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APPOINTMENTS

2017 – Graduate Coordinator, Department of Sociology, Memorial University

2016–2017 Senior Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg, Centre for Global Cooperation Research, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany

2016 – Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Memorial University

2015–2016 Graduate Coordinator, Department of Sociology, Memorial University 2010–2016 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Memorial University

2009–2010 Postdoctoral Fellow, School of Political Studies, University of Ottawa

EDUCATION

2009. Ph.D., Sociology. McGill University

2000. M.A., International Affairs. Carleton University

1998. B.A., History. (First Class Honours.) University of Calgary

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Liam Swiss. 2018. *The Globalization of Foreign Aid: Developing Consensus*. London: Routledge.

Journal Articles

Nilima Gulrajani and Liam Swiss. Forthcoming. "Donor Proliferation to What Ends? New Donor Countries and the Search for Legitimacy" *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*.

Kathleen M. Fallon, Alissa Mazar, and Liam Swiss. 2017. "The Development Benefits of Maternity Leave" *World Development*. 96: 102–118.

Liam Swiss. 2017. "Foreign Aid Allocation from a Network Perspective: The Effect of Global Ties" *Social Science Research*. 63: 111–123.

Yujiro Sano, Lisa Kaida, and Liam Swiss. 2017. "Earnings of Immigrants in Traditional and Non-Traditional Destinations: A Case Study from Atlantic Canada" *Journal of International Migration and Integration*. 18(3): 961–980.

Rose Ricciardelli, Hayley Crichton, Liam Swiss, Dale C. Spencer, and Michael Adorjan. 2017. "From Knowledge to Action? The Youth Criminal Justice Act and use of Extrajudicial Measures in Youth Policing" *Police Practice and Research*. 18(6): 599-611.

Liam Swiss. 2016. "World Society and the Global Foreign Aid Network" *Sociology of Development*. 2(4): 342–374.

- Liam Swiss and Kathleen M. Fallon. 2016. "Women's Transnational Activism, Norm Cascades, and Quota Adoption in the Developing World" *Politics and Gender*. http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X16000477. (equal co-authors).
- Mark C.J. Stoddart, Liam Swiss, Nicole G. Power, and Lawrence Felt. 2016. "Taking Care of Companion Animals: Institutional Policies, Interpretive Frameworks, and Practices regarding Domestic Animals in Newfoundland and Labrador" *Society and Animals*. 24(5): 423–444.
- Liam Swiss and Wesley Longhofer. 2016. "Membership has its privileges: Shared international organizational affiliation and foreign aid flows, 1978-2010" *Social Forces.* 94(4): 1769–1793.
- Liam Swiss. 2016. "A Sociology of Foreign Aid and the World Society" *Sociology Compass*. 10(1): 65–73.
- Liam Swiss and Stephen Brown. 2015. "The Aid Orphan Myth" *Third World Quarterly*. 36(2): 240–256. (equal co-authors).
- Robert C. Jones and Liam Swiss. 2014. "Gendered Leadership: The Effects of Female Development Agency Leaders on Foreign Aid Spending" *Sociological Forum*. 29(3): 571–586.
- Miriam J. Anderson and Liam Swiss. 2014. "Peace Accords and the Adoption of Electoral Quotas for Women in the Developing World, 1989-2005" *Politics and Gender*. 10(1): 33–61. (equal co-authors).
- Céline Le Bourdais, Magali Girard, Liam Swiss, and Évelyn Lapierre-Adamcyk. 2014. "Entre famille et vieillissement : Impact des transformations familiales aux âges avancés" *International Journal of Canadian Studies*. 47: 9–40.
- Stephen Brown and Liam Swiss. 2013. "The Hollow Ring of Donor Commitment: Country Concentration and the Decoupling of Aid Effectiveness Norms from Donor Practice" *Development Policy Review.* 31(6):737–755. (equal co-authors)
- Liam Swiss, Kathleen M. Fallon, and Giovani Burgos. 2012. "Does Critical Mass Matter? Women's Political Representation and Child Health in Developing Countries" *Social Forces*. 91(2): 531–558. (equal co-authors)
- Kathleen M. Fallon, Liam Swiss, and Jocelyn Viterna. 2012. "Resolving the Democracy Paradox: Democratization and Women's Legislative Representation in Developing Nations, 1975 to 2009" *American Sociological Review.* 77(3): 380–408. (equal co-authors)
- Liam Swiss. 2012. "The Adoption of Women and Gender as Development Assistance Priorities: An Event History Analysis of World Polity Effects" *International Sociology*. 27(1): 96–119.
- Liam Swiss. 2011. "Security Sector Reform and Development Assistance: Explaining the Diffusion of Policy Priorities Among Donor Agencies" *Qualitative Sociology.* 34(2): 371–393.

