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Department of Political Science

University of Calgary

Curriculum Vitae, September 2022

Education

2012	Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science, McGill University
2006	Master of Arts, Political Science, University of Calgary
2003	Bachelor of Arts (Great Distinction), Political Science, University of Lethbridge

Professional Positions

2019	Eakin Visiting Fellow, McGill Institute for the Study of Canada, McGill University
2017-present	Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Calgary
2012-2017	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Calgary
2011-2012	Skelton-Clark Post-Doctoral Fellow in Canadian Affairs, Department of Political Studies, Queen's University

Publications

* Indicates a co-author is graduate student or postdoctoral fellow

Books (Peer Reviewed)

Thomas, Melanee and Amanda Bittner (eds). 2017. *Mothers and Others: The Role of Parenthood in Politics*. Vancouver: UBC Press.

Articles (Peer Reviewed)

Thomas, Melanee, Brooks DeCillia*, John Santos*, and Lori Thorlakson. 2022. "Great Expectations: Public Opinion About Energy Transition." *Energy Policy*. 162(March 2022): 112117. DOI:

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2022.112777>

Bodet, Marc André, Joanie Bouchard*, Melanee Thomas, and Charles Tessier.* 2021. "How Much of Electoral Politics is in the District? Measuring District Effects on Party Support." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* doi:10.1017/S000842392100086X

Schimpf, Christian*, Brooks DeCillia*, Nikita Sleptcov*, Melanee Thomas, and Lori Thorlakson. 2021. "If it ain't broke, don't fix it: How the public's economic confidence in the fossil fuel industry reduces support for a clean energy transition." *Environmental Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09644016.2021.1978199>

Johnson, Anna*, Erin Tolley, Melanee Thomas, and Marc André Bodet. 2021. "A New Dataset on the Demographics of Canadian Federal Election Candidates." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* DOI: doi:10.1017/S0008423921000391

Franceschet, Antonio, Jack Lucas, Brenda O'Neill, Elizabeth Pando*, and Melanee Thomas. 2021. "Editor Fatigue: Can Political Science Journals Increase Review Invitation Acceptance Rates?" *PS: Political Science and Politics*. doi:10.1017/S1049096521000858

Mansell, Jordan*, Allison Harell, Melanee Thomas, and Tania Gosselin. 2021. "Competitive Loss, Gendered Backlash and Sexism in Politics." *Political Behavior* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11109-021-09724-8>

Thomas, Melanee, Allison Harell, Sanne A.M. Rijkhoff*, and Tania Gosselin. 2021. "Gendered News Coverage and Women as Heads of Government." *Political Communication* 38(4): 388-406. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10584609.2020.1784326>

Pruysers, Scott, Melanee Thomas, and Julie Blais. 2019. "Mediated Ambition? Gender, News, and the Desire to Seek Elected Office." *European Journal of Politics and Gender* 3(1): 37-59.

- Thomas, Melanee. 2018. "In Crisis or Decline? Selecting Women to Lead Provincial Parties in Government." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 51(2): 379-403.
- Bodet, Marc André, Melanee Thomas, and Charles Tessier*. 2016. "Come Hell or High Water: An Investigation of the Effects of a Natural Disaster on Incumbent Support." *Electoral Studies* 43(September): 85-94.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2013. "Barriers to Women's Political Participation in Canada." *University of New Brunswick Law Review* LXIV(2013): 218-233.
- Thomas, Melanee and Marc André Bodet. 2013. "Sacrificial Lambs, Women Candidates, and District Competitiveness in Canada." *Electoral Studies* 32(1): 153-166.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2012. "The Complexity Conundrum: Why Hasn't the Gender Gap in Subjective Political Competence Closed?" *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 45(2): 337-358.
- Gidengil, Elisabeth, Melanee Thomas, and Janine Marshal*. 2008. "The Gender Gap in Self-perceived Understanding of Politics in Canada and the United States." *Politics & Gender* 4(4): 535-561.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

