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Citizenship: Canadian

Languages: French, English

CURRENT POSITION

University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON

2017 –

Assistant Professor, School of Political Studies

EDUCATION

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

2015-2016

Post Doctoral Scholar, Political Science

Supervisor: Matt Golder

McGill University, Montreal, QC

2009 – 2014

Ph.D., Political Science

- Title of Dissertation: *Electoral Systems, Veto Players, and Substantive Representation: When Majoritarian Electoral Systems Strengthen the Citizen-Policy Nexus*
Winner of the Arts Insight Dissertation Award for the best dissertation of 2014 in the Social Sciences at McGill University
- Committee members: Elisabeth Gidengil (supervisor), Stuart Soroka, and André Blais
- Examination fields: Canadian and Quebec Politics, and Comparative Politics

University of California, Riverside, CA

2013 (summer)

Visiting Ph.D. student in Political Science

- Under the supervision of Shaun Bowler and Indridi Indridason
- Project: *Political Representation and the Impacts of Electoral Systems on Democratic Satisfaction*

McGill University, Montreal, QC

2008 – 2009

M.A., Political Science

- Social statistics option
- Research paper title: *Voter Preferences, Electoral Systems and the Number of Political Parties – An Experimental Approach*
- Supervisor: Elisabeth Gidengil

Université de Montréal, Montreal, Qc

2004 – 2007

B.A., Political Science (honors)

TEACHING

School of Political Studies, University of Ottawa

2017/2019

- POL 2556: Fondements de la recherche en science politique
- POL 3771: Analyse quantitative en science politique
- POL 4320: Honours Seminar in Canadian Politics
- POL 7515: Forces politiques
- POL 7535: Méthodologies quantitatives avancées

Department of Political Science, McGill University

2014

- POLI 311: Techniques of Empirical Research
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PUBLICATIONS

Ferland, Benjamin. Forthcoming. "Government Responsiveness under Majoritarian and (within) Proportional Electoral Systems". *Government and Opposition*.

Ferland, Benjamin. Forthcoming. "A Gender Gap in Party Congruence & Responsiveness?". *Politics & Gender*.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2018. "Party Responsiveness to Public Opinion and Party Supporters: Revisiting the Mechanisms and Motivations". *Party Politics*.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2018. "Ideological Congruence Over Government Mandates under Majoritarian and Proportional Representation Electoral Systems". *West European Politics* 41 (2), pp. 350-383.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2018. "L'impact des minorités visibles sur l'appui à la Charte des valeurs et l'interdiction des signes religieux". *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 51 (1), pp. 23-59.

Golder, Matt, and Benjamin Ferland. 2017. "Electoral Rules and Citizen-Elite Ideological Congruence." In Erik Herron, Robert Pekkanen, & Matthew Shugart (eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Electoral Systems*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2017. "The Alternative Specification of Interaction Models With a Discrete Modifying Variable". *The Political Methodologist* 25 (1), pp.11-15.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2017. "Retrospective ideological representation and its impact on democratic satisfaction". *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*, 27 (2), pp. 192-212.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2016. "Revisiting the Ideological Congruence Controversy". *European Journal of Political Research*, 55 (2), pp. 358-373.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2015. "A Rational or Virtuous Citizenry? – The Asymmetric Impact of Biases in Votes-Seats Translation on Citizens' Satisfaction with Democracy". *Electoral Studies* 40, pp. 394-408.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2014. "How Do Voters' Strategic Behaviors Mediate the Impact of Electoral Systems on the Effective Number of Electoral Parties? An Experimental Study". *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*, 24 (3), pp. 265-290.
Winner of the 2014 Best Article Award for best article published in JEPOP

Other publications

Ferland, Benjamin. 2017. "De Québec solidaire aux gouvernements de coalition". Policy Options.

Ferland, Benjamin, and Claire Durand. 2017. "Léger vs CROP: les deux côtés de la médaille". Policy Options.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2016. "Issues of Representation in Coalition Governments". Report to the Special Committee on Electoral Reform.

Ferland, Benjamin. 2012. "Grandeurs et misères de la proportionnelle". *L'Actualité* 37, 19: 35-36.

RESEARCH GRANTS

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada 2018-2020
Insight Development Grant – \$38,789
*The responsiveness of Canadian elected representatives to their constituents:
A field experiment*

CIRANO 2009 – 2010
Grant for using the experimental economics laboratory – \$2,500
Voting Experiment avec Simon Labbé-St-Vincent

Canada Research Chair in Electoral Studies, Université de Montréal 2009 – 2010
Voting Experiment avec Simon Labbé-St-Vincent – \$5,000

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship – \$81,000	2015-2016
Department of Political Science, McGill University Graduate Excellence Fellowship – \$10,000	2014
Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, McGill University International Exchange Grant – \$3,500	2013
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Michael-Smith Foreign Study Supplement – \$4,000	2013
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada CGS Doctoral Fellowship – Joseph-Armand-Bombardier – \$105,000	2010 – 2013
Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la société et la culture Doctoral Fellowship – \$60,000 (declined)	2009 – 2012
McGill University Provost’s Graduate Fellowship – \$2,500	2009
Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, McGill University Research Fellowship – \$5,000	2009
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Master Fellowship – Joseph-Armand-Bombardier – \$17,500	2008 – 2009
Canada Research Chair in Electoral Studies, Université de Montréal Research Fellowship – \$8,000	2008

CONFERENCES

American Political Science Association, International Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Canadian Political Science Association, Société québécoise de science politique

REVIEWER

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, The Journal of Politics, West European Politics, Electoral Studies, Political Behavior, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties, Politics and Governance, Research & Politics, Brazilian Political Science Review.