- Liam Swiss. 2009. "Decoupling Values from Action: An Event-History Analysis of the Election of Women in the Developing World 1945–1990" *International Journal of Comparative Sociology.* 50(1): 69–95.
- Liam Swiss and Céline Le Bourdais. 2009. "Father-Child Contact after Separation: The Influence of Living Arrangements" *Journal of Family Issues*. 30(5): 623–652.

Book Chapters

- Stephen Brown and Liam Swiss. 2017. "Canada's Feminist International Assistance Policy: Game Changer or Feminist Fig Leaf?" pp. 117-131 in Katherine A.H. Graham and Allan M. Maslove eds. *How Ottawa Spends* 2017-2018. Ottawa: Carleton University School of Public Policy and Administration.
- Liam Swiss and Jessica Barry. 2017. "Did Changes in Official Language lead to Spending Shifts?" pp. 23-48 In Rebecca Tiessen and Stephen Baranyi eds. *Obligations and Omissions: Canada's Ambiguous Actions on Gender Equality*. McGill-Queen's University Press. (equal co-authors)
- Liam Swiss. 2015. "Space for Gender Equality in the Security and Development Agenda? Insights from Three Donors" pp. 188-211 in Stephen Brown and Jörn Grävingholt eds. *The Securitization of Foreign Aid*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Liam Swiss. 2014. "Mimicry and Motives: Canadian Aid Allocation in Longitudinal Perspective" pp. 101-124 in David Black, Stephen Brown and Molly den Heyer eds. *Rethinking Canadian Aid: Foundations, Contradictions and Possibilities*. Ottawa: University of Ottawa Press.
- Liam Swiss. 2014. "Globalization and Social Change" pp. 299-317 in Lorne Tepperman, Patrizia Albanese, and James Curtis, eds. *Principles of Sociology: Canadian Perspectives.*(3rd ed.) Oxford University Press.
- Liam Swiss. 2012. "Gender, Security, and Instrumentalism: Canada's Foreign Aid in Support of National Interest?" pp. 135–158 in Stephen Brown, ed. *Struggling for Effectiveness: CIDA and Canadian Aid Policy*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Book Reviews

- Liam Swiss. 2018. "Review of Ann Swidler and Susan Cotts Watkins, A Fraught Embrace: The Romance and Reality of AIDS Altruism in Africa." *American Journal of Sociology*. 123(6): 1844–1846.
- Liam Swiss. 2009. "Review of Jackie Smith, Social Movements for Global Democracy." *Canadian Journal of Sociology.* 34(2): 520–522.

Reports

- Nilima Gulrajani and Liam Swiss. 2017. "Why do countries become donors? Assessing the drivers and implications of donor proliferation" Overseas Development Institute. London. 27 pages.
- Mark C.J. Stoddart, Liam Swiss, Nicole Power, and Lawrence F. Felt. 2012. "Taking Care of Pets: Institutional Policies, Perceptions and Practices Regarding Animal Welfare in Newfoundland and Labrador," Commissioned by the Chief Veterinary Office, NL. 25 pages.
- Liam Swiss. 2010. "A New National Project for Canadian Development Cooperation," Commissioned by the Walter & Duncan Gordon Foundation. 20 pages.
- Liam Swiss. 2010. "A Review of CIDA's Current Consultation Practices," Commissioned by the Canadian International Development Agency. 22 pages.