- Thomas, Melanee, Valérie-Anne Mahéo, and Guillaume Bogiaris. Accepted for Publication. "Attitudes Towards Women in Government: Evidence from an Experiment in Canada's Alberta and Quebec Provinces." In *The Image of Gender and Political Leadership: A multinational view of women and leadership*, eds. Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson and Nehemia Geva. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2023. "Playing the Populist Victim: Women, Gender, Representation, and the United Conservative Party." In *Blue Storm: The Rise and Fall of Jason Kenney*, eds. Duane Bratt, Richard Sutherland, and David Taras. Calgary: University of Calgary Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2019. "Gender, Canadian Politics, and the Democratic Deficit." In *Back to Blakeney: The Revitalization of the Democratic State*, eds. David McGrane, John Whyte, Roy Romanow, and Russell Isinger. Regina: University of Regina Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2019. "Governing as if Women Mattered: Rachel Notley as Alberta Premier." In *Doing Politics Differently? Women Premiers in Canada's Provinces and Territories*, ed. Sylvia Bashevkin. Vancouver: UBC Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2018. "Ready for Rachel: The Alberta NDP's 2015 Campaign." In *The Orange Chinook: Politics in the New Alberta*, eds. Duane Bratt, Keith Brownsey, Richard Sutherland, and David Taras. Calgary: University of Calgary Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2018. "Personalism, Personalization and Gender." In *The Personalization of Democratic Politics and the Challenge for Political Parties*, eds. William P. Cross, Richard S. Katz, and Scott Pruysers. London: Rowman & Littlefield International.
- Thomas, Melanee, Allison Harell, and Tania Gosselin. 2018. "Gender, Premiers, and the News." In *Political Elites in Canada: Power and Influence in Instantaneous Times*, eds. Alex Marland, Thierry Giasson, and Andrea Lawlor. Vancouver: UBC Press.
- Thomas, Melanee and L.A. Lambert*. 2017. "Communications of Parental Status in the 41st Canadian Parliament." In *Mothers and Others: The Role of Parenthood in Politics*, eds. Melanee Thomas and Amanda Bittner. Vancouver: UBC Press.
- Thomas, Melanee and Amanda Bittner. 2017. "The 'Mommy Problem'? Gender, Parental Status, and Politics." In *Mothers and Others: The Role of Parenthood in Politics*, eds. Melanee Thomas and Amanda Bittner. Vancouver: UBC Press.
- Bittner, Amanda and Melanee Thomas. 2017. "Gender, Parenthood, and Politics: What Do We Still Need to Know?" In *Mothers and Others: The Role of Parenthood in Politics*, eds. Melanee Thomas and Amanda Bittner. Vancouver: UBC Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2017. "Women and Federal Conservative Parties in Canada, 1993-2013." In *The Blueprint: Conservatives and Canadian Politics, 1993-2013*, eds. Joanna Everitt and J.P. Lewis. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Datasets

Johnson, Anna Elizabeth*, Erin Tolley, Melanee Thomas, Marc A. Bodet. 2021. "Dataset on the Demographics of Canadian Federal Election Candidates (2008-2019)." <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/MI5XQ6>, Harvard Dataverse, V1.

Non-Peer Reviewed Publications

- Bittner, Amanda and Melanee Thomas. 2020. "Making a Bad Thing Worse: Parenting MPs and the Pandemic." *Canadian Parliamentary Review* 43(3 Autumn). <http://www.revparlcan.ca/en/making-a-bad-thing-worse-parenting-mps-and-the-pandemic/>
- Janovicek, Nancy and Melanee Thomas. 2018. "Canada: Uneven Paths to Suffrage and Women's Electoral Participation." In *The Palgrave Handbook of Women's Political Rights*, eds. Susan Franceschet, Mona Lena Krook, and Netina Tan. London: Palgrave MacMillan.
- O'Neill, Brenda and Melanee Thomas. 2016. "Because It's 2015: Gender and the 2015 Federal Election." In *The Canadian Federal Election of 2015*, eds. Christopher Dornan and Jon H. Pammett. Toronto: Dundurn Press.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2015. "Gender and Election 2015: Continuity with No Real Change." In *Canadian Election Analysis: Communication, Strategy, and Democracy*, eds. Alex Marland and Thierry Giasson. Vancouver: UBC Press.
- Thomas, Melanee and Lisa Young. 2015. "Women (Not) in Politics: Women's Electoral Participation." In *Canadian Politics, 6th Edition*, eds. James Bickerton and Alain G-Gagnon. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Research Grants

