

Dr. Emily Laxer | Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2018- **Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology**
Glendon College, York University
- Associate Member, Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology**
York University
- 2016-2018 **Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology**
University of Michigan
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
Supervisor: Geneviève Zubrzycki

EDUCATION

- 2015 **Ph.D., Sociology, University of Toronto**
Dissertation: “A Nation’s Dilemma: Party Politics and the Production of
Nationhood, Belonging and Citizenship in France’s Face Veil Debate”
Committee: Anna Korteweg (supervisor), Monica Boyd, Erik Schneiderhan.
- 2007 **M.A., Sociology, McGill University**
- 2006 **B.A. Joint Honours, Sociology and Canadian Studies, McGill University**

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

Citizenship & Nationalism; Immigration; Race & Ethnicity; Populism & Religion; Gender.

BOOKS

Laxer, Emily. 2019. *Unveiling the Nation: The Politics of Secularism in France and Québec*.
Montreal: McGill-Queen’s University Press.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Laxer, Emily, Jeffrey Reitz, and Patrick Simon. Online, 2019. “Do National Integration
Discourses Affect Muslims’ Civic and Political Incorporation? A Comparison of France,
Canada, and Québec”. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*.
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1369183X.2019.1620418>.

Laxer, Emily. 2018. “‘We Are All Republicans’: Political Articulation and the Production of
Nationhood in France’s Face Veil Debate”. *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 60(04):
938-967.

Laxer, Emily and Anna C. Korteweg. 2018. "Party Competition and the Production of Nationhood in the Immigration Context: Particularizing the Universal for Political Gain in France and Québec". *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 41(11): 1915-1933 (lead article).

Reitz, Jeffrey, Patrick Simon and **Emily Laxer**. 2017. "Muslims' Social Inclusion in Canada, Québec and France: Does National Context Matter?" *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 43(15): 2473-2498.

Laxer, Emily and Anna C. Korteweg. 2016. "Culture politique et politique de la culture: Luttres démocratiques dans le débat sur la charte des valeurs québécoises" ("The Culture of Politics and the Politics of Culture: Democratic Struggles in the Debate over the Charter of Québec Values"). *Recherches Sociographiques* LVII(2-3): 427-453.

Laxer, Emily, Rachael D. Carson and Anna C. Korteweg. 2014. "Articulating Minority Nationhood: Cultural and Political Dimensions in Québec's Reasonable Accommodation Debate". *Nations and Nationalism* 20(1): 133-153.

Laxer, Emily. 2013. "Integration Discourses and Generational Trajectories of Civic Participation in Multi-Nation States: A Comparison of the Canadian Provinces of Québec and Ontario". *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 39(10): 1577-1599.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Laxer, Emily. 2017. "Gender Inequality and the Role of Power, Politics and Representation." In Robert Brym, ed. *Income Inequality and the Future of Canadian Society*. Toronto: Rock's Mills Press.

Boyd, Monica and **Emily Laxer**. 2011. "Voting Across Immigrant Generations". In Lorne Tepperman and Angela Kalyta (eds). *Reading Sociology*. Toronto: Oxford Press.

BOOK REVIEWS

Laxer, Emily. 2019. Review of *Politicizing Islam: The Islamic Revival in France and India* by Z. Fareen Parvez. *Social Forces*, Online May 14.

Laxer, Emily. 2017. Review of *Veiled Threats: Representing the Muslim Woman in Public Policy Discourses* by Naaz Rashid. *Gender & Society* 31(3): 424-426.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Laxer, Emily. "Politicians Against the Law: Populism in Contemporary Canadian Politics".

Laxer, Emily. "Governance Feminism, Postcolonial Resistance and the Gendered Production of Nationhood: Studying Feminist Interventions in Québec's Religious Signs Debate".

Laxer, Emily. “Feminist Framing Efforts and the ‘Many Hands’ of the State: Revisiting the French Face Veil Debate”.

Laxer, Emily and Efe Peker. “Politicizing the Sacred, or Sacralizing the Political? Theorizing the Populism-Religion Nexus”.

Reitz, Jeffrey, **Emily Laxer**, and Patrick Simon. “National immigration ‘models,’ social welfare regimes, and Muslims’ economic incorporation in France and Canada”.

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

Laxer, Emily. “Québec’s ban on religious symbols will only embolden the far-right”, *Globe and Mail*, op-ed, June 27, 2019.

Laxer, Emily. “Linking Québec’s Values Charter to French Secularism is a Deception”, *Globe and Mail*, op-ed, December 18, 2013.

