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Research Interests

Political Theory, Democratic Theory, Canadian Politics, Public Policy, Political Institutions, Deliberative Democracy, Intergenerational Relations, Public Engagement, Research Methodology

Current Position

2015 - present Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science
University of Pittsburgh,
Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Previous Positions

2013 - 2015 Democracy Fellow
Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation,
Harvard Kennedy School,
Cambridge, MA, USA

2006 - 2007 Policy Analyst
Ontario Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform,
Government of Ontario,
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Education

2007 - 13 Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science
Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Dissertation: Future Publics: Long-Term Thinking and Farsighted Action in Democratic Systems

Fields: Canadian Politics; Political Theory

Committee: Mark E. Warren (supervisor), Alan M. Jacobs, Fred Cutler, André Bächtiger (external)

2004 - 06 Master of Arts, Political Science and Social Statistics
Department of Political Science, McGill University, Montréal, QC, Canada

Thesis: Measuring Political Knowledge

Committee: Elisabeth Gidengil, Stuart N. Soroka

1997 - 04 Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Politics
Politics Department, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Publications

- MacKenzie, M. K. (Forthcoming, 2021). *Future Publics: Democracy, Deliberation, and Future-Regarding Collective Action*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Fournier-Tombs, E. & MacKenzie, M. K. (Forthcoming, 2021). 'Big Data and Democratic Speech: Predicting Deliberative Quality using Machine Learning Techniques.' *Methodological Innovations*.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Caluwaerts, D. (2021). 'Paying for the Future: Deliberation and Support for Climate Action Policies.' *Journal of Environmental Policy & Planning*.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2021). 'There is No Such Thing as a Short-Term Issue.' *Futures* 125 (Article 102652),
- Moore, A., & MacKenzie, M.K. (2020). 'Policymaking During Crises: How Diversity and Disagreement Can Help Manage the Politics of Expert Advice.' *The British Medical Journal*. 371(m4039).
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2020) 'Democratic Philanthropy.' *Contemporary Political Theory*. Online First.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Moore, A. (2020) 'Democratic Non-Participation.' *Polity* 52(3): 430–459.
- Loewen, P., & MacKenzie, M. K. (2019) 'Service Representation in a Federal System: A Field Experiment.' *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 6(2): 93-107.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2018). 'Deliberation and Long-Term Decisions: Representing Future Generations' In A. Bächtiger, J. Dryzek, J. Mansbridge, & M. E. Warren (Eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2016a). 'Institutional Design and Sources of Short-Termism.' In A. Gosseries & I. González-Ricoy (Eds.), *Political Institutions for Future Generations*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2016b). 'A Randomly Selected Second Chamber.' In A. Gosseries & I. González-Ricoy (Eds.), *Political Institutions for Future Generations*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Runacres, I., & MacKenzie, M. K. (2015). 'Classical Allusion in Political Cartoons.' In G. Kovacs & C.W. Marshall (Eds.), *Son of Classics and Comics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Thomas, P. E. J., Loewen, P. J., & MacKenzie, M. K. (2013). 'Fair Isn't Always Equal: Constituency Population and the Quality of Representation in Canada.' *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, 46 (2), 273-293.
- O'Doherty, K., MacKenzie, M. K., Badulescu, D., & Burgess, M. M. (2013). 'Explosives, Genomics, and the Environment: Conducting Public Deliberation on Topics of Complex Science and Social Controversy.' *Sage Open*, 3, 1-16.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Warren, M. E. (2012). 'Two Trust-Based Uses of Minipublics in Democratic Systems.' In J. Parkinson & J. Mansbridge (Eds.), *Deliberative Systems: Deliberative Democracy at the Large Scale*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & O'Doherty, K. (2011). 'Deliberating Future Issues: Minipublics and Salmon Genomics.' *Journal of Public Deliberation*, 7 (1), Article 5 pp. 1-27.
- Silver, J., Keeper, C., & MacKenzie, M. K. (2006). 'A Very Hostile System in Which to Live: Aboriginal Electoral Participation in Winnipeg's Inner City.' In J. Silver (Ed.), *In Their Own Voices: Building Urban Aboriginal Communities*. Halifax: Fernwood Publishing, pp. 96-132.

