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Upcoming Events

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Recent Events

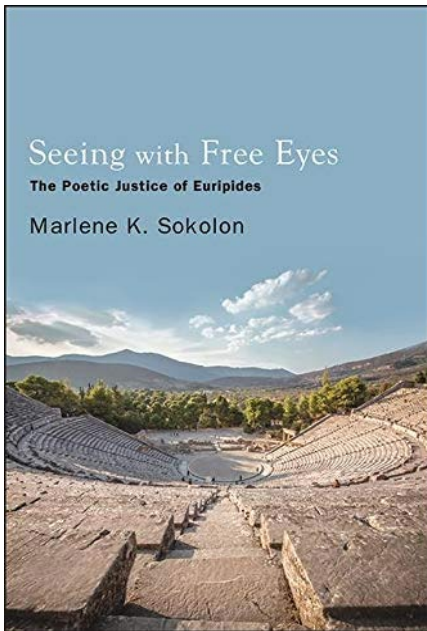
Over the summer we had several “Got Questions?” sessions and two Orientation Q&A’s for our new students, plus another orientation session on December 9. We also attended the main virtual University Orientation on August 17, where several Political Science Student Association (PSSA) members volunteered their time to help new students by sharing their advice and experiences. Marina, Zakkiya, and Chris kindly accepted to assist us once again at the virtual Open House on October 23, 2021. We had several Coffee with Poli Alumni sessions this past Fall with amazing guest speakers, Sara Gasparello and Hussain Shorish. We also had a very popular Career and Planning Services session where students gained valuable insights on what to do after their degree and a Co-Op information session with our Director, Dr. De Silva.

Recent Publications

BOOKS

Sokolon, Marlene K. *Seeing with Free Eyes: The Poetic Justice of Euripides*, Albany, NY: State University of New York Press, 2021. (In the SUNY ancient philosophy series.)

<https://www.sunypress.edu/p-7151-seeing-with-free-eyes.aspx>



ARTICLES

De Silva, Nicole. "International Courts' Shadow Effects and the Aims of Judicialized International Cooperation." *American Journal of International Law Unbound*, 115 (2021). doi:10.1017/aju.2021.6

Hilgers, Tina. 2020. "Security, Resilience, and Participatory Urban Upgrading in Latin America and the Caribbean." *Development & Change*, 51(5): 1246-1270.

Dias Felix, Annabelle, and Tina Hilgers. "Community Oriented Policing Theory and Practice: Global Policy Diffusion or Local Appropriation?" *Policing & Society*, online first, <https://doi.org/10.1080/10439463.2020.1776280>

Dias Felix, Annabelle, and Tina Hilgers (eds). "Twenty Years of Community Oriented Policing in Latin America and the Caribbean." Special issue of *Policing & Society*, forthcoming.

Marier, Patrik (firstview). "How will COVID-19 Alter the Politics of Long-Term Care? A Comparative Policy Analysis of Popular Reform Options." *Canadian Journal on Aging*, 40 (4).

Mayer, Jean François. (2021). "Resistance to Chronic Violence in Informal Workplaces: the Strategies of Domestic Workers in Brazil." *The Bulletin of Latin American Research*, 40(3): 385-400.

Mayer, Jean François. (2021). "Introduction to: Exploring the Repertoire of Strategies of Resistance to Routinised Violence in Informal Workplaces". *The Bulletin of Latin American Research*, 40(3): 335-336.

Mayer, Jean François. (Ed.) (2021). "Exploring the Repertoire of Strategies of Resistance to Routinised Violence in Informal Workplaces". Special Issue of *The Bulletin of Latin American Research*, 40(3)

Roger, Charles B. and Rowan, Sam S. (2021). "Analyzing international organizations: How the concepts we use affect the answers we get." *The Review of International Organizations*.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11558-021-09432-2>

Schwartz, Noah S. "Guns in the North: Assessing the Impact of Social Identity on Firearms Advocacy in Canada". *Politics & Policy*. Published online June 4, 2021. DOI: 10.1111/polp.12412.

