



Newsletter

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NEWS

The [Call for Submissions](#) for the next IPSA World Congress of Political Science, to be held in Istanbul (Turkey) from July 23-28 2016, is now open! The theme is "Politics in a World of Inequality."

The Department would like to congratulate all graduates of the Spring June 8th Convocation. This Convocation saw one PhD student, 22 MPPPA students, and 185 BA, Minor, and Honour's program students celebrate the completion of their degrees.

The following students were also honored with awards at the ceremonies:



The Provost Medal for Outstanding Achievement: Jessica Lelièvre

The Renée Vautelet Prize for Political Science (Undergraduate): Ginta Cojocar

The Herbert F. Quinn Medal for Political Science (Master's): Poya Saffari

The new PSSA Executive members are elected. They are: **Jason Poirier Lavoie**: President; **Jama Fartaag**: VP Finance; **Jason Tan**: VP External; **Peter Swiech**: VP Internal; **Ksenia Svetoushkina**: VP Social; **Leo-Paul Jacob**: VP Communications.

Justin Goodman received the Jean Picard Scholarship.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 29th to Aug 3rd, 2015 Yunus Tuncel from the New York Nietzsche Circle and Horst Hutter will hold a symposium on erotic regimes from Plato to Nietzsche, from July 29 to August 3, 2015. The event will take place at maison gai saber in Leigné sur Usseau, France. Details are available on the websites of the New York Nietzsche Circle and Maison Gai Saber.

September 11, 2015 Departmental Retreat
9:00AM
RF 130

KUDOS

Patrik Marier has been awarded a Concordia University Research Chair (CURC) in the area of Aging and Public Policy.

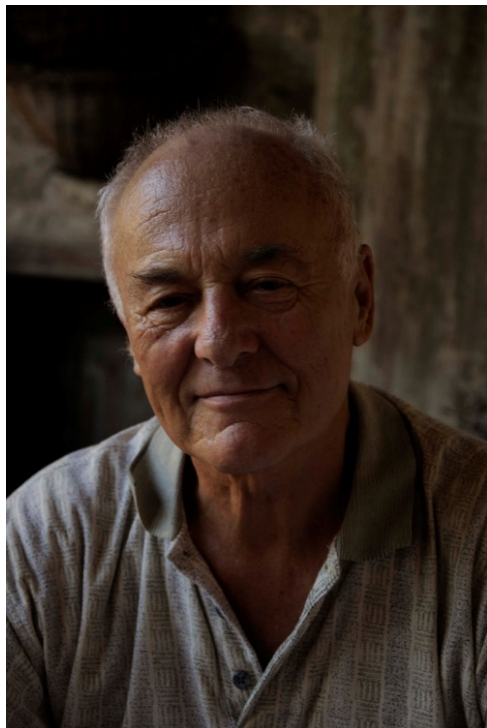


Mireille Paquet's Ph.D. Dissertation, titled "Les provinces et la fédéralisation de l'immigration au Canada, 1990-2010" received Laval University's Vincent Lemieux Prize (2015): "Mireille Paquet's dissertation makes a significant contribution to studies of federalism/federalisation and of immigration and is very well written. This is very impressive work that does not simply test a theory but really takes us a step further in our understanding of key concepts in the literature and reveals critical insights on how provincial governments came about to be active players in the field of immigration. Its contribution is thus theoretical but also offers a better understanding of key social and policy changes. The fieldwork is very impressive, going through all ten provincial cases, and well guided by both a sound theoretical framework and a strong methodology."

Mireille Paquet's article, "The Federalization of Immigration and Integration in Canada" (*Canadian Journal of Political Science* 47(03): 519-548) was shortlisted for the 2015 John McMenemy Prize given to the Best Article Published in the Canadian Journal of Political Science.

Mireille was also the runner-up for the Léon-Dion Prize for her article "La construction provinciale comme mécanisme: le cas de l'immigration au Manitoba" published in *Politique et Sociétés* (33 (3), 2014: 101-130). The Léon-Dion Prize is awarded every second year by the Société québécoise de science politique to the author of the best article published in *Politique et Sociétés* over the two years preceding the granting of the award at the annual meeting of the Société.

Congratulations to Horst Hutter for becoming a Distinguished Professor Emeritus.



Congratulations to Peter Stoett for having his Provost's Circle of Distinction membership renewed for the 2015-2016 year.

Mona Tajali, who completed her dissertation titled “Demanding a Seat at the Table: Women’s Organizing for Political Representation in Iran and Turkey” at Concordia’s Centre for Interdisciplinary Study in Society and Culture under the direction of Homa Hoodfar (Supervisor, Sociology and Anthropology), Kimberley Manning (Political Science), and Lynda Clark (Religious Studies), has been awarded Best Dissertation in Women and Politics from the American Political Science Association.

