

# Michelle Irving

Curriculum Vitae

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PhD Candidate

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## Education

- 2019 – Present      **PhD, Political Science, Rutgers the State University of New Jersey**  
Major: Women in Politics, Subfields: American, Methods  
Advisors: Kira Sanbonmatsu and Katie McCabe  
Anticipated graduation date: October 2023
- 2017 – 2019.      **MA, Political Science, Memorial University of Newfoundland**  
2019 Fellow of the School of Graduate Studies  
Thesis Advisor: Amanda Bittner  
Thesis: *“How do party leaders present themselves on social media? The race for premiership in Western Canadian Elections 2011 – 2017.”*
- 2006 – 2010.      **BA, Communications and English Literature, Simon Fraser University**

## Certifications

2021.      Advanced quantitative method courses in the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research: Multilevel Models, Data Visualization, Data Science and Text Analysis, Race, Ethnicity and Quantitative Methodology. June 21 – August 13, 2021.
2021.      Advanced qualitative method courses in the IQMR Summer Program in Qualitative and Multi-Method Social Research: Natural Experiments, Multi-Method Research, Computer Assisted Text Analysis and Social Media as Data.
2021.      Improving Classroom Skills Workshop certification from Rutgers School of Graduate Studies TA Project. Courses completed: Teaching a Summer Course, Preparing your Diversity Statement, Translating Teaching Skills for Careers Beyond the Academy. Sept 2020 – Dec 2021.

2020. International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) Summer Academy courses: Groups & Political Identities, Information Processing, Media Effects, Sexism and Gender Stereotypes, Emotions, Trust, Authoritarianism and Political Conflict. – Invited participant, July 11 – 13.
2020. Duke Summer Institute of Computational Social Science (SICSS) – Invited participant, June 14 – 26.

## Research Contributions

### **Refereed Contributions**

2019. **Irving, Michelle.** “Campaigns as Gendered Institutions: A Case Study across B.C. Premier and California Gubernatorial Campaigns,” *Mapping Politics* 9(1).
2010. World Association for Christian Communication (WACC), “Who makes the news? Global Media Monitoring Project, 2010” Radio contributor for Western Canadian Cohort under supervision of Dr. Kathleen Cross (Simon Fraser University). Findings published in the global report.

### **Forthcoming Contributions**

2022. Irving, Michelle. “Critical Junctures: Tammy Duckworth” In *Junctures in Women’s Leadership*. Eds. Julie Des Jardins New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press. – **chapter in progress.**
2021. Irving Michelle & Amanda Bittner. *Parents in Parliament: Moms are More Active on Twitter, but Dads Give More Personal Details*. *Social Media & Society* – **submitted.**

### **Other Refereed Contributions**

#### *Op-Eds*

2019. **Irving, Michelle.** “Women Politicians Must Still Bend to Gender Stereotypes” *Policy Options* – *invited contribution for [Policy Options](#) special issue on gender, media and politics published in March 2019.*

#### *Conference Papers*

2021. **Irving, Michelle.** “Baby Bump: The Political Consequences for Pregnant Candidates.” – *Presented at Harvard Experimental Political Science Conference. Virtual, April 22 – 24.*

2020. **Irving, Michelle.** “Baby Bump: The Political Consequences for Pregnant Candidates.” – *Presented at the Gender and Political Psychology Network Conference. Virtual, Oct 9.*
2019. Bittner, Amanda and **Michelle Irving.** “[Protective moms vs carefree dads? How do MPs portray their family lives on social media?](#)” - *Presented at the Canadian Political Science Association annual conference, Vancouver, BC, June 4 – 6 – Data collection, literature review and methods co-author.*
- Irving, Michelle.** “[Measuring Candidate Self-Presentation in 2011 – 2017 Western Canadian Provincial Elections](#)” – *Presented at the Canadian Political Science Association annual conference, Vancouver, BC, June 4 – 6.*
- Irving, Michelle.** “Measuring Candidate Self-Presentation in 2011 – 2017 Western Canadian Provincial Elections” –*Presented at the Bell Chair in Canadian Parliamentary Democracy Graduate Student Conference, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON, January 17 – 18.*
2018. Chezenko, Griffyn G., Brooke Steinhaur and **Michelle Irving.** “Gauging Women’s Presence on Newfoundland and Labrador Municipal Councils” – [Presented at the Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association \(APPSA\) Conference](#), St John’s NL, October 12 - 14 – **Data collection, data analysis author and literature review co-author.**
- Irving, Michelle.** “Measuring Candidate Self-Presentation in 2015 Alberta Provincial Election” – [Presented at the Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association \(APPSA\) Conference](#), St John’s NL, October 12 – 14.

