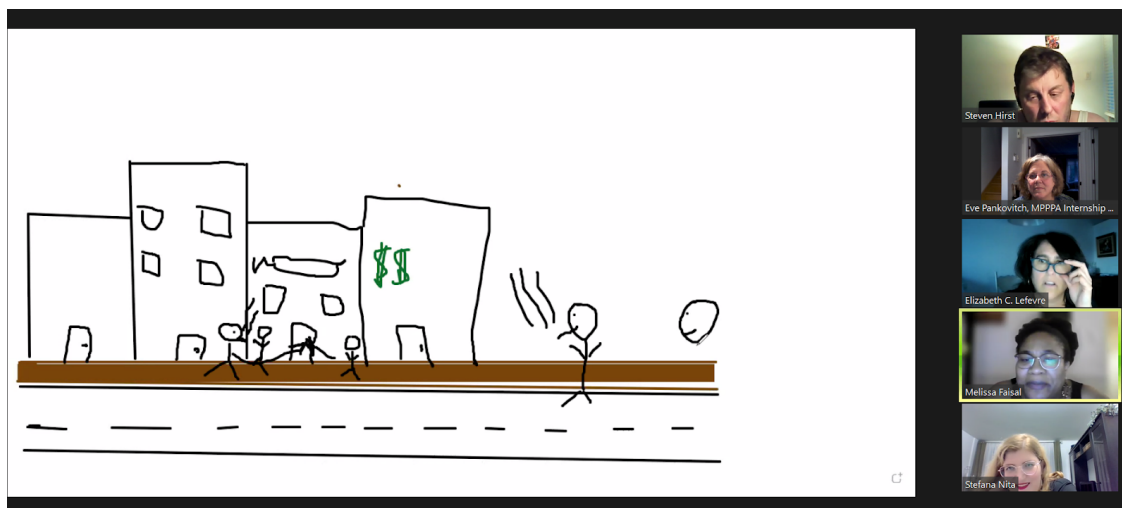
invited Beth Bloodgood and Eve Pankovitch to the Consulate of Pakistan for a visit on Friday, May 13th on Peel Street in Montreal. The Consul General is interested in coordinating internship programs to maximize collaboration and mutual interests. Political Science McGill graduate intern, Joshua Poggianti, facilitated the meeting. After a long two years in lock-down during the Covid 19 pandemic, the Consulate continued to strategically plan for when the doors would open again. This internship liaison is a welcomed local opportunity for international students, as well as permanent residents and Canadians. Eve will work with the Consulate to iron out dates and deadlines for posting opportunities in the future.

STAFF Corner

On June 15th, the Political Science Staff (and former staff) once again gathered virtually around the Zoom white board to outwit and outplay the opposing team; in a fun game of Pictionary.



Steve draws CONVENIENCE STORE (not to be mistaken with *Dépanneur* - ha! ha!)



On July 20th, a much needed (and pandemic-overdue) staff social get-together took place at McKibbins on Bishop Street.



On August 10th, Alice Gendron, Advocate for the **Concordia Students for Safer Drug Policy (CSSDP)** gave a harm reduction information session to the staff on the safe use of Naloxone to treat an opioid overdose. A Naloxone kit is now stored next to the Emergency Safety kit in the Department. Alice graciously shared her powerpoint presentation for the team and department.

