

Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association Annual Conference 2023

St. Thomas University
Fredericton, New Brunswick
October 13-15, 2023

Friday, October 13:

7:00 PM- Opening Event: Beaverbrook Art Gallery, Harrison McCain Pavilion.

Welcome from Dr. Nauman Farooqi, President and Vice-Chancellor of St. Thomas University.

Opening Comments from Dr. Shaun Narine, Professor of International Relations and Political Science, St. Thomas University and Dr. Jamie Gillies, Professor of Communications and Public Policy, St. Thomas University.

7:10-8:00 PM - Keynote Address from Spencer Kimball, Director, Emerson College Polling:

The 2024 US Election Campaign: Early Assessments

8:00-9:00 PM- Guided tour of the Beaverbrook Art Gallery

Saturday, October 14:

7:45-10:15 AM – Registration in the basement foyer of Margaret McCain Hall (MMH).

8:00-8:30 AM – Coffee available in the basement foyer of Margaret McCain Hall (MMH).

All panels today will take place in MMH.

8:30-10:15 AM – FIRST PANEL SESSIONS

PANEL ONE: MMH 202

POLITICAL THEORIES

Chair and Discussant: Matt Dinan, St. Thomas University

On Excluding Bad Faith Political Deliberators: A Defence

Victor Bruzzone, PhD Candidate, University of Toronto

Meno's Character in Plato and Xenophon and the Definition of Virtue
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Matthew A. Sears, University of New Brunswick

Conor Barry, St. Thomas University

The Political Limits of Imperialist Drain Theory: A Psychoanalytic Critique
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Gavin Fridell, Saint Mary's University
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From Nationalism to Equality: Tracing the Normative Foundations of Early Chinese Feminism
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Devin J. Ouellette, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Toronto

PANEL TWO: MMH 203

NUCLEAR ENERGY AND CLIMATE ACTION: A REALITY CHECK FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

Chair: Andrew Secord, St. Thomas University

A Reality Check on Nuclear Energy's Role in Mitigating Climate Change

M. V. Ramana, University of British Columbia

From Nuclear Dreams to a Legacy of Public Debt.

Andrew Secord, St. Thomas University

Don't Say 'Plutonium' Say 'Recycling': the Nuclear Industry, the Government and the Public Sphere

Susan O'Donnell, St. Thomas University

PANEL THREE: MMH 307

CANADIAN ELECTORAL POLITICS

Chair and Discussant: J.P. Lewis, University of New Brunswick-Saint John

How Family-Friendly are Canadian Legislatures?

Rachael Johnstone, Dalhousie University

Citizen Engagement and Sub-National Electoral Reform in Canada

Laura Levick, St. Thomas University

The Confidence Relationship in Parliamentary Democracies

Elsa Piersig, Ph.D Candidate, Carleton University

Public Hearings in Redistribution: An Assessment

Tamara Small, University of Guelph

10:30-12:15 PM- SECOND PANEL SESSIONS

PANEL ONE: MMH 202

CANADIAN FOREIGN POLICY

Chair and Discussant: Shaun Narine, St. Thomas University

Balancing and Bandwagoning in Arctic Politics

Thomas Hughes, Mount Allison University

Global Politics and the Long Road to Global Peace: Is Canada taking the Right Path?

Nicholas Idris Erameh, PhD, Research and Studies Department, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA),

Joshua Olusegun Bolarinwa, PhD, Research and Studies Department, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA)

The Freeland Doctrine and Its Implications: Assessing the Impact of Ideology-Driven Policies on China-Canada Relations

Xinyu Gong, PhD Candidate, Dalhousie University

PANEL TWO: MMH 203

RIGHT WING POLITICS

Chair and Discussant: Jamie Gillies, St. Thomas University

The Rising Tide of Populism in Canada and Scandinavia

Jamie Gillies, St. Thomas University

JustInflated: Pierre Poilievre's Neoliberal Populist Style on YouTube

Aidan Harris, University of Guelph

Leading and Dividing New Brunswick. The Higgs Years (2018-)

Gabriel Arseneault, University of Moncton

PANEL THREE: MMH 308

SOCIAL POLICY I

Chair and Discussant: Laura Levick, St. Thomas University

Flaunting Sexuality, and the Role of Homo-Nationalism and Homo-Normalisation in Queer Liberation

