

## Dr. Aaron Ettinger

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### CURRENT POSITION

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Carleton University

### EDUCATION

2009-2013     **Doctor of Philosophy**, Queen's University, Political Studies  
Dissertation: *American Military Contractors and the Neoliberal Way of War*  
2006-2007     **Master of Arts**, Queen's University, Political Studies  
2002-2006     **Bachelor of Arts**, (Honours) University of Waterloo, Political Science

### *Specializations*

<i>Fields of Study</i>	<i>Specializations</i>	<i>Subject Matter Expertise</i>
International Relations	US Foreign Policy	Post-September 11 Wars
International Political Economy	Canadian Foreign Policy	Military Privatization

### APPOINTMENTS

2023-present   Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Carleton University  
2019-2023     Assistant Professor (tenure track), Department of Political Science, Carleton University  
2015-2019     Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Waterloo  
2014-2019     Research Fellow, Centre for the Study of Security and Development (Dalhousie)  
2014-2015     Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Dalhousie University  
2014           Assistant Professor, Department of Political Studies, Queen's University

### RESEARCH AWARDS & TEACHING HONOURS

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2021           **Awarded**, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Insight Development Grant (Principal Investigator, \$69,788)  
2021           **Awarded**, Canadian Political Science Association Prize for Teaching Excellence  
2021           **Awarded**, Carleton University, 2021-2022 Favourite Faculty Member, Department of Housing and Residence Life Services  
2020           **Short-List**, Canadian Political Science Association Prize for Teaching Excellence  
2019           **Awarded**, Carleton University, 2019-2020 Favourite Faculty Member, Department of Housing and Residence Life Services  
2018           **Finalist**, University of Waterloo Federation of Students Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award  
2016           **Awarded**, Marvin Gelber Essay Prize for best article by an emerging scholar in *International Journal*  
2013           **Finalist**, Queen's University Alma Mater Society Christopher Knapper Award for Excellence in Teaching

**ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS (\* indicates blind peer review)**

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**Journal Articles**

- \* Aaron Ettinger. 2023. "Saudi Arabia, Sports Diplomacy and Authoritarian Capitalism in World Politics." *International Journal of Sport Policy and Politics*: 1-17. Online 27 April.
- \*Aaron Ettinger and Andrea M. Collins. 2023. "Trumpism and the Rejection of Global Climate Governance." *International Relations*: 1-25. Online 14 February.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2023. "Truman Redux? Biden's National Security Strategy." *Survival* 65 (2): 103-122.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2021. "After Failure: American Foreign Policy at the End of the Post-Cold War Era." *International Studies Review* 23 (1): 248-267. [Review Essay]
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2021. "Rumors of Restoration: Joe Biden's Foreign Policy and What it Means for Canada." *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal* 27 (2): 157-174.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2020. "Scattered and Unsystematic: The Taught Discipline in the Intellectual Life of International Relations." *International Studies Perspectives*. 21 (3): 338-361.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2020. "Is there an Emerging Left-Wing Foreign Policy in the United States?" *International Journal*. 75 (1): 24-48.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2020. Principled Realism and Populist Sovereignty in Trump's Foreign Policy. *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* 33 (3): 410-431.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2018. "Trump's National Security Strategy: 'America First' Meets the Establishment." *International Journal* 73 (3): 474-483.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2018. "Ending the Draft in America: The Coevolution of Military Manpower and the Capitalist State, 1948-1973." *Critical Military Studies* 4 (1): 1-16.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2017. US National Security Strategies: Patterns of Continuity and Change, 1987-2015. *Comparative Strategy* 36 (2): 115-128.
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2017. "The Patterns and Implications of American Military Interventions in the post-September 11 Era." *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal* 23 (3): 205-217.
- \*Aaron Ettinger and Jeffrey Rice. 2016. "Hell is Other People's Schedules: The Logic of Canada's Limited-Term Military Commitments, 2001-2015." *International Journal* 71 (3): 371-392.  
**\*\*\*Winner, 2016 Marvin Gelber Essay Prize\*\*\***
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2016. Teaching the post-September 11 Wars to the post-September 11 Generation. *Politics* 36 (2): 197-209.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2014. After the Gold Rush: Corporate Warriors and The Market for Force Revisited. *International Journal* 69 (4): 559-569. [Review Essay]
- \*Aaron Ettinger. 2014. The Mercenary Moniker: Condemnations, Contradictions and the Politics of Definition. *Security Dialogue* 45 (2): 174-191.

