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Research Interests

Political Theory, Democratic Theory, Political Institutions, Deliberative Democracy, Intergenerational Relations, Canadian Politics, Political Representation, 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). *Future Publics: Democracy, Deliberation, and Future-Regarding Action*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 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.
- MacKenzie, M. K., & MacLeod, P. (2008). 'Introduction.' In O. Dowlen (Ed.), *Sorted: Civic Lotteries and the Future of Public Participation*. Toronto: MASS:LBP, pp. 13-19.
- 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

- MacKenzie, M. K. (2020). 'There is No Such Thing as a Short-Term Issue.' Revise & Resubmit.
- Fournier-Tombs, E. & MacKenzie, M. K. (2020). 'Big Data and Democratic Speech: Predicting Deliberative Quality using Machine Learning Techniques.' Under Review.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2019) 'Democratic Philanthropy.' Revise & Resubmit.
- 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., & Caluwaerts, D. (2019). 'Deliberation and Long-Term Thinking on Climate Change Policy.' Under Review.
- MacKenzie, M. K. (2016) '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, April. 15-16, 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

- 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

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, Canadian Journal of Political Science, International Political Science Review, Journal of Public Deliberation, Lexington Books, Perspectives on Politics, Political Studies, Political Research Quarterly, Polity, Representation, Science, 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