- 2022-26 Principal Investigator, "Gender, Race, Parenthood, and Political News: Documenting the Diverse Effects of Gendered and Racialized News Coverage." Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Grant Application. With Scott Pruyers (Dalhousie). \$228 634
- 2022-28 Collaborator and Public Opinion Lead, "Assessing Sustainable, Equitable, and Rapidly Deployable Carbon Dioxide Removal Technologies." Environment and Climate Change Canada. PI: Sean McCoy (UCalgary). \$4.2 million total, \$138 000 in the Public Opinion envelope
- 2021 Co-Applicant, "Campaigning, Working, and Representing: Gender and Politics in a Global Pandemic," Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Connection Grant. With Erica Rayment and Susan Franceschet. \$21 677
- 2021 University of Calgary SSHRC Enhancement Grant for Gendered Mediation and Political Ambition. \$6000
- 2019 Faculty of Arts SEED Grant for Gendered Mediation and Political Ambition. \$7500
- 2018-23 Principal Investigator (Calgary) "Assessing Political Pathways for Energy Transition," Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF). \$262 000, with an additional \$262 000 at the University of Alberta.
- 2017 Principal Investigator, "Trends and New Directions in Canadian Political Behaviour," Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Connection Grant. With Allison Harell, Jason Roy, Elizabeth Goodyear-Grant, and Cameron Anderson. \$24 604. This application was ranked 2nd in the competition.
- 2017-19 Co-applicant, "How much of electoral politics is local?" Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Development Grant. With Marc André Bodet (Laval), François Gélineau (Laval), and Erin Tolley (Toronto). \$62 516
- 2016-20 Collaborator, "A cross-national experiment-based study of societal attitudes about women in government and leadership," National Science Foundation (NSF), award #1624370. Principal Investigators: Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson (Texas A&M), Nehemia Geva (Texas A&M). 205 831 USD

- 2015-17 Supervisor/Principal Investigator, Eyes High Postdoctoral Fellowship Competition, Round 3 for “Psychological Orientations to Politics, Gendered Stereotype Threat, and Democratic Citizenship,” University of Calgary. \$100 000
- 2015-20 Principal Investigator, “Psychological Orientations to Politics, Gendered Stereotype Threat, and Democratic Citizenship,” Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Grant. With Allison Harell (UQAM) and Tania Gosselin (UQAM) \$213 546. This application was ranked 3rd in the competition.
- 2014 University of Calgary SSHRC Enhancement Grant. \$3000
- 2013 University of Calgary Faculty of Arts Seed Grant, “Stereotype Threat and Democratic Citizenship,” in collaboration with the Calgary Behaviour and Experimental Economics Laboratory (CBEEL). \$3500
- 2013 University of Calgary New Faculty Start Up Grant, “Stereotype Threat and Democratic Citizenship.”. \$5000
- 2012 Principal Investigator, “Mothers and Others: Understanding the Impact of Family Life in Politics,” SSHRC Aid to Workshops and Conference in Canada Grant. With Amanda Bittner (Memorial University), Janine Giles (University of Calgary), and Lisa Lambert (University of Calgary). \$24 993, plus \$8 900 from other sources. This application was ranked 1st in the competition.

