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Halifax, Nova Scotia Citizenship: Canadian

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor, Dalhousie University (2019-Present)

Adjunct Research Professor, Carleton University (2018-Present)

Canadian Municipal Election Study Postdoctoral Fellow, Ryerson University (2018-2019)

SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Calgary (2016-2018)

Bell Chair Visiting Scholar, Carleton University (2015-2016)

Instructor, Carleton University (Winter 2018; Summer 2017; Winter 2016; Winter 2015)

**EDUCATION**

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science

2010 - 2015 Carleton University

Thesis:Two Political Worlds? Reconsidering Vertical Integration

Field Exams: Canadian & Comparative

Master of Arts in Political Science

2008 - 2009 University of Waterloo

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

2004 - 2008 University of Waterloo

**RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Canadian Politics; Political Parties and Party Systems; Political Psychology; Political Participation; Gender & Representation

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Books (2)**

Cross, William, Richard Katz, and Scott Pruysers (eds.). 2018. *The Personalization of Democratic Politics and the Challenge for Political Parties.* Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

Cross, William, Ofer Kenig, Scott Pruysers, and Gideon Rahat. 2016. *The Promise and Challenge of Party Primary Elections: A Comparative Perspective*. Montreal: McGill-Queens University Press.

**Journal Articles (26)**

Cross, William, Rob Currie-Wood, and Scott Pruysers. Forthcoming. “Decentralized Personalization and the Source of Campaign Funding: Evidence from Canada.” *Political Geography.*

Anderson, Cameron, Michael McGregor and Scott Pruysers. Forthcoming. “Incumbency and Competitiveness in City Council Elections: How Accurate Are Voter Perceptions?” *Canadian Journal of Political Science.*

Chen, Phillip, Scott Pruysers, and Julie Blais. 2020. “The Dark Side of Politics: Participation and the Dark Triad.” *Political Studies.* Online First.

McGregor, Michael**,** Scott Pruysers, Nicole Goodman, and Zack Spicer. 2020. “Survey Recruitment Messages and Reported Turnout – An Experimental Study.” *Journal of Public Opinion, Elections, & Parties.* Online First.

Pruysers, Scott, Anthony Sayers, and Lucas Czarnecki. 2020. “Party and Party System Nationalization in Canada, 1867-2015.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science*. Online First.

Pruysers, Scott, Melanee Thomas, and Julie Blais. 2019. “Mediated Ambition? Gender, News, and the Desire to Seek Elected Office.” *European Journal of Politics and Gender.* Online First.

O’Neill, Brenda, Scott Pruysers, and David Stewart. 2019. “Glass Cliffs or Partisan Pressure? Examining Gender and Party Leader Tenures and Exits. *Political Studies.* Online First.

Pruysers, Scott, Julie Blais and Phillip Chen. 2019. “Who Makes a Good Citizen? The Role of Personality.” *Personality and Individual Differences* 146: 99-104.

Cross, William and Scott Pruysers. 2019. “The Local Determinants of Representation: Constituency Associations, Candidate Nomination, and Gender.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science*. Online First.

Blais, Julie, Scott Pruysers, and Phillip Chen. 2019. “Why do they Run? The Psychological Underpinnings of Political Ambition.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science*. Online First.

Cross, William, and Scott Pruysers. 2019. “Sore Losers? The Costs of Intra-party Democracy." *Party Politics* 25(4): 483-494.

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. 2019. “Narcissistic Women and Cash-strapped Men: Who can be Encouraged to Consider Running for Office?” *Political Research Quarterly* 72(1): 229-242.

Pruysers, Scott. 2018. “Party Integration at the Grassroots: The Canadian Case.” *Territory, Politics, Governance* 6(1):104-117.

Pruysers, Scott and David Stewart. 2018. “Federal-Provincial Variation in Leadership Selection: Processes and Participation.” *Journal of Canadian Studies* 52(3):742-764*.*

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. 2018. “A Little Encouragement Goes a (not so) Long Way: An Experiment to Increase Political Ambition Among Young Women.” *​Journal of Women, Politics & Policy* 39(3):384-395.