Brayden Rogers-Stone, Saint Mary's University

Who Cares? Women Entrepreneurs and the Devaluation of Child Care Work in Nova Scotia

Rebecca Wallace, St. Francis Xavier University

Kaytland Smith, St. Francis Xavier University

Whose Reproductive Right? Consequences of the Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care Plan for Migrant and Canadian Women's Status and Substantive Citizenship

Kenya Thompson, York University

12:15-1:15 PM – LUNCH AVAILABLE IN THE GEORGE MARTIN HALL CAFETERIA (FIRST FLOOR)

PRESENTATION: *Policy+* (Student Undergraduate Research Journal)

Kaytland Smith, St. Francis Xavier University

BOOK LAUNCH: *Political Marketing in the 2021 Canadian Federal Election*

Jamie Gillies, Vincent Raynauld and André Turcotte (Editors), with Chapters by APPSA Attendees David Coletto and Joanna Everitt

1:30-3:15 PM – THIRD PANEL SESSIONS

PANEL ONE: MMH 202

THE ROLE OF CIVIC VIRTUE IN ANCIENT AND MODERN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Chair and Discussant: Laura Rabinowitz, University of Toronto

Civic and Philosophical Virtue in Plato's Laws

Ryan Balot, University of Toronto

The (Utopian) City in Greek Political Thought

Robert Ballingall, University of Maine

Minding Your Own Business as Public Virtue in Kierkegaard

Matt Dinan, St. Thomas University

PANEL TWO: MMH 203

PANEL: DEMOCRATIC POLITICS

Chair and Discussant: Joanna Everitt, University of New Brunswick-Saint John

Women in Leadership Roles: The Changing Structures of Political Campaign Backrooms in Canadian Elections

Gala Palavicini, Dalhousie University

Jamie Gillies, St. Thomas University

Party Polarization and the Post-Constitutional Moment

Tom Bateman, St Thomas University

Expanding Experiential Learning Opportunities in Political Science: A Case Study from Organizing a Workshop

Mario Levesque, Mount Allison University

The Historical Foundations of Canadian Cabinet Government

JP Lewis, University of New Brunswick-Saint John

PANEL THREE: MMH 308

POLITICS OF ENERGY TRANSITIONS IN CANADA

Chair: Heather Millar, University of New Brunswick

Contesting Energy Discourses Through Action Research - CEDAR Janice Harvey, St. Thomas University
Catalyzing Climate Action or Delay? Electric Utilities as Claim Makers in Canadian Energy Politics Heather Millar, University of New Brunswick Amy Janzwood, McGill University
Promoting or Undermining Net-Zero Goals? Decarbonizing the Trucking Industry by Investing Into Hydrogen. Orland Clark, University of New Brunswick
Facing Carbon Lock-In: Opposition to Carbon Extractivism and the Potential for a Strong Transition Movement in New Brunswick JP Sapinski, Université de Moncton Cecilia Pérez- Plancarte, Université de Moncton Lysa Reinhardt, Université de Moncton

3:30-5:15 PM -FOURTH PANEL SESSIONS

PANEL ONE: MMH 202

FICTION AND FORM IN/AS POLITICAL THEORY

Chair and Discussant: Hannah Kunzman, Harvard University

Literary Characters for Aspiring Liberals Shal Marriot, MA Candidate, McGill University
Illness, Metaphor and Art: On a Tension Between Susan Sontag and Thomas Mann Jan-Paul Sandmann, PhD Candidate, Harvard University
Fantastic Travel Narratives in 17th-Century England Abbie LeBlanc, PhD Candidate, Harvard University
The Uses of Utopia: An Illustration from Plato and Thomas More Haidun Liu, PhD Candidate, Harvard University

PANEL TWO: MMH 203

ROUNDTABLE: TURMOIL IN NEW BRUNSWICK POLITICS

Moderator: Joanna Everitt, University of New Brunswick-Saint John

Tom Bateman, St. Thomas University Jamie Gillies, St. Thomas University Mario Levesque, Mount Allison University J.P. Lewis, University of New Brunswick-Saint John Roger Ouellette, Université de Moncton
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PANEL THREE: MMH 308

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT

Chair and Discussant: Jack MacLennan, Park University

Democracy and the 'International' in Times of Crisis Marc Doucet, Saint Mary's University
State Formation and the Prospects for Stability in Africa Ian S. Spears, University of Guelph
Deterring Climate Change Mitigation: Petro-politics and Carbon Offsetting and Removals in Canada Kate Ervine, Saint Mary's University
On Carbon Clubs and Canada's International Competitiveness David Blair, Huron University College

6:30- BEGIN GATHERING IN THE FOYER OUTSIDE THE JUNIOR BALLROOM, SECOND FLOOR (MEZZANINE LEVEL) AT THE CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

7:00 PM – APPSA BANQUET IN THE JUNIOR BALLROOM.

