

# Curriculum Vitae

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### ***Research Interests***

International and comparative political economy, public policy, quantitative and mixed methods, game theory, public finance, equity and technological change.

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### ***Appointments***

Visiting Fellow, Harvard University Department of Government (supervisor: Peter A. Hall) 2020–21

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### ***Education***

2019	PhD Political Science, University of Toronto (supervisor: Grace Skogstad)
2013	MA Political Science, Simon Fraser University (supervisor: Michael Howlett)
2011	BA Political Science (maj), History (maj), Simon Fraser University

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### ***Citizenship***

Canadian

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### ***Teaching Experience***

*Comparative public policy* (PPG 2008)

Munk Graduate School of Global Affairs and Public Policy

*The policy process* (PPG 1001)

Munk Graduate School of Global Affairs and Public Policy

*Canadian and comparative politics: innovation and industrial policy* (POLD 51)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Supervised research: computational text analysis* (POLD 95)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Directed readings in game theory* (POLD 98)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Topics in politics: politics and innovation* (POLC 40)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Political analysis* (POLC 78)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Public policy making* (PPGC 66)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Public policy in Canada* (PPGC 67)

University of Toronto Scarborough, Department of Political Science

*Comparative public policy* (POL 317)

University of Toronto, Department of Political Science

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### ***Project Management***

2021 *Political Map of Canada* Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Connection Grant 611-2020-0005: a two-year big data initiative to gather Canadian political information and make it available via an interactive online tool.

### ***Awards, Achievements and Distinctions***

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2019	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship	\$60,000
2019	Shortlisted, McMenemy Prize for best article in <i>Canadian Journal of Political Science</i>	
2017	Frank Peers Graduate Research Scholarship in the Department of Political Science	\$4,000
2016	A. W. Johnson Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Canadian Government	\$4,420
2016	Grand prize, Canadian Economics Association Progressive Economics Forum Graduate Student Essay Contest	\$1,000
2014	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship	\$105,000
2014	Grand prize, Canadian Economics Association Progressive Economics Forum Graduate Student Essay Contest	\$1,000
2012	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Joseph-Armand Bombardier Master's Scholarship	\$17,500

### ***Refereed Journal Articles***

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2019	Skogstad, G., & Wilder, M. Strangers at the gate: the role of multidimensional ideas, policy anomalies and institutional gatekeepers in biofuel policy developments in the United States and European Union. <i>Policy Sciences</i> , 52(3), 343-66.
2018	Wilder, M. Debating basic income: distributive justice and the normative-technical nexus. <i>Canadian Journal of Political Science</i> , 51(2), 279-303.
2017	Wilder, M. Comparative public policy: origins, themes, new directions. <i>Policy Studies Journal</i> , 45(S1), 47-66.
2017	Craft, J., & Wilder, M. Catching a second wave: context and compatibility in advisory system dynamics and management. <i>Policy Studies Journal</i> , 45(1), 215-39.
2016	Wilder, M. Whither the funnel of causality? <i>Canadian Journal of Political Science</i> , 49(4), 721-41.
2015	Wilder, M. Ideas beyond paradigms: relative commensurability and the case of Canadian trade-industrial policy, 1975-1995. <i>Journal of European Public Policy</i> , 22(7), 1004-21.
2015	Wilder, M., & Howlett, M. Bringing the provinces back in: re-evaluating the relevance of province-building to theories of Canadian federalism and multi-level governance. <i>Canadian Political Science Review</i> , 9(3), 1-34.
2014	Wilder, M. & Howlett, M. The politics of policy anomalies: bricolage and the hermeneutics of paradigms. <i>Critical Policy Studies</i> , 8(2), 183-202.
2013	Wilder, M., & Hira, A. Institutional stickiness and coordination issues in an idiosyncratic environment: the grape and wine industry in Ontario Canada. <i>Prometheus: Critical Studies in Innovation</i> , 31(4), 345-67.

### ***Book Chapters***

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2022	Wilder, M. From R&D to export: canola development as a “resilient success”. In M. Howlett et al. (Eds.) <i>Public policy success: lessons from Canada</i> . Oxford University Press (forthcoming).
2021	Wilder, M. Industrial policy. In A. Kellow, T. Porter & K. Ronit (Eds.), <i>The handbook of business and public policy</i> (pp. 309-24). Edward Elgar.
2020	Skogstad, G., & Wilder, M. Federalism and Canada's economic union. In H. Bakvis & G. Skogstad (Eds.), <i>Canadian federalism: performance, effectiveness and legitimacy</i> , 4th ed. (pp. 195-221). University of Toronto Press.
2017	Wilder, M. Policy paradigms and the formulation process. In M. Howlett & I. Mukherjee (Eds.), <i>The handbook of policy formulation</i> (pp. 433-48). Edward Elgar.
2016	Wilder, M., & Howlett, M. Province-building and Canadian political science. In C. Dunn (Ed.), <i>Provinces</i> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> ed. (pp. 89-108). University of Toronto Press.
2015	Wilder, M. What is a policy paradigm? In J. Hogan & M. Howlett (Eds.), <i>Policy paradigms in theory and practice: discourses, ideas and anomalies in public policy dynamics</i> (pp. 19-42). Palgrave.
2015	Wilder, M., & Howlett, M. Paradigm construction and the politics of policy anomalies. In J. Hogan & M. Howlett (Eds.), <i>Policy paradigms in theory and practice</i> (pp. 101-16). Palgrave.