Commentary & Web Publications

- "Feminism on the Cheap: Can Canada Achieve its Ambitious Gender Equality Aid Targets with No New Money?" GrOW Research Bulletin. No. 5. February, 2018.
- "How to spend foreign aid like a feminist" The Conversation, July 3, 2017.
- "Do Maternity Leave Benefits Improve Economic and Social Development in Developing Countries?" with Kathleen M. Fallon and Alissa Mazar. Sociological Insights for Development Policy. ASA Section of Development Sociology. vol. 2, no. 4, June 16, 2017.
- "3 Ways New Donors Are Different And Why It Matters" Development Unplugged, Huffington Post, June 19, 2017.
- "Opaque Transparency in Canada's Foreign Aid" with Stephen Brown. The McLeod Group Blog, June 30, 2016.
- "Canada Should Act To Facilitate And Amplify Remittances" Development Unplugged, Huffington Post, March 2, 2016.
- "Canada Balancing Budget on Backs of World's Poorest" The McLeod Group Blog, April 22, 2015.
- "Tory war on evidence claims another casualty" with John McLevey. *Toronto Star* p. A15. September 24, 2014.
- "New Focus Countries Not About Effective Aid" Canadian Council for International Cooperation Blog, July 21, 2014.
- "Canadian Foreign Aid in Support of Women, Peace and Security 2011–2013" pp. 9-13 in Worth the Wait? Reflections on Canada's National Action Plan & Reports on Women, Peace & Security. Women, Peace, and Security Network - Canada, Ottawa, ON, May 8, 2014.
- "Project Approval Paralysis and Canada's Declining Aid Spending" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. April 12, 2014.

- "Canada's Aid Budget: Doing less with less" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. February 6, 2014.
- "A Remarkable Year for Canadian Foreign Aid" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. Decembr 27, 2013.
- "A Forced Marriage: DFAIT and CIDA for better or for worse" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. October 23, 2013.
- "Beyond the Echo Chamber" OpenCanada.org. Canadian International Council. August 1, 2013.
- "Does a New Minister Again Bring New Aid Priorities?" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. July 15, 2013.
- "Canadian Aid: New and Improved?" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. June 27, 2013.
- "New IDRC Appointments: DFAIT Takeover?" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. June 19, 2013.
- "Electing women to combat child mortality?" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. June 11, 2013.
- "Is the IDRC the next target" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. May 30, 2013.
- "Lowered expectations and the CIDA-DFAIT merger" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. May 22, 2013.
- "CIDA's Unspent Money" Ottawa Citizen Aid & Development Blog. April 30, 2013.
- "Fragmentation or Concentration in an Era of Aid Decline?" International Development in a Changing World Series. North-South Institute. October 31, 2012. (Reprinted as pp. 30-31 in: North-South Institute. 2013. *International Development in a Changing World.* NSI: Ottawa.)

UNDER REVIEW

- Miriam Anderson and Liam Swiss. "Social Rupture and Gender-Inclusive Peace Agreements, 1989-2011" Under review.
- Liam Swiss. "Buying Rights and Democracy: Foreign Aid, Political Conditionalities, and Isomorphism" Revise & resubmit.
- Qian Wei and Liam Swiss. "Filling Empty Promises? Foreign Aid and Human Rights Decoupling" Under review.
- Andrew C. Dawson and Liam Swiss. "Foreign Aid and the Rule of Law: Norm Diffusion Followed by Increased Decoupling?" Under review.

