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EDUCATION

PhD, Political Science, **University of Toronto.**

MA, Political Science, **University of Western Ontario.**

BA, Political Science and French, **University of Western Ontario.**

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, August 2019 to present.

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, August 2013 to August, 2019.

Research Fellow, Innovation Policy Lab, Munk School of Global Affairs. August 2013 to present.

Research Associate, Program on Globalization and Regional Innovation Systems (PROGRIS), Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto, June 2012 to August 2013.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Program on Globalization and Regional Innovation Systems (PROGRIS), Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto, September 2010 to June 2012.

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, The University of Toronto at Mississauga, September 2009 to Spring 2012.

Senior Associate, Hickling Arthurs Low (HAL) Corporation. Research and public policy consulting to federal, provincial, and municipal governments on science, technology, and labour market policy, 2005 – 2013.

Research Associate, Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation, University of Toronto, April-June 2011.

Research Assistant, the Program on Globalization and Regional Innovation Systems (PROGRIS), Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto, 2002 – 2010.

Research Assistant, Ontario Network of Regional Innovation Systems, 1997-1999.

Consultant, Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, Human Resource Task Force, Sector Strategy Development of the Sectoral Advisory Committee, 1995.

Research Assistant, Dr. Robert A. Young, Department of Political Science, University of Western Ontario, 1990 - 1994.

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

2017-2018. University of North Carolina at Greensboro Strategic Seed Grant for Multidisciplinary Research for the project, “Creating Nano Opportunity”, co-investigator with the Department of Economics and the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, (\$24,000).

2015-2018. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Partnership Grant, “Creating Digital Opportunity”, co-investigator (\$ 80,000).

2016. Faculty Research Excellence and Creativity Award, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

2015. Faculty Research Excellence and Creativity Award, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

2014. Faculty Research Excellence and Creativity Award, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

2014. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Environmental Community-University Research Alliance (E-CURA), “Work in a Warming World: Adapting Canadian Employment and Work to the Challenges of Climate Change”, co-investigator with Bryan Evans (\$ 16,425).

2012. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Knowledge Synthesis Grant on Leveraging Investments in HERD, co-investigator with David A. Wolfe (\$ 25,000).

2010. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Knowledge Synthesis Grant on the Digital Economy for Growing the ICT Industry in Canada, co-investigator with David A. Wolfe (\$ 25,000).

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2014. Neil Bradford and Allison Bramwell, Eds. *Governing Urban Economies: Innovation and Inclusion in Canadian City-Regions*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Refereed Journal Articles and Book Chapters

(forthcoming). “Innovation and the ‘ordinary’ city: Urban policymaking in a digital age”, *PS: Politics Science and Politics*. Invited to contribute to a Special Issue on Urban Policymaking.

(forthcoming). “Bob Young, Big Projects, and the Study of Local and Urban Politics in Canada” (with Martin Horak and Andrew Sancton), *Across Boundaries: Essays in Honour of Robert A. Young*. Andre Blais, Cristine de Clercy, Anna Esselment, and Ron Wintrobe, Eds. Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queen’s University Press. Invited chapter for edited volume honoring a former mentor.

2019. “Growing entrepreneurial ecosystems: Public intermediaries, policy learning, and regional innovation” (with Nicola Hepburn and David A. Wolfe), *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*, 8(2): 272-292.

2017. “New Community Spaces: Regional Governance in the Public Interest in the Greater Toronto Area” (with Jon Pierre), *Urban Affairs Review*, 53(3): 603-627.

2016. “Innovation, Creativity and Governance: 8 years on: Social Dynamics of Economic Performance in City-Regions”, (with David A. Wolfe), *Innovation: Management, Policy, and Practice*, 18(4). Invited manuscript for a special retrospective edition of most influential articles in the journal’s history.

2016. “Regional Economic Development: Institutions, Innovation, and Policy” (with Neil Bradford), in Richard Shearmur, Christophe Carrincazzeaux, and David Doloreux, Eds. *Handbook on the Geography of Innovation*. Edward Elgar.