Work in Progress

- Setälä, M., Kyllönen, S., & MacKenzie, M. K. (eds). (2021) *Democratic Institutions for Long-Term Governance*. (Book Project).
- MacKenzie, M. K. & Fournier-Tombs, E. (2020). 'Comparing Consensus and Party-Based Systems: Deliberative Quality in Canada's Northern Legislatures.'
- MacKenzie, M. K., McCoy, David, & Fournier-Tombs, E. (2020). 'Discourse Quality Index 2.0.'
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2020) 'House of Competence: John Stuart Mill and the Canadian Senate.'

Invited Talks

- MacKenzie, M. K. (2021). 'Keynote Presentation.' Revitalizing Democracy: Sortition, Citizen Power, and the Spaces of Freedom.' 13th Annual Arendt Center Conference, Bard College, 14-15 October 2021.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2018). *Future Publics*. 'Beyond Theories of Intergenerational Justice: The Politics of Intergenerational Relations.' Section of a book chapter presented at the PALO Workshop on Intergenerational Justice and Democracy, University of Tampere, Tampere Finland, 5-6 September 2018.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2018). *Future Publics*. 'Chapter 4. Acting Through Time: Collective Action Among Non-Overlapping Generations' Book chapter presented at the Democratic Institutions and Future Generations workshop, University of Westminster, London, UK, 10 May 2018.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2018). *Future Publics*. 'Chapter 1: Introduction.' Book chapter presented at the Participation in Long-Term Decision-Making (PALO) Opening Conference, University of Turku, Turku Finland, 15-16 February 2018.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2017). *Future Publics*. 'Chapter 2: Democratic Responses to the "Democratic" Myopia Problem.' Book chapter presented at the Democracy and Future Generations Workshop, Anxieties of Democracy Programme, Institute of Future Studies, Stockholm, Sweden, 7-8 December 2017.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2017). *Future Publics*. 'Chapter 2: Democratic Responses to the "Democratic" Myopia Problem.' Book chapter presented at the Democracy and Climate Change Workshop, University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland, 19-21 October 2017.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2017). 'Ourselves in Time: Humility, Deliberation, and Future Others.' Paper presented at the Ohio State Political Theory Workshop. Columbus, Ohio, USA. January 27, 2017.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2016). 'Ourselves in Time: Humility, Deliberation, and Future Others' Paper presented at the Intellectual Humility and Public Deliberation Workshop, Hartford, CT, USA, 11-13 November 2016.

Conference Papers

- Fournier-Tombs, E. & MacKenzie, M. K. (2019). 'Measuring Deliberative Quality using Machine Learning Techniques.' American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC, August 27 – September 1, 2019.
- MacKenzie, M. K. & Fournier-Tombs, E. (2019). 'Comparing Consensus and Party-Based Systems: Deliberative Quality in Canada's Northern Legislatures.' Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC, Canada, June 1-7, 2019.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2018) 'Democratic Philanthropy.' Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, Illinois, USA, April 5, 2018.
- MacKenzie, M. K. & Moore, A. (2017). 'Good Ways of Being Passive' Pennsylvania Political Science Association Conference. Robert Morris University, PA, USA, March 31-April 1. (Winner of the Inaugural "Best Faculty Paper Award.") This paper has been renamed 'Democratic Non-Participation.'
- Caluwaerts, D. & MacKenzie, M. K. (2016). 'The Personality Basis of Environmental Policy Preferences.' American Political Science Association Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA, USA, September 1-4.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Caluwaerts, D. (2015). 'Deliberation and Long-Term Thinking on Climate Change Policy.' Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference. University of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2014). 'Institutional Design and Sources of Short-Termism.' European Consortium for Political Research. University of Glasgow, Scotland, UK.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2013). 'House of Competence: John Stuart Mill and the Canadian Senate.' Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference. University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, Canada.

- MacKenzie, M. K., & Loewen, P. J. (2011). 'Talking Guns: A Field Experiment in Communicative Accountability and the Long-Gun Registry.' Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference. Wilfred Laurier University, Waterloo, ON, Canada.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2010). 'Future Publics: Democracy, Deliberation, and Long-Term Decision-Making.' American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Washington, DC, United States.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Warren, M. E. (2010). 'Two Trust-Based Uses of Minipublics in Democratic Systems.' European Community Studies Association – Canada, 8th Biennial Conference. Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Runacres, I. (2009). 'Classical Allusion in British Political Cartoons.' Classical Association of Canada Annual Meeting. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- Johns, M., & MacKenzie, M. K. (2008). 'Conflict at the Polls: Examining the Relationship Between Electoral System Design and Ethnic Conflict.' Canadian Political Science Association, Annual Conference. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- Rose, J., MacKenzie, M. K., & Lyons, M. (2007). 'Teaching, Touring and Talking: The Story of the Ontario Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform.' Canadian Political Science Association, Annual Conference. University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada.
- Boucher, J., & MacKenzie, M. K. (2004). 'Manufacturing Consent? New Media and the Propaganda Model.' Global New Media and Technological Cultures Conference. Prague, Czech Republic.