Zeitz, Alexandra O. "Global Capital Cycles and Market Discipline: Perceptions of Developing-Country Borrowers". *British Journal of Political Science*. Published online September 28, 2021.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0007123421000405>

BOOK CHAPTERS

Cooper, Chris and Patrik Marier (2021). "Executive Policy Styles" in Michael Howlett and Jale Tosun (eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Policy Styles*. London: Routledge.

Dodds, Graham G. "Trump and Canada: The 45th President as seen from North of the 49th Parallel." Chapter in Gregory S. Mahler, ed. *Foreign Perceptions of the United States under Donald Trump*. Lexington Books, 2021.

Hilgers, Tina. 2020. "Clientelism" in Olaf Kaltmeier, Anne Tittor, Daniel Hawkins, and Eleonora Rohland (eds) *The Routledge Handbook to the Political Economy and Governance of the Americas*. London: Routledge.

Joy, Meghan, Shields, J., Broughton, S. and Chen, S.M. "Austerity and the Social Innovation Agenda." In McBride, S., Evans, B. and Plehwe, D. Eds. *The Changing Politics and Policy of Austerity*. Bristol: Policy Press, Bristol University Press, 2021.

Monforte, Tanya. "Soft Power as Metaphor: The Gender of Security," Chapter in Caroline LePrince & Cassandra Steer, eds. *Women, Peace, and Security: Feminist Perspectives on International Security*. McGill-Queens University Press, 2021.

Salée, Daniel and El Hankouri, Salma (2021). "Indigenous Peoples-Settler Relations and the Politics of Language in Twenty First Century Canada" in Judith Weisz Woodsworth (ed.), *Translation and the Global City. Bridges and Gateways*. (Milton Park, Abingdon: Routledge), pp. 81-104.

Salée, Daniel and Lévesque, Carole (2021). "Canada's Aboriginal Policy and the Politics of Ambivalence: A Policy Tools Perspective" in Katherine Graham and David Newhouse (eds.), *Sharing the Land, Sharing A Future* (Winnipeg: University of Manitoba Press, 2021), pp. 424-451.

Schmitt, Etienne. "Socialism. Two Centuries of Social Progress." Chapter in Valérie Vézina, ed. *Political Ideologies and Worldviews: An Introduction*. KPU Open Education (Online), 2021. <https://kpu.pressbooks.pub/political-ideologies/part/socialism-two-centuries-of-social-progress/>

Sokolon, Marlene K. 2021. "The Bayeux Tapestry: Nationalism before Nations and Globes" in *Artistic Foundations of Nations and Citizens: Art, Literature, and the Political Community*, Ann Ward, ed. London: Routledge: 11-26. <https://www.routledge.com/The-Artistic-Foundations-of-Nations-and-Citizens-Art-Literature-and-the/Ward/p/book/9780367640484>

Sokolon, Marlene K. 2021. "Good Old Age: Aristotle and the 'Virtues' of Aging" in *Political Theory on Death and Dying*, Erin A. Dolgoy, Kimberly Hurd Hale, Bruce Peabody eds. Routledge: 50-59. <https://www.routledge.com/Political-Theory-on-Death-and-Dying/Dolgoy-Hale-Peabody/p/book/9780367437411>

Conference and Roundtable Presentations

De Silva, Nicole. Roundtable on "Rights, Law, and the Pandemic," Courts and Politics Research Group and University of Toronto, November 12, 2021, <http://www.courtsandpolitics.org/Events.php>

Dodds, Graham G. "Presidential Control of Independent Agencies' Leaders and Personnel." American Political Science Association. Seattle, WA. October 1, 2021. (Conference held partly online due to pandemic.)

Hilgers, Tina. Panelist, "Les conflits émotionnels des chercheur.e.s durant le processus de recherche sur la contestation sociale: une analyse de ses repercussions éthiques et méthodologiques", closed panel organized by Mélissa Blais and Anne-Marie Veillette, UQO, INRS, RéQEF. Video conference, October 21.

Hilgers, Tina. "Insurgent Infrastructure: Converging and Diverging Informal Networks in Times of Crisis." SSHRC Funded Panel on "Personal Insecurity/National Security in Latin America and the Caribbean." *Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies* annual conference, August 23-25, 2021.