Honours, Prizes, and Awards

- 2022 University of Calgary, Faculty of Arts Award for Public Engagement
- 2019 John McMenemy Prize Winner, Canadian Political Science Association, for the best paper published in the 2018 issue of the Canadian Journal of Political Science. For, “In Crisis or Decline? Selecting Women to Lead Provincial Parties in Government.”
- 2017 Nominee, Students’ Union Teaching Award (POLI 453). Nominations for this award come exclusively from students registered in this class.
- 2016 Avenue Magazine Top 40 Under 40, Class of 2016 (Calgary)
- 2016 Nominee, Students’ Union Teaching Award (POLI 429). Nominations for this award come exclusively from students registered in this class.
- 2014 Jill Vickers Prize Winner, Canadian Political Science Association, for the best paper presented on gender and politics at the 2013 annual meeting. For “Private Mom vs. Political Dad? Communications of Parental Status in the 41st Canadian Parliament,” with Lisa Lambert.
- 2014 Nominee, Students’ Union Teaching Award (POLI 453). Nominations for this award come exclusively from students registered in this class.
- 2011 Jill Vickers Prize Winner, Canadian Political Science Association, for the best paper presented on gender and politics at the 2010 annual meeting. For “Gender, Generation, and Political Engagement in Canada.”

Academic Conference and Workshop Presentations (2018-2022)

- Thomas, Melanee, Brooks DeCillia, and Lori Thorlakson. 2022. “Understanding how racial resentment fuels opposition to energy transition.” To be presented at Petrocultures2022. 24-27 August 2022.
- Thorlakson, Lori, Brooks DeCillia, Nikita Sleptcov, and Melanee Thomas. 2022. “The climate risks we choose to see: Strategic framing of energy transition and climate discourse by economic stakeholders.” To be presented at Petrocultures2022. 24-27 August 2022.
- Tolley, Erin, Erica Rayment, and Melanee Thomas. 2022. ““We’re all in this together?” The Pandemic, Intersectionality, and Substantive Representation in Parliament.” To be presented at the European Conference on Politics and Gender. 6-8 July 2022.
- Thomas, Melanee, Brooks DeCillia, and Lori Thorlakson. 2022. “Understanding how racial resentment fuels opposition to energy transition.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, 30 May-3 June 2022.

- Harell, Allison, Melanee Thomas, Jordan Mansell*, and Tania Gosselin. 2021. "Sexism, Competition, and Gendered Backlash." Paper presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology. 11-13 July 2021.
- Thomas, Melanee and Scott Pruyers. 2021. "Psychological Violence, Counter-Speech, and Political Ambition." Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association. 7-10 June 2021.
- Thorlakson, Lori, Brooks DeCillia*, Melanee Thomas, and Christian Schimpf*. 2021. "What Shapes Attitudes about Energy Transition in Canada? On the Role of Pre-Existing Beliefs and Frames." Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association. 7-10 June 2021.
- Decillia, Brooks*, Melanee Thomas, and John Santos*. 2021. "Partisan and Ideological Cuing to Elite Rhetoric About the Economy and Energy Transition in Alberta." Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association. 7-10 June 2021.
- Thorlakson, Lori, Brooks DeCillia*, Melanee Thomas, and Nikita Sleptcov*. 2021. "Strategic Framing of Energy Transition and Climate Related Risk by Economic Stakeholders: A Cross-Sectional and Longitudinal Study." Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association. 7-10 June 2021.
- Goodyear-Grant, Elizabeth, Melanee Thomas, Amanda Bittner, and Erin Tolley. 2021. "Sex, Gender, and Voting in the 2019 Canadian Federal Election." Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association. 7-10 June 2021.
- Mansell, Jordan*, Allison Harell, Tania Gosselin, and Melanee Thomas. 2020. "Competition and Gendered Backlash: Failure, Sexism, and Consequences for Politics." Delivered at The Politics of Race, Ethnicity, Indigeneity, and Gender in Contemporary Canadian Electoral Politics Workshop (St. John's, February 2020).
- Thomas, Melanee. 2019. "Prejudice Against Women and Politics and Self-Reported Political Engagement." Delivered at the 2019 meeting of the European Conference in Politics and Gender (Amsterdam, July 2019).
- Blais, Julie, Scott Pruyers, and Melanee Thomas. 2019. "Can Moms Run? Parenthood, news coverage, and aspiration for elected office." Delivered at the 2019 meeting of the European Conference in Politics and Gender (Amsterdam, July 2019).
- Cloutier, Meagan* and Melanee Thomas. 2019. "Gendered Representation: Frontline Workers in Canada's Federal Constituency Offices." Delivered at the 2019 annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, (Vancouver, May 2019).
- Tolley, Erin, Melanee Thomas, Marc-André Bodet. 2019. "Explaining Variations in Representational Diversity Through Electoral Districts." Delivered at the 2019 annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, (Vancouver, May 2019).
- Mansell, Jordan*, Allison Harell, Melanee Thomas, and Tania Gosselin. 2019. "The Psychology of Sexists: Gender, Defensive Self-esteem, and its Consequences for Politics." Accepted for delivery at the 2019 annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, (Vancouver, May 2019).
- Thomas, Melanee. 2018. "Young Canadian's attitudes about women in federal government: evidence from experiments in Alberta and Quebec." Delivered at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, April 2018).
- Mahéo, Valérie-Anne*, Guillaume Bogiaris*, and Melanee Thomas. 2018. "Findings from an experiment in Quebec to study attitudes about women in national government vs. provincial government." Delivered at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, April 2018).
- An additional four presentations were accepted for 2020; those conferences were all cancelled due to COVID-19.

