Lisa McIntosh Sundstrom  
Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION:

2002  Ph.D., Political Science. Stanford University.  
1993  Certificate in advanced Russian language. Pushkin Institute of  
      Russian Language, Moscow.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

2002 – Present  University of British Columbia, Department of Political Science.  
                Associate Professor (2009-present)  
                Assistant Professor (2002-2009)

PUBLICATIONS:

Books

Sundstrom, Lisa McIntosh and Valerie Sperling, with Melike Sayoglu.  
Courting Gender Justice: Russia, Turkey, and the European Court of Human Rights.  

Sundstrom, Lisa McIntosh.  
Funding Civil Society: Transnational Actors and NGO Development in Russia.  

Edited Volumes

Harrison, Kathryn and Lisa McIntosh Sundstrom, eds.  
Global Commons, Domestic Decisions: The Comparative Politics of Climate Change.  
My authored components are:


Lisa McIntosh Sundstrom, “Soldiers’ Rights Groups in Russia: Civil Society through Russian and Western Eyes,” pp. 178-96.

Refereed Journal Articles


Beznosova, Olga and Lisa McIntosh Sundstrom. “Western Aid and the State-Society
Lisa McIntosh Sundstrom  
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Sundstrom, Lisa McIntosh. "Carrots and Sticks for Democracy in the OAS: Comparison with the East European Experience". Canadian Foreign Policy. 10.3 (2003): 45 - 60.


Other Journal Articles


**Book Chapters**


**Book Reviews**


Manuscripts in Submission


Manuscripts in Preparation

Henry, Laura A. and Lisa McIntosh Sundstrom. BRICS NGOs and the Comparative Politics of Global Governance. Book manuscript in progress, with equal contributions by both authors (70% complete).

Op-Ed Articles

“Bringing Democracy Promotion Back into Canada’s Assistance Policies,” Policy Options magazine, Institute for Research on Public Policy (Montreal), September 21, 2016. (Accompanying podcast interview also available at irpp.org).


AWARDS AND HONOURS:


2006 Russian Civil Society chosen as an Outstanding Academic Title for 2006 by Choice (journal of the Association of College and Research Libraries)

MAJOR GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

2017-2018 UBC Research Excellence Fund Research Cluster Grant Renewal. Co-Investigators: Maxwell Cameron and Sheryl Lightfoot, Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia. Project: “Global Challenges to Democracy: Rights, Freedoms and Self-Determination.”


2016-2017 UBC Research Excellence Fund Research Cluster Grant. Co-Investigators: Maxwell Cameron and Sheryl Lightfoot, Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia. Project: “Global
Challenges to Democracy: Rights, Freedoms and Human Development.”

2013-2016 Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada Insight Grant. Collaborator: Valerie Sperling, Clark University, USA. Project: “Russian Gender Discrimination Cases and the European Court of Human Rights: Barriers and Opportunities.”


1999-2000 IREX International Advanced Research Opportunities in Eurasia Program.

INVITED TALKS:

2017 “Courting Gender Justice: Gender Discrimination Cases in Russia and at the European Court of Human Rights.” Harriman Institute
for Russian, Eurasian and East European Studies, Columbia University, November 13.

2015

“Russian Gender-Based Discrimination Cases and the European Court of Human Rights: Barriers and Opportunities.” Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University, March 12.

2014

“Are Women’s Rights Human Rights? Gender Discrimination Cases and the European Court of Human Rights in Russia.” Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, December 11.

“What Are They Thinking? Understanding Russia’s Actions in Ukraine.” Women’s Probus Club of Vancouver, Point Grey Golf & Country Club, July 8.

“Trying Sex in Russia: Gender-based Discrimination Cases at the European Court of Human Rights.” European University in St. Petersburg, St. Petersburg, Russia, June 25.

2012


2010

Invited lecturer at University of Helsinki Aleksanteri Institute International Summer School for doctoral students on “Civil Society Around the Baltic Sea.” Aland Islands, Finland, June 6-11.

2009

“Western Aid and State-Society Relations: The Divergent Trajectories of Civil Society in Two Russian Cities.” Department of Political Science, University of Calgary, March 31.

2006


2005

2004

“Western Aid to NGOs: Patterns and Challenges.” United States Embassy, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, May.

“Global Civil Society: Conceptual Meanings and Controversies.”
Senior undergraduate class, Mongolian State Pedagogical University, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, May.

“Democratization and Semi-Authoritarianism in Post-Communist Countries.” Social Sciences Department, Mongolian State Pedagogical University, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, May.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

2018

Association for the Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Boston, December 6-9.


Workshop on Interest Groups, International Organizations, and Global Problem-Solving Capacity, Stockholm University, June 11-12.

- Presentation of paper “BRICS Interest groups and global governance: Uneven ascendancy.” Co-author Laura A. Henry.


- Presentation of paper “Courting Gender Justice: Russia, Turkey, and Gender Discrimination Cases at the European Court of Human Rights.” Co-author Valerie Sperling.

- Discussant and chair on panel: “Rethinking Civic Engagement.”
2017

- Association for the Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Chicago, November 9-12.
  - Presentation of paper “Courting Gender Justice: Bringing Gender Discrimination Cases in Russia and at the European Court of Human Rights.” Co-author Valerie Sperling.
  - Discussant on panel: “Coping with Repressive Laws: Russian NGOs’ Response to the Law on Foreign Agents.”
- “1917 and Today: Putin, Russia and the Legacy of Revolution” Conference, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, October 25-27.
  - Discussant and chair on panel: “Anniversary, Commemoration, Silence.”

  - Presentation of paper “Changing Climates in Russia and China: NGOs and Transnational Climate Advocacy in Authoritarian States.” Co-author Laura Henry (note: I could not attend due to illness but was an equal co-author).

2016

- Association for the Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Washington, DC, November 17-20.
  - Presentation of paper “LGBT Discrimination Cases in Russia and at the European Court of Human Rights.” Co-author Valerie Sperling.
  - Chair on panel: “Russia and China Civil Society Comparisons.”

- Law and Society Association Conference, New Orleans, June 2-5.
  - Presentation of paper “Are Women’s Rights Human Rights? Gender Discrimination Cases and the European