\*Aaron Ettinger. 2013. Neoliberalism, the State and War. *Millennium* 41 (2): 379-393. [Review Essay]

Aaron Ettinger. 2011. Neoliberalism and the Rise of the Private Military Industry. *International Journal* 66 (3): 731-752.

### **Book Chapters (\* indicates blind peer review)**

Aaron Ettinger. 2022. "Teaching World Politics in an Age of Crisis." In *Pandemic Pedagogy: Teaching International Relations Amid COVID-19*, edited by Andrew A. Szarejko. Switzerland AG: Springer Nature.

\*Aaron Ettinger. 2020. "Teaching and the Future of Canadian Foreign Policy: Rejuvenating the Discipline from the Classroom-Out." In Brian Bow and Andrea Lane eds. *Canadian Foreign Policy: Reflections on a Field in Transition* (UBC Press: Vancouver). Pp. 221-239.

Aaron Ettinger. 2017. "Just War Theory." In Fathali M. Moghaddam ed. *SAGE Encyclopedia of Political Behavior* (SAGE: Thousand Oaks). Pp. 426-427

\*Aaron Ettinger. 2016. "The Patterns, Implications and Risks of American Military Contracting." In Stéfanie von Hlatky and H. Christian Breede eds. *Going to War? Trends in Military Interventions*. (McGill-Queen's University Press: Montreal). Pp. 114-132.

### **Book Reviews**

Leffler, Melvyn P. 2023. *Confronting Saddam Hussein: George W. Bush and the Invasion of Iraq*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. – Accepted *International Journal*.

Malkasian, Carter. 2021. *The American War in Afghanistan: A History*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. – Published in *International Journal* 76 (4): 608-610.

Bakken, Tim. 2020. *The Cost of Loyalty: Dishonesty, Hubris, and Failure in the US Military*. New York: Bloomsbury Publishing. – Published in *Res Militaris: The European Journal of Military Studies* 2020 10 (2): 1-7.

Andersen, Kurt. 2017. *Fantasyland: How America Went Haywire: A 500-Year History* (New York: Random House) and Jill Lepore. 2018. *These Truths: A History of the United States* (New York: W.W. Norton & Company) – published in *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 2020 53 (1): 193-195.

Walt, Stephen M. 2018. *The Hell of Good Intentions: America's Foreign Policy Elite and the Decline of US Primacy* (New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux), and Mearsheimer, John J. 2018. *The Great Delusion: Liberal Dreams and International Realities* (New Haven: Yale University Press) – published in *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* 2019 32 (5): 671-675.

Spearin, Christopher. 2017. *Private Military and Security Companies and States: Force Divided* (New York: Palgrave Macmillan) – published in *International Journal* 2018 73 (2): 331-333.

Fen Osler Hampson and Stephen M. Saideman. 2015. *Canada Among Nations 2015: Elusive Pursuits: Lessons from Canada's Interventions Abroad* (Centre for International Governance Innovation: Waterloo) – published in *International Journal* 2017 72 (1): 146-147.

Richard D. Hooker Jr. and Joseph J. Collins. 2015. *Lessons Encountered: Learning from the Long War* (Washington DC: National Defense University Press) – published in *International Affairs* **2016 92 (3): 725-727**.

Molly Dunigan and Ulrich Petersohn, eds. 2015. *The Markets for Force Privatization of Security Across World Regions* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press) – published in *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal*. **2015 21 (3): 286-288**.