Consulting, Reports, Policy Papers, and Published Reviews

- Thomas, Melanee and Amanda Bittner. 2017. "Women are damned if they do and damned if they don't when it comes to politics and parenting." Policy Options October 2017.
<http://policyoptions.irpp.org/magazines/october-2017/gender-parenting-and-politics/>

- Thomas, Melanee. 2016. "Gender and Democratic Participation." Policy Brief prepared for Status of Women Canada.
- Thomas, Melanee. 2012. "Women and Political Participation in Canada." Policy Report prepared for Status of Women Canada.
- Moreau, Julie and Melanee Thomas. 2009. "Women and Legislative Representation: Opportunities and Obstacles Around the Globe." [Feminist Collections 30\(4\): 1-5.](#)

Expert Testimony

- 2022 Expert Witness for the Attorney General of Canada
- 2018 Invited Expert Testimony on Barriers to Women's Democratic Participation before the House of Commons' Committee on the Status of Women
- 2016 Invited Expert Testimony on Electoral Reform before the House of Commons' Special Committee on Electoral Reform

Invited Lectures and Presentations (2020-2022)

- 2022 Strategic Preparedness for Environmental Wins. Panel at the Environment Funders Canada Conference. 18 May 2022
- 2022 COVID-19 Afterlives: Disaggregated Data, Building Equitable Futures. Panel at the NextGen EDI Data Symposium, hosted by the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion at the University of Calgary. 11 April 2022
- 2022 Gender & Politics research session, Ontario Legislative Internship Program. 8 April 2022.
- 2022 Gender & Politics research session. With Erin Tolley. Parliamentary Internship Program. 2 February 2022.
- 2021 Municipal Election Panel, Calgary Association of Lifelong Learners. October 2021.
- 2021 Engaging Women on Climate Change Workshop, hosted by Climate Narratives. 23 June 2021.
- 2021 Climate Change and the City Panel Discussion, Calgary Association of Lifelong Learners. 19 May 2021.
- 2021 Private Presentation about Gender and Politics, and Public Opinion on Energy Transition, United States Consulate. 11 May 2021.
- 2021 Politics and resilience, professional development session, Bow Valley College. Calgary, Alberta. 19 February 2021.
- 2020 Roundtable on help launch the Centre of Excellence on the Canadian Federation for the Institute on Research in Public Policy (IRPP). Montreal, Quebec. Scheduled for 22 April 2020, cancelled due to COVID 19.
- 2020 Alberta Views Live: Budget 2020 Dig In, WORDFEST. 11 March 2020
- 2020 PREPARE HER teaching session for ASK HER YYC. Entitled "Forewarned is Forearmed," the session uses research to identify things women seeking candidacies could strategically address. Calgary, Alberta. Scheduled for 14 March 2020, delivered online in May 2020 because of COVID-19.
- 2020 How Albertans Think about Energy Transition. Private seminar hosted by the British Consulate. Calgary, Alberta. 18 February 2020.
- 2020 How Albertans Think about Energy Transition. Lunch & Learn Series hosted by the Pembina Institute. Calgary, Alberta. 21 January 2020

