Sarah Lachance

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Education

University of British Columbia — **2022**
Ph.D. in Political Science — *Vancouver, Canada*

University of British Columbia — **2016**
M.A. in Political Science — *Vancouver, Canada*

Université Laval — **2015**
B.A. in Political Science — *Quebec, Canada*

Professional Appointments

Postdoctoral Associate — **2024 –**
University of Calgary — *Calgary, Canada*

Postdoctoral Fellow — **2022 - 2024**
PEARL, Munk School, University of Toronto — *Toronto, Canada*

Research Areas

- Canadian politics
- Comparative politics
- Political behaviour
- Political psychology
- Democratic representation

Methods

- Quantitative methods
- Surveys
- Experiments
- Machine learning
- Automated text analysis
- Web data extraction
- GIS

Peer-reviewed Publications

1. **Politicians' Theories of Voting Behaviour** (with Jack lucas et al.), in *American Political Science Review*, *Forthcoming*

2. **Group-based Affect and the Canadian Party System** (with Edana Beauvais), in *The Canadian Journal of Political Science*, 2024

3. **Campaign Effects on Strategic Voting for Minor Parties: Evidence from Germany**, in *Electoral Studies*, 2023

4. **The Predictable Campaign: Theory and Evidence** (with Richard Johnston), in *Electoral Studies*, 2022

5. **Telephone versus Online Survey Modes for Election Studies: Comparing Canadian Public Opinion and Vote Choice in the 2015 Federal Election** (with Charles Breton, Fred Cutler and Alex Mierke-Zatwarnicki), in *The Canadian Journal of Political Science*, 2017

Other Publications

1. **Policy Design, Cost Information and Support for Guaranteed Income** (with Richard Johnston and Alan Jacobs), in *BC Basic Income Panel*, 2020

2. **Polarization and Campaign Dynamics in Canada** (with Richard Johnston), in *SAGE Video Political Science and International Relations 2024 Update*

3. **L'impact de la distance, de la densité et du lieu de vote sur le taux de participation** (with Marc André Bodet and Audrey E. Brennan), in *Cahier de recherche électorale et parlementaire (published by Chaire de recherche sur la démocratie et les instiutions parlementaires, Université Laval)*, 2024

Works in Progress

Left and Right Ideological Labels as a Voter Heuristic: the Canadian Case
The Role of Issue Partisanship and Party Cues in Voter Decision-making (with Clareta Treger, Peter J. Loewen, Thomas Bergeron, Thomas Galipeau, Mujahedul Islam, Blake Lee-Whiting, Beatrice Magistro)
Is Representation in Practice Threatened by Rising Elite Polarization? (with Peter J. Loewen)

Selected Grants, Awards and Honors

Political Science Department Research Funding *University of British Columbia*	**2020** *7,500 CAD*
Honorary Mention: SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships to Honour Nelson Mandela *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council*	**2018**
SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council*	**2018–2021** *105,000 CAD*
Premier Four-Year Fellowship *University of British Columbia*	**2016–2020** *72,800 CAD*
FQRSC Research MA Scholarship *Fonds de Recherche Société et Culture*	**2015–2016** *30,000 CAD*
SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships - Masters Program (Declined) *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council*	**2015–2016** *17,500 CAD*

Conference Presentations

The Role of Policy Partisanship and Party Cues in Voter Decision-Making *Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association*	**2024**
Campaign Issue Appeals: Activation and Persuasion in U.S. Presidential Elections *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*	**2022**
Polarization and Campaign Dynamics in Canada, 1988-2021 *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*	**2022**
Foraging for Policy: Ambiguity as a Heuristic *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association*	**2022**
Polarization and Campaign Dynamics in Canada, 1988-2021 *C-Dem Forum on Election Democracy*	**2022**
Quel rôle jouent les campagnes dans le contexte polarisé des élections Américaines? *Colloque Étudiant du CÉCD*	**2022**
What Role Does Affective Proximity Play in Canadian Politics? *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*	**2021**
Swing and a Miss?: the Surprising Effects of Andrew Johnson's Campaigning *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*	**2021**
The Predictable Campaign: Theory and Evidence *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*	**2018**

Conference Discussant

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association	**2024**
Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association	**2022**
Colloque Étudiant du CÉCD	**2022**
Academic workshop: Canada's Electoral Future in Comparative Perspective	**2018**
Annual Conference of UBC the Political Science Graduate Student Association	**2018**

Teaching Experience

Instructor for Math Camp (Graduate Level) *University of British Columbia*	**2020–2021**
Guest Lecturer for POLI 551: Designing and Analyzing Public Opinion Surveys *University of British Columbia*	**2020**
Teaching Assistant for POLI 572: Quantitative Techniques of Political Analysis *University of British Columbia*	**2018-2019**

Research Experience

Research Assistant   **2021-2022**
for Richard Johnston and Alan Jacobs   *University of British Columbia*

Research Assistant   **2016–2020**
for Richard Johnston   *University of British Columbia*

Research Assistant   **2015–2016**
for Fred Cutler   *University of British Columbia*

Academic Service

Reviewer   **2022**
Political Behavior, American Political Science Review

Member of hiring search committee   **2018 & 2021**
Political Behaviour & Canadian Politics   *University of British Columbia*

Organizational assistant   **Oct. 26–27, 2018**
Academic workshop: Canada's Electoral Future in Comparative Perspective   *University of British Columbia*

President of the Graduate Student Association   **2017–2018**
Department of Political Science   *University of British Columbia*

Community Outreach

Panelist for the Electoral Night on CBC   **2017**
2017 British Columbia Provincial Election   *Vancouver, Canada*

Volunteer for Samara   **2017**
Research and field work   *Vancouver, Canada*

Volunteer for Fair Vote Vancouver   **2015**
Blogger and field work   *Vancouver, Canada*

Methodological Training

ICPSR - 2019: maximum likelihood estimation (Dean Lacy), machine learning (Christopher Hare)
Simon Fraser University - 2018 & 2020: survey experiments (Mark Pickup), time series analysis (Mark Pickup)

Skills

Softwares: R, Stata, Python, NVivo
Languages: French, English, Spanish, Farsi