Hilgers, Tina. "Informal City Building in Times of Crisis." *Latin American Studies Association* annual conference, May 26-29.

Hilgers, Tina. Panelist, documentary film screening and discussion, “Volverte a ver” by Carolina Corral Paredes, AMATE Films, UQÁM, ÉRIGAL, and LLACS. Video conference, April 23.

Joy, Meghan. “Non-profit organizations and COVID-19: Understanding, mapping, and enhancing community care for older adults in an age-friendly Montreal.” *Canadian Association on Gerontology Annual Conference*, October 21, 2021.

Joy, Meghan “Politiques publiques et l’exclusion sociale des personnes âgées à risque de marginalisation.” *Canadian Association on Gerontology Annual Conference*, October 21, 2021.

Joy, Meghan. and Vogel, Ronald. “New Municipalism as the Cornerstone for a New Progressive Age?”, *International Conference of Public Policy*, July 7, 2021.

Patrik Marier, Daniel Dickson, and Kyuho Lee. *Home Care Services for Seniors: A Typology of Instruments and Administrative Burdens in Industrialized Countries*. The Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 11, 2021.

Patrik Marier, Meghan Joy, and Sandra Smele. *Les enjeux de coordination et de gouvernance pour les personnes âgées marginalisées*. Canadian Association of Gerontology Annual Conference, October 21, 2021.

Patrik Marier, Daniel Dickson, and Kyuho Lee. The Social Dimensions of Home Care in Comparative Perspective. International Public Policy Conference, Madrid (Virtual), July 8, 2021.

Mayer, Jean François (2021). “¡Yo no me llamo negra! Trabajadoras del hogar y resistencia a la violencia crónica en América latina”. V Simpósio Internacional de Cultura e Comunicação na América Latina (SICCAL). November 12. Online.

Mayer, Jean François (2021). “Les conflits émotionnels des chercheur.e.s durant le processus de recherche sur la contestation sociale : une analyse de ses repercussions éthiques et méthodologiques”, research panel organized by Mélissa Blais and Anne-Marie Veillette (UQO, INRS, RéQEF). October 14. Online.

Mayer, Jean François (2021). *Adapt to Fight Another Day: São Paulo Domestic Workers Resistance to Violence in the Time of COVID-19*. Annual Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA). May 28. Online.

Rowan, Sam S. “Enforcing cooperation using issue linkage: Theory from the intersection of climate change and trade.” Centre for International Peace and Security Studies Speaker Series, McGill University, October 22, 2021.

Rowan, Sam S. “Enforcing cooperation using issue linkage: Theory from the intersection of climate change and trade.” The Climate Pipeline Project, Harvard University, October 29, 2021.

Sokolon, Marlene K. “Sophocles’s *Philoctetes*: Disease and Need,” American Political Science Association: Hybrid Conference, Seattle, WA: October 3, 2021.

Zeitz, Alexandra O. “Too Much of a Good Thing? China, the IMF, and Sovereign Debt Crises”. *International Political Economy Society Meeting*. Boulder, Colorado. October 22-23, 2021.

Zeitz, Alexandra O. “Too Much of a Good Thing? China, the IMF, and Sovereign Debt Crises”. MacMillan International Relations Seminar Series. Yale University. November 3, 2021.

Zeitz, Alexandra O. “Too Much of a Good Thing? China, the IMF, and Sovereign Debt Crises”. Centre for International Peace and Security Studies Speaker Series, McGill University, December 3, 2021.

Professional Reports

Jean François Mayer. (2021). *Depoimento pelo XII Congresso Nacional das Trabalhadoras Domésticas*. Distributed by the Sindicato das Trabalhadoras Domésticas do Município de São Paulo.

Guest Lectures

Hilgers, Tina. “Conexões Sul-Norte: Pesquisa Etnográfica, Informalidade e Movimentos Sociais” in the speaker series “Debates sobre Inovação e Criatividade na Pesquisa em Psicologia Política” of the *Núcleo de Estudos em Psicologia Política e Movimentos Sociais*, Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo. Video conference. October 7.

