



Newsletter

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News

The Henri Habib Distinguished Speakers Series, March 4, 2015. Jean Chretien gave this year's Henri Habib Lecture, titled "Canada: Its own flag, its own destiny." Tickets sold out within 15 minutes. The lecture was followed by an equally well-attended reception.



Jean Chretien with Dr. Henri Habib
and Dean André Roy

Gemma Acco (PSSA president), Sheila Anderson (Department Administrator),
Daniel Rhodes (Political Science Student), Yann Grand-Clement (Political Science Student) and Fiona
Schlumberger (VP Communication, PSSA)

MPPPA Alumni Event, March 18, 2015. A friendly crowd of MPPPA alumni, faculty, and interns gathered at the lounge at Milestone's in Ottawa. MPPPA Director Brooke Jeffrey and Internship Coordinator Eve Pankovitch hosted the standing room only event. Dr. Ara Karaboghossian travelled in from Montreal to join his fellow alumni. All was a-buzz.



A good time was had by all!

Concordia Roundtable on the rule of law went viral in Central Europe, March 5, 2015. The Department of Political Science and the School of Community and Public Affairs sponsored a roundtable discussion on challenges to the Rule of Law in the European Union, organized by Daniel Salée and Andrew Göllner. The Roundtable was chaired by Daniel Salée, and included presentations by Andrew B. Göllner (Concordia U.), Kim L. Scheppelle (Princeton U.) and András Bozoki (Central European U.). The event went viral in Central Europe after a senior diplomat from the Hungarian Embassy in Ottawa tried to disrupt the proceedings. By the time the furor subsided more than a million people had either read about the event or seen a video on [YouTube](#) showing the clumsy efforts of the Hungarian diplomat to discredit the scholars on the Concordia panel. Hungarian media reported favourably on the presentations of the three scholars who spoke at the event and heaped scorn on the unprofessional conduct of their country's representative.

North American Transnational Environmental Governance Symposium, February 17, 2015. The Department helped host a symposium organized by Peter Stoett, Director of the Loyola Sustainability Research Centre and the North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation, featuring speakers from the United Nations, the CEC, the International Institute for Sustainable Development, and others. Many of the papers will appear in a volume edited by Dr. Stoett and Owen Temby (The

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley) to be published by SUNY Press. Department Chair Marlene Sokolon addressed an afternoon session of the symposium, welcoming attendees to the 12th floor.

Publications

Brooke Jeffrey, accompanied by McGill-Queen's University Press, launched her book *Dismantling Canada: Stephen Harper's New Conservative Agenda* to a packed conference room at the Department of Political Science on March 24th. Dr. Jeffrey entertained the crowd with anecdotes and reflections on the rise and peculiarities of the Harper government. Wine and cheese were served and Brooke Jeffrey signed copies of her book for appreciative politicians, faculty, staff, and students.



P. Stoett and M. Kersten, "Surviving Ideological Fixation: Ecology, Justice, and Canadian Foreign Policy Under Harper." *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal*, 20:2 (2014), 229-232.

O. Temby and P. Stoett, eds., "Special Issue on Transboundary Natural Resource Governance in North America," *Review of Policy Research* 32:1 (2015).

O. Temby and P. Stoett, "Bilateral and Trilateral Natural Resource and Biodiversity Governance in North America: Organizations, Networks, and Inclusion." *Review of Policy Research* 32:1 (2015), 1-18.

P. Stoett, "Spreading the Guilt: Ethics, Security, and Canadian Climate Change Adaption Funding." In R. Warner, ed., *Unsettled Balance: Ethics, Security, and Canada's International Relations* (Vancouver: UBC Press).

Mireille Paquet, "Bureaucrats as Immigration Policy-makers: The Case of Subnational Immigration Activism in Canada, 1990–2010." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* (2015). (DOI: 10.1080/1369183X.2015.1023185)

Kimberly Manning "Maximising Research Outcomes for Transgender Children and their Families in Canada: Using Social Action and Other Participatory Methods of Research" with Annie Pullen Sansfaçon, in (Julie Fish and Kate Kargan, eds) *Social Work and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Health Inequalities: International Perspectives*, Policy Press, 2015.