Laxer, Emily. “Québec’s Charter has Disrupted 50 Years of Nationalist Dialogue”, *Globe and Mail*, op-ed, September 25, 2013.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS (TOTAL: \$206,500)

2015	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Postdoctoral Fellowship, \$81,000
2013	Ontario Graduate Scholarship, \$10,000
2012	Doctoral Completion Award, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto, \$8,000
2010	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Doctoral Scholarship, \$40,000
2010	Ontario Graduate Scholarship (Declined), \$15,000
2009	Ontario Graduate Scholarship, \$15,000
2008	C.B. MacPherson Graduate Admissions Award, University of Toronto, \$5,000
2006	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canada Graduate Scholarship Master’s, \$17,500
2006	Banque Nationale Fellowship, Government of Québec, \$10,000
2006	McGill Graduate Studies Fellowship, McGill University, \$5,000

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2019 “Sacred Politics: When Populism Meets Religion”. *Parkland Institute, University of Alberta*. Edmonton, upcoming November 2019.

“Religious Populism across the East-West Divide: Toward an Analytic Framework” (with Efe Peker. *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*. Chicago, upcoming November 2019.

“National immigration ‘models,’ social welfare regimes, and Muslims’ economic incorporation in France and Canada” (with Jeffrey Reitz). *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. New York City: August 2019.

- “The gendered politics of (un)veiling: Feminist activism in the French and Québécois Islamic signs debates”. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Vancouver: June 2019.
- “Politicizing the Sacred, or Sacralizing the Political? Theorizing the Populism-Religion Nexus” (with Efe Peker). *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Vancouver: June 2019.
- Invited Book Talk: *Unveiling the Nation: The Politics of Secularism in France and Quebec*. *Department of Sociology: McMaster University*. Hamilton: April 2019.
- “Intended Threats or Collateral Damage? Party Conflicts Over Muslim Minorities in France and Québec. *Department of Sociology: McGill University (invited speaker)*. Montreal: March 2019.
- 2018 “National Integration ‘Models’, Social Welfare Regimes, and Muslims’ Economic Integration in France and Canada” (with Jeffrey Reitz). *Annual Meeting of the International Sociological Association*. Toronto: July 2018.
- 2017 “L’intégration des musulmans en France, au Québec, et dans le restant du Canada” (with Jeffrey Reitz). *Étudier la religion au Québec: regards d’ici et d’ailleurs*. Montreal: December 2017.
- “Commissioning National Culture: The Exercise of State Power in France’s Face Veil Debate”. *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*. Montreal: November 2017.
- “‘Impossible Laws’ and the Production of Minority Nationhood: Debating Québec’s 2013 Charter of Values’. *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. (Nations & Nationalism Panel). Montreal: August 2017.
- “Governance Feminism, Postcolonial Resistance and the Gendered Production of Nationhood: Studying Feminist Interventions in Québec’s Religious Signs Debate”. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Toronto: June 2017.
- ““We Are All Republicans”: Party Competition and the Production of Nationhood in France’s Face Veil Debate”. *Center for European Studies, University of Michigan*. Ann Arbor: February 2017.
- 2016 “Contestations over Muslim Integration in France and Québec: The Role of Party Politics”. Salon, *Department of Sociology, McMaster University*. Toronto: April 2016.
- 2015 “Muslim Integration in France, Québec and Canada: Political Dimensions”. *International Workshop on Muslim Integration in Europe and North America: New Directions in Comparative Research*. Paris: November 2015.
- “Gender Policy”. Discussant. *SD Clark Symposium on Income Inequality and the Future of Canadian Society*. Toronto: October 2015.

- “Governance Feminism and its Challengers: Theorizing the Gendered Politics of Religious Diversity in France and Québec”. *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. (Politics & Gender Panel.) Chicago: August 2015.
- “Party Competition and the Production of Nationhood in the Immigration Context: Particularizing the Universal for Political Gain in France and Québec”. With Anna C. Korteweg. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Ottawa: June 2015.
- 2014 “Competing Feminisms: The Gendered Politics of Religious Accommodation in France and Québec”. *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*. Toronto: November 2014.
- “Performing Legitimate Nationhood: Actors, Audiences and Scripts in the French Veil Debates”. *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. (Nations & Nationalism Panel.) San Francisco: August 2014.
- “Muslims’ Social Inclusion in Canada, Québec and France: Does National Context Matter?” *Annual Meeting of the International Sociological Association*. Yokohama: July 2014. Presented by Jeffrey Reitz and Patrick Simon.
- “The Politics of Culture and the Culture of Politics: Democratic Struggle in the French and Québécois Secularism Debates”. With Anna C. Korteweg. *Annual Meeting of the Council for European Studies*. Washington, DC: March 2014.
- 2013 “Redefining Republicanism as Practice: Vocabularies of Motive and Fields of Political Action in the French Veil Debates”. *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*. Chicago: November 2013.
- “Histories of Revolution and Strategies of Integration: Constructing Nationhood in France and Québec”. *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. New York City: August 2013.
- “Articulating Minority Nationhood: Cultural and Political Dimensions in Québec’s Reasonable Accommodation Debate”. With Rachael D. Carson and Anna C. Korteweg. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Victoria: June 2013.
- 2012 “Hybrid Ideologies and Strategies of Integration: Constructing Nationhood in France and Québec”. *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*. Vancouver: November 2012.
- “Recommending Nationhood: Government Commissions and Religious Accommodation in France and Québec”. *Annual Meeting of the Council for European Studies*. Boston: March 2012.
- 2011 “Governing the National Self: Immigration, Membership, and Belonging in the National Minority State”. With Rachael D. Carson and Anna C. Korteweg. *Annual Meeting of*

