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## CURRENT POSITIONS

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### **Doctoral Fellow & Research Manager**

*Canada 150 Research Chair in Global Governance and Security, McGill University • June 2022- 2025*

A research (60%) and administrative (40%) position, under the direction of **Professor Jennifer Welsh**, Canada 150 Research Chair in Global Governance and Security at McGill University. My doctoral research is notably on the comparative and gendered study of everyday forms of violence in autocracies.

### **Research Advisor**

*Center for the Prevention of Radicalisation Leading to Violence • Since June 2021, currently part-time*

The Center is a civil society organization mandated to educate the public about violent radicalization and hate acts. My research focuses on the prevention of hate-motivated acts, the implementation of an intersectional approach to violence prevention, and the comparative study of antifeminist movements. I also provide support in the elaboration of educational activities and engage with partner organizations about the prevention of hate in its various forms (antisemitism, ableism, islamophobia, gendericides, etc.).

## EDUCATION

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### **Doctoral candidate**

*Department of Political Science, McGill University • on track to be submitted by the end of 2024*

Fast-tracked admission. Thirteen courses, including five method courses. GPA: 4.3/4.3

Dissertation title: *When Taking to the Streets Delivers the Goods: Gendering Protests, Violence and Public Service Delivery in Algeria*. Committee: **Juan Wang, Erik Kuhonta and Juliet Johnson**.

Field Examinations: International Relations and Comparative Politics, including specialization in Middle Eastern, North African and African politics (passed with distinction).

Three fieldworks: United States National Archives, College Park (Maryland) (fall 2017- summer 2018); Archival and observational research in Algiers, Algeria (December 2017, spring 2018)

Leaves: Family responsibility (April-August 2017); medical (September-December 2020); maternity (November 2021-June 2022).

### **B.A. with Honors in International Studies**

*Université de Montréal • 2010*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS.

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Social movements and political change • political violence and nonviolence • antifeminist movements • comparative patriarchy • “state feminism” • Middle East and North African politics • African politics • comparative authoritarianism • democratization • informal institutions • peacebuilding • feminist & intersectional approaches • mixed methods • qualitative methods • event analysis • comparative historical analysis • research ethics • antiracism • anti-oppressive approaches to research and teaching

AWARDS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIP

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- Doctoral Fellowship** • Canada 150 Research Chair in Global Governance and Security • 2022-2025
- Faculty of Arts Graduate Student Teaching Award** McGill University • 2021
- Dissertation Writing Scholarship** CERIUM, Université de Montréal • 2020
- Graduate Mobility Grant** Glasgow Multi-Methods Workshop, BEAR Network • 2018
- Travel, Research and Engagement Grant** Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) • 2018
- McCall MacBain Fellowship** McGill University • 2018
- Graduate Mobility Award** McGill University • 2018
- Schull Yang International Experience Award** McGill University • 2017
- J-A Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship** Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council • 2015-18
- Alexander Mackenzie Fellowship** McGill University • 2014
- Graduate Excellence Fellowship** McGill University • 2014
- Graduate Excellence Fellowship** (declined) Georgetown University • 2012-2013
- Dean's honor list Faculty of Arts** University of Montreal • 2007-2010
- Québec-Tunisia Scholarship** Ministry of Education, Quebec • 2010
- Millennium Excellence Award** Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation • 2006

PUBLICATIONS AND WORK-IN-PROGRESS

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**Peer-reviewed book chapter**

“Discomfort in Field: Engaging with Family Politics, the Streets and the State in Algeria” in *Doing Fieldwork as Natives: A Practical Guide or the Social Sciences and the Humanities*, edited by Merouan Mekouar (York University) and Kira Jumet (Hamilton College), Oxford University Press (2025).

With Vicky Laprade et Lucile Dartois, « *La haine dans l'ambiguïté: les stratégies de contestation anti-genre dans le contexte canadien* », in *Libertés plurielles et résistances féministes : convergences, tensions et transversalité*. An edited book for the 20th anniversary of l'Université féministe d'été, Research Chair Claire Bonenfant for feminist studies, at the Department of sociology, Université Laval, Accepted : 2025.

**Public scholarship**

With Audet-Gosselin, Louis, Khaoula El Khali, Gabriel Larivière. [Les actes à caractères haineux au Québec : un état des lieux](#), report published by the CPRMV in December 2021.

**Work-in-progress**

*From Conceptual Mending to Rebuilding: What Counts as Protests?* Journal article under review (Revise and resubmit, Perspectives on Politics).

*Taking Routine Seriously: Theorizing Recurring Protests in Autocratic Regimes*, draft in progress, 2024.

*When Taking to the Streets Delivers the Goods: Protesting as Everyday Life in Autocratic Algeria*, draft in progress, 2024.

*Re-Building Accounts of State-Society Interactions: Protest Event Analysis, (an)Archival Research and an Interpretative Twist*, draft in progress, that unpacks my methodological contribution to the study of protests, 2024.

## CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS

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### Panels

Chair and panellist, *Anti-Gender Movements and Backlash*, roundtable organized and paper presented at the Women, Peace and Security Research Network Symposium in Halifax • March 8-10, 2023

*Theorizing Algerian Politics: Everyday Life, Banal Violence, Routine Contestation and lessons for IR*, International Studies Association Annual Meeting • March 2023

*When Taking to the Street Delivers the Goods: Protests, Gendered Violence and Hybrid Public Service Delivery in Algeria*, paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association (APPSA) • October 1st, 2022

*When Taking it to the Street Delivers the Goods: Protests, Violence and Public Service Delivery in Algeria*, paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Political Science Association • June 2022

Chair and Discussant, *Workshop on Ideologies and Authoritarian Resilience in the Global South*, session 3: Contentious Politics, Annual Conference of the Canadian Political Science Association • June 2022

*Making Sense of Protests*, Emergent MENA Scholars Workshop, University of Waterloo • May 2021

*Contestation: a conceptual framework*, in the context of a workshop series for CERIUUM Fellows, Université de Montréal • April 16, 2021

*When Taking to the Street Delivers the Goods: Explaining Authoritarian Response to Protests in Algeria*, presented at the Annual Conference of the Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS), Washington DC • cancelled due to the pandemic

*Do Protests Make or Break the Authoritarian State?*, Panel organizer and panelist; paper presented during the Annual Conference of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Montreal • 2018

### Invited workshop participant

*Contending with "Discomfort": Everyday Violence, State Repression and Family politics in the Field*, A workshop on the challenges of fieldwork in Africa and the Middle East • November 1<sup>st</sup> 2023

*Journée de réflexion sur les enjeux en éthique dans la recherche partenariale au Québec*, Workshop about the challenges of feminist intersectional research and research partnership with marginalized communities in Quebec, organized by, Projet PARR • October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

[\*Journée de réflexion sur les mouvements à l'intersection de l'antiféminisme et du racisme\*](#), workshop organized by Sonia Alimi, Jade Almeida, Danielle Coenga Oliveira, Mélissa Blais, Francis Dupuis-Déri and

Alexandra Pierre, Réseau québécois en études féministes (RéQEF) • November 4th, 2022

*Doing Research as a Native: A Guide for Fieldwork in Illiberal and Non-Democratic States*, a workshop for the authors of the book *Decolonizing Fieldwork* (2023), September 2 and 3, 2022

[Countering Anti-Gender Movements](#), Workshop & Policy Dialogue for researchers, activists and policy-makers, Center for Feminist Foreign Policy • September 13 to 17, 2021

*Do Protests Make or Break the Authoritarian State?*, In the context of [BEAR Multi-Method Workshop](#), organized and funded by the BEAR Network, Glasgow University, Scotland • October 2018

### Invited talk

*Understanding Anti-genderism: Racism, Anti-feminism and the Legacy of Movement Professionalization*, Presentation in the context of the panel «*Visages et stratégies multiples des antiféminismes contemporains*», held at the Université féministe d'été at Université Laval • May 2025

*Research Ethics and the Study of Violent Extremism*, training workshop designed and delivered for employees of the Center for the Prevention of Radicalisation Leading to Violence • October, 12 2022

Guest Lecturer : *Soulèvements populaires au Moyen-Orient: le cas de l'Algérie*, lecture and exchanges with graduate students. Chaired by Prof. Laurence Deschamps-Laporte, in the context of the CERIU Summer School 'Le Moyen-Orient en mouvement' • June 25th, 2022

*Conducting Research with an Intersectional Approach*, training workshop with employees of the Center for the Prevention of Radicalisation Leading to Violence, Montreal • October 2021

Roundtable : *Société civile, mouvements transnationaux et féminisme*, chaired by Prof. Laurence Deschamps-Laporte, in the context of the CERIU Summer School 'Le Moyen-Orient en mouvement' • 2021

Roundtable : [Algérie : Mobilisations sociales et démocratisation](#), chaired by Prof. Mamoudou Gazibo, organized by CERIU, Université de Montréal • 2019

### Interview

[L'histoire de Léon Celemencki](#), Anne Marguet and I exchanged with a Holocaust survivor, Mr. Celemencki, about the importance of oral history for genocide survivors, hate prevention and life after a war. Virtual event organized by the Montreal Holocaust Museum and the Société d'histoire de l'Île Jésus • April 21, 2021

« [Algérie, une histoire de révolutions : discussion avec trois jeunes engagés](#) », interviewed by Christine Chevalier-Caron for *Histoire Engagée* • June 27, 2019

## TEACHING

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### Course Instructor

*Empirical Research in Developing, (post)Conflict and Authoritarian Contexts (POLI 338)*  
Interdisciplinary undergraduate course, Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2021

*Protests in Authoritarian Regimes (POLI 338)*  
Advanced undergraduate course ([syllabus](#)), Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2021

*Empirical Research in Developing, (post)Conflict and Authoritarian Contexts (INTD 397)*

Interdisciplinary undergraduate course ([syllabus](#)), Institute for the Study of International Development (ISID), McGill University • 2020