David P. Auersweld, and Stephen M. Saideman. 2014. *NATO in Afghanistan: Fighting Together, Fighting Alone* (Princeton: Princeton University Press); and Sten Rynning. 2012. *NATO in Afghanistan: The Liberal Disconnect* (Stanford: Stanford University Press) – published in *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* **2015 28 (1): 168-171**.

James Pattison. 2014. *The Morality of Private War: The Challenge of Private Military and Security Companies* (Oxford: Oxford University Press) – published in *International Affairs* **2015 91 (1): 179-180**.

Anna Leander ed. 2013. *Commercialising Security in Europe: Political Consequences for Peace Operations* (Routledge: London) – published in *International Affairs* **2013 89 (5): 1322-1323**.

Christopher Kinsey and Malcolm Hugh Patterson eds. 2012. *Contractors and War: The Transformation of the United States' Expeditionary Operations* (Stanford University Press: Stanford) – published in *Global Change, Peace & Security* **2013 25 (1): 136-138**.

Scott Fitzsimmons. 2013. *Mercenaries in Asymmetric Conflicts* (Cambridge University Press: Cambridge) – published in *International Journal* **2012-2013 68 (1): 227-230**.

Toni Erskine and Richard Ned Lebow eds. 2012. *Tragedy and International Relations* (Palgrave Macmillan: London) – published in *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* **2012 25 (4) 687-688**.

Alisdair Roberts. 2010. *The Logic of Discipline: Global Capitalism and the Architecture of Government*. (Oxford University Press: Oxford) – published in *International Affairs* **2012 88 (1): 178-179**.

Ngairé Woods. 2006. *The Globalizers: The IMF, World Bank and their Borrowers* (Cornell University Press, Ithaca) – published in *International Journal* **2007 62 (3): 728-730**.

## **Blogs & Podcasts**

Aaron Ettinger. 2022. “Politics of the Game: Round 4,” Carleton University Department of Political Science podcast.

Aaron Ettinger. 2022. “Politics of the Game: Round 3,” Carleton University Department of Political Science podcast.

Aaron Ettinger. 2021. “Canada-US Relations, Protectionism and Progressivism.” iAffairs Policy Talks Podcast. November.

Aaron Ettinger. 2021. “Scaffolding the Video Essay: An Alternative Research Assignment,” American Political Science Association *APSA Educate Blog*. August 30.

- Aaron Ettinger. 2021. "Joe Biden and the Future of American Foreign Policy." Carleton University. Department of Political Science Podcast, March 31.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2020. "Politics of the Game, Round 2." Carleton University Department of Political Science podcast, October 14.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2020. "Is there a Left-Wing Foreign Policy Emerging in the US?" Carleton University, Department of Political Science podcast, March 5.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2019. "The Politics of the Game: On Sports and Politics," Carleton University, Department of Political Science podcast, December 6.
- Aaron Ettinger. 2019. "Canada and the World, Ep. 23: Canada versus the United States." *OpenCanada.org*. January 11
- Aaron Ettinger, 2019. "Canada and the World, Ep. 28: Talking 'Shit' in Politics." *OpenCanada.org*. February 15.
- Aaron Ettinger, 2015. "Teaching 9/11 in the Classroom" *UK Political Studies Association Blog*, September 10.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2023      Global IR and Worliding Beyond the West: A Pedagogical Critique. *Canadian Political Science Association*, 1 June.  
LIV and Let Die: Saudi Arabia, Sports Diplomacy and Authoritarian Capitalism in World Politics. *Canadian Political Science Association*, 30 May.
- 2022      Joe Biden's Inverted Neo-Trumanite National Security Strategy, *International Studies Association*, (Online conference) 29 March.  
  
Worlding Within Your Limits, *International Studies Association*, (Online conference) 29 March.  
  