Marier, Patrik. The Underappreciated Provincial Diversity in Home Care. Part of the *Expanding Home Care Options* IRPP Webinar. November 16, 2021.

Marier, Patrik. Vieillissement en régions rurales. Part of the *Quelle place pour l’innovation sociale dans le développement des territoires* webinars. CIRADD. December 2, 2021.

Jean François Mayer (2021). “Trabalho doméstico como trabalho análogo à escravidão”. *XII Congresso Nacional das Trabalhadoras Domésticas*, Federação Nacional das Trabalhadoras Domésticas (National Federation of Domestic Workers, FENATRAD). August. Online.

Jean François Mayer (2021). “Travailleuses domestiques au Brésil: marginalisation, violence et résistance”. Les Conférences de la Fondation Jean-De-Brébeuf, Montreal, Canada. April. Online.

Book Reviews

Sokolon, Marlene K. Review of John S. Nelson, *Defenses Against the Dark Arts: The Political Education of Harry Potter and His Friends* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Press, 2021) in *Voegelin View*, September 25, 2021. <https://voegelinview.com>

Sokolon, Marlene K. Review of Barry Cooper, *Paleolithic Politics: The Human Community in Early Art* (University of Notre Dame Press, 2020) in *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, July 2021. <https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/canadian-journal-of-political-science-revue-canadienne-de-science-politique/article/abs/paleolithic-politics-the-human-community-in-early-art-barry-cooper-notre-dame-in-university-of-notre-dame-press-2020-pp-448/F4B083222A30B7A3511FFE7FFCE8A75C>

Announcements

New People Joining the Department



Sarah Cox has become our new Public Servant in Residence in the Department. She is also currently Director of Circumpolar Affairs at Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada.

We also welcomed our 3 new LTAs: Noah S. Schwartz, Tanya Monforte and Etienne Schmitt.

Noah S. Schwartz's research focuses on the politics of persuasion, and the role that advocacy groups and social movements play in the public policy process. His research interests include the politics of narrative and memory, the theories of the policy process, and firearms policy. Outside of work, Noah enjoys cross-country skiing, hiking, and spending time with his dog Penny.

Tanya Monforte joins us from McGill where she completed her dissertation on the relationship between security and human rights law. Prior to her PhD, she directed a human rights M.A. program at the American University in Cairo where she was affiliated with the centers for forced migration and women's studies. Her research interests are in critical theory and transdisciplinary approaches to law.

Etienne Schmitt's research primarily focuses on the contemporary debate about pluralism in European societies, and the cooperation among minorities and the local, national, and European authorities. He is working on the transnational field, especially on the Rhineland region and the Western Mediterranean Sea islands with a comparative approach. On a second strand, he analyses the construction of ideologies on hostile contexts and the transformation of socialism on pluralism issues.

Mise à jour du site web de l'Équipe VIES et intégration de nouveaux membres

L'équipe VIES (vieillissements, exclusions sociales, et solidarités), dont le bureau principal se situe au département, est une équipe multidisciplinaire en partenariat financé par le FRQSC. Elle compte 15 membres provenant de 6 universités (Concordia, Université de Montréal, UQAM, UQO, Université Laval, McGill) et 4 partenaires (FADOQ, CREGES, TCAIM, et la Maison Cross Roads). Lors de la rencontre annuelle du 30 novembre, l'équipe a accueilli Isabelle Marchand (département de travail social à l'UQO) et Pierre-Luc Lupien (sociologie, CEGÉP Gaspésie et des îles) comme membres réguliers. L'équipe VIES a mis à jour son site web. Vous pouvez le consulter : equipevies.ca!

Research Units

The Lab for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (LLACS)

- Tina Hilgers and Kregg Hetherington (Anthropology) organized a workshop on “Virtual Ethnography or Doing Ethnography Virtually?” LLACS, Ethnography Lab, ÉRIGAL. Hybrid in person/virtual event at the Ethnography Lab (Concordia University), December 3rd.
- Tina Hilgers and Jean Francois Mayer are organizing the workshop series “The Researcher-Participant Relationship”. ÉRIGAL and LLACS.
 - Workshop I: Researcher-Participant Relationships in Deep Fieldwork: Experiences and Directions, June 11, 2021
- Tina Hilgers / LLACS supervised two Global Affairs Canada, Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program (ELAP) fellows

- Maria Fernanda Aguilar Lara. PhD Candidate, Social Psychology, University of São Paulo. Project Title: “Civil Society Organizations’ Operationalization of Social Assistance Policies”.
- Henrique Araujo Aragusuku. PhD Candidate, Social Psychology, University of São Paulo. Project Title: “Conservative Use of Gender Ideology to De-legitimize Feminist and LGBTQ Policy”.