the American Sociological Association. (Nations & Nationalism Panel.) Las Vegas: August 2011.

“Voting across Immigrant Generations: Do Race and Feelings of Social Inclusion/Exclusion Matter?” With Monica Boyd. *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. Las Vegas: August 2011.

“The Impact of Official Bilingualism on the Earnings of the 1.5, 2nd and 3rd-plus generations in Canada”. With Monica Boyd. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Fredericton: June 2011.

“Citizenship Regime and Immigrant Integration in Minority Nations: Contrasting the Cases of Québec and Scotland. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Fredericton: June 2011.

2010 “Citizenship Regime and Immigrant Civic Participation in Multi-Nation States: Comparing Outcomes in Canada’s Multicultural and Intercultural Provinces”. *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*. Atlanta: August 2010.

2009 “Support for Québec Sovereignty: An Empirical Comparison of the Cost-Benefit and Social-Psychological Explanations”. *Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociological Association*. Ottawa: May 2009.

TEACHING

Course Instructor **State and Society**

Masters in Public and International Affairs, Glendon College, York University
Fall 2019

Gender, Politics, and Culture

Department of Sociology, Glendon College, York University
Winter 2019

Principles of Sociology

Department of Sociology, Glendon College, York University
Fall/Winter 2018-2019

Gendered Identities

Department of Sociology, University of Toronto
Winter 2018

Gender, Politics and Society

Department of Sociology, University of Toronto
Summer 2017

Immigration and Race Relations in Canada

Department of Sociology, University of Toronto

Summer 2011

Guest Lectures “Studying the French Veil Debate”, First Year Seminar in the Humanities, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, November 2016

“Culture, Politics & Physical Violence”, Sociology of Gender course, McMaster University, March 2016

Graduate Supervision Member of Comprehensive Exam Committee, Giovanni Carranza, PhD in Sociology (2019), York University.

Supervisor of Research Review Paper, Anna Benker, Master’s in Sociology (2018-2019), York University.

Co-supervisor of Major Research Paper, Kyle Hanna, Master’s in Public Policy and International Affairs (2018-2019), York University. Defended June 2019.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Conference organizer:

SD Clark Symposium on Income Inequality and the Future of Canadian Society, University of Toronto, 2015.

Session organizer:

“Theorizing Culture and the State”, *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*, Montreal, 2017 (with Victoria Reyes).

“Competing Feminisms: The Gendered Politics of Nationhood, Identity and Diversity”, *Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association*, Toronto, 2014.

Session discussant:

“Gender”, *Ethnic and Pluralism Studies Conference*, University of Toronto, Toronto, 2019.

Professional associations:

Social Science History Association (since 2013)

Council for European Studies (since 2012)

American Sociological Association, Political Sociology and International Migration (since 2010)

Canadian Sociological Association (since 2009), co-chair of the Political Sociology and Social Movements Research Cluster (since 2017)

Société québécoise pour l’étude de la religion (since 2017)

College-level committees:

Committee on Academic Standards, Teaching, and Learning (CASTL), Glendon College (2019-2020)

Adjudicating Committee for Dr. Elaine Coburn’s promotion to Associate Professor, Glendon College (2018)

Departmental committees:

Graduate Awards and Appeals Committee, Sociology, York University (2019-2020)

Adjudicating Committee for Dr. Shirin Shahrokni's promotion to candidacy, Sociology, Glendon College (2018)

Chair Search Committee, Sociology, University of Toronto (2015)

Graduate Chair Search Committee, Sociology, University of Toronto (2015)

Manuscript reviewer:

Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science

Citizenship Studies

Comparative Studies in Society and History

Ethnic and Racial Studies

Identities

Social Politics

University of British Columbia Press

LANGUAGES

English and French (full fluency in speaking, reading and writing)

CITIZENSHIP

Canadian

REFERENCES

Available upon request