Aengus Bridgman

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Education

PhD Candidate, Political Science at McGill, Current (expected completion Fall 2021)

- Thesis: *Those who compose the conversation: Three essays on online political activists*
- Committee: Dietlind Stolle (Supervisor), Aaron Erlich, Taylor Owen
- Research Affiliations: Center for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, Network Dynamics Lab, Media Ecosystem Observatory, and The Centre for Media, Technology and Democracy

Master of Arts, Political Science at University of Ottawa, April 2013

Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Political Science at University of Manitoba, April 2010

Research Interests

- *Comparative Politics*: Digital activism, political participation, polital communication, public opinion and voting behaviour, European politics, American Politics
- *Canadian Politics*: Political culture, public opinion and voting behaviour, parliamentary studies, social media policy
- *Methods*: Causal inference, survey design and analysis, field and natural experiments, survey experiments, text-as-data, machine learning, computational social science, network analysis

Refereed Publications

6. **Aengus Bridgman**, Eric Merkley, Oleg Zhilin, Peter John Loewen, Taylor Owen, Derek Ruths. 2021. "Infodemic pathways: Evaluating the role that traditional and social media play in cross-national information transfer", *Frontiers in Political Science*, https://doi.org/10.3389/fpos.2021.648646. [Replication materials]

5. **Aengus Bridgman**, Eric Merkley, Peter John Loewen, Taylor Owen, Derek Ruths. Conditional accept. "Registered report on evaluations of deservingness of government aid during the COVID-19 pandemic", *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. [Replication materials]

4. **Aengus Bridgman**. 2020. "A nonpartisan legislative chamber: The influence of the Canadian Senate", *Party Politics*, https://doi.org/10.1177/1354068820911345. [Replication materials]

3. **Aengus Bridgman**, Costin Ciobanu, Aaron Erlich, Danielle Bohonos, Christopher Ross. 2020. "Unveiling: The Electoral Consequences of an Exogenous Mid-Campaign Court Ruling", *Journal of Politics*, https://doi.org/10.1086/711177. [Replication materials]

2. **Aengus Bridgman**, Eric Merkeley, Peter John Loewen, Taylor Owen, Derek Ruths, Lisa Tecihmann, Oleg Zhilin. 2020. "The causes and consequences of COVID-19 misperceptions: Understanding the role of news and social media", *The HKS Misinformation Review*, https://doi.org/10.37016/mr-2020-028. [Replication materials]

1. Eric Merkeley, **Aengus Bridgman**, Peter John Loewen, Taylor Owen, Derek Ruths, Lisa Tecihmann, Oleg Zhilin. 2020. "A Rare Moment of Cross-Partisan Consensus: Elite and Public

Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic in Canada", *Canadian Journal of Political Science/Revue canadienne de science politique*, https://doi.org/10.1017/S0008423920000311

- **Aengus Bridgman**, Rosalie Nadeau, Dietlind Stolle. Revise and resubmit. "A distinct society: Understanding social distrust in Quebec", *Canadian Journal of Political Science/Revue canadienne de science politique*.
- Lisa Teichmann, Sean Nossek, **Aengus Bridgman**, Peter John Loewen, Taylor Owen, Derek Ruths. Revise and resubmit. "Public Health Communication and Engagement on Social Media during the COVID-19 Pandemic", *Journal of Medical Internet Research*.

Non-refereed Publications

- Taylor Owen, Peter Loewen, Derek Ruths, **Aengus Bridgman**, Haji Mohammed Saleem, Eric Merkley, and Oleg Zhilin. 2020. "Understanding vaccine hesistancy in Canada: attitudes, beliefs, and the information ecosystem" and available at: https://mediaecosystemobservatory.com/Vaccine-hesistancy.
- John McAndrews, **Aengus Bridgman**, Peter Loewen, Daniel Rubenson, Laura Stephenson, and Allison Harell. 2020. "Evaluation of the 2019 Federal Leaders' Debates", commissioned by the Canadian Leaders' Debates Commission" and available at: https://www.debates-debats.ca/en/report/evaluation-2019-federal-leaders-debates.
- Taylor Owen, Peter Loewen, Derek Ruths, **Aengus Bridgman**, Robert Gorwa, Stephanie MacLellan, Eric Merkley, and Oleg Zhilin. 2019-2020. Digital Democracy Project research memos and final report. *The Partisan Playground*, *Political Advertising on Facebook*, *Fact-Checking, Blackface and the Media*, *Talking past each other on immigration*, *Polarization and its Discontents*, *The Climate Change Conundrum*, *Media, Knowledge and Misinformation*, and *Lessons in Resilience: Canada's Digital Media Ecosystem and the 2019 Election*.