Grant funding

Joy, Meghan. Co-investigator. *Non-profit Organizations and COVID-19: Enhancing Community Care for Older Adults in Montreal in a Post-pandemic World*. FRQS Impulsion Grant. 2021-2022.

Zeitz, Alexandra O. Principal Investigator. “Diverse creditors and international regime complexity in sovereign debt.” Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Development Grant. 2021-2023.

Media Appearances and Op Eds

Graham Dodds was interviewed by CTV News (Montreal) about U.S. politics three times since Spring 2021.

Joy, M. « Réflexions sur l’urbanisme néolibéral au Québec, » *Fractures : Le Bulletin des Membres de l’IRIS*. Été 2021.

Marier, Patrik. Interview in Marie-Hélène Proulx. *Vieillir à la maison*. *L’actualité*. August 4, 2021.

Jean François Mayer was interviewed by Radio-Canada Première on the death in Brazil of editor Michel Brûlé, November 17, 2021.

Noah Schwartz was interviewed by CBC Montreal on the Trudeau government’s firearms policy. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/municipal-issues-federal-election-1.6184411>

Sam Rowan. Interviewed by Jaela Bernstien for “5 ways to sort substance from spin in climate politics,” *CBC News*, 6 November 2021. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/science/cop26-political-spin-1.6238303> ; also broadcast on CBC News’ “The World This Weekend” 6 November 2021. <https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-68/clip/15727935>

De Silva, Nicole. Interview for “Rae’s Letter Outlining ‘Rhetorical’ Promises is Wanting in Details, Says Expert,” *Politics Today*, October 14, 2021, <https://www.politicstoday.news/parliament-today/raes-letter->



[outlining-rhetorical-promises-is-wanting-in-details-says-expert/](#)

Sokolon, Marlene K. was interviewed about Aristotle's understanding of friendship and shame for the episode "Poop Friends" in the NPR podcast series *Invisibilia*

<https://www.npr.org/2021/10/28/1050050716/poop-friends>

Kudos

Lara Khattab, a recent graduate of our PhD program (2020) under the supervision of Dr. Jean François Mayer, has just been appointed in a tenure-track position as Assistant Professor of Comparative Politics in the Department of Political Science at Mount Allison University. She started on August 1, 2021. Prior to this new appointment, Lara was Lecturer at Carleton University.

Sarah Mazhero, Alumni undergraduate (Poli Sci 2021), will strive to combat systemic racism in her new role as a member of the Prime Minister's Youth Council. See full story at link below: <https://www.concordia.ca/cunews/offices/advancement/2021/09/30/concordia-grad-appointed-to-prime-ministers-youth-council.html?c=/alumni-friends/news>

Theses and Internship Defenses

On November 23, 2021, Lorraine Bergeron successfully defended her Master's Thesis titled *State-Induced Precarity of Domestic Workers? A Comparative Case Study of the Domestic Work Sector in Singapore and Argentina*. Lorraine's Committee consisted of Dr. Jean François Mayer (Supervisor) and Dr. Elizabeth Bloodgood (Second Reader).

On November 17, 2021, Audrey Gagnon successfully defended her doctoral dissertation titled *Beyond the Civic and Ethnic Divide: The Cultural Conception of National Identity and Its Influence on Opinions About Immigration and Diversity in Quebec*. Members of the examining committee included: Dr. Kristina Bakkaer Simonsen (external-to-university examiner) from the University of Aarhus, Dr. Vivek Venkatesh (external-to-program examiner) from the department of Education as well as the three members of her supervisory committee from the department: Dr. Antoine Bilodeau (thesis supervisor), Dr. Mireille Paquet and Dr. Daniel Salée. Dr. Chedly Belkhodja, from the School of Community and Public Affairs, chaired the proceedings.