Teaching Roundtable: Pandemic Pedagogy, Teaching During (and After) Covid-19, *International Studies Association*, (Online conference) 28 March.
- 2021      Joe Biden's Foreign Policy and What it Means for Canada, *Canadian Political Science Association*, 8 June.  
  
(with Andrea Collins) "Trumpism and the Rejection of Climate Governance." *Canadian Political Science Association* 10 June.
- 2021      (with Andrea Collins) "Trumpism and the Rejection of Climate Governance." *International Studies Association*, Online conference. 7 April.  
  
"Evaluating Theories of Continuity and Change in Foreign Policy." *International Studies Association*, Online conference. 7 April.

- 2020 Conferences cancelled
- 2019 “Transatlantic Relations in the Age of Trump: Change in US-NATO Relations Since 2001.” *International Studies Association*. Toronto, ON.
- “Trump’s National Security Strategy: Evaluating Principled Realism in Action.” *International Studies Association*. Toronto, ON.
- 2018 “Why is There No International Relations Theory of its Own Pedagogy?” *International Studies Association*, San Francisco, CA.
- “Canada’s Military Contractors: Diversity or Racial Camouflage?” *International Studies Associations*, San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 “Diversity, Military Contracting, and Racialization of the Canadian Armed Forces,” *Strengthening the Canadian Forces Through Diversity: We Stand on Guard for Thee*, Balsillie School of International Affairs in Waterloo, ON.
- “Coalition Warfare, Secondary Allies and Strategic Duration in Wars with No End,” *International Studies Association*, Baltimore, MD.
- “Continuity and Change in American Military Interventions since 2001.” *International Studies Association*, Baltimore, MD.
- 2016 “Continuity and Change in American Military Interventions since 2001.” *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal workshop, Problems Ahead? Revisiting the Intervention Trap in an Era of Global Uncertainty*. Ottawa, ON.
- “The Taught Discipline of Canadian Foreign Policy” *Generations: The Evolution of Canadian Foreign Policy Authors’ Workshop*. Toronto, ON.
- “Winning the War Three Months at a Time: The Political Logic of Canada’s Many Mission Extensions.” *International Studies Association*. Atlanta, GA.
- “From Bush to Obama: Continuity and Change in post-September 11 Wars.” *International Studies Association*. Atlanta, GA.
- 2015 “The Patterns, Implication and Risks of American Military Contracting.” *Canadian Political Science Association*, Ottawa, ON.
- “Teaching the post-September 11 Wars to the post-September 11 Generation.” *Canadian Political Science Association*, Ottawa, ON.
- “Teaching the post-September 11 Wars to the post-September 11 Generation.” *International Studies Association*, New Orleans, LA.
- 2014 “Explaining US Military Contracting from Vietnam to the post-September 11 Wars.” *Canadian Political Science Association*, St. Catharines, ON.
- “US Military Contracting Past, Present and Future.” *Going to War? Centre for International and Defence Policy Workshop*, Queen’s University, Kingston, ON.

- “Historical Sequencing and the Long-Term Causes of Military Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan.” *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL.
- 2012 “Global Governance of the Private Military Industry: Prospects and Projections.” *International Studies Association – Northeast*, Baltimore, MD.
- “Private Sector Participation in War: A New Framework for Analysis.” Canadian Peace Research Association – Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences. Waterloo, ON.
- 2011 “Who Does What in Iraq and Afghanistan? Assessing Typologies of the Private Military Industry.” International Studies Association – Northeast, Providence, RI.
- “Mercenaries and Private Military Firms: Conceptual and Definitional Problems.” *Canadian Defense Association Institute’s Graduate Student Symposium*. Royal Military College, Kingston, ON.
- “Coalition of the Billing: Neoliberalism, and the Rise of the Private Military Industry.” *Canadian Political Science Association*, Waterloo, ON.
- “Privatized Warfare and the Post-Industrial State” *New York State Political Science Association*, Lewiston, NY.