Blais, Julie and Scott Pruysers. 2017. “The Power of the Dark Side: Personality, the Dark Triad, and Political Ambition.”*Personality and Individual Differences* 113:167-172.

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Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. 2017. “Why Won’t Lola Run? An Experiment Examining Stereotype Threat and Political Ambition.” *Politics & Gender* 13(2): 232-252.

Pruysers, Scott and William Cross. 2016. “Negative Personalization: Party Leaders and Party Strategy.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 49(3): 539-558.

Pruysers, Scott and William Cross. 2016. “Candidate Selection in Canada: Local Autonomy, Centralization, and Competing Democratic Norms.” *American Behavioral Scientist* 60(7): 781-798.

Pruysers, Scott. 2016. “Vertical Party Integration: Informal and Human Linkages Between Elections in a Canadian Province.” *Commonwealth & Comparative Politics* 54(3): 312-330.

Kenig, Ofer, William Cross, Scott Pruysers, and Gideon Rahat. 2015. “Party Primaries: Towards a Definition and Typology.” *Representation* 51(2): 147-160.

Pruysers, Scott. 2015. “Two Political Worlds? Multi-level Campaign Integration in Canadian Constituencies.” *Regional and Federal Studies* 25(2): 165-182.

Pruysers, Scott. 2014. “Reconsidering Vertical Integration: An Examination of National Political Parties and their Counterparts in Ontario.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 47(2): 237-258.

Pruysers, Scott. 2014. “Canadian Party Politics in the 2000s: A Re-examination of the Regionalization Thesis.” *Canadian Political Science Review* 8(1): 27-42.

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. 2014. “Anything Women Can Do Men Can Do Better: An Experiment Examining the Effects of Stereotype Threat on Political Knowledge and Efficacy.” *The Social Science Journal* 51(3): 341-349.

Pruysers, Scott. 2011. “Ministerial Responsibility: Myths and Realities in the Canadian Experience.” *The Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law* 4(3): 341-360.

**Book Chapters (8)**

Pruysers, Scott. Forthcoming. “Gender Affinity Voting and the 2017 Municipal Elections in Québec City and Montréal.”In Éric Bélanger, Cameron Anderson and Michael McGregor (eds.), *A Tale of Two Cities: Voting Behaviour in Local Elections in Montreal and Quebec City*. Toronto: UTP.

Goodman, Nicole, and Scott Pruysers. 2019. “Political Parties and Online Voting in Canada.” In Jordi Baratt and Miguel Moneo (eds), *The Digitalization of Political Parties and the Use of Electronic Voting* (263-294)*.* Thomson Reuters.

Pruysers, Scott and Anthony Sayers. 2018. “Party Primaries in Canada.” In Rob Boatright (ed.), *The Handbook of Primary Elections* (384-399). New York: Routledge.

Kenig, Ofer, and Scott Pruysers. 2018. “The Challenges of Inclusive Intra-Party Selection Methods.” In Xavier Coller and Guillermo Cordero (eds.), *Democratizing Candidate Selection: New Methods, Old Receipts?* (18-34). Palgrave.

Pruysers, Scott and William Cross. 2018. “Personalism and Election Campaigning: National and Local Dynamics.” In William Cross, Richard Katz, and Scott Pruysers (eds.) *The Personalization of Democratic Politics and the Challenge for Political Parties* (1-23)*.* Rowman and Littlefield.

Pruysers, Scott, William Cross, and Richard Katz. 2018. “Personalism, Personalization, and Party Politics.” In William Cross, Richard Katz, and Scott Pruysers (eds.) *The Personalization of Democratic Politics and the Challenge for Political Parties* (62-87)*.* Rowman and Littlefield.

Pruysers, Scott, William Cross, Anika Gauja, and Gideon Rahat. 2017. “Candidate Selection Rules and Democratic Outcomes: The Impact of Parties on Women’s Representation.” In Susan E. Scarrow, Paul D. Webb, and Thomas Poguntke (eds.), *Organizing Political Parties: Representation, Participation, and Power* (208-233). Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Gruber, Oliver, William Cross, Scott Pruysers, and Tim Bale.2015. “The end of the Affair: A Comparative Study of How Party Leadership Terms End.” In William Cross and Jean Benoit Pilet (eds.), *The Politics of Party Leadership: A Cross-national Perspective* (128-148)*.* Oxford: Oxford University Press.

**MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

Pruysers, Scott, Julie Blais, and Phillip Chen. “Support for Social Spending: The Role of General and Dark Personality Traits.”

McGregor, Michael, Cameron Anderson, and Scott Pruysers. “Partisanship, Motivated Reasoning and the Notwithstanding Clause: The Case of Provincially Imposed Redistricting in the City of Toronto.” **[Revise and Resubmit]**

Pruysers, Scott. “Personality and Attitudes Towards Refugees: Evidence from Canada.”

Pruysers, Scott. “A Psychological Predisposition Towards Populism?”

McGregor, Michael and Scott Pruysers. “Stability and Instability in Mayoral Elections: Toronto 2018.”

**WORKS IN PROGRESS (SELECTED)**

Pruysers, Scott. “Do Intra-party Losers Keep Donating? An Analysis of Party Leadership Donations in Canada.”

Pruysers, Scott and David Stewart. “Try, Try Again. What Happens to Leadership Losers?”

Cross, William and Scott Pruysers. *Who is the Political Party?*

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. *Not Interested: Political Ambition in Canada.*

Close, Caroline, and Scott Pruysers. “Individual-level Determinants of (dis)satisfaction and Party Activism.”

Cross, William, Caroline Close, Scott Pruysers, Audrey Vandeleene. “Intra-party Democracy as Trigger for Satisfaction and Activism?

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)**

Currie-Wood, Rob, William Cross, and Scott Pruysers. “Does the source of campaign funding influence decentralized personalization? Unpacking the sources of campaign funding from inside and outside the voting district.” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2019.

MgGregor, Michael, Cameron Anderson, and Scott Pruysers. “Partisanship, Motivated Reasoning and the Notwithstanding Clause in Canada.” Paper presented at the International Society of Political Psychology Annual Conference, Portugal, 2019.

Thomas, Melanee, and Scott Pruysers. “Mediated Motherhood: How News Reports of Political Work-Life Balance Affect the Gender Gap in Political Ambition.” Paper presented at European Conference on Politics and Gender (ECPG) Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 2019.

Pruysers, Scott, and Michael McGregor. “Do Municipal Politicians Live in their own Political World? Municipal Candidates and Progressive Political Ambition in Canada.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Vancouver 2019.

Anderson, Cameron, Michael McGregor, and Scott Pruysers. “Incumbency and Competitiveness in City Council Elections: How Accurate Are Voter Perceptions?” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Vancouver 2019.

Pruysers, Scott. Centralized and Decentralized Personalization in Canadian Elections.” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2018.

Pruysers, Scott. “Building a Research Agenda: Moving Beyond the PhD Thesis.” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2018.

Pruysers, Scott, Julie Blais, and Melanee Thomas. “Mediated Ambition? Gender, News, and the Desire to Seek Elected Office.” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2018.

Wood, Rob-Currie, Scott Pruysers, and William Cross. “Decentralized Personalization and The Source of Campaign Funding: Evidence from the 2015 Canadian Election.” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2018.

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. “Narcissistic Women and Cash-strapped men: Who can be Encouraged to Consider Running for Office?” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2017.

Sayers, Anthony Scott Pruysers, Campbell Sharman, and Lucas Czarnecki. “The Life and Death of Canadian Parties.” Paper presented at the Prairie Political Science Association Conference, Banff 2017.

Pruysers, Scott, and Anthony Sayers. “Party System Nationalization: 1867-2015.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Toronto 2017.

Pruysers, Scott, and David Stewart. “Federal-Provincial Variation in Leadership Selection: Processes and Participation.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Toronto 2017.

Blais, Julie, Scott Pruysers, and Phil Chen. “Personality and Political Ambition: Assessing the Role of the Dark Triad.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Toronto 2017.

Pruysers, Scott, and William Cross. “Candidate Selection Rules and Democratic Outcomes.” Paper presented at How Parties Organize and Why it Still Matters, Dusseldorf (Germany) 2017.

Pruysers, Scott, and William Cross. “Sore Losers? Intra-party Democracy, Membership Satisfaction, and Party Activism.” Paper presented at the ECPR Joint Sessions, Nottingham (United Kingdom) 2017.