Supervision

Postdoctoral Fellows

- 2023-25 Abiba Yayah
- 2019-21 Brooks DeCillia (placed tenure-track, Mount Royal University)
- 2017-19 Sanne A.M. Rijkhoff (placed tenure-track, Texas A&M, Corpus Cristi)
- 2016-17 Philip Chen (placed tenure-track, Beloit College and University of Denver)

PhD Supervision

- 2021-present Dawn Moffat McMaster (Political Science)
2019-present Meagan Cloutier (Political Science)

PhD Committees

- 2022-present Ryan Crosschild (Political Science)
2021-present Saaka Sulemana (Political Science)
2015-19 Elizabeth Pando (Political Science)

Master's Thesis Supervision

- 2020 Sarah Andrews (Interdisciplinary Program in Energy and Environmental Systems)
2017-19 Meagan Cloutier (Political Science, placed PhD program, University of Calgary)
2016-18 John Santos (Political Science, placed PhD program, Western University)

Honours Thesis Supervision

- 2021 Alessandra Chan (Political Science, placed PhD program, Delaware)
2021 Annabelle MacRae (Political Science, placed MA program, Munk School)
2020 Rachel Grigg (Political Science, placed MA program, University of Calgary)
2018 Jesse Stilwell (Political Science, placed Faculty of Law JD program, University of Calgary)
2017 Steven Nuss (Political Science, placed MA program, Simon Fraser University)

Thesis or External Examiner

- 2022 Gillian Petit (PhD, Economics), Ariane Wilson (MA, Political Science), Cara Peacock (MA, Political Science)
2021 Connor Molineaux (MA, Political Science), Patrick McIntosh (MMus, Second Recital), Eva Bosnjak (MSc, Kinesiology)
2020 Patrick McIntosh (MMus, First Recital)
2018 John Andrew Klain (MA, Political Science), Dylan Thiessen (MA, Political Science), Patrick Lee (MA, Anthropology)
2017 Christopher Carlile (MA, Political Science), Julie Harris (MMus, Second Recital), Anna Godollei (MSc, Psychology)
2016 Robin Currie-Wood (MA, Political Science), Anna Johnston (MA, Political Science), Jessica De Castro (Naidu) (MA, Political Science), Julie Harris (MMus, First Recital)

Administrative Service

Social Science and Humanities Research Council

- 2017-19 Insight Grant Committee member (2 competitions)

University of Calgary

- 2022 Catalyzing Community Climate Action Project Circle of Advisors
2021 External, Hiring Committee: Assistant Professor, Socio-Cultural Studies of Sport, Faculty of Kinesiology
2021 Hiring Committee: Senior Human Rights Advisor, Office of the Vice-Provost, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
2021 Hiring Committee: Senior EDI Analyst, Office of the Vice-Provost, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
2020-22 Co-Investigator, COVID-EDI Survey
2020-22 Member, Dimensions Steering Committee

Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Calgary

2020-21 Curriculum & Academic Review Committee – Graduate
2020-21 Faculty of Graduate Studies Council

The Faculty Association of the University of Calgary (TUCFA)

