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## Continuity and Change in Federal Elections and Canadian Democracy

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9:00am – 4:30pm

### Workshop Outline

#### Day 1

Thinking about elections

- Long term and short term
- The Canadian context
- Issues and Leaders

Three Dynasties

- Mackenzie King
- Pierre Trudeau
- Stephen Harper

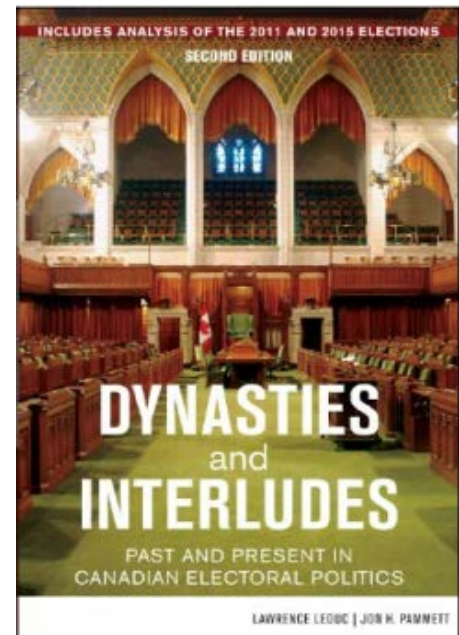
#### Day 2

Do campaigns matter?

- The 2015 election
- What elections do (and don't do)
- Looking ahead to 2019

Canada at 150

- Assessing Canadian democracy
- Why electoral reform failed
- An unfinished agenda?





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