Pruysers, Scott. “Personalization and the ‘Party’ Campaign.” Paper presented at the “Political Personalization” workshop, Aarhus (Denmark) 2017.

Pruysers, Scott. “Sore Losers? Intra-party Democracy and Party Unity.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Calgary 2016.

Pruysers, Scott. “Decentralization, Stratarchy, and Party Integration: Evidence from Canada.” Paper presented at the Halbert Centre workshop “Political Parties in Israel and Canada: How Degrees of Centralization and Decentralization Influence the Organization of Political Parties”, Jerusalem (Israel) 2015.

Pruysers, Scott, William Cross, Anika Gauja and Gideon Rahat. “Candidate Selection Rules and Democratic Outcomes: The Impact of Parties on Women’s Representation.” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco 2015.

Pruysers, Scott. “Politics at the Grassroots: How Local Activists and Personnel Shape Vertical Party Integration.” Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, Montreal 2015.

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. “Negative Stereotypes and Political Ambition.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Ottawa 2015.

Pruysers, Scott and William Cross. “The Personalization of Party Leaders: Negative Personalization and Party Strategy”. Paper presented at the MEDW workshop at the American Political Science Association Conference, Washington DC 2014.

Pruysers, Scott. “Two Political Worlds? Party Integration in Ontario Constituencies.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, St. Catharines 2014.

Pruysers, Scott. “Party Linkages in Federal States: An Examination of Elections and Parties in Ontario and Canada.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Victoria 2013.

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. “Anything Women Can Do Men Can Do Better: The Effects of Stereotype Threat on Political Knowledge and Confidence.” Paper presented at the Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association Conference, Charlottetown 2013.

Pruysers, Scott. “Party Integration in Canada: An Examination of Informal and Personnel Linkages Between Federal Parties and their Ontario Counterparts.” Paper presented at the 22nd ECPR Standing Group on Political Parties, Brussels 2012.

**NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

Pruysers, Scott and Julie Blais. 2019. “When it Comes to Being Encouraged to Run for office, Women are Less Receptive to Male Recruiters.” *London School of Economics* [*United States Politics and Policy Blog.*](https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2019/05/13/when-it-comes-to-being-encouraged-to-run-for-office-women-are-less-receptive-to-male-recruiters/)

Pruysers, Scott, William Cross, and Jean-Benoit Pilet. 2016. “The 2016 UK Labour Leadership Election in Comparative Perspective.” *University College London* [*Constitution Unit Blog*](https://constitution-unit.com/2016/09/06/the-2016-labour-leadership-election-in-comparative-perspective/#more-5285)*.*

Pruysers, Scott and William Cross. 2016. “Negative Personalization: Party Leaders and Party Strategy.” [*Making Electoral Democracy Work Blog*](http://electoraldemocracy.com/negative-personalization-party-leaders-party-strategy-2326)*.*

Pruysers, Scott. 2014. “Politics at the Grassroots: How Local Activists Shape Vertical Party Integration.” [*Constitution*](http://constitution.ca/category/is%20%20sue-2-volume-1/)2(1).

**GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

2019 SSHRC Insight Grant (collaborator; 4 years) - ***$272,344***

2019 Faculty Seed Grant (co-applicant) - ***$7,500***

2018 SSHRC Insight Grant (co-applicant; 4 years) - ***$138,239***

2018 SSHRC Insight Development Grant (co-applicant; 2 years) - ***$38,667***

2018 Canadian Municipal Election Study (CMES) Postdoctoral Fellowship (2 years) - ***$85,000***

2016 SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship (2 years) - ***$81,000***

2016 Junior Research Award (co-applicant) - ***$7,500***

2015 Jill Vickers Award (short-listed)

2015 Psychology Research Fund Award (co-applicant) – **$*4,320***

2015 Bell Chair and MEDW Research Fellowship - ***$32,000***

2014 Ontario Graduate Scholarship 2014 – ***$15,000***

2014 Graduate Research and Innovative Thinking (GRIT) Award - ***$5,000***

2014 Lester B. Pearson Award 2014 - ***$3,400***

2013 Ontario Graduate Scholarship 2013 - ***$15,000***

2013 Lester B. Pearson Award 2013 - ***$3,400***

2013 Political Science Teaching Assistant Award

2012 Ontario Graduate Scholarship 2012 - ***$15,000***

2010 Carleton University Graduate Student Scholarship - ***$34,500***

2010 Carleton University Graduate Entrance Scholarship - ***$3,000***

**TEACHING ACTIVITIES**

Assistant Professor

*Department of Political Science, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS*