Lauren Small-Pennefather, a graduate of the Department’s MPPPA Program, received the University’s Alumna of the Year Award.

Alexandra Picone, an internship student at the Department’s MPPPA Program, received the Deputy Minister’s Award of Excellence for Early Career. The award is given to promising young public servants. Alex competed with 96 departmental employees across the country.

Marc Cordahi was selected for the Teaching Assistantship Award, based on his dedication and hard work in POLI 205 with Dr. Axel Huelsemeyer in Fall 2014.

Dónal Gill was selected for the Teaching Assistantship Award, based on his dedication and hard work in POLI 206 with Dr. Travis Smith and in POLI 216 with Dr. Jean-François Mayer for Winter 2015.

Jocelyn McGrandle passed her comprehensive examinations in Public Policy & Administration and Canadian and Quebec Politics.

GRANTS

Antoine Bilodeau (Principal investigator), Luc Turgeon (Co-applicant), with A. Henderson and S. White (collaborators). 2015-2019. “A new look at Canada's Small Worlds: A provincial perspective on immigration and ethnic diversity.” SSHRC Insight Grant. \$99,374.

Antoine Bilodeau is a Co-applicant on an SSHRC Major Partnership Grant on the topic of “Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security and Society” \$2.15 million over seven years. Leader: Daniel Hiebert (UBC). Awarded in April 2015.

James B. Kelly, “Confronting the Court: The Harper Conservatives and the Punitive Turn under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms,” SSHRC Insight Grant, \$68,221.

Kerry Tannahill has been awarded doctoral fellowships from SSHRC and the FQRSC to support her dissertation project, “What's Wrong with Democracy: Assessing Quebecers' Perceptions of Performance Across Levels of Government.”

Kimberley Manning was awarded support under the Aid to Research Related Events, Exhibition, Publication and Dissemination Activity Program (ARRE) for her project on *Authoritarian Attachment: Party Families and Gendered Origins of Chinese State Power*

Brooke Jeffrey was awarded support under the Aid to Research Related Events, Exhibition, Publication and Dissemination Activity Program (ARRE) for her book entitled: *Dismantling Canada: The New Conservative Agenda*

PUBLICATIONS

Michael Temelini, *Wittgenstein and the Study of Politics* (University of Toronto Press, 2015).
Ceren Belge, "[Minorities in the Middle East: Ethnicity, Religion and Support for Authoritarianism.](#)" *Political Research Quarterly* 68 (2), 2015: 280-292. With Ekrem Karakoc.

Eleni Panagiotarakou, "Leo Strauss and Aristophanes," *Idealistic Studies* 44 (2/3), 2014: 179-192.

Ed King and Charles Sancy, "The Prince of Pine Avenue and the Père de la Patrie: A Machiavellian Analysis of Pierre Trudeau and René Lévesque," *Open Journal of Political Science* 5 (4), 2015: 225-235.

Leander Schneider published a [review](#) of three recent books on Tanzania in *Perspectives on Politics* (13 (2), 2015: 548-550).

James Moore published a review of Thomas Ahnert's *The Moral Culture of the Scottish Enlightenment, 1690-1805* in *The Journal of British Studies*.

James Moore wrote an essay titled "Francis Hutcheson and Jean Pierre de Crousaz on Beauty: The Question of Originality," for an issue of *The Journal of Scottish Thought*, published by Aberdeen University Press.

Graham Dodds published a research note titled "The Ideological Character and Impact of President George W. Bush" in APSA's *Presidents and Executive Politics Report* 37 (2) 2015: 7-8.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

Brent Gerchicoff, "Mr. X Goes to Beijing: Containing China's 'Peaceful' Rise," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, USA, April 2015.

Eleni Panagiotarakou, "Political Justice, Peace and Sustainable Agriculture in Aristophanes' *Acharnians*," the New York State Political Science Association Conference, Plattsburgh, NY. April 10-11, 2015.

Amy Poteete, "Abuse of Trust: Authority over Wildlife Areas in Botswana" Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, IL, USA, April 2015.

Travis Smith discussed "Tom Flanagan and Socrates" on the political philosophy panel at a conference honouring Tom Flanagan, held at the University of Calgary, and sponsored by the Atlantic Institute for Market Studies, May 2015.

Travis Smith, "A Defense of Being Practically, Partially, and Classically Liberal," Annual Meeting of Civitas, Calgary, AB, to be published in a forthcoming issue of *Convivium* magazine. May 2015.

Travis Smith, "Thor: God and Prince or Democratic Republican Citizen?" Annual Conference of the Canadian Society for the Study of Comics, Toronto, ON, May 2015.