*Humanitarian Crises and International Cooperation*

An intensive and interactive course (thirty hours) for prospective undergraduate students, McGill Summer Academy, McGill University • 2017 - 2019

**Teaching Assistant**

*Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2013 to 2018*

For introductory and advanced undergraduate courses in comparative politics and world politics:

- POLI 340: Middle East Politics (fall 2013)
- POLI 227: Introduction to the Politics of Developing Areas (winter 2014)
- POLI 473: Democracy and the Market (fall 2014)
- POLI 450: Peacebuilding (winter 2015, winter 2017; winter 2018)
- POLI 200: Introduction to Political Science (head TA, fall 2018)

**Teaching and Research Assistant**

*Institute for the Study of International Development (ISID), McGill University • 2014*

Preparation of syllabus and course material for the interdisciplinary seminar *Global Health, Climate Change and the Millennium Development Goals* taught by the honourable Stephen Lewis.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Coordinator, Human Rights Education**

*Montreal Holocaust Museum • February - June 2021*

Advise the Museum on issues pertaining to human rights for its public positions, public programming, and educational activities. Conduct research on various topics such as genocide prevention, cases of human rights violation, white supremacy, etc. Organizing, designing, and delivering presentations for conferences.

**Research Consultant**

*Research Network on Peace Operation (ROP), Université de Montréal • 2019-2020*

In the context of the project *Activating Women's Potential in Peace Processes* funded by the Government of Canada, and reporting to the Director, Marie-Joëlle Zahar, building an online participative learning platform for a network of African activists, employing a feminist approach.

**Project Manager**

*Between Europe and Russia (BEAR) Research Network, Montréal • fall 2019*

Reporting directly to the executive and scientific directors, Professors Juliet Johnson and Magdalena Dembinska, I oversaw all administrative, logistical and financial aspects of the projects and events organized by the BEAR Network. Through careful planning and communication, I ensured that the network activities were carried out as planned while cultivating productive long-term relationships with partners.

**Administrator**

*Consortium for Arab and Middle East Studies, McGill University • 2015-2017*

Ensuring the smooth conduct of academic events organized by the Consortium and providing time-sensitive support and mentorship to graduate students and fellows.

**Community Liaison (interviewer)**

*Housing Committee, Montréal-Nord • Summer 2014*

Conducted more than two hundred interviews with members (mostly racialized women) of the housing committee living in precarity to update the leadership on the needs of the population they assist.

**Research Assistant**

*Forum of Federations, Ottawa, Canada • 2013*

Literature review about women's role during the Arab Spring, gender-based approaches to federalism, and decentralization processes in Tunisia and Libya. Project '*Empowering women for building decentralized democracies: bridging and preparatory project*,' for a training program in Tunisia and Libya.

**Research Assistant/Researcher**

*Research Network on Peace Operations (ROP), Université de Montréal • 2011-13*

Data collection and elaboration of reports about issues pertaining to peace operations in Africa. Event coordination and preparation of financial statements for capacity-building projects delivered in African countries and at the United Nations. Providing support for major grant applications.

## LEADERSHIP &amp; SERVICE

**Reviewer**

Revue [Saha](#), Université de Montreal • Fall 2022-Winter 2023

**Representative of the Center for the Prevention of Radicalisation Leading to Violence**

Canadian Taskforce to Combat Online Antisemitism, Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies, Université Concordia • Fall 2021

**Co-founder and Coordinator, with Professor Erik Kuhonta**

Comparative Historical Analysis Research Colloquium, McGill University • 2019-2021

**Graduate Student Representative, Doctoral Program Reform Committee**

Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2019 - 2020

**Graduate Student Representative, Search & Hiring Committee (Equity, Diversity & Inclusion)**

Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2021

**Graduate Student Representative, Search & Hiring Committee (Qualitative Methodology)**

Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2019

**Research Assistant & Graduate Student Representative, Departmental Cyclical Review Process**  
Department of Political Science, McGill University • 2019

**Co-organizer & Chair, Workshops on Fieldwork in (Post)conflict and Autocratic Contexts**  
McGill University • Winter 2017

#### TRAINING & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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**Intersectional and Gender-based Approach (ACS+) to Social Science Research**

Workshop held by Prof. Chantal Maillé, Concordia University & Women Economic Council • June 16, 2021

**The Art of Writing Op-eds**

[Femmes Expertes](#), a non-profit aiming to amplify women's voices in the public sphere • Fall 2020

**Remote Learning**

Teaching and Learning Services, McGill University • Summer 2020

**Equity Training**

Teaching and Learning Services, McGill University • October 2020

**Protest Event Analysis and Social Network Analysis**

By Dr. Philip Leifeld, Graeme Robertson and Samuel Greene, BEAR Network, University of Glasgow • 2018

**The Use of Simulations for Teaching International Relations**

By Dr. Adrian Florea, Between EU and Russia (BEAR) Network, University of Glasgow • October 2018

**Intensive language training in Arabic**

Bourguiba School of Languages, Tunisia • Summer 2010

#### SKILLS

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**Language:** Arabic, French and English

**Software:** MAXQDA, NVIVO, R, SPSS and STATA

#### REFERENCES

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