### Professional Activities

**Center for American Women and Politics**

**January 2020 – Present**

Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University

#### *Graduate Research Assistant*

2021. Providing research support for Dr. Kelly Dittmar on State Case Study Project looking at Women’s Representation across Gender/Race/Partisanship at the state level. Focusing on media analysis of women’s representation in Oklahoma and Nevada. Background and data gathering for interviews with key actors in each state.
2020. Research for [Measuring Success: Women in 2020 Legislative Elections](#) report. Focusing on state legislative races, provided background on candidates and

completed data collection on state primary and general elections races for media distribution and published on CAWP website and database.

**Research Assistant for Dr. Lisa Miller**

**May – September 2020**

Department of Political Science, Rutgers University

- Survey design in Qualtrics on constitutional meaning of terms, historical media analysis on changing usage of constitutional terms

**Research Assistant for Dr. Amanda Bittner**

**Sept. 2017 – June 2019**

Department of Political Science, Memorial University

- Research support for publications on parenthood self-presentation in politics, perceptions of women candidates for book project

*Journal Peer Reviewer*

2018. Mapping Politics Student Journal, Memorial University of Newfoundland

Fellowships, Scholarships, and Awards

2021. Box-Steffensmeier Scholarship for ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research. Scholarship for both First & Second four-week session (June 21 – Aug 13, 2021). Valued at \$3,800.

2019. Rutgers University Fellowship. Valued at \$25,000.

Barney Power's Award. Valued at \$500.

Memorial University School of Graduate Studies Fellowship. Valued at \$6,000.

2018. Memorial University School of Graduate Studies Fellowship. Valued at \$6,000.

Mayor Andree P. Boucher Memorial Scholarship – *presented by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to a female graduate student with the best research paper on a topic related to women in politics.* Valued at \$4,500.

2005. Alexander Rutherford Scholarship from the Province of Alberta. Valued at \$2500

Grants

2020. "Emotional Suitability during a Crisis: Governor's Gender presentation differences on Twitter During Covid-19." funded by the Summer Institute for Computational Social Sciences (SICSS). Valued at \$4,000. Co-applicant with Cole Harvey (University of Oklahoma) and Jonne Kamphorst (European University Institute).

2018. “Men, Masculinity and Mindsets: Understanding Gender & Contemporary Attitudes” funded by Memorial University Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Scholarship in the Arts Grant Proposal. Valued at \$7,000. Collaborator. Faculty Applicant: Dr. Amanda Bittner (Memorial University).
2017. “Women in local politics in NL: Past, Present, Future” funded by J R Smallwood grant. Valued at \$5,000. Collaborator. Faculty Applicant: Dr. Amanda Bittner (Memorial University).

### Academic Service

- 2020 – 2021. Student organizer for Department Gender & Politics (GAP) seminar series.
- 2019 – 2021. Student Liaison to Faculty - Political Science Graduate Student Association (PSGSA), Rutgers University.

### *Conference Planning*

2019. Gender & Politics Committee Member: Gauging Women’s Presence in Municipal Politics Conference – *hosted March 22, 2019.*
2018. Academic Co-lead Sub Committee: Changing Political Landscapes Student Conference, Political Science, Memorial University of Newfoundland - *hosted April 10, 2018*
- Gender & Politics lab event lead: APPSA Pre-conference Gender & Politics workshop - *hosted Oct 12, 2018*

### *Lab Membership*

2019. Gender & Politics, Memorial University of Newfoundland. Sept 2017 – July 2019. Under direction of Dr. Amanda Bittner, collaborate with students on gender & politics projects – including Women in Local Politics in Newfoundland, presented at 2018 APPSA conference.

### Teaching Experience

- Sept. 2020 - present Graduate Teaching Assistant, ‘Law and Politics’, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University