

# Mark Williamson

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## APPOINTMENTS

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### Toronto Metropolitan University

2023–Present

Postdoctoral Fellow, Evidence in Governance and Politics

## EDUCATION

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### New York University

2024

Ph.D., Politics

Dissertation: The Politics of Historical Injustices and Reconciliation in Canada

### McGill University

2019

M.A., Political Science

### University of Waterloo

2016

B.E.S., Urban Planning and Political Science (Joint Honours)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Substantive:** Canadian Politics; Public Opinion; Political Behaviour; Race, Ethnicity and Politics; Representation

**Methodological:** Experiments; Surveys; Text-As-Data

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Journal articles

3. “Redesigning Political Institutions to Increase Civic Inclusion and Immigrant Integration,” with Daniel Rubenson and Vince Hopkins. (invited for 2025 special issue at *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies*).
2. “More continuity than change? Re-evaluating the contemporary socio-economic and housing characteristics of suburbs,” with Markus Moos, Pablo Mendez, Liam McGuire, Elvin Wyly, Anna Kramer and Robert Walter-Joseph (2015). *Canadian Journal of Urban Research* 24(2), 64-90. ([link](#))

### Book chapters

1. “On the beaten path: Violence against civilians and simulated conflict along road networks,” with Jessica Draper and Andrea Salvi. In Deutschmann, E., Lorenz, J., Wilhelm, A., Natalini, D. & Nardin, L.G. (eds.) (2020), *Computational Conflict Research*, Springer International Publishing. ([link](#))

## WORKING PAPERS

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“The Prevalence and Correlates of Residential School Denialism in Canada” (with Edana Beauvais; Revise & Resubmit) ([link](#))

“Covid-19 and Support for Progressive Taxation: Evidence from a 2020 Ballot Proposal” (Under review) ([link](#))

“Historical Injustices and Beliefs in Systemic Racism” ([link](#))

“Personal Responsibility and Attitudes toward Intergroup Reconciliation” ([link](#))

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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“Can Changes to Historical Symbols Mobilize Support for Racial Justice Reforms? Evidence from Confederate Monument Removals” (with Roxanne Rahnema)

“Same As It Ever Was: Do Facts about the Persistence of a Racial Wealth Gap Move Public Opinion on Reparations?” (with Anil Menon)

“Election Outcomes and Social Trust” (with Amber Lee, Daniel Rubenson and Iva Srbinovska)

## PUBLIC-FACING WRITING

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Evidence in Governance and Politics Policy Briefs ([link](#)) 4x 2024

## GRANTS

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**Advancing Research Grant for Early Career Scholars** 2024  
(with Anil Menon; \$2,000)  
American Political Science Association

**C-Dem Democracy Checkup Module Competition** (In-kind survey module) 2023  
Consortium on Electoral Democracy

**George Downs Summer Research Grant** (2x \$4,000) 2022, 2023  
New York University – Department of Politics

**Identities & Ideologies Project Small Grant** (with Roxanne Rahnema; \$4,000) 2023  
New York University

**Canada Graduate Scholarship – Master’s** (\$17,500) 2017  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council

## AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

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<b>Graduate Merit Award</b>	2024
Canadian Political Science Association	
<b>Dean's Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award</b>	2023
New York University	
<b>Bradley Fellowship</b>	2022-2023
New York University	
<b>MacCracken Doctoral Fellowship</b>	2019-2024
New York University	
<b>Schull Yang International Experience Award</b>	2017
McGill University	

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Canadian Political Science Association	2022, 2023, 2024
Canadian Political Methodology Conference (MapleMeth)	2023, 2024
Toronto/Montreal Political Behaviour Workshop	2023, 2024
C-Dem Junior Scholar Workshop	2024
Bell Chair Graduate Student Conference	2024
Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science	2024
American Political Science Association	2018, 2022, 2023
Midwest Political Science Association	2022, 2023
Identities and Ideologies Workshop	2023
Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium	2018

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Did it Work? Politics Experiments</b>	2024
Guest Lecturer (x2) (Undergraduate)	
Toronto Metropolitan University	
<b>Comparative Politics</b>	2022, 2023
Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)	
New York University	
<b>International Politics</b>	2021, 2022
Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)	
New York University	
<b>Introduction to Quantitative Social Science</b>	2016, 2018
Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)	
McGill University	

**Introduction to R for Data Science** 2017  
 Instructor (Undergraduate; Workshop Series)  
 McGill Political Science Student Association

**African Politics** 2017  
 Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)  
 McGill University

**Planning Administration and Finance** 2014, 2015  
 Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)  
 University of Waterloo

**Professional Communication** 2013  
 Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)  
 University of Waterloo

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

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Pablo Querubín (New York University) 2022  
 Tara Slough (New York University) 2021  
 Sanford Gordon (New York University) 2020  
 Manuel Balán (McGill University) 2018  
 Gabrielle Bardall (United States Institute of Peace) 2017-2018  
 Markus Moos (University of Waterloo) 2014-2015

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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United Nations 2017  
 Scholars At Risk 2015  
 Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs 2014  
 Industry Canada 2013

## SERVICE

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**Mentor**  
 CAS-GSAS Graduate School Mentorship Program 2024  
 New York University

**Peer Reviewer**  
*Canadian Journal of Political Science, Journal of Peace Research*

**Panel Organizer**  
 Canadian Political Science Association 2024

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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### Teaching

Centre for Excellence in Learning and Teaching 2023-2024  
Toronto Metropolitan University

- “Talking about Race in the Classroom”
- “Empowering Faculty and Staff to Promote Anti-Racism in Education”
- “Equity and Inclusion in Teaching”

### Research

Computational Social Science Summer School 2018  
Jacobs University (Germany)

## SKILLS

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**Computer Skills:** R, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Stata, QGIS, Qualtrics

**Languages:** English (native), French (basic reading), Spanish (conversational)