Continuity and Change in Federal Elections and Canadian Democracy

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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?
Required Readings

Anderson, Cameron D. and Laura B. Stephenson (eds.). *Voting Behaviour in Canada* (University of British Columbia Press, 2010), ch. 1, 8


van der Eijk, Cees and Mark N. Franklin. *Elections and Voters* (London, Palgrave Macmillan, 2009), ch. 8

Gidengil, Elisabeth, et al. *Dominance and Decline: Making Sense of Recent Canadian Elections* (University of Toronto Press, 2012), ch. 8