2016. “Toronto’s Fourth Era: An Emerging Cognitive-Cultural Economy” (with David A. Wolfe), in David A. Wolfe and Meric S. Gertler, Eds. *Growing Urban Economies: Innovation, Creativity and Governance in Canadian Cities*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

2016. “Innovation in an Industrial City: Economic Transformation in Hamilton” (with Peter Warrian), in David A. Wolfe and Meric S. Gertler, Eds. *Growing Urban Economies: Innovation, Creativity and Governance in Canadian Cities*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

2015. “Who Speaks for Toronto? Collaborative Governance in the Civic Action Alliance”, in Kirk Emerson and Tina Nabatchi, *Collaborative Governance Regimes*. Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press. Invited chapter.

2014. "Governing Urban Economies: Innovation and Inclusion in Canadian City-regions" (with Neil Bradford), in Neil Bradford and Allison Bramwell, Eds. *Governing Urban Economies: Innovation and Inclusion in Canadian City-Regions*.
2014. "The Politics of Coalition-Building in a Deindustrializing City: Linkages, Leadership and Agendas in Hamilton", in Neil Bradford and Allison Bramwell, Eds. *Governing Urban Economies: Innovation and Inclusion in Canadian City-Regions*.
2014. "Dimensions of Governance in the Mega-City: Scale, Scope and Coalitions in Toronto" (with David A. Wolfe), in Neil Bradford and Allison Bramwell, Eds. *Governing Urban Economies: Innovation and Inclusion in Canadian City-Regions*.
2014. "Civic Infrastructures of Innovation and Inclusion? Reflections on Urban Governance in Canada" (with Neil Bradford), in Neil Bradford and Allison Bramwell, Eds. *Governing Urban Economies: Innovation and Inclusion in Canadian City-Regions*.
2012. "Networks Are Not Enough: Urban Governance and Workforce Development in Three Ontario Cities", *Urban Affairs Review*, 48(3): 295-321.
2012. "Training Policy for the 21st Century: EI Reform, Decentralization and Workforce Development in Canada", in Keith Banting and Jon Medow, Eds. *Making EI Work: Research from the Mowat Centre Employment Insurance Task Force*. Queen's Policy Study Series No. 89. Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queen's University Press.
2008. "Universities and Regional Economic Development: The Entrepreneurial University of Waterloo" (with David A. Wolfe), *Research Policy*, 37: 1175-1187.
2008. "Innovation, Creativity and Inclusion: What is Social About the Dynamics of Economic Performance in City-Regions?" (with David A. Wolfe), *Innovation: Management, Policy, and Practice*, 10: 170-182.
2008. "Un cluster dynamique pour les TIC dans l'Ontario", Special Edition of *Réalités Industrielles: Les Pôles de compétitivité*.
2008. "L'université, clé de la compétitivité du cluster TIC de Waterloo", *Le Journal de L'École de Paris du management*, No. 70, mars/avril.
2008. "Knowledge, Innovation, and Institutions: Global and Local Dimensions of the ICT Cluster in Waterloo, Canada" (with Jen Nelles and David A. Wolfe), *Regional Studies* 42(1): 101-116.
2005. "History, Culture and Path Dependency: The Origins of the Waterloo ICT Cluster" (with Jen Nelles and David A. Wolfe), in David A. Wolfe and Matthew Lucas, Eds. *Global Networks and Local Linkages: The Paradox of Cluster Development in an Open Economy*. Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Working Papers and Manuscripts under Review and in Preparation

“Expanding Digital Opportunity? Inclusive Innovation in the ‘Ordinary’ City”, Invited manuscript for inclusion in a Special Issue of *Local Economy*.

Digital Underdogs: Economic Opportunity and the ‘Ordinary’ City in a Post-Industrial Age. Book proposal under development.

“Retooling for Green Innovation? Renewable Energy Industries in Restructuring Regions” is under preparation for submission to *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space*.

Selected Policy Reports

(forthcoming). *Expanding digital opportunity in Canada? Digital inclusion and intelligent communities* (with Ken Coates and Neil Bradford). Toronto, ON: Innovation Policy Lab, Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy.

2013. “Local Inputs into Ministry Employment and Training Service Planning and Funding Decisions”, report prepared for the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

2012. “Growing Innovation Ecosystems: University-Industry Knowledge Transfer and Regional Economic Development in Canada” (with Nicola Hepburn and David A. Wolfe), Knowledge Synthesis Paper on Leveraging Investments in HERD, Final Report to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

2011. “Growing the ICT Industry in Canada: A Knowledge Synthesis Paper” (with David A. Wolfe), Report prepared for the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Project on the Digital Economy in Canada.

