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EDUCATION

Université de Montréal

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science 2016-2021

University of Toronto

Master of Arts, Political Science 2014
Honours Bachelor of Arts, Political Science 2012

METHODS TRAINING

University of Michigan

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods 2019 & 2020
Courses: Regression Discontinuity Designs; Maximum Likelihood Estimation I: Generalized Linear Models; Regression Analysis II: Linear Models; Mathematics for Social Scientists, II; Categorical Data Analysis; Causal Inference for the Social Sciences; Matrix Algebra; R Statistical Computing Environment; and Python

Université Catholique de Louvain

RESTEP ISPOLE Quantitative Methods Workshop 2019
Course: Text-Analysis in R

JOURNAL ARTICLES

12. André Blais, **Semra Sevi** and Carolina Plescia. “Are voters’ views about proportional outcomes shaped by partisan preferences? A survey experiment in the context of a real election.” Accepted at *Political Science Research Methods*.
11. **Semra Sevi**. “Who Runs? Canadian Federal and Ontario Provincial Candidates from 1867 to 2019” Accepted at *Canadian Journal of Political Science*.
Media Coverage: [CBC](#)
10. Carolina Plescia, **Semra Sevi** and André Blais. “Who likes to vote by mail?” Accepted at *American Politics Research*.
9. **Semra Sevi**. “Do Young Voters Vote for Young Leaders?” In Press at *Electoral Studies*.
Media Coverage: [National Post](#)
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8. Erin Tolley, Randy Besco and **Semra Sevi**. “Gender and Political Campaign Contributions in Canada.” In Press at *Politics and Gender*.
7. Ruth Dassonneville, André Blais, **Semra Sevi** and Jean-François Daoust. “How Citizens Want their Legislator to Vote.” In Press at *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.
[\[Replication Code\]](#)
6. **Semra Sevi**, Marco Mendoza Aviña, Gabrielle Péloquin-Skulski, Emmanuel Heisbourg, Paola Vegas, Maxime Coulombe, Vincent Arel-Bundock, Peter John Loewen and André Blais. 2020. “Logarithmic vs. Linear Visualizations of COVID-19 Cases Do Not Affect Citizens’ Support for Confinement.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 53(2): 385-390.
[\[Replication Code\]](#)
5. **Semra Sevi**, André Blais and Danielle Mayer. 2020. “Do Lawyers Get More Votes?” *American Review of Canadian Studies* 50(2): 216-228.
[\[Replication Code\]](#)

4. **Semra Sevi**, Can Mekik, André Blais and Semih Çakır. 2020. “How Do Turks Abroad Vote?” *Turkish Studies* 21(2): 208-230.
[Replication Code]
3. **Semra Sevi**, Vincent Arel-Bundock and André Blais. 2019. “Do Women Get Fewer Votes? No.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 52(1): 201-210.
[Replication Code]
2. André Blais, Fernando Feitosa and **Semra Sevi**. 2019 “Was my decision to vote (or abstain) the right one?” *Party Politics* 25(3): 382-389.
1. **Semra Sevi**, Antoine Yoshinaka and André Blais. 2018. “Legislative Party Switching and the Changing Nature of the Canadian Party System, 1867-2015.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 51(3): 665-695.
Media Coverage: [Policy Options](#); [CBC](#); [the Star](#)
[Replication Code]

BOOK
CHAPTERS

1. **Semra Sevi**, André Blais and Vincent Arel-Bundock. 2021. “Do Women Get Fewer Votes in Ontario Provincial Elections?” In Roosmarijn de Geus, Erin Tolley, Elizabeth Goodyear-Grant, and Peter Loewen, eds. *Women, Power, and Political Representation: Canadian and Comparative Perspectives*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

CONSULTING
REPORTS

1. André Blais and **Semra Sevi**. 2021. “The burden of voting in the 2019 Canadian federal election” *Research report prepared for Elections Canada*.

DATASETS

Semra Sevi. 2019. “Canadian Federal & Ontario Provincial Candidates: 1867-2019.” Available on the *Harvard Dataverse*: <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/ABFNSQ>.