IN PROGRESS

- Alice Evans and Liam Swiss. "Cities, Gender Equality and Social Change in Africa and Asia"
- Emmanuel Banchani and Liam Swiss. "The Impact of Foreign Aid on Maternal Mortality"

- John-Michael Davis and Liam Swiss. "Need, Merit, Self-Interest or Convenience? Comparing Aid Allocation Motives Between ODA, Professionalized and Grassroots NGOs in Canada"
- Liam Swiss. "The Sustainable Development Goals and Donor Commitments to Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships: The case of Canada"
- Liam Swiss. "The Securitization Paradox: Unintended Consequences and Violence Against Aid Workers"
- Liam Swiss and Kathleen M. Fallon. "Foreign Aid and Norm Diffusion: The Case of Gender Equality"
- Nilima Gulrajani and Liam Swiss. "Donorship norms: origins, consequences and revolutions in development cooperation"
- Sam E. Morton, Judyannet W. Muchiri, and Liam Swiss. "How Feminist is Canada's Feminist Aid Policy?"

GRANTS AND
AWARDS
(SINCE 2010)

- 2016. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Insight Grant: "Developing Conformity: Foreign Aid and the Diffusion of Global Norms", \$178,080 (2016-2021) Principal Investigator, with Stephen Brown, Andrew Dawson, Kathleen M. Fallon, and Wesley Longhofer [Collaborators].
- 2016. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Insight Grant: "Canadian Development Cooperation and the new Politics of Partnership", \$180,000 (2016-2021) Co-Applicant, with David Black [Principal Investigator], Stephen Brown and John Cameron [Co-Applicants], Molly den Heyer and Shannon Kindornay [Collaborators].
- 2013. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Insight Grant: "Policy Coherence for Development and Canadian Foreign Aid", \$114,142 (2013-2018) Collaborator with Stephen Brown [Principal Investigator].
- 2012. Memorial University of Newfoundland Students Union MUNSU Award for Outstanding Contribution to Student Life.
- 2012. Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Conference Grant: "29th Annual Qualitative Analysis Conference", \$34,953
- 2011. Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Insight Development Grant: "The Institutionalization of the Global Foreign Aid Network, 1960-2008", \$45,504 (2011-2013)
- 2011. Memorial University, SSHRC Travel Grant Paper Presentation at Scholarly Conferences, \$1800
- 2010. Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Postdoctoral Fellowship, \$81,000 (2010-2012) declined

- 2018. "Filling Empty Promises? Foreign Aid and Human Rights Decoupling" with Qian Wei. International Sociological Association World Congress, Toronto, July.
- 2018. "Foreign Aid and Norm Diffusion: The Case of Gender Equality". with Kathleen M. Fallon. Memorial University, Gender and Politics Lab Speaker Series. St. John's, August.
- 2017. "Did Changes in Official Spending Lead to Spending Shifts?". Obligations and Omissions Authors Panel Discussion. Global Affairs Canada, Ottawa, October.
- 2017. "Multi-stakeholder Partnerships and the SDGs in Canadian Aid". Canadian Council for International Cooperation Annual Conference. Ottawa, September.
- 2017. "Foreign Aid and Norm Diffusion: The Case of Gender Equality". with Kathleen M. Fallon. American Sociological Association Meetings. Montreal, August.
- 2017. "Why Do Cities Tend to Disrupt Gender Ideologies and Inequalities?". with Alice Evans. American Sociological Association Meetings. Montreal, August.
- 2017. "Why do countries become donors? Assessing the drivers and implications of donor proliferation". with Nilima Gulrajani. European Workshops for International Studies. Cardiff University, Cardff, United Kingdom, June.
- 2017. "Why do countries become donors? Assessing the drivers and implications of donor proliferation". with Nilima Gulrajani. The DAC and Development Co-operation: Writing History with a Future Perspective. Käte Hamburger Kolleg Centre for Global Cooperation Research, Duisburg, Germany, May.
- 2017. "Foreign Aid and Decoupling: A Framework for Analysis". Aid, Norms, and the World Society Workshop. Käte Hamburger Kolleg Centre for Global Cooperation Research, Duisburg, Germany, May.
- 2017. "Foreign Aid and Norm Diffusion: The Case of Gender Equality". with Kathleen M. Fallon. Development in the Face of Global Inequalities. Institut Barcelona D'Estudis Internacionals. Barcelona, Spain, May.
- 2017. "Gender Equality as Aid Priority: The Micro-Level Influences of the World Society and Bureaucrat Agency". Micro-Moves in Inernational Institutions, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany, February.
- 2017. "The Securitization Paradox: Unintended Consequences and Violence Against Aid Workers". Unintended Effects of International Cooperation Conference, Radboud University and Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Den Haag, Netherlands, January.
- 2016. "Buying Rights and Democracy: Foreign Aid, Political Conditionalities, and Isomorphism". Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Re-