Please note that name cards with your meal selection will be available at a table at the entrance. Please take your name card with you and give it to your waiter when you have chosen a table to sit at so that you can receive the meal you have ordered.

8:30PM – APPSA Banquet Keynote: David Coletto, Chair & CEO, Abacus Data and Carleton University:

The Canadian Political Environment and the Road to the Next Federal Election

Sunday, October 15:

7:45-8:30 AM – Coffee available in the basement foyer of Margaret McCain Hall (MMH).

ONLY THE FIRST PANEL SESSION TODAY will take place in MMH. The last panel session will be held in Brian Mulroney Hall (BMH).

8:30-10:15 AM – FIRST PANEL SESSIONS

PANEL ONE: MMH 202

PANEL: ATLANTIC CANADIAN POLICY AND GOVERNMENT

Chair and Discussant: Mario Levesque, Mount Allison University

Rent Control in Nova Scotia and the Fallacy of the Captive Landlord Jan Hancock, Cape Breton University
Emergency Management Preparedness Comparison: British Columbia and Newfoundland and Labrador Kaytland Smith, St. Francis Xavier University
Local Housing Interventions: Comparing Municipal Affordable Housing Strategies in New Brunswick Tobin Leblanc Haley, University of New Brunswick Julia Woohall-Melnik, University of New Brunswick Sarah Durelle, University of New Brunswick

PANEL TWO: MMH 203

PANEL: POLITICAL PARTIES

Chair and Discussant: Sabrina Sotiriu, University of Ottawa

Better than nothing? Party Responses to Voluntary and Legislated Gender Parity in New Brunswick and Canada Anna Johnson, PhD Candidate, University of Toronto
Media coverage of Indigenous Politicians in the 2021 Canadian Federal Election Seth Tagle, MA Graduate, University of New Brunswick-Saint John Joanna Everitt, University of New Brunswick- Saint John
The Modern Canadian Cabinet Government J.P. Lewis, University of New Brunswick-Saint John

PANEL THREE: MMH 308

IMMIGRATION POLICIES AND LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION OF SKILLED WORKER IMMIGRANTS IN CANADA

Chair: Fariba Solati, St. Thomas University

Brain waste: National and Regional Analysis of Educated Immigrants in Canada Fabiana Rosado, University of New Brunswick (REMOTE)
Brain Drain and Brain Gain in Canada Fariba Solati, St. Thomas University
Family Immigration Policy and Women's Employment Jennifer Frimpong, University of Manitoba
Effectiveness of Intervention Programs in Immigrants' Retention in New Brunswick Murshed Chowdhury, University of New Brunswick

10:30-12:15 PM – SECOND PANEL SESSIONS (IN BMH)

PANEL ONE: BMH 102

LAW AND THE JUDICIARY

Chair and Discussant: Conor Barry, St. Thomas University

Uncertainty in Canada's Independence Referendums: Past Issues and Future Solutions? Sabrina Sotiriu, PhD Candidate, University of Ottawa
Professionalism vs. Democratic Input: The Law and Politics of Judicial Selection in Canada Mark Harding, University of Guelph
Who Serves Community Justice: Exploring the Power of Canadian Trial Courts Over Indigenous Sentencing Policy Emma Gill-Alderson, Ph.D Candidate, University of Toronto

PANEL TWO: BMH 103

PANEL: SOCIAL POLICY II

Chair and Discussant: Shaun Narine, St. Thomas University

Bye Buy Canada? Social Procurement Under an Inclusive Canadian Trade Policy Noah Fry, PhD Candidate, McMaster University
Come Find Your Island: Covid-Islands, Covid-Archipelagos and Islandness during the Covid-19 Pandemic Andrew Halliday, University of New Brunswick-Saint John

12:15-12:45 PM – LUNCH IN THE GMH CAFETERIA.

12:45-1:30- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN BMH 202