Brooke Jeffrey, "A kinder, Gentler PBO? Assessing the Post-Page Era," Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Ottawa, ON, June 2015.

Kimberley Manning, "Attachment Politics and the Rights of The Trans* Child," Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Seattle, USA, May 2015; Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Ottawa, ON, June 2015.

Kimberley Manning gave a talk on the history of the All China Women's Federation and women's liberation in China to the Conseil de Montréalaises on June 18, 2015.

Kimberley Manning gave a talk on the rights of transgender children in Canada to the NDP Commission d'Action Positive des LGBTTT on May 17, 2015.

Ceren Belge, "The Rules of Difference: Honor and National Identity in Turkish Criminal Courts," Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Seattle, USA, May 2015.

James Moore presented a paper on "The history of England in the age of Hume" for a panel on "History and Enlightenment" in a conference at the Johns Hopkins University, March 2015.

James Moore was a discussant at a conference for the Study of Political Thought held at Yale University in May 2015.

Peter Stoett attended an author's workshop in Ottawa for the United Nations Environmental Programme North American Regional Report for Global Environmental Outlook 6, the UN's flagship publication on the state of global environmental problems and solutions. May 2015.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Brooke Jeffrey appeared on several local and national media discussing her recently released book *Dismantling Canada*, including CTV's "Power Play" and CBC's "The Current," and was an invited speaker at the International Writer's Festival in Ottawa.

Brooke Jeffrey appeared on CBC's "The Current" and TVO's "The Agenda" on June 1st to discuss the impact of the NDP victory in Alberta on the upcoming federal election.

Ceren Belge commented on the outcome of the recent Turkish parliamentary elections to La Presse: http://plus.lapresse.ca/screens/fdb6dd06-f9ea-4497-9019-8ac40fb1fe32|_0.html

Leander Schneider's book was featured in the Washington Post's Monkey Cage Africa blog. <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/monkey-cage/wp/2015/06/03/wp/2015/06/04/the-second-annual-tmc-african-politics-summer-reading-spectacular/>

THESES AND INTERNSHIP DEFENSES

Congratulations to Laura Desrosiers, who successfully defended her Internship Report entitled: "Regulations and Iron Triangles: Applying the Network Approach to Federal Marine Safety Policy", on April 10th, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Ceren Belge, second reader Dr. Antoine Bilodeau and Chaired by Dr. Mireille Paquet.

Congratulations to Poya Saffari, who successfully defended his Internship Report entitled: “The Evaluation of Regulatory Impact Analysis Statements in Canada: A Policy Learning Perspective” , on April 14th, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Stephanie Paterson, second reader Dr. Harold Chorney and Chaired by Dr. Graham Dodds.

Congratulations to Kevin Marple, who successfully defended his Internship Report entitled: “Federal Laggards and Provincial Exemplars: Policy Convergence and the Fate of Market-Based Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission Reduction Policy in Canada” , on April 24th, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Peter Stoett, second reader Dr. Julian Schofield and Chaired by Dr. Stephanie Paterson.

Congratulations to James Gamblin, who successfully defended his Internship Report entitled: “The Role of Opposition Political Parties in the Agenda-Setting Process: The Case of the Nova Scotia Progressive Conservative Party” , on April 28th, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Brooke Jeffrey, second reader Dr. Travis Smith and Chaired by Dr. Mireille Paquet.

Congratulations to Kehinde Adeniyi who successfully defended her Internship Report entitled: “Unpacking the ‘Black Box’: Theory-Based Impact Evaluation of the First Nations Land Management Program” on May 4th, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Guy Lachapelle, second reader, Dr. Jean-François Mayer and Chaired by Dr. Peter Stoett.

Congratulations to Nikhil Cooper who successfully defended his Internship Report entitled: “The Dynamics of Potent Incremental Change: Transformations in the Realm of Federal Government Privacy Policy as Witnessed in Employment and Social Development Canada”, on May 12th, 2015, under the Supervision of Dr. Mireille Paquet, second reader Dr. Norrin Ripsman and Chaired by Dr. Stephanie Paterson.

Congratulations to Mihail Markov who successfully defended his internship report entitled: “Translating Research Evidence into Policy at the Community Level: Central Government as a Knowledge Broker” on May 12th, 2015 under the Supervision of Dr. Kimberley Manning, Second Reader, Dr. Ed King and Chaired by Dr. Stephanie Paterson.

Congratulations to Ilia Sorokin who successfully defended his Internship Report entitled: “The Cognitive and Normative Frames behind Modern Copyright Reform Initiatives in the United States and Canada: A Comparative Study”, on June 16, 2015, under the Supervision of Dr. Tina Hilgers, second reader Dr. Marlene Sokolon and Chaired by Dr. Stephanie Paterson.