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RESEARCH Interests Canadian Politics, Legislative Politics, Partisanship, Political Polarization, Federalism

CURRENT POSITION

Parliamentary Internship Programme, Ottawa, ON

September 2023 – June 2024

Parliamentary Intern

One of twelve interns selected by national competition to participate in the bilingual
and nonpartisan internship program. Interns work closely with Members of Parliament from both government and opposition parties, meet and discuss public affairs
with senior policymakers and leaders in civil society, produce innovative research examining the inner workings of Canadian politics, and take part in legislative study
tours to Québec, Brussels, the United Kingdom, the United States, and Nunavut.

EDUCATION

University of Western Ontario, London, ON, Canada

2019 - 2023

Honours Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

Minor in Economics

- Undergraduate Thesis: "Understanding Political Polarization in Canada: Determinants of Partisanship in House of Commons Committees"
- Advisor: Dr. Cameron D. Anderson

Additional Training

University of Michigan

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods

June - July 2023

- Regression Analysis II (with Tim McDaniel)
- Machine Learning (with Christopher Hare)

University of Western Ontario

Graduate Level Methods Courses (Received Special Permission for Enrollment)

• Introduction to Quantitative Methods (with Evelyne Brie)

2022

• Regression and Causal Inference (with Mathieu Turgeon)

2023

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Brie, Evelyne, **Cynthia Huo**, and Christopher Alcantara. 2023. "Measuring Policy Diffusion in Federal Systems: The Case of Legalizing Cannabis in Canada under Time Constraints" Forthcoming at Publius: The Journal of Federalism
- Huo, Cynthia, Philip Charbonneau, and Christopher Alcantara. 2022. "Overcoming Barriers to Indigenous-Local Water Sharing Agreements in Canada." Canadian Public Administration 65, no. 3: 421-438.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Huo, Cynthia. 2023. "A Question of Privilege: The Speaker as Guardian of the House of Commons." Canadian Parliamentary Review 46, no. 2: 31-37.

Huo, Cynthia and Jonathan Malloy. 2023. "Extreme partisanship is infecting committees, and we should be worried." *Policy Options*.

Works in Progress

Payler, Megan, **Cynthia Huo**, Cameron Anderson, Nandita Biswas Mellamphy, and Christopher Alcantara. "Is there a Gender Gap in the Canadian Journal of Political Science?" (Revise and Resubmit at American Review of Canadian Studies)

RESEARCH FUNDING

USRI Fellowship

University of Western Ontario: \$8680 CAD

2023

- Advisor: Dr. Cameron D. Anderson
- Research Project: Analyzing Partisanship in House of Commons Standing Committees

USRI Fellowship

University of Western Ontario: \$8400 CAD

2022

- Advisor: Dr. Christopher Alcantara
- Research Project: 'My Words, or Yours? Analyzing the Development of Cannabis Legislation in Canada"

USRI Fellowship

University of Western Ontario: \$7500 CAD

2021

- Advisor: Dr. Christopher Alcantara
- Research Project: "Addressing First Nations" Concerns in Water Sharing Agreements"

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

External Awards

Canada Graduate Scholarship – Master's (Deferred)

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada: \$17,500 CAD

2023

• Offered: McGill University, the University of British Columbia, the University of Calgary

Regional Award (Declined)

McCall MacBain Scholarships at McGill University: \$5000 CAD

2023

 The McCall MacBain Scholarships at McGill are Canada's first comprehensive, leadershipdriven scholarships that fully fund master's and professional degree studies.

Charles B. Koester National Essay Competition – Winner

Canadian Study of Parliament Group: \$1250 CAD

2022

• National competition for an essay on a parliamentary theme; created to promote research in all political fields relating to Parliament, legislatures or legislators.

Internal Awards

Andrew Grant Scholarship

Department of Political Science, Western University: \$800 CAD

2022

• For the highest third year average in an Honours program in Political Science.

Mark McQueen Award

Department of Political Science, Western University: \$1900 CAD

2022

• For extraordinary academic and extra-curricular involvement.

In-Course Scholarship

Western University: \$700 CAD

2022

Alumni Scholarship

Faculty of Social Science, Western University: \$1600 CAD

2021

In-Course Scholarship

Western University: \$700 CAD

2021

Research Assistance Christopher Alcantara (Western University)

2021 - 2023

Extracurricular Political Science Association, Western University Involvement

Vice President Events

Third Year Representative

2021 - 2022

2022

- Developed and hosted a career and advice workshop for political science students to encourage them to consider research opportunities
- Held office hours to help freshmen with essay writing and introducing them to the research process and opportunities for research in politics
- Co-hosted a debate featuring MPP Candidates in the 2021 Ontario Provincial Election (Terence Kernaghan, Kate Graham, and Carol Dyck)

Anova

Crisis Line Volunteer

2022-2023

• Anova is an organization based in London, Ontario that provides resources such as shelter, support, and counselling for abused women, their children, and other individuals impacted by gender-based sexual violence and inequality. The Crisis Line is a 24/7 resource that provides support to all people impacted by gender-based violence using a trauma-informed, anti-oppressive approach.

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