RESEARCHER

Elections Canada, Ottawa 2020-2021
Professor André Blais, Université de Montréal 2017-2021

LECTURER

Department of Political Science, Queens University 2021
Course: Political Behaviour (POLS312)

WORKSHOP
INSTRUCTOR

Department of Political Science, Université de Montréal 2020
Writing in L^AT_EX
Designing a survey in Qualtrics

TEACHING
ASSISTANTSHIPS

R Bootcamp, McGill University 2020
Représentation politique (POL2050), Université de Montréal 2016
Canadian Political Parties (POL356Y), University of Toronto 2014
Canada in Comparative Perspective (POL111H), University of Toronto 2014

SERVICE TO THE
DEPARTMENT

Founder & Coordinator, Montréal Methods Workshops, Université de Montréal 2020-2021
Organizer, Weekly Seminars, Science Politique, Université de Montréal 2018-2020

INVITED TALKS

Canada Vote Summit, Ryerson University, Toronto (2020)
Electoral Reform Research Group, Washington, DC (2020)
Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto, Toronto (2019)
Making Electoral Democracy Work Annual Meeting, Montreal (2017)
Samara Centre for Democracy, Toronto (2016)

<p>CONFERENCES [*Cancelled due to COVID-19]</p>	<p>Canadian Political Science Association (Calgary: 2016, Vancouver: 2019, <i>London: 2020*</i>, Virtual: 2021)</p> <p>American Political Science Association, Washington (2019)</p> <p>Leuven-Montréal Winter School on Elections (Montréal: 2018, Leuven: 2019)</p> <p>International Political Science Association, Edinburg (2015)</p> <p>Bell Chair in Canadian Parliamentary Democracy, Ottawa (2015)</p>	
<p>RESEARCH GRANTS [Total: \$18,283 CAN]</p>	<p>“How do citizens evaluate ranking?” Political Reform Program, New America, (with Carolina Plescia and André Blais): 11,400 USD\$.</p> <p>“The Impact of Visual Data on Canadians’ Views about COVID-19” Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, (with Marco Mendoza-Aviña, Gabrielle Péloquin-Skulski, Emmanuel Heisbourg, Paola Vegas, Maxime Coulombe, Vincent Arel-Bundock, Peter Loewen, and André Blais): 3,000 CAN\$.</p>	<p>2020</p> <p>2020</p>
<p>HONOURS AND AWARDS [Total: \$160,500 CAN]</p>	<p>Finalist for SSHRC Talent Award, Government of Canada</p> <p>Bourse Jacqueline Avard, Université de Montréal: 2,500 CAN\$</p> <p>Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council: 40,000 CAN\$</p> <p>Empirical Implications of Theoretical Methods Certificate</p> <p>Empirical Implications of Theoretical Methods Scholarship, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods: 5,000 USD\$</p> <p>Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship Methods Grants, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods: 3,000 CAN\$</p> <p>Richard J. Schmeelk Fellowship: 40,000 CAN\$</p> <p>Doctoral Fellowship, Fonds Québécois de la Recherche sur la Société et la Culture: 40,000 CAN\$</p> <p>Alma Mater Scholarship, Université de Montréal Excellence Entrance Fellowship: 5,000 CAN\$</p> <p>Université de Montréal Departmental Scholarship: 10,000 CAN\$</p> <p>Finalist for 3 Minute Thesis (3MT), Canadian Political Science Association annual conference at Calgary, AB</p> <p>Canadian Friends of Hebrew University of Jerusalem Award: 10,000 CAN\$</p> <p>University College Graduating Year Awards: Anna and Alex Beverly Scholarship: 2,500 CAN\$</p> <p>University College Merit Award, University of Toronto</p> <p>Dora Burke Playfair Leadership Scholarship, University College: 2,500 CAN\$</p>	<p>2020</p> <p>2020</p> <p>2019-2021</p> <p>2019</p> <p>2019</p> <p>2019 & 2020</p> <p>2017-2019</p> <p>2017-2019</p> <p>2016</p> <p>2016-2017</p> <p>2016</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2013</p> <p>2013</p> <p>2012</p>
<p>TRAVEL GRANTS [Total: \$9,060 CAN]</p>	<p>APSA First Generation Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: 285 USD\$</p> <p>Research Chair in Electoral Studies Grant, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: 750 CAN\$</p>	<p>2019</p> <p>2019</p>