- search Colloquium, Univeristy of Duisburg-Essen. Duisburg, Germany, October.
- 2016. "Mimcry and Motives: Canadian Aid in Longitudinal Perspective." Canadian Association for the Study of International Development Conference. University of Calgary, Calgary, June.
- 2016. "Evolution of the Global Foreign Aid Network, 1960-2010: Sticky Ties, Donor Darlings, & Aid Orphans" Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. University of Calgary, Calgary, May.
- 2016. "Gendered Violence Against Aid Workers: The Effects of Securitized Aid" with Yasir Saeed. Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. University of Calgary, Calgary, May.
- 2015. "Buying Rights and Democracy: Foreign Aid, Political Conditionalities, and Isomorphism". American Sociological Association Meetings. Chicago, August.
- 2015. "For Better or For Worse? Maternity Leave and Development" with Kathleen M. Fallon and Alissa Mazar. American Sociological Association Meetings. Chicago, August.
- 2015. "Aid Under Attack: The Securitisation of Aid and Violence Against Foreign Aid Workers" with Yasir Saeed. Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. University of Ottawa, Ottawa, June.
- 2015. "Have Changes in Official Language led to Spending Shifts?" with Jessica M.V. Barry. Canadian Association for the Study of International Development Conference. University of Ottawa, Ottawa, June.
- 2015. "The Adoption of Gender-Inclusive Peace Accords, 1975-2011" with Miriam J. Anderson. Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. University of Ottawa, Ottawa, June.
- 2015. "For Better or For Worse? Maternity Leave and Development" with Kathleen M. Fallon and Alissa Mazar (Presenters). American Sociological Association Sociology of Development Section Annual Conference, Brown University, Providence, March.
- 2014. "Electoral Quotas in the Developing World" with Kathleen M. Fallon. International Political Science Association World Congress, Montreal, July.
- 2014. "The Aid Orphan Myth" with Stephen Brown. International Political Science Association World Congress, Montreal, July.
- 2014. "Do donors care about democracy and human rights?" Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. Brock University, St. Catharines, May.
- 2014. "Despite Bad Intentions: Equality between Women and Men and the Resilience of Gender Equality in Canadian Foreign Aid" with Jessica M.V. Barry. Canadian Association for the Study of International Development Conference. Brock University, St. Catharines, May.

- 2014. "The Impact of Foreign Aid on Maternal Mortality" with Emmanuel Banchani (presenter). Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. Brock University, St. Catharines, May.
- 2014. "The Impact of Foreign Aid on Maternal Mortality" with Emmanuel Banchani (presenter). Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Boston, May.
- 2013. "Membership has its privileges: Shared international organizational affiliation and foreign aid flows, 1978-2010" with Wesley Longhofer. ASA Development Sociology Section Annual Conference. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, October.
- 2013. "Do donors care about democracy and human rights?" Sociology Speaker Series, Memorial University. St. John's, October.
- 2013. "Mockingbird or Maverick? Canadian Aid Allocation in Longitudinal Perspective" Rethinking Canadian Aid Symposium, Centre for Foreign Policy Studies, Dalhousie University. Halifax, September.
- 2013. "Membership has its privileges: Shared international organizational affiliation and foreign aid flows, 1978-2010" with Wesley Longhofer. American Sociological Association Meetings. New York, August.
- 2013. "Taking Care of Pets: Institutional Policies, Interpretive Frameworks, and Practices regarding Domestic Animals in Newfoundland and Labrador" with Mark C.J. Stoddart, Nicole G. Power, and Lawrence Felt. American Sociological Association Meetings. New York, August.
- 2013. "The Aid Orphan Myth" with Stephen Brown. Center for Global Cooperation Research, University of Duisberg-Essen, Germany, June.