2011. “An Action Plan for Innovation in Mississauga” (with Hickling Arthurs Low), report commissioned by the City of Mississauga, the Peel Region and the Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation.

2011. “A Gaps and Needs Analysis of Human Capital Focused Productivity Initiatives in Canadian Jurisdictions” (with Hickling Arthurs Low) analysis prepared for the Forum of Labour Market Ministers.

2011. “Clusters, Collaboration and Networking: Review of International Best Practice and Implications for Innovation in Canada” (with David Wolfe and Andrew Munro), prepared for the National Research Council of Canada.

2011. “Training Policy for the 21st Century: Decentralization and Workforce Development Programs for Unemployed Working-Age Adults”, Background paper for the Employment Insurance Task Force. Toronto: Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation.

2011. “Canada’s Employment Insurance System in Comparative Perspective”, Background paper for the Employment Insurance Task Force. Toronto: Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation.

2011. “A Brief History of Unemployment Insurance in Canada”, Background paper for the Employment Insurance Task Force. Toronto: Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation.

2011. *The Vital Commons: An Agenda for the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Region* (with Joshua Hjartarson, Matthew Mendelsohn, and Kelly Hinton). Background paper for the Great Lakes Summit, co-hosted by the Brookings Institution and the Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation.

2009. “Review of the Proposed Integrated Local Labour Market Process” (with Hickling Arthurs Low), evaluation and report prepared for the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

2009. “Ontario Community Colleges in the Creative Age: Bohemians, Bioinformatics, and the Built Environment”. Working Paper commissioned by The Martin Prosperity Institute for the project, *Ontario in the Creative Age*.

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Papers and Presentations

“Expanding digital opportunity? Inclusive innovation and the ‘ordinary’ city in a post-industrial age”. Invited to participate on a panel on inclusive innovation at the Association of the Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), Greenville, SC, October 24, 2019.

“Innovation and the ‘ordinary’ city? Urban policymaking in a post-industrial age”. Invited to participate on a short course panel on urban policymaking at the American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., August 28, 2019.

“Innovation and the ‘ordinary’ city? Urban policymaking in a digital age”, European Urban Research Association (EURA) City Futures Conference, Dublin, IE, June 20-22, 2019.

“Expanding Digital Opportunity? Urban policymaking, inclusive innovation, and the ‘ordinary’ city”, invited presentation for the workshop “Toward an urban policy analysis: Linking urban politics and public policy”, International Public Policy Association (IPPA), Pittsburgh, PA, June 25-26, 2018.

“Expanding digital opportunity? Inclusive innovation and the ‘ordinary’ city”, invited research seminar, Tilburg Center for Regional Law and Governance (TiREG), Tilburg University, May 24, 2018.

“Expanding Digital Opportunity? Exploring the Prospects for Inclusive Innovation in the ‘Ordinary’ City”, presentation to the Society for Socio-Economics Annual Conference, Lyon, France, June 29, 2017.

“Digital Opportunity and Economic Transformation in Mid-Sized Cities in North America and Europe”, presentation to PACTE seminar on “Villes et territoires de tailles moyens”, Université de Grenoble, June 22, 2017.

“Creating Digital Opportunity in the ‘Ordinary’ City”, presentation to the Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Minneapolis, MN, April 20, 2017.

“Expanding Digital Opportunity? Inclusive Innovation in the ‘Ordinary’ City”, presentation to the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 5, 2017.

“Retooling for Green Growth? Resilience, Regional Economic Development, and Renewable Energy in the Heartland”, presentation to the Regional Studies Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, June 15-16, 2016.

“Who Speaks for the City? Regional Governance in the Greater Toronto Area”, paper presented to the Participatory Democracy, Civic Engagement and Citizenship Education Conference, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ, December 4, 2015.

“Divisions of Labor or Fault Lines? Exploring the Federal Policy-Local Capacity Nexus in Workforce Development in the United States”, paper presented for panel (convened and proposed by me) to the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September 2, 2015.

“Influencing the Influencers: Civic Leadership for Collaborative Governance in the greater Toronto region”, paper presented (invited panel) to the Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, April 9, 2015.