On August 26, 2021, Bogdan Ovchurak successfully defended his master's thesis titled *The World of Equity: Phenomenology of Welfare Rights and Foundations of Cosmopolitanism in the Works of Hannah Arendt and Alexandre Kojève*. Bogdan's committee consisted of Dr. Marlene Sokolon (principal supervisor), Dr. Jason Farrell (second reader), and Dr. Daniel Salee (chair). Bogdan is currently a PhD candidate in the Department of Political Science at York University.

On September 3, 2021, Catherine Bruneau successfully defended her MA thesis *The Relationship Between the Immigration Department and Community Organizations in the Integration of Immigrants in Quebec*. Dr. Mireille Paquet was the supervisor and Dr. Patrik Marier served as second reader.

On June 30, 2021, Brent Gerchicoff successfully defended his doctoral dissertation, *The Politics of Containment: Alliance Structures and the Domestic Politics of Foreign Policy*. Brent's supervisory committee consisted of Dr. Julian Spencer-Churchill (principal supervisor), Dr. Graham Dodds, and Dr. Csaba Nikolenyi. External examiners were Dr. James Wirtz (School of International Graduate Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California) and Dr. Alison Rowley (History). Dr. Alan Nash (Geography, Planning, and Environment) chaired the examination.

On September 15, 2021, Jocelyn McGrandle successfully defended her doctoral dissertation, *A Canadian Parliamentary Paradox: Party Cooperation and Legislative Influence in House of Commons Committees*. Members of her examining committee included: Dr. Ian Brodie (external-to-university examiner), from the University of Calgary; Dr. James McLean (external-to-program examiner), from the Journalism department as well as the three members of her supervisory committee from the department: Dr. Mebs Kanji (thesis supervisor), Dr. James Kelly and Dr. Daniel Salée. Dr. Norma Rantisi, from the department of Geography, Planning and Environment, chaired the proceedings.