Kathrin Komp and Patrik Marier (2015). "The state of ageing in Canada: From old age policies to life-course policies." In Kathrin Komp and Stina Johansson (eds.), [*Population ageing from a life-course perspective: A critical and international approach*](#). Bristol: Policy Press. Kathrin Komp was a visiting fellow at the CRC in 2013-14.

Eleni Panagiotarakou published a new article titled "[Right to Place: A Political Theory of Animal Rights in Harmony with Environmental and Ecological Principles](#)" in *Les ateliers de l'éthique* (volume 9, no. 3, automne 2014, pp.114-139)

The last issue of the *Canadian Journal of African Studies/La Revue canadienne des études africaines* (Vol. 48, no. 2) includes a special section on "Post-Conflict Politics in Cote d'Ivoire" co-edited by Jeremy Speight and Matthew Mitchell. Jeremy's contribution is titled "[Warlord Undone? Strongman Politics and Post-Conflict State Building in Northeastern Cote d'Ivoire \(2002 - 2013\)](#)."

Upcoming Events

April 24, 2015 8:00AM H1220	The Political Science Graduate Student Association (PSGSA) in conjunction with the Department of Political Science is pleased to invite you to its 4th Annual Graduate Student Conference. The theme of the conference is <i>Political and Economic Crises and their Implications</i> . There will be thirteen student presenters and Dr. Kimberley Manning will be the guest speaker. The conference will be held on Friday, April 24th, 2015 from 8 AM to 5 PM in H-1220. The conference is open and free to all students, staff and faculty at Concordia University as well as any other university. Please RSVP at concordia.psgsa.conference@gmail.com with your name and department. Please join us in making the conference a success once again this year!
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May 8, 2015 Centre for Research and Expertise in Social Gerontology (CREGES) will hold a workshop titled “De la perte à la reconstruction: l'expérience du deuil chez les aînés” at Concordia on May 8th, 2015 in the Hall Building. We will be hosting 400 professionals for this event. For more information and program visit www.creges.ca.
Hall Building
(first and seventh floors)

Kudos

Our SSHRC postdoctoral fellow Stephen White will start as a tenure track assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at Carleton University on July 1st.

Our Visiting Researcher and CRC postdoctoral fellow Jaylene Liang (working with Patrik Marier) will start as a tenure track assistant professor at the University of Louisiana at Monroe on August 1st.

Brent Gerchicoff received a Graduate Research Award for Disarmament, Arms Control, and Non-Proliferation for his paper on "Bilateral Nuclear Cooperation Agreements." The award is a joint initiative of The Simons Foundation and the International Security Research and Outreach Programme (ISROP) of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada (DFATD). He joined other award recipients in a Graduate Research Award debate at the DFATD headquarters in Ottawa on 20 February 2015.

Caitlin Robinson (MPPPA student) received the Dr. Everett M. Price Graduate Scholarship, which is based on academic merit.

Kimberley Manning joined the editorial board of the journal *Pacific Affairs*.

Kimberley Manning became Advocacy Committee Member on the Canadian Professional Association for Transgender Health.

MA student Daniel Dickson received an Aging+Communications+Technologies fellowship to attend the 2015 Graz International Summer School Program in Austria where he will be studying in the Seggau Castle.

Political Science Undergraduate Omar Saloussi as well as 11 fellow Concordia students represented Concordia University in the 2015th edition of *Harvard's International Model United Nations* competition held in Seoul, South Korea (March 16-25, 2015). Omar Saloussi then went on to participate in the 2015th edition of the *National Model United Nations* held in Montreal and New York (March 22-25, 2015).

Recent Presentations

Ozge Uluskaradag presented a paper titled “Democratic Deconsolidation in Turkey? Evidence from Gezi and Soma Protest” at the International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention in New Orleans, LA, USA (February 18-22). She received a travel grant of \$350 from ISA to participate in the conference.

Ozge Uluskaradag presented a paper titled "'Efficiency' is not so efficient in health service provision: Evidence from Turkey" at the International Political Science Association (IPSA) biennial conference in Montreal (July 2014).

Ozge Uluskaradag presented a paper titled "Policy Making In Canada: Social Capital as a Public Policy Tool" at the Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Annual conference in May 2014, held in St. Catharines, Ontario.

