2024 Bell Chair
Graduate Student Conference
The Honourable Dick and Ruth Bell Chair in Canadian Parliamentary Democracy was established in 2009 in honour of former Member of Parliament and cabinet minister Dick Bell (1913-1988) and activist and community leader Ruth Bell (1919-2015). Ruth Bell earned her MA in Political Science at Carleton University and particularly devoted herself to advancing the political and economic equality of women in Canada and internationally.

The Bell Chair Graduate Student Conference was established by the first holder of the Bell Chair, Dr. William Cross, to provide opportunities for graduate students from across Canada to meet each other, present their research on Canadian politics, participate in professional development opportunities and enjoy visiting the nation's capital. The conference was previously held in 2011, 2015, and 2019, and we are pleased to welcome you to the fourth conference in 2024!

All conference sessions take place in Carleton University’s Richcraft Hall, Second Floor Conference Rooms adjacent to the atrium (2224, 2226, and 2228).
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024

9:00-9:15am

WELCOME
Jonathan Malloy, Bell Chair in Canadian Parliamentary Democracy and Department of Political Science

9:15-10:45am

SESSION ONE

PANEL ONE: The Courts and the Charter
Discussant: Vince Kazmierski, Department of Law and Legal Studies

Brendan Dell | Queen’s | Charting the Role of Charter Statements: A Comparative Study of Parliamentary Rights Reporting Duties in Canada and Other Westminster Democracies
Shauna Hughey | McMaster | Parliamentary Deviation from the Supreme Court: Tracking the Evolution of Policy Ideas

PANEL TWO: Foreign Policy
Discussant: Fen Hampson, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs

Chang (Christina) Pan, Yongzheng (Parker) Li | Cornell | Canada’s Approach to Climate Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific: An Analysis of Canada’s Climate Cooperation with ASEAN Countries
Robert Haswell, Janakan Muthukumar | Carleton | Selective Multilateralism in Iraq and Ukraine
Diya Jiang | McGill | Quebec in the Age of US-China Rivalry: A Study of Foreign Policy Preferences in the Province

10:45-11:00am

BREAK
SESSION TWO

PANEL THREE: Defence and Security

Discussant: Leah West, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs

Ashley Holden, Manitoba  A Comparison of the Canadian Rangers with the Canadian Army’s Primary Reserve Force
Alexander Olteanu, Queen’s  The DATA System Imperative: Implementing the Canadian Defence Teams’ EDI Values Through Evidence-Driven Action
Anna Soer, Ottawa  The Canadian WPS Agenda in the Arctic: Between Indigenous Rights and Feminism

PANEL FOUR: Democratic Institutions

Discussant: Charlie Feldman, Canadian Study of Parliament Group

Meagan Cloutier, Calgary  The Representative Role of Political Staffers in Canadian Federal Politics
Christopher Greenaway, Toronto  Re-Evaluating Adversarial Debate: The Teaching Function of Parliamentary Debate in Canada
Gala Palavicini, Dalhousie  Beyond Watchdogs: Rethinking the Role of Legislative Officers

PANEL FIVE: Refugees in Canada

Discussant: James Milner, Department of Political Science

Brooke Steinhauer, Rupinder Liddar, McGill  The Political Integration of Syrian Refugees in Canada
Jory Smallenberg, UBC  Canada’s Humanitarian Prospects: Partnerships between Federal Agencies and Socially Conservative Organizations
Ian Van Haren, McGill  Executive action and unequal access: Hurdles to refugee sponsorship in Quebec and the rest of Canada

LUNCH
1:30-3:00pm

SESSION THREE

PANEL SIX: The Media and Politics

Discussant: Adrian Harewood, School of Journalism and Communication

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Discussant: David Stewart, Department of Political Science

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BREAK
SESSION FOUR

PANEL EIGHT: Conservatism in Canada

Discussant: John Ibbotson, The Globe and Mail

Conor Columb, Waterloo: The Shifting Landscape of Conservatism: Studying Ideology and the Emergence of Populism in the Conservative Party of Canada

Aidan Harris, Guelph: JustInflated: Pierre Poilievre’s Neoliberal Populist Style on YouTube

Samuel Routley, Western Ontario: The Changing Face of Conservatism in Canada: Challenges to the Fusionist Consensus

Panel Nine: Indigenous Nations and the Courts

Discussant: Gabriel Maracle, Department of Political Science

James Collie, Western Ontario: Canada after Tsilhqot’in: The End of Terra Nullius, the Start of Reconciliation?


SPECIAL SESSION ON GETTING PUBLISHED

Erin Tolley, Co-editor, Canadian Journal of Political Science and Department of Political Science

Jonathan Malloy, Department of Political Science

DINNER RECEPTION

Lieutenant’s Pump, 361 Elgin Street
FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

9:00-10:30am

SESSION FIVE

PANEL TEN: Language Politics

Discussant: Raffaele Iacovino, Department of Political Science

Haroun Aramis  Concordia  The difference between speaking French and speaking it well: the role of language and accent in Quebec's national identity and their effects on attitudes toward ethnocultural diversity

Vanessa Hodge  Carleton  Canada's Official Languages Act: The Experience of Indigenous Federal Workers

Timothy van den Brink  Simon Fraser  Social Development through Profitability: Development Policy for Official Language Minority Communities

PANEL ELEVEN: Representation and Political Action

Discussant: Bill Cross, Department of Political Science

Megan Mattes  Simon Fraser  Failure to launch: Tracing the trajectory of democratic innovation institutionalization in Canada

Liam O'Toole  McGill  The Canadian of “Summer of Strikes”: Political Motivations and Consequences of Organized Labor’s Strike Action

Noah Vanderhoeven  Western Ontario  Professional sport as a form of political representation for historically excluded groups: a comparative analysis
9:00-10:30am

SESSION FIVE

PANEL TWELVE: Populism in Canada

Discussant: Steve White, Department of Political Science

- Danielle Bohonos, Toronto: Populism in Canada: Elite Rhetoric and the 2022 Freedom Convoy
- Rafael Campos-Gottardo, McGill: Correlates of populist attitudes in Canada: Evidence from the Canadian Election Survey
- Thomas Bergeron, Blake Lee-Whiting, Toronto: Angry? Upset? You are not in my co-partisan!

10:30-10:45am

BREAK

10:45am-12:15pm

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PANEL: NON-ACADEMIC CAREERS

- Janice Freamo, PhD (Senior Analyst, Treasury Board Secretariat)
- Courtney Lockhart, MA, (Associate director, Public Affairs & Policy, Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada)
- David Perry, PhD (President, Canadian Global Affairs Institute)

12:15-1:30pm

LUNCH

3:20pm

HOUSE OF COMMONS TOUR

Arrive by 2:50 to go through security.

NOTE: Large bags/luggage cannot be taken through security. We can provide secure storage at the Carleton campus. It is recommended to leave your luggage at your hotel/accommodation.