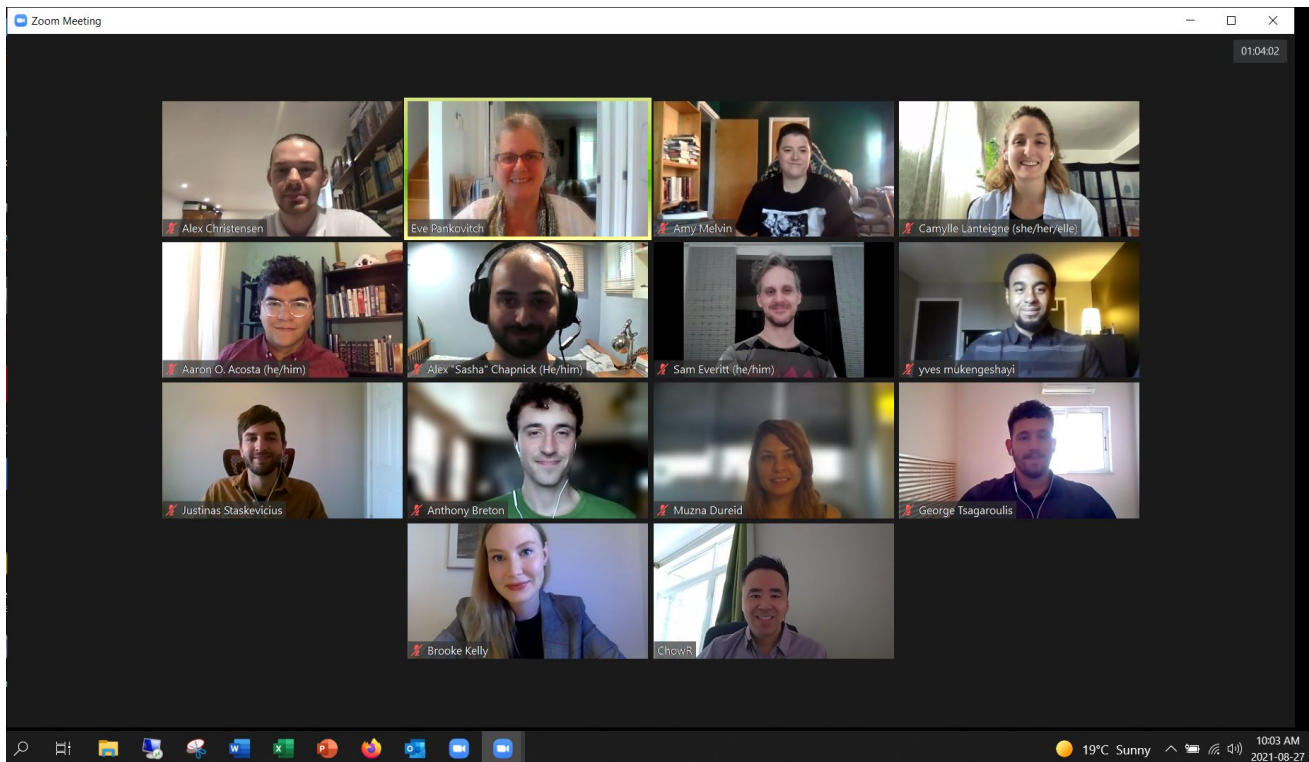
MPPPA News



Our very own Ashley Rodriques, MPPPA won the Bronze medal for the *National Student Thought Leadership Awards*, held by the Canadian Association of Public Policy and Administration (CAPPA) and the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC).

The Canadian Association of Programs in Public Administration (CAPPA) and the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) held their annual *National Student Thought Leadership Awards* in late September. The awards recognize talent in Canadian public administration and policy programs at the regional and national levels and showcase the top talent emerging from Canadian programs each year. The Department of Political Science nominated Ashley Rodriques to represent Concordia. Ashley's presentation was based on her MPPPA internship report which addressed the question: *How has low-skilled immigrants' social construction in Canada shifted during the COVID-19 pandemic, and what does this tell us about how the concept of intersectionality can add to Anne Schneider and Helen Ingram's theory of Social Construction and Policy Design (SCPD)?* Ashley won the Bronze award for her presentation.

In May 2020, Ashley secured an internship with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada, in Strategic Policy and Planning, and continues to work there today as a Policy, Research and Data Management Officer.



In late August through *Zoom*, the MPPPA internship cohort in training, to compete for a Winter 2022 internship, received guests Brooke Kelly, Intern and bridged incumbent from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and Roland Chow, Manager of the Covid Response Team from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Both speakers generously gave of their time and shared insights to help demystify the idea of a “best fit” candidate. Student interns were very happy to get the inside scoop on how to make informed choices while promoting their interests. The seminar was a success in many ways, but the most obvious was in how MPPPA interns relayed that they felt more confident to undertake this new phase of bridging their academic learning with their anticipated internship.

WHAT ARE HIRING MANAGERS SAYING ABOUT MPPPA INTERNS COMPETING FOR A WINTER 2022 PLACEMENT?

"Thank you for sending us really terrific candidates! We were amazed with their engagement in their coursework while holding down jobs and being involved in their communities."
Employment and Social Development Canada

"We were very pleased with the high level of knowledge and preparation of all the candidates we interviewed." Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada

"The interviewing board was highly impressed with the quality of all three students. They are very passionate about their studies and future career opportunities. It was a very hard task to agree on this ranking." Global Affairs Canada



On October 15th, 2021 the Policy Analyst Recruitment & Development Program (PARDP) & Advanced Policy Analyst Program (APAP) recruitment team Alex Gold-Apel and Brent Mills, Policy Analysts working for the Government of Canada, made a presentation through *Zoom* to over 30 interested graduate students. Dr. Ceren Belge hosted the Information session. Students demonstrated their keen interest through questions that took us out and over time by a few minutes. These accelerated career track programs hire from Universities across Canada to boost the experiential while appealing to *top-of-the-class* applicants.



Canada

A *shout-out* goes to graduate intern Amy Melvin for her recent publication *Empty Words* <http://opencanada.org/empty-words/> in the online OPEN CANADA magazine.

