



Message from the President

Kia ora koutou katoa. The most important event in our calendar, our Annual Meeting, is coming up next week. The organisers have done a wonderful job of putting together an exciting Programme, with a range of interesting speakers. I look forward to seeing a lot of you there. The social highlight of the conference is, of course, the dinner, and one of the special things I get to do as President is present the NZPSA Annual Prizes for the best student essays and conference papers. We have decided to extend the deadline for submission of entries for these prizes until **5 pm Thursday 21st November**. NZPSA offers five prizes annually. There are prizes for the best post-graduate conference paper on either Environmental Politics, NZ Politics, or any other topic in political studies. **If you are a post-graduate giving a paper at the conference, please consider submitting your paper for one of these prizes.** The other two prizes are for the best undergraduate essay on any aspect of politics in Aotearoa New Zealand, and for the best undergraduate essay on Māori politics. **Course coordinators are invited to submit outstanding essays on behalf of their students.** Details on how to submit may be found here: <https://nzpsa.com/prizes>.

2019 NZPSA Annual Conference

The Department of Political Science and International Relations at the University of Canterbury is very pleased to be hosting the 2019 NZPSA Conference in Christchurch. The conference will be held on the **27th-29th of November** with a postgraduate workshop on the morning of the 27th of November.

Conference Theme: Community, Security, Humanity.

On the afternoon of 15 March, 2019, a gunman attacked two Mosques in Christchurch, killing fifty innocent civilians and wounding fifty more. The reverberations from this horrific act of terrorism have overturned many of the previous assumptions about New Zealand politics and society, generating vital debates about the nature of our community, the ways in which we think about security, and the interaction between these events and our broader sense of humanity.

NZPSA 2019 presents us with an opportunity to consider how this violent rupture impacts upon and transforms our way of thinking about politics in this country and in the wider world. These themes emphasise both differences and commonalities; the recognition that each community is always composed of a multitude of different communities, all sharing the common expectation that they can live their lives with a reasonable degree of security and dignity.

There are no set streams for this conference as we aim to encourage intersectional conversations on common themes, so panels will be constructed primarily on a thematic rather than disciplinary basis.

More details, including speakers and registration, can be found on the conference website:

<https://nzpsa.com/2019-nzpsa-conference>

VACANCY! NZPSA PhD Administrator Role

So, after around 2 years in the above role, I am stepping down in early 2020, as I am submitting my PhD dissertation early in the New Year and am hoping to be able to move on to bigger and better things. Not to mention my 'Commander in Chief' in this role, Kate, is also stepping down, so I guess it's time for a changing of the guard all around.

I want to thank everyone for the amazing opportunity I've had over 2018 & 2019 in this role. I've had the chance to interact on a personal & professional capacity with so many of you across this organisation and our disciplines, something I never would have had if Karl (my supervisor) had not suggested that I apply in 2017. From simply fielding organisational emails and working with members on website updates, to volunteering to be on the 2018 Conference Committee (and working with the best Conference Head ever – Ayca!) to taking over the reins of Women Talking Politics 2019 editorship off the back of this work, it's been a wonderful and rewarding journey.

At a basic level, the NZPSA PhD Administrator role is about maintaining & updating the NZPSA website, managing the emails, responding to requests as needed and/or forwarding such to the exec. You also work with the President each quarter to put out this newsletter. Honestly, it's not a lot of work. But it can be such a worthwhile springboard to networking and other opportunities as a new academic.

So, thank you all so much. I look forward to what is next. And if you know of employment opportunities I'd love to have coffee! I've heard a rumour of this thing called 'money'...

Please circulate amongst your colleagues & students.

