

# SARAH LACHANCE

s.lachance@alumni.ubc.ca

## Education

---

**University of British Columbia**  
*Ph.D. candidate in Political Science*

**Sep. 2016 –**  
*Vancouver, Canada*

**University of British Columbia**  
*M.A. in Political Science*

**Sep. 2015 – Aug. 2016**  
*Vancouver, Canada*

**Laval University**  
*B.A. in Political Science*

**Sep. 2012 – Aug. 2015**  
*Quebec, Canada*

## Research Areas

---

- Comparative politics
- Canadian politics
- Political behaviour
- Elections
- Political communication

## Methods

---

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

## Dissertation

---

**Democracy in an Uncertain World: Policy Ambiguity and Voter Decision-making**  
*Supervisor: Richard Johnston*

## Selected Grants and Honors

---

**Political Science Department Research Funding** **2020**  
*University of British Columbia* *7,500 CAD*

**Honorary Mention: SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships to Honour Nelson Mandela** **2018**  
*Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council*

**SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship** **2018–2021**  
*Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council* *105,000 CAD*

**Premier Four-Year Fellowship** **2016–2020**  
*University of British Columbia* *72,800 CAD*

**FQRSC Research MA Scholarship** **2015–2016**  
*Fonds de Recherche Socit et Culture* *30,000 CAD*

**SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships - Masters Program (Declined)** **2015–2016**  
*Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council* *17,500 CAD*

## Peer-reviewed Publications

---

**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

---

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

## Revise & Resubmit

---

**The Predictable Campaign: Theory and Evidence** (with Richard Johnston)

## Submissions under Review

---

**Campaign Effects on Strategic Voting for Minor Parties in Germany**  
**The Impact of Location and Distance on Turnout in SMP Elections** (with Marc Andre Bodet)

## Works in Progress

---

**What Role Does Affective Proximity Play in Canadian Politics?** (with Edana Beauvais)  
**Swing and a Miss?: the Surprising Effects of Andrew Johnson's Campaigning** (with Michael Weaver)

## Selected Conference Presentations

---

<b>What Role Does Affective Proximity Play in Canadian Politics?</b> <i>Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association</i>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Swing and a Miss?: the Surprising Effects of Andrew Johnson's Campaigning</b> <i>Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association</i>	<b>2021</b>
<b>The Predictable Campaign: Theory and Evidence</b> <i>Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association</i>	<b>2018</b>
<b>The Salience of Ethnic Cleavages and Economic Polarization</b> <i>Prairie Political Science Association Annual Conference</i>	<b>2017</b>

## Research Experience

---

<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>for Richard Johnston</i>	<b>2016–2020</b> <i>University of British Columbia</i>
<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>for Fred Cutler</i>	<b>2015–2016</b> <i>University of British Columbia</i>
<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>for Marc Andre Bodet</i>	<b>2014–2015</b> <i>Laval University</i>

## Teaching Experience

---

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

## Academic Service

---

<b>Member of hiring search committee</b> <i>Political Behaviour &amp; Canadian Politics</i>	<b>2018 &amp; 2021</b> <i>University of British Columbia</i>
<b>Organizational assistant and panelist</b> <i>Academic workshop: Canada's Electoral Future in Comparative Perspective</i>	<b>Oct. 26–27, 2018</b> <i>University of British Columbia</i>
<b>President of the Graduate Student Association</b> <i>Department of Political Science</i>	<b>2017–2018</b> <i>University of British Columbia</i>

## Community Outreach

---

<b>Panelist for the Electoral Night on CBC</b> <i>2017 British Columbia Provincial Election</i>	<b>2017</b> <i>Vancouver, Canada</i>
<b>Volunteer for Samara</b> <i>Research and field work</i>	<b>2017</b> <i>Vancouver, Canada</i>
<b>Volunteer for Fair Vote Vancouver</b> <i>Blogger and field work</i>	<b>2015</b> <i>Vancouver, Canada</i>

## Affiliations

---

<b>Institute for European Studies</b> <i>University of British Columbia</i>	<b>Current</b> <i>Vancouver, Canada</i>
<b>Chaire de recherche sur la démocratie et les institutions parlementaires</b> <i>Laval University</i>	<b>2014–2015</b> <i>Quebec, Canada</i>

## 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  
**Languages:** English, French, Spanish