“Who Speaks for Toronto? Collaborative Governance in the Greater Toronto Civic Action Alliance”, paper presented (invited panel) to the American Society of Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, ILL, March 7, 2015.

“Out of the Ordinary: Urban Governance in Mid-Sized Cities”, Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting (UAA), San Antonio, TX, March 19-21, 2014.

“Workforce Development and Public Administration: Examining the Performance and Sustainability of Cross-Sector Intermediaries”, Southeastern Conference for Public Administration (SECoPA), Charlotte, NC, September 26- 28, 2013.

“The Collaborative City? Urban Governance in the Greater Toronto Region”, American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 2-4, 2013.

“Going Local to Integrate Economic Growth and Inclusion? Workforce Development Networks in Three Ontario Cities”, Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Annual Meeting, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, June 12-15, 2012.

“The Performance of Local Networks: Workforce Development in Ontario”, Canadian Association for Programs in Public Administration (CAPPA) Annual Research Conference in Public Management and Public Policy, Carleton University, Ottawa, May 28-29, 2012.

“Balancing Growth and Inclusion? Workforce Development Networks in Three Ontario Cities”, Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, April 18-21, 2012.

“Inclusive Economic Development? Collaborative Governance in Canadian Cities” (with Neil Bradford), Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, April 18-21, 2012.

“Multi-Level Governance in a Mega-City: Scale, Scope and Power in Toronto”, Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 3-6, 2011.

“Networks Are Not Enough: Urban Governance and Workforce Development in Three Ontario Cities”, presentation to the 62nd Annual Conference of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC), Ottawa, August 23, 2010.

“Place Re-Making in an Industrial City: Urban Governance Innovation in Hamilton, Ontario”, Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Montreal, Quebec, June 4, 2010.

“Under the Radar: Workforce Development Networks and Urban Governance in Ontario”, Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Vancouver, B.C., June 5, 2008.

“Locating the Local in Multilevel Governance: The Scale and Politics of Local Economic Development” (with Jen Nelles and David Wolfe), Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Vancouver, B.C., June 6, 2008.

“Innovation, Creativity and Inclusion: What is Social About the Dynamics of Economic Performance in City-Regions?” (with David Wolfe), 25th Annual Danish Research Unit for Industrial Dynamics (DRUID) Celebration Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, June 17-20, 2008.

“Under the radar: Workforce development networks in Ontario”, Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, April 17-21, 2007.

“Universities and Regional Economic Development: The Entrepreneurial University of Waterloo” (with David Wolfe), World Bank-Cambridge-MIT Institute Workshop on University-Industry Linkages in Europe and North America, Cambridge, U.K., September 26-27, 2005.

“The University of Waterloo as an Entrepreneurial University”, Canadian Political Science Association Annual Meeting, the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, June 2-4, 2005.

“Knowledge, Innovation and Institutions: Global and Local Dimensions of the ICT Cluster in Waterloo, Canada” (with Jen Nelles), Danish Research Unit for Industrial Dynamics (DRUID) Academy Winter Ph.D. Conference, Aalborg, Denmark, January 27-29.

“Knowledge, Innovation, and Regional Culture in Waterloo’s ICT Cluster” (with Jen Nelles), Innovation Systems Research Network (ISRN) Annual Meeting, Vancouver, B.C., May 12-15, 2004.

Invited Lectures and Community Service Presentations

Invited speaker, “Regionalism and housing equity”, Housing Hangout, Center for Housing and Community Studies, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Invited inaugural Speaker, “What is collaborative governance and why does it matter for local government in the 21st century?”, for the Answer Innovations Lab project promoting Innovation in Local Government, co-sponsored by the City of Greensboro, Guilford County, and the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro, September 26, 2017.

Guest Speaker, Colloquium Series, Department of Geography, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, “Governing Urban Economies: Institutionalized Collaboration in the Greater Toronto Area”, April 4, 2014.

Plenary Speaker, Ontario Municipal Social Services Association, 2013 Learning Symposium, “Building Communities in the Current Fiscal Environment”, June 18, 2013.

Moderator for panel discussion “Insights from Greater Philadelphia: Successes and Lessons Learned from Collaboration on Regional Workforce Planning and Development”, sponsored by the Toronto Metcalf Foundation, July 18, 2012.