## ***Conference Papers***

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- Wilder, M., Bishop, A., & Rosalle, R. (2022, May 31) Disciplining conjectures about ‘eco-welfare states.’ Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) annual meeting (virtual).
- Wilder, M. (2021, Oct 1). Reassessing the effect of institutions and incentives on patterns of innovation. American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Seattle WA, USA.
- Wilder, M., Bogner, J., & Skogstad, G. (2021, Jul 8). Constructing the bioeconomy. International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP), Barcelona, Spain.
- Wilder, M. (2021, Jun 9). Public entrepreneurship in Canada: theory and evidence. Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) annual meeting (virtual).
- Wilder, M., & McDougall, A. (2021, Jun 7). Does ease of product litigation affect innovation? Evidence from the agrochemical industry. Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) annual meeting.
- Wilder, M. (2021, Mar 22). Can we afford to be more like Scandinavians? Institutions, incentives and innovation in the global political economy. Political Economy Workshop, Harvard University.
- Wilder, M. (2021, Feb 19). From R&D to export: canola development as a “resilient success.” Canadian Public Policy Network (CPPN) annual meeting (virtual).
- Wilder, M. (2019, Oct 4). The determinants of public spending in Canada: meta analysis and data challenges. Canadian Public Policy Network (CPPN) inaugural meeting, Ottawa ON, Canada.
- Skogstad, G., & Wilder, M. (2018, Jun 29). Multidimensional feedback dynamics: the interactive effects of policy design, policy anomalies and political institutions. International Workshop on Public Policy (IWPP1), Pittsburgh PA, USA.
- Wilder, M., & Skogstad, G. (2018, Mar 16). Strangers at the gate: ideas, anomalies and biofuels policies in the United States and European Union. Public Policy Workshop. Toronto, Canada.
- Wilder, M. (2017, Oct 20). Policy regimes and niche advantage in the varieties of capitalism: theoretical synthesis and case studies. Biennial conference of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS), Las Vegas NV, USA.
- Wilder, M., & Skogstad, G. (2017, Jun 29). Paradigm flux: the contested politics of biofuel technologies in the US and EU. International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP), Singapore.
- Wilder, M. (2016, Sept 3). How big problems are solved (or not): runaway bandwagons and the construction of rationality in the face of ‘wicked’ ambiguity. American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Philadelphia PA, USA.
- Wilder, M. (2015, Oct 17). Why do governments defect? Institutional weakness, cognitive bias and the rise of Canadian industrial subsidies. Biennial conference of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS), Las Vegas NV, USA.
- Wilder, M., & Craft, J. (2015, Jul 2). Scaling up and across: policy advisory regimes. International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP), Milan, Italy.
- Wilder, M. (2015, Jun 2). In search of ‘dialectic’ process models: from funnel of causality to an integrated theory of policy regimes. Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) annual meeting, Ottawa, ON, Canada.
- Craft, J., & Wilder, M. (2014, Oct 17). Catching a ‘second wave’: theorizing advisory system dynamics and management. *Policy Studies Journal* workshop on the theoretical nexus between public policy and public administration, Tucson, AZ, USA.
- Wilder, M. (2014, Sept 5). Internationalization, institutional defection and policy divergence: lessons from Canada's experience under free trade. European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) general conference, Glasgow, Scotland, UK.
- Wilder, M., & Howlett, M. (2013, Sept 1). The politics of anomalies: bricolage and the hermeneutics of paradigms. American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL, USA.

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**Book Reviews**

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- 2019 Review of Bruno Wueest, The politics of economic liberalization (2018) *Swiss Political Science Review*, 25(2), 193-5.
- 2017 Review of Michael Atkinson et al., Governance and public policy in Canada: a view from the provinces (2013) *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, 50(2), 658-60.
- 2016 Review of Charles Conteh, Policy governance in multi-level subsystems: economic development policy and implementation in Canada (2013) *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, 49(4), 805-6.

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**Reports**

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- Craft, J., Clasadonte, C., & Wilder, M. (2022). Moving the digital dial: governance and digital government performance management. [Policy Ready](#).
- Craft, J., Clasadonte, C., & Wilder, M. (2021). Pulling back the curtain on digital transformation: the Public Service Commission Application Rationalization Project. [Policy Ready](#).
- Clasadonte, C., Wilder M., & Craft, J. (2020). Applying digital ways of working: redesigning Ontario's environmental registry. [Policy Ready](#).

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**Workshop Organization**

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- Panel co-chair, *Political economy and public policy*, International Public Policy Association annual conference (ICPP5) Barcelona, July 2021.
- Panel co-chair, *Policy-making in a context of contested paradigms*, International Public Policy Association annual conference (ICPP3) Singapore, 29 June 2017.

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**Peer Review**

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- Canadian Journal of Political Science* (Cambridge University Press)
- Government and Opposition* (Cambridge University Press)
- International Review of Administrative Sciences* (Sage)
- Journal of European Public Policy* (Routledge)
- Policy and Politics* (Policy Press)
- Policy Sciences* (Springer)
- Policy Studies Journal* (Wiley)
- Public Administration* (Wiley)
- Publius* (Oxford Academic)
- Social Policy and Administration* (Wiley)
- Territory, Politics, and Governance* (Taylor and Francis)

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**Professional Memberships**

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- Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS)
- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- Canadian Economics Association (CEA)
- Canadian Public Policy Network (CPPN)
- Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)
- European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- International Public Policy Association (IPPA)