Policy Reports

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- O'Doherty, K., MacKenzie, M. K., Badulescu, D., & Burgess, M. M. (2011). Explosives, Genomics, and the Environment: A Public Deliberation. Genome British Columbia: Applied Genomics Innovation Program.
- MacKenzie, M. K., Sheldrick, B., & Silver, J. (2005). State Policies to Enhance the New Economy: A Comparative Analysis. Winnipeg, MB: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives.
- Loewen, G., Silver, J., August, M., Bruning, P., MacKenzie, M. K., & Meyerson, S. (2005). Moving Low Income People in Winnipeg's Inner City Into Good Jobs: Evidence on What Works Best. Winnipeg, MB: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & Snyder, J. (2001). The Minimum Wage and a "Tipping Wage" A Report on a Survey of People Who Work at or Near the Minimum Wage in Manitoba. Winnipeg, MB: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2000). Roads of Blight: Solutions to the Automobile Burden. Winnipeg, MB: Institute of Urban Studies.

Teaching and Mentoring

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- Current: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh
- Current Courses: Democratic Theory and Democratization (PS 2607, Graduate)
 Marxism (PS 1612 Undergraduate)
 Democratic Theory (PS 1619 Undergraduate)
 Introduction to Political Theory (PS 0600 Undergraduate)
 Core Political Theory (PS 2040 Graduate)
- 2013 - 14 Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia
 Courses: Democratic Theory (POLI 346, Summer 2014)
 Democratic Theory (POLI 326, Spring 2013)
- 2007 - 2012 Facilitator, MASS:LBP - <http://www.masslbp.com>

- 2007 - 13 Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia
Courses: Introduction to Canadian Politics (Winter 2013)
Introduction to Canadian Politics (Winter 2012)
Introduction to Canadian Politics (Fall 2012)
Introduction to Political Science (Fall 2011)
Quantitative Research Methods (Fall 2007)
- 2010 - 11 Facilitator, Face-to-Face Research Group - <http://www.rdxtalk.org>
Centre for Applied Ethics, University of British Columbia
- 2006 - 07 Facilitator, Ontario Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform
- 2005 - 06 Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, McGill University
Courses: Politics of Immigration and Multiculturalism in Canada (Winter 2006)
Politics of Immigration and Multiculturalism in Canada (Winter 2005)
Media and Politics (Fall 2005)
- 2002 - 03 Teaching Assistant, Politics Department, University of Winnipeg
Courses: Issues in City Politics (Winter 2002)
City Politics (Fall 2002)

Academic Service

Editorial Board: Intergenerational Justice Review

Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; British Medical Journal (BMJ); Canadian Journal of Political Science; Contemporary Political Theory; International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health; International Political Science Review; Journal of Public Deliberation; Journal of Politics; Lexington Books; Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly; Perspectives on Politics; Political Studies; Political Research Quarterly; Polity; Representation; Science; Sustainability; Theory & Psychology.

Scholarships and Awards

2017 Best Faculty Paper Award
For “Good Ways of Being Passive” from the Pennsylvania Political Science Association Annual Conference. Robert Morris University, PA, USA, March 31-April 1.

2013 - 15 Postdoctoral Fellowship
(\$40,000/year + \$5000 research budget)
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

2008 - 11 Canada Graduate Scholarship: Doctoral Fellowship
(\$35,000/year)
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

2008 Four-Year Fellowship - Doctoral (accepted in name)
University of British Columbia

2007 Special Graduate Scholarship
University of British Columbia

2004 - 05 Canada Graduate Scholarship – Masters Fellowship
(\$17,000)
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

2003 Carl Ridd Scholarship
University of Winnipeg

2000 - 03 Academic Proficiency Scholarships
University of Winnipeg

2000 Student Paper Award
Institute of Urban Studies, University of Winnipeg