POLI 3206 Canadian Constitutional Law and Politics (Fall 2019)

POLI 2220 Structures of Canadian Parliamentary Government (Winter 2020)

POLI 3546 Social Media & Politics (Winter 2020)

Contract Instructor

*Department of Political Science, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON*

PSCI 2003 Canadian Political Institutions (Winter 2018)

PSCI 2003 Canadian Political Institutions (Summer 2017)

PSCI 2002 Canadian Political Environment (Winter 2016)

PSCI 3004 Canadian Political Parties and Elections (Winter 2015)

Guest Lectures

*Department of Political Science, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON*

PSCI 5003 Political Parties in Canada (Winter 2018; Fall 2015)

PSCI 6001 Political Process in Canada (Winter 2016)

PSCI 6907 Research Methods and Design (Fall 2015)

Teaching Assistant

*Department of Political Science, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON*

PSCI 2003 Canadian Political Institutions (multiple sections)

PSCI 2002 Canadian Political Environment (multiple sections)

PSCI 2401 Public Affairs Analysis (multiple sections)

*Department of Political Science, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON*

PSCI 260 Canadian Politics and Government

PSCI 231 Canadian Government and Business

Invited Lectures

“Fixing the Leaky Pipeline. The Gender Gap in Political Ambition.” Carleton University, 2018.

“Personalization and the ‘Party’ Campaign.” University of Aarhus (Denmark) 2017.

“Sore Losers? The Costs of Intra-Party Democracy.” University of Calgary, 2016.

“Vertical Party Integration in Canada: Evidence from the Grassroots.” Carleton University, 2015.

**NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS AND AFFILIATIONS**

Canadian Municipal Election Study (CMES) ([https://www.cmes-eemc.ca](https://www.cmes-eemc.ca/))

Electronic Elections Project (EEP) ([https://www.electronicelections.ca/)](https://www.electronicelections.ca/)

Political Parties Database (PPDB) (<http://www.politicalpartydb.com/>)

Members and Activists of Political Parties (MAPP) (<http://www.projectmapp.eu/>)

Party Leaders Database (PLD) (<http://www.party-leaders.eu/index.php>)

Comparative Candidate Survey (CCS) (<http://www.comparativecandidates.org/>)

Comparative Study of Party Leaders (COSPAL)

**ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

ECPR Summer School Courses

**Multivariate statistical analysis and comparative cross-national survey data (Summer 2014)**

Description: The course provides a panorama of the most used techniques such as linear regression analysis (and ANCOVA), logistic regression, latent class and loglinear models, factor analysis and correspondence analysis.

**Political Parties in Modern Democracies (Summer 2012)**

Description: The course covers debates surrounding parties in modern democracies and provides a range of the core analytical perspectives in comparative political parties. Topics include party systems, party organization, intraparty democracy, nationalization and regionalization, right wing parties, evolution of electoral systems and parties in new democracies.

**SERVICE**

Departmental Service & Committees

Canadian Comprehensive Examining Committee (Dalhousie University, 2019)

Canadian Politics Hiring Committee (Dalhousie University, 2019-2020)

Journal Editorial Board

Editorial Board (Review Editor), *Frontiers in Political Science* (2020 –)

Editorial Board (Member), *Commonwealth and Comparative Politics* (2020-)

Manuscript Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science; Perspectives on Politics; Party Politics; Political Psychology; Political Studies; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Experimental Economics; Political Research Quarterly; Journal of Women, Politics & Policy; Electoral Studies; Personality and Individual Differences; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties; Politics & Gender; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Representation; Journal of Personality; Current Psychology; East European Politics

Professional Memberships

Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)

Prairie Political Science Association (PPSA)