With ever so many thanks,
Sarah Hendrica Bickerton

Publishing & Calls for Papers

Publish in *New Zealand Sociology*

New Zealand Sociology journal is always on the look-out for high quality submissions to review for publication. If you are writing about New Zealand or have research findings of relevance to New Zealanders, send us your manuscript today to be considered for 2020 issues. We accept a wide range of theoretical and empirical material, including articles on Maori and Pasifika issues, policy, gender, politics, class, race and ethnicity, social justice, the environment and much more. We are also open to publishing research using innovative methodologies. You don't need to be a sociologist or an academic but do make sure you look at the author guidelines! See: <http://www.nzsociology.nz/>

Call for papers: Special Issue of Journal of Business Ethics

Multi-stakeholder Engagement for the Sustainable Development Goals: Ethical and organisational challenges

Agenda 2030 and its 17 Sustainable Development goals (SDGs) have been widely adopted by businesses, governments and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) since their introduction at the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit. Our focus is that action for Agenda 2030 is partly impeded by its overall complexity and all issues related to it. Organizations are limited in the support they can offer to innovate towards accomplishing the SDGs. The intricacy of the 17 agendas and the diversity of stakeholders related to issues addressed by organizations can be seen as a force as well as a threat. The diversity of stakeholders affected forces organizations to pursue multi-stakeholder engagement and collaboration in order to achieve the SDGs. The United Nations acknowledges that progress on the SDGs agenda is too slow, asking how we can accelerate the pace for change. Authors are strongly encouraged to refer to the Journal of Business Ethics website for instructions on submitting a paper and for more information about the journal. Submission to the special issue, by March 31, 2020, is required through Editorial Manager at: <http://www.editorialmanager.com/busj>

Call for Papers: “The Future of Public Audit” Financial Accountability & Management Special Issue And Workshop

The audit profession has been under an ongoing ‘rumbling’ controversy of not being fit for purpose that has made it the subject of great scrutiny and much debate that will continue into the 2020’s, with critical questions asking whether audit is able to meet the expectations of society. The special issue is interested in any paper that addresses the current state of public audit, where it may be heading and what are the implications for society and the public interest. The SI is open to all forms of methodology. This includes historical, archival, field study and comparative studies among others. We would particularly be interested in any studies that involve co-authoring between academics and practitioners, although the research would be expected to make a substantive theoretical contribution. A workshop will be held in London, England, on June 18th, 2020. Authors wishing to present at the workshop should submit a paper proposal (maximum 2 paged in length) to Laurence Ferry (laurence.ferry@durham.ac.uk) by February 28th, 2020. Authors of selected papers from the workshop will be invited to submit revised papers for this special issue, subject to the journal’s normal review processes. Attendance and/or presentation at the workshop is not a pre-requisite for submission to the special issue. Any queries or enquiries about the special issue should be directed to: ileana.steccolini@essex.ac.uk

Call for Papers: Financial Accountability & Management Special Issue

Accounting and accountability for the digital transformation of public services

Digital technologies are increasingly transforming public services. Governments are (more or less voluntarily) widely adopting social media, analytics, machine-learning-based algorithms and artificial intelligence tools. Such technologies are claimed to ensure better engagement with stakeholders, through the delivery of smart(er) public services and personalized public policies. This special issue aims to enhance the theoretical and practical understanding of accounting and accountability in the digital transformation of public services and policy practices, with particular reference to opportunities, risks and challenges that digital data and digital technologies are bringing to accounting and accountability in public service organizations. We encourage theoretical, conceptual and empirical submissions from different institutional contexts and by scholars across disciplines.

The deadline for submission of full papers via the Financial Accountability & Management online platform is August 31st 2020. The guest editors welcome enquiries and declarations of interest before submitting. These should be addressed to Ileana Steccolini ileana.steccolini@essex.ac.uk

Conferences & Events

ECR Opportunity: Knowledge Frontiers Forum

11-12 November 2019, Brisbane, Australia

The Knowledge Futures Forum will bring together up to forty early career researchers (ECRs) from the UK, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region, from across the humanities and social sciences to discuss key questions around a "futures" theme. The British Academy and Australian Academy of the Humanities have made places available for up to four New Zealanders and two Pacific Islands delegates, with Royal Society Te Apārangi providing travel grants of up to \$750 (up to \$750 for ECR Forum Members and Pacific delegates, two-thirds of cost up to \$500 for non-member New Zealand delegates) <https://royalsociety.org.nz/news/knowledge-frontiers-forum-sponsored/>