RESTEP ISPOLE Quantitative Methods Workshop, Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels: 1,000 €	2019
Canadian Political Science Association Travel Grant, Vancouver, BC: 266.74 CAN\$	2019
Direction des affaires internationales, Université de Montréal, Leuven-Montréal Winter School on Elections, Leuven, Belgium: 1,000 CAN\$	2019
Richard J. Schmeelk Fellowship Travel Grant, Workshop for Richard Johnston's scholarly contributions to political science, Vancouver, BC: 1,500 CAN\$	2018
Mobility Grants, Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship Scholarship: 2,000 CAN\$	2018-2019
Explore Program, Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship: 1,325 CAN\$	2017
Bell Chair for the Study of Canadian Parliamentary Democracy Grant, Carleton, ON: 350 CAN\$	2015

SELECTED POPULAR (*Publications related to my Masters and Honours Bachelor of Arts Research Projects)
PUBLICATIONS
AMONG 66+

12. "Choosing to Vote as Usual." with André Blais and Carolina Plescia, *New America*, 2021.
11. "Research shows that MPs who cross the floor lose votes." (with Antoine Yoshinaka and André Blais), *Policy Options*, 2018.
10. "A students' proposal for electoral reform." (with André Blais), *Policy Options*, 2016.
9. "Ensuring young people are heard on electoral reform." (with André Blais), *Policy Options*, 2016.
8. *"Why is Ottawa still defending disenfranchisement of expats?" (with Gillan Frank) *The Globe and Mail*, 2016.
7. "Turkey's Twists and Turns on Syria." *Middle East Review of International Affairs*, 2014.
6. *"Reframing the debate over expat voting." (with Peter Russell) *Macleans*, 2015.
5. *"Canadian expatriates should never lose the right to vote." *The Globe and Mail*, 2014.
4. "Istanbul's police violence is no surprise to Turkey's minority groups." *The Globe and Mail*, 2013.
3. *"Vote mobs aren't the cure for low youth turnout." *The Globe and Mail*, 2012.
2. "Foreign Policy Should Count in the 2012 U.S. Presidential Elections." *The Huffington Post*, 2012.
1. "Turkey Turning to the East." *The Harvard Crimson*, 2011.

SELECTED MEDIA
INTERVIEWS
AMONG 27+

10. "As an Independent MP, Can Jody Wilson-Raybould Make a Difference?" *The Star*. 2019.
9. "Does Floor Crossing Pay Off?" *CBC The House*. 2018.
8. "Expat voting rights." *CTV News Channel*. 2018.
7. "Les Étudiants du CSTJ sont prêts à jouer leur rôle de Citoyens Engagés et Informés!" *Cegep de Saint-Jérôme*. 2015.
6. "Des expatriés frustrés de ne pas voter." *TVA Nouvelles*. 2015.
5. "Pie a Prof." *UofT Magazine*. 2014.
4. "Quirky fundraiser for Syrian children: pies, profs, vintage slapstick." *UofT News*. 2014.
3. "Justin Trudeau: Can he bring the Liberal Party back to life?" *The Star*. 2013.

2. “Political scientist explores voter turnout.” *UofT News*. 2011.
1. “Voter flash mob.” *CBC*. 2011.

AFFILIATIONS

Member, Research Chair in Electoral Studies.
Member, Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship.
Member, Canadian Political Science Association.
Member, American Political Science Association.

MANUSCRIPT
REVIEWER

BMC Medical Research Methodology; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Electoral Studies; Party Politics; Politics & Gender; Frontiers in Political Science. See my [Publons profile](#) for more information on my reviews.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Turkish & Kurdish (heritage); English (fluent); French (intermediate)

COMPUTER
SOFTWARES

Qualtrics, R, Stata, L^AT_EX

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