INVITED TALKS (SINCE 2013)

- 2017. "Foreign Aid and Norm Diffusion: The Case of Gender Equality". with Kathleen M. Fallon. School of International Development and Global Studies, University of Ottawa, September.
- 2017. "Feminist Aid, Feminist Data?" Invited presentation to the Canadian Association for the Study of International Development Certificate Workshop, School of International Development and Global Studies, University of Ottawa, September.
- 2017. "Aid Worker Insecurity: A Securitization Paradox?" Invited presentation to the German Development Institute, Bonn, March.
- 2017. "Aid Worker Insecurity: A Securitization Paradox?" Invited presentation to the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Peace and Security Division, Berlin, February.
- 2015. "For Better or For Worse? Maternity Leave and Development" with Kathleen M. Fallon and Alissa Mazar. Work and Employment Speaker Series, MER Program, Memorial University, April.

- 2014. "Foreign Aid & the Diffusion of Human Rights Norms" Invited presentation to the Danish Institute for International Studies, Copenhagen, October.
- 2014. "Does Critical Mass Matter? Women's Political Representation and Child Health in Developing Countries" Invited presentation to the Global Health Speakers Series, Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University, St. John's, February.
- 2013. "A Forced Marriage: Implications of the CIDA-DFAIT Merger" Invited keynote address to *The Politics of Aid Implications of the CIDA-DFAIT Merger* Conference, School of Public Policy and Administration, Carleton University, Ottawa, October.
- 2013. "The Future of Canadian Aid" Invited presentation to Oxfam Canada Atlantic Regional Summit, Memorial University, May.
- 2013. "Canadian Foreign Aid: A Mile Wide and an Inch Deep" Invited presentation to MUN Engineers Without Borders Lunch n' Learn Series, Memorial University, March.

TEACHING Memorial University

Global Social Problems (undergraduate lecture; online course)

International Development (undergraduate lecture)

Gender and Development (undegraduate seminar)

Development Sociology (undegraduate seminar)

Methods of Sociological Research (graduate seminar)

Advanced Quantitative Methods (graduate seminar)

Sociology Graduate Seminar (graduate seminar)

Quantitative Methods (graduate seminar, employment relations program)

Other Universities

Politics of Foreign Aid; University of Ottawa (undergraduate seminar) Gender Relations, Development, and Globalization; University of Ottawa Gender and International Relations; Carleton University (undergraduate seminar)

Development and Underdevelopment; McGill University (undergraduate lecture)

STUDENT Dissertation Supervision & Committees

ADVISING

Emmanuel Banchani

Cory Collins

Heather Dicks (supervisor)

Jian Fu

Paula Graham

Kelly Greenfield (co-supervisor) Navjotpal Kaur

Judyannet Muchiri (co-supervisor)

Elahe Nezhadhossein (co-supervisor)

Qian Wei

Meng Yu

Christopher W. Martin, 2018

John-Michael Davis, 2017 (Geography)

MA Thesis/Major Paper

Jessica Boateng

Chimemerigo Ilonze

Samantha Morton

Omotola Obadein, 2018

Judyannet Muchiri, 2017

Enoka Bainomugisha, 2016

Kim Wakeford, 2016 (Gender Studies)

Ewa Cichewicz, 2014

Yujiro Sano, 2014

Jessica Frenette, 2013

Christopher W. Martin, 2012

Amanda Dawe, 2012 (MER Program)