24th Annual IRSPM 2020 Conference

22-24 April 2020, Tampere, Finland

The theme of the IRSPM 2020 conference is "Smart Public Services?" Smart public services make life easier for their service users, involving as they do the application of technologies and effectively designed service systems to solve problems that users cannot solve alone. Opportunities vary between locales and sets of users, and over time the processes and goals of public services, too, vary and are in constant need of discourse around relevance and appropriateness. Smart public service addresses a number of themes, such as smart cities, smart service design and service processes, evidence-based public services and the use of smart technology to deliver public services. We envisage research presentations on leading public service design being rooted in practice, while heralding debates beyond NPM, beyond governances, emergent hybrid organising, and beyond the management of networks focusing on advances in co-creation and public value. <https://events.tuni.fi/irspm2020/>

Employment

Assistant/Associate Professor in Public Budgeting and Financial Management

Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy, University at Albany, State University of New York

The Department of Public Administration & Policy at the University at Albany's Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor beginning fall 2020. Applicants must possess a specialization in public budgeting, public finance, and/or public financial management. Candidates must be committed to excellence in scholarly research and should be effective teachers. Faculty in Rockefeller College are expected to pursue an active research program, teach and supervise undergraduate and graduate students, and engage in service activities.

<https://albany.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp?JOBID=113096>

Nonprofit Management Faculty Position

The University of Delaware's Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration

The Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration invites applications for an open rank tenure-track or tenured faculty position with a primary focus on Nonprofit Management. We seek an exceptional colleague with a record of research excellence in Nonprofit Management. Qualified candidates must have a Ph.D. at the time of application and will have a scholarly record appropriate to the academic rank of the appointment that includes peer-reviewed scholarly publications, an active research agenda, and experience or commitment to teaching courses on the nonprofit sector, nonprofit management, and strategic planning, marketing and fundraising. Ideal candidates will have a record of, or commitment to, seeking external funding. Responsibilities will include maintaining a high impact research agenda that has the potential to appear in top field and specialty journals, teaching a full breadth of nonprofit management courses, and advising students.

<http://www.udel.edu/careers>

**Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) of Political Science
University of Texas at San Antonio**

The Department of Political Science and Geography invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position to teach undergraduate and graduate level courses as part of the degree requirements in five of the Department's degree programs: Political Science (graduate and undergraduate), Global Affairs (graduate and undergraduate), and Politics and Law (undergraduate). Required courses in these programs include: Designing Research in Political Science; Quantitative Methods in Political Science; Research Methods in Global Affairs; and graduate Research Methods. The appointment begins Fall 2020. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Political Science or directly related discipline by August 31, 2020. Evidence of ability to teach all research design and methods courses listed above at undergraduate and graduate levels. Teaching at the undergraduate level includes instruction in understanding, interpreting, assessing, and developing research designs; and literacy and basic proficiency in statistical topics and techniques (e.g., classic hypothesis testing, univariate through multivariate analyses, data management, entry and manipulation, and graphical presentation of analysis).

<https://jobs.utsa.edu> (click on Faculty for details)

**Tenured Full or Associate Professor, Cyber politics and National/International Security Policy.
University of Texas at San Antonio**

The Department of Political Science and Geography invites applications for a tenured faculty position at the Full Professor or Associate Professor level in cyberpolitics and national or international security policy to begin Fall 2020. The position is part of a cross-disciplinary, campus-wide initiative in the area of cybersecurity. Scholars conducting cross-disciplinary research in applied cyber security are encouraged to apply, but an applicant's primary field must be Political Science or closely related discipline. We are especially interested in candidates who link cybersecurity to broader social, political, economic, and policy questions in the contexts of national and/or international security. The successful candidate will be expected to contribute directly to the Department's nascent doctoral program in cyber politics and will be expected to collaborate on research and grant applications with faculty in Computer Science, Information Systems and Cyber Security, Engineering, and UTSA's highly regarded Cyber Security Program. Teaching responsibilities include two courses per semester in the Department's traditional undergraduate and/or graduate courses in Political Science and Global Affairs.

<https://jobs.utsa.edu> (click on Faculty for details)

PhD Page

The PhD page normally features the profiles of recently completed doctoral scholars, in recognition of their achievement. If you have completed yours, or know of someone from the NZPSA community who has recently completed theirs, please contact us with the details so that we may share your success.



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