Patrik Marier gave a guest lecture titled « Generational Storms, Silver Tsunamis and a Gerontocracy? Population Aging in Canada » at McMaster University on February 3rd, 2015.

Brooke Jeffrey and Stephanie Paterson participated in an invited conference titled "Women's Leadership in Public Policy and Governance," co-chaired by Clerk of the Privy Council Janice Charette and President of the Public Service Commission Anne-Marie Robinson at Carleton University, February 24, 2015.

Antoine Bilodeau participated in a Roundtable in Paris, France, titled "Quels outils pour une diversité apaisée dans nos villes et banlieue?" at the Centre culturel canadien, organized by the Canadian Embassy in Paris, March 17, 2015.

Antoine Bilodeau gave a presentation titled "Le Québec et les minorités ethniques: un double déficit?" at the Secrétariat aux affaires intergouvernementales canadiennes du Québec, on February 27, 2015.

Antoine Bilodeau participated in a Webinar for Elections Canada titled "Mieux comprendre la participation électorale chez les jeunes: Leçon du Projet sur la diversité provincial." February 25, 2015.

Antoine Bilodeau participated in a Webinar for Elections Canada titled "Understanding Youth Voter Turnout: Evidence from the Provincial Diversity Project." February 24, 2015.

Antoine Bilodeau gave a testimony at Assemblée Nationale du Québec's Commission des relations avec les citoyens on "Consultations particulières et auditions publiques sur les documents intitulés Vers une nouvelle politique québécoise en matière d'immigration, de diversité et d'inclusion." February 10, 2015.

Peter Stoett presented a paper titled "From Predator to Wisdom: INTERPOL Projects, International Wildlife Trade, and Sustainable Development" at the Experts Seminar on "CITES as a Tool for Sustainable Development" as part of the International Symposium: Biodiversity, Sustainable Development and the Law, held Cambridge University, February 20-22, 2015.

Peter Stoett presented a paper titled "Ecocide, Transnational Environmental Crime, and Global Governance" at The Hague Roundtable Program: The Road to Lima: Climate Governance, Adaptation and Technological Responses, at the Hague Institute for Global Justice in Netherlands on November 6, 2014.

Peter Stoett, presented a paper entitled "Drivers of Biodiversity Loss, Human Health Threats, and Global Governance" at the 2015 Annual Conference of the Consortium of Universities for Public Health at Boston University, on March 27, 2015.

Guy Lachapelle gave a lecture at Ball State University entitled "[The Global Development of Political Science](#)" on March 18th. Here is the article from the *Ball State Daily*:

Mireille Paquet and Daniel Salée participated in a panel titled 'Projet Austerity: societal context & interdisciplinary perspective' on March 30, 2015. This event, organized by Concordia's Graduate Students Association (GSU) brought together professors from several other departments (Geography and Urban Planning, Women Studies) to discuss current trends in Quebec politics.

Media Appearances

Patrik Marier was interviewed on "Pas de midi sans info" with Jacques Beauchamp on employing age-related cost structures for municipal services on March 11.

Patrik Marier conducted 11 interviews across local radio stations in Canada on CBC Morning News programs on individuals working and planning to work past retirement age on February 19.

Kimberley Manning was the [newsmaker of the week during the week of March 2nd](#).

Mireille Paquet was featured on CTV news to discuss Pierre Karl Péladeau's declaration regarding immigration and Quebec sovereignty on March 20, 2015.

Ceren Belge commented on violence against women in Turkey to [La Presse](#) and gave a longer interview on the same topic to [Le Journal International](#).

Theses and Internship Defenses

Congratulations to Curtis Bedwell, who successfully defended his Internship Report entitled: "Understanding Aboriginal Policy Change Through the Advocacy Coalition Framework: The Case of Aboriginal Education Policy in British Columbia", on April 1st, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Antoine Bilodeau, second reader Dr. Daniel Salee and Chaired by Dr. Graham Dodds.

Congratulations to Maria Eugenia Yupanqui Aurich, who successfully defended her Master's Thesis entitled: "Erôs in Plato's Republic" on March 31st, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Marlene Sokolon, second reader Dr. Maben Poirier and Chaired by Dr. Amy Poteete.

Good luck to Curtis and Eugenia in all their future endeavors.