Honours Thesis

Alicia Poole, 2016

Kora Liegh Russell, 2014

Jessica Barry, 2013

Robert C. Jones, 2012

SERVICE Memorial University

Chair, Hiring Committee, Department of Sociology, 2013–2015; 2017–2018 Member, Planning and Research Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2018–

Chair, Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Sociology, 2015–2016; 2017–Member, Hiring Committee, Department of Sociology, 2010–2011; 2013–2015; 2017–2018

Member, Promotions and Tenure Committee, Department of Sociology, 2017–

Co-founder, Quantitative Social Science in the Arts Group , Faculty of Arts, 2015–2017

- Member, Field School Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2015–2016
- Member, Graduate Studies Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2013–2016; 2017–2018
- Member, Graduate Committee on Employment Relations, School of Graduate Studies, 2012–2015
- Member, SSHRC University Selection Committee, School of Graduate Studies, 2011; 2013–2015
- Member, Headship Search Committee, Department of Sociology, 2013–2014
- Member, SSHRC Vanier Scholarship Committee, School of Graduate Studies, 2012–2014
- Member, Graduate Program Review Committee, Department of Sociology, 2011–2012
- Member, Senate Undergraduate Scholarships, Bursaries and Awards Committee, 2011–2014
- Coordinator, Memorial University Department of Sociology Speaker Series, 2011–2013
- Member, Conference Organizing Committee, 29th Annual Qualitative Analysis Conference, 2011–2012
- Member, Going Global Grant Advisory Board, International Centre, 2011–2014 Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, 2011; 2015

To the profession

- Vice President, Canadian Association for the Study of International Development, 2011–2012; 2018–
- Associate Editor, Canadian Review of Sociology, 2015-
- Member, Best Student Paper Award Committee, Sociology of Development Section, American Sociological Association, 2016; 2017
- Organizer, Workshop on "Aid, Norms, and the World Society", Käte Hamburger Kolleg Centre for Global Cooperation Research, 2017
- Member, SSHRC Insight Development Grants Review Committee (Committee 4: Sociology & Demography), 2017
- Member, Steering Committee, CCUPIDS/CASID IDS Employment Outcomes Project, 2014–2017
- Cluster Coordinator, Sociology of Development Research Cluster, Canadian Sociological Association, 2015–2016
- Listserv Coordinator, Political Sociology and Social Movements Research Cluster, Canadian Sociological Association, 2013–2016

- Member, Nominations Committee, Canadian Sociological Association, 2014–2015
- Listserv & Website Coordinator, Sociology of Development Research Cluster, Canadian Sociological Association, 2013–2014
- Past President, Canadian Association for the Study of International Development, 2013–2014
- President, Canadian Association for the Study of International Development, 2012–2013
- Vice President, Canadian Association for the Study of International Development, 2011–2012
- Student Affairs Representative, Executive Board, Canadian Association for the Study of International Development, 2000–2002
- Reviewer for: American Journal of Sociology; American Political Science Review; American Sociological Review; Asian Women; British Journal of Sociology; The Canadian Geographer; Canadian Journal of Development Studies; Canadian Review of Sociology; Demographic Research; Ethnography; European Sociological Review; Gender and Society; Global Public Health; International Journal; International Journal of Comparative Sociology; International Review of Sociology; International Studies Perspectives; Journal of Family Issues; Journal of Conflict Resolution; Journal of Development Studies; Journal of Peacebuilding and Development; Journal of Policy History; Journal of Women, Politics, and Policy; Law & Social Inquiry; Politics and Gender; Public Administration and Development; Qualitative Sociology; Representation; Social Forces; Social Problems; Social Science & Medicine; Social Science Research; Sociological Forum; Sociological Perspectives; Sociology Compass; Sociology of Development; The Sociological Quarterly; Third World Quarterly; Third World Thematics; World Development; Economic and Social Research Council (UK); National Science Foundation (US); Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; Routledge; University of Ottawa Press.