Conference Papers

Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference (2019)

- *Hyperdiversity and dual motivations of political participation: Evidence from the Canadian case on the impact of neighbourhood change*
- *Losing elections for standing for your values? The electoral consequences of a court ruling on the niqab ban in Canada*

Southern Political Science Association (2019)

- *Globalisation, crisis, and voting behaviour: The electoral impact of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*
- *Losing elections for standing for your values? The electoral consequences of a court ruling on the niqab ban in Canada*

Northeastern Political Science Association (2018)

- *Globalisation, crisis, and voting behaviour: The electoral impact of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*
- *Canadian Senate change: appointed, independent, and ripe for lobbying*

Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference (2018)

- *A Distinct Society? A compositional exploration of social capital in Quebec*

Invited Talks

- "Misinformation and attitude formation among the Canadian Public", COPSS-NISS COVID-19 Data Science webinar series (2021)
- "Disinformation in 2020: Actors, Threats, and Solutions" (panel participant), Tel Aviv University (2020)
- "Digital public engagement and political participation", University of Manitoba (2020)
- "Misinformation, COVID-19, and social media: Research design from start to finish", Dawson College (2020)
- "Data Science, Elections, Politics, and Media", CSCDS Data Science Community Expo (2020)
- "So you think you can track an election", Misinfocon (2019)
- "Evaluating legislative influence in bicameral systems: Canadian Senate reform and lobbyist behaviour", Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy at University of Montreal (2019)
- "Losing elections for standing for your values? The electoral consequences of a court ruling on the niqab ban in Canada", Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy at University of Montreal (2018)

Teaching

- Instructor, Bootcamp, Introduction to replicable research using version control (Summer 2018 and 2019)
- Instructor, CSDC Winter School, Introduction to LaTex and Zotero (Winter 2018)
- Teaching Assistant, Techniques of Empirical Research (Graduate Course) (Fall 2017 and 2018)
- Teaching Assistant for undergraduate courses at University of Ottawa and McGill University: Introduction to Politics, Introduction to Canadian Politics, Introduction to Political Thought, Introduction to Modern Thought, Political Legal Theory, Qualitative Research Methods, Budgetary Policy and Public Finance, Local Government, and Politics of the Developed World.
- Teaching Assistant, Population Data Visualization workshop (Fall 2017)
- Teaching Assistant, R Bootcamp (Summer 2017)

Service

- Referree for *Canadian Journal of Political Science* (x2), *Journal of Digital War* (x1), *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* (x1)
- Co-organizer, McGill Comparative Politics Reading Group (2021)
- Participant, Election Canada foresight workshop: The Future of Electoral Administration in Canada (2018)
- Participant, IRPP Roundtable - Renewal of the Canadian Senate: Where to From Here (2018)
- Organizing Committee, Building an inclusive discipline: Learning, Practising and Teaching Political Science (2018)
- President, McGill Graduate Association of Political Science Students (2017-19)

Awards

- Political Methodology Award ICPSR (Summer 2019)
- Joseph-Armand Bombardier Graduate Scholarship (May 2018-21)
- Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods scholarship (Summer 2018)
- The Graduate Mobility Award (Summer 2018)
- Graduate Excellence Fellowship (Sep 2016-18)

- Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship Fellowship (Sep 2016-2020)
- Mallory Fellowship (Sep 2016)
- Faculty of Arts Masters Scholarship (Sep 2010-11)
- Murray S. Donnelly Award (Sep 2008-09)

Technical Skills

R, Python, LaTeX, Git/GitHub, Selenium, Qualtrics

Additional Training

- Causal Inference for the Social Sciences, ICPSR (Summer 2019)
- Network Analysis: Advanced Topics Inferential Network Analysis, ICPSR (Summer 2019)
- Stan for the people, Charles Margossian (Winter 2019)
- Experimental and Causal Inference Designs, Dr. Michael Bechtel (Winter 2019)
- Methods for Computational Social Science: Modeling Textual Data (Summer 2018)
- Collaborative local government, CEU Summer University (Summer 2018)
- The development and influence of political identities, Dr. Leonie Huddy (Spring 2018)
- NLTK Toolkit in Python, Dr. Christopher Cochrane (Spring 2018)
- The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, CQRM (Summer 2018)
- Methods Winter School, CSDC (Winter 2017, 2018, 2019)