2022-23 Representative, Sponsor Group, Universities Academic Pension Plan (UAPP)
Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee, Law
2021 Spousal Hire: Community Health Sciences
2020-21 Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee, Veterinary Medicine
2020 Dean of Law appointment committee
2020 Spousal Hire: Veterinary Medicine
2020-23 The University of Calgary Faculty Association (TUCFA) Board of Directors
2020-21 TUCFA Executive
2020-21 Occupational Health and Safety
2020-21 General Faculties Council Graduate Academic Program Subcommittee

Faculty of Arts, University of Calgary

2022 External, Hiring Committee: Instructor, Sociology
2017-18 Research Committee
Faculty Merit Committee
2015-18 Equity and Diversity Committee
SSHRC mentorship program
2013-18 Ethics Committee

Department of Political Science, University of Calgary

2022-23 Co-Chair, POLI EDI committee
2021-22 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Steering Committee
2020 Hiring Committee: Instructor Stream, Canadian Politics
2020-21 Graduate Program Director
2018 Graduate Committee
2017-18 Executive Committee
2016-18 Canadian Politics field coordinator
2015-17 Graduate Committee
2015-16 Research Committee (co-chair)
2014-15 Undergraduate Committee
2013-14 Communications Committee, Awards Committee
2012-13 Undergraduate Committee

Professional Service

2022-23 Member, Jarislowsky Chair Advisory Committee, University of Lethbridge
2022-23 Section Head, Political Behaviour and Sociology, Annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association
2021-present Editorial Board Member, Legislative Studies Quarterly
2020-present Treasurer, Prairie Political Science Association
2020-21 Board member, University of Calgary Press
2019-20 Programme Chair, Canadian Politics Section, Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association
2018-19 Programme Co-Chair, Political Participation, European Conference on Politics and Gender
2018-present Editorial Board Member, European Journal of Politics and Gender

2017-present Awards to Scholarly Publications Program (ASPP) Publications Committee
 2017-20 Book Review Editor, Canadian Journal of Political Science
 2013-18 Treasurer, Prairie Political Science Association
 2013 Section Co-Chair, Political Behaviour and Sociology, Annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association

Peer Review

In the past 12 months, I have reviewed for the following peer-reviewed publications: Political Research Quarterly; Journal of Experimental Political Science; Politics, Groups, and Identities; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Electoral Studies; Politics & Gender; European Journal of Politics and Gender; The Journal of Politics; American Journal of Political Science; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Women’s Studies in Communication; Parliamentary Affairs; British Journal of Political Science; Political Research Quarterly, University of Toronto Press, Comparative Political Studies; Political Behavior; Journal of Women, Politics & Policy

Outside Professional Activities

2019 No Second Chances podcast and event, by Canada 2020. No Second Chances is an innovative podcast series about the women who have served as head of government in Canada, investigating who they are, their experiences, and why none have successfully been re-elected, at least at the same rates as their male peers. My involvement included research-based interviews for the podcast, as well as support with the open letter signed by most women premiers on 19 June 2019.

2018-present Academic Advisor, CBC Calgary, for The Road Ahead project. Engagement includes expert advice on survey design and analysis in 2018-2021, public events, and opinion columns

2018-20 Member, Gender, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Policy Subcommittee, City of Calgary. Ongoing advice on gender, equity, diversity, and inclusion policy within the City.

2016-19 Member, Provincial Audit Committee, Government of Alberta. Engagement includes reading and providing feedback on draft government and Auditor General reports, including financial statements, performance audits, and reports prior to their release to the public.

2018 Expert policy consultation, Association of Municipal Administrators in Nova Scotia. Advice on policy development for parental leave for elected officials in municipalities in Nova Scotia.

2016 Advisor/consultant, Status of Women Canada. Provided expert advice, wrote policy documents on barriers to women’s participation in public life in Canada.
Academic Advisor, Apathy is Boring project with Elections Alberta. Project designed to specifically engage Albertans aged 18-25 with elections, especially those who are not enrolled in any secondary or post-secondary education program.
Academic Advisor, Vox Pop Labs for My Democracy.ca tool. Tool designed to elucidate public preferences on electoral reform options.

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