## **INVITED TALKS**

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- 2023 Speaker: “How to Successfully Lead a Department Pedagogical Reform in Political Science.” APSA webinar, 2 February.
- 2022 Speaker: “Trumpism and the Rejection of Global Climate Governance,” *SERS Salon*, School of Environment and Resources Sustainability, University of Waterloo, 31 January.
- 2020 Panelist: “What Next? The World After 2020,” *Centre for the Study of Security & Development*, Dalhousie University, 16 November.
- 2020 Speaker: “The Foreign Policy of the Next American President and What it Means for Canada.” *Thornhill Lifelong Learning*, 29 October.
- 2019 Panelist: “Navigating the [Academic] Job Market,” *Women in International Security Workshop*. Toronto, ON. 21 June.
- 2019 “Keynote: Can We Rely on International Organizations?” University of Waterloo Political Science Graduate Student Association Conference, Balsillie School of International Affairs. Waterloo, ON. 8 March.
- 2018 “US Foreign Policy in the Trump Era.” Department of Political Science, University of Guelph. Guelph, ON. 8 February.
- 2017 “Continuity and Change in American Military Interventions since 2001 Revisited.” Launch event for *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal special issue, Problems Ahead?*

*Revisiting the Intervention Trap in an Era of Global Uncertainty.* Ottawa, ON. 11 October.

- 2017 Panelist: *International Law Summer School*, Balsillie School and CIGI. 19 May.
- 2017 Panelist: *Total Impacts: Political, Economic and Social Effects of the U.S. Administration.* University of Waterloo. 9 March.
- 2015 Lecture: Canada's Limited-Term Military Commitments, 2001-2015: Why Hell is Other People's Schedules" Current Issues and Debates, Conflict and Security Cluster, Balsillie School of International Affairs, 8 October.

## **CAMPUS TALKS**

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- 2022 LIV and Let Die: Saudi Arabia, Sportswashing, and Authoritarian Capitalism in World Politics, Carleton University, Department of Political Science
- 2022 Teaching in the Pandemic: Sharing Best Practices and Solving Thorny Problems, Carleton University, Department of Political Science
- 2018 University of Waterloo, Political Science Students Association, *Politics from Around the World*
- 2018 University of Waterloo, Political Science Students Association, *Canada and Peacekeeping: Peace or Force?*
- 2017 University of Waterloo, Political Science Students Association, *Survival Party: One Year of Trump*
- 2017 University of Waterloo Global Affairs Association *US Foreign Policy and Global Hotspots in the Trump Era*
- 2017 University of Waterloo Biology Undergraduate Society, *Science Under Trump*
- 2016 University of Waterloo Faculty of Arts, *What Happened in the US Election?*
- 2016 University of Waterloo Global Affairs Association, *NATO and Canadian Foreign Policy: A Primer*
- 2016 University of Waterloo Political Science Students Association: *Roundtable on the 2016 American Presidential Elections*
- 2015 Dalhousie Undergraduate Political Science Society: *ISIS and US Foreign Policy*
- 2014 Dalhousie Undergraduate Political Science Society: *Argo, Foreign Policy and History*



## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **2023-present: Associate Professor, Carleton University**

PSCI 1200A Politics in the World  
PSCI 4806B Transatlantic Defence Issues

### **2019-2023: Assistant Professor, Carleton University**

PSCI 4907 Reading course in Canadian Defence Policy (summer 2020)  
PSCI 4806B Transatlantic Defence Issues  
PSCI 3906 Reading course in the Politics of Human Rights (summer 2020)  
GPOL 3100 Internship in Global Politics  
GPOL 3000A Global and Comparative Politics  
PSCI 2601A IR: Global Politics  
PSCI 1200A World Politics

### **2015-2019: Assistant Professor, University of Waterloo**

PSCI 490 US Foreign Policy  
PSCI 481 Interstate War  
PSCI 390 US Foreign Policy Since 2001  
PSCI 387 Globalization  
PSCI 281 World Politics  
PSCI 150 Introduction to Global Politics