Presentation of “An Action Plan for Innovation in Mississauga”, sponsored by the City of Mississauga and the Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation, The Mississauga Living Arts Centre, August 30, 2011.

Moderator of panel discussion “People, Jobs and the Economy: Collaborating for a Productive, Inclusive Workforce” sponsored by the Toronto Workforce Innovation Group, June 16, 2011.

Presentation on “Workforce Development Networks in Ontario”, to the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, Strategic Policy and Initiatives Branch, March 23, 2011.

Presentation on “Workforce Development Networks in Ontario” to the Roundtable on Transforming Ontario Works, Social Assistance Action Committee of the Ontario Social Assistance Review, Income Security Advocacy Centre. Toronto, March 23, 2011.

Presentation on “Building Local Workforce Development Networks in Ontario Cities” to the Roundtable on Labour Force and Labour Market Readiness, Toronto City Summit Alliance, Toronto, October 26, 2010.

Presentation of “ICT Clusters in Canada: The Waterloo ICT Cluster” to delegation from Liaoning Province, China for the Sino-Canada Technology Exchange Centre, Munk School of Global Affairs, September 3, 2010.

Presentation on “Workforce Development in Ontario Cities”, to the Mississauga Works Task Force of the Mississauga Summit, Mississauga, May 2010.

Presentation on “Workforce Development in Ontario “to the Intergovernmental Committee for Economic and Labour Force Development, Toronto, November 19, 2008.

Panelist for “Labour Market Planning: What Works Locally”, co-sponsored by the City of Toronto and the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, Toronto, October 7, 2008.

Roundtable on Human Capital Issues Facing Ontario for the Canadian Policy Research Networks and the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, Toronto, Ontario, June 30, 2007.

Presentation to l'École de Paris du management in collaboration with the OECD, l'Institut CDC pour la recherche, et le ministère de l'Industrie de la France, “L'université, clé de la compétitivité du cluster TIC de Waterloo”, as part of the lecture series, *Entrepreneurs, Villes et Territoires*, L'École Nationale Supérieure des Mines, Paris, November 7, 2007. In French.

Research seminar presented to researchers at l'Observatoire des Pôles de Compétitivité, L'École Nationale Supérieure des Mines, Paris, November 6, 2007. In French.

TEACHING

University of North Carolina at Greensboro – Graduate Courses

PSC 520 Urban Political Systems (Fall 2013 – Fall 2019)

PSC 630 Community and Economic Development (Fall 2013 – Fall 2019)

Urban Development Policy (Spring 2015, 2018)

University of North Carolina at Greensboro - Undergraduate Courses

Urban Political Systems (Spring 2014 – Spring 2019)

Public Administration (Spring 2014 – Spring 2018)

Introduction to Public Policy (Spring 2016)

University of Toronto at Mississauga – Undergraduate Courses

Comparative Urban Politics (2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012).

Canadian Politics – Teaching Assistant (2003-2004).

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Co-Chair of the Policy Committee for InnovateGSO, a multi-stakeholder group focused on strategic planning for economic transformation and inclusive innovation in Greensboro.

Executive Committee Member for the Piedmont Together Consortium, a regional initiative focused on promoting food equity in the Piedmont Triad.

Member of the Greensboro City Cluster, CEOs for Cities, a national network for knowledge sharing on urban development.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

University and Departmental Service

Curriculum and Teaching Committee
Entrepreneurship Cross-Disciplinary Coordinating Council
Harriett Elliot Lecture Series Committee
Graduate Affairs Committee
Undergraduate Scholarship Committee

Professional Service

Best Dissertation Award Committee, Urban Politics section on the American Political Science Association.

Reviewer for: *Research Policy*, *Urban Affairs Review*, *Canadian Public Administration*, *European Planning Studies*, *Urban Geography*, *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Technology Transfer*, *Environment and Planning A*, *Local Government Studies*, *Journal of Urban Affairs*, *Local Government Management*, *Journal of Planning Literature*, *Urban Research and Practice*.

Manuscript reviews for Routledge and McGill-Queen's University Press.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Public Policy Association (IPPA)
American Society of Public Administration (ASPA)
American Political Science Association (APSA)
Urban Affairs Association (UAA)
Society for the Advancement of Socio-economics (SASE)
Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)

LANGUAGES English and French.