### **2014-2015: Assistant Professor, Dalhousie University**

POLI 3576 Defence Policy in Canada  
POLI 3574 American Foreign Policy  
POLI 3569 Canadian Foreign Policy  
POLI 3505 Human Rights: Foundations

### **2014: Assistant Professor, Queen's University**

POLS 405 The Politics of the post-September 11 Wars

### **2006-2007; 2009-2014: Teaching Assistant, Queen's University**

POLS 384 Strategies of Political Research  
POLS 264 World Politics in Historical Perspective  
POLS 263 International Security Regimes  
POLS 262 International Political Economy  
POLS 261 Introduction to International Relations  
POLS 250 Political Theory

### **Training and Development**

2010 Queen's University, Certificate III Teaching and Learning Scholarship

## **PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES**

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External peer reviewer for *International Affairs*, *International Studies Perspectives*, *International Political Sociology*; *Canadian Foreign Policy Journal*; *International Journal*; *Third World Quarterly*, *Politics*; *Millennium*; *Diplomacy and Statecraft*; *International Social Science Journal*, Rowman & Littlefield, Routledge

## **OTHER AWARDS & HONOURS**

2015	Dalhousie University, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Travel Grant
2015	International Studies Association Travel Grant
2012-2013	Ontario Graduate Scholarship
2009-2012	Queen's Graduate Award
2010-2012	Queen's University Department of Political Studies Student Conference Award

## **POLICY REPORTS**

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2013	“Deliberation at Work: Report of the Prince Edward County Citizens’ Assembly.” <i>Review of the Size of Council</i> . The County of Prince Edward.
2009	“Process Evaluation on Collaborative Governance.” <i>The Provincial Municipal Fiscal and Service Delivery Review</i> . Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
2009	Report of the Citizens’ Reference Panel on Health Priorities and Integration,” <i>South East Local Health Integration Network</i> , Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE**

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### **Carleton University**

2023-present	Undergraduate Supervisor, Department of Political Science
2021-2022	Joint Committee on Admissions and Studies (JCAS), Faculty of Public Affairs
2022-2023	Hiring Committee, Department of Political Science
2019-2022	Undergraduate Committee, Department of Political Science
2020-2021	Undergraduate Sub-committee, Program Review
2020-2021	Tenure and Promotion Committee, Department of Political Science
2020-2022	Curriculum and Priority Committee, Department of Political Science
2020-2022	Chair, International Relations Field Group

### **University of Waterloo**

2017-2019	Outreach Committee, chair Undergraduate Committee Graduate Committee
2017	Subcommittee, Ph.D. feasibility study
2016-2017	Graduate Committee Outreach Committee
2015-2016	Undergraduate Committee Waterloo Unlimited
2010-2011	Bargaining Committee and Bargaining Team, Public Service Alliance of Canada Local 901, Queen's University Teaching Assistant/Teaching Fellow Association

## **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Research Assistant**

2013	Stéfanie von Hlatky, Queen's University, NATO "Smart Defence"
2012	Stéfanie von Hlatky, Queen's University, Corporate Social Responsibility in the Extractive Industry

### **Copy Editing and Indexing**

2014	Elisabeth Gidengil and Heather Bastedo eds. 2014. <i>Canadian Democracy from the Ground Up: Perceptions and Performance</i> (UBC Press: Vancouver)
2012	Stéfanie von Hlatky, 2013. <i>American Allies in Times of War: The Great Asymmetry</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press.

### **Report Editor**

2014	<i>Mowat Energy</i> , Re-Energizing the Conversation: Engaging the Ontario Public on Energy Issues
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### **Public Engagement Consultant**

2013	<i>Prince Edward County Citizens' Assembly on the Size of Council</i> Responsible for process design, planning and facilitation of multi-day public education and deliberation sessions
2008-2009	Project Coordinator, MASS LBP, Toronto, Canada

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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Canadian Political Science Association (2011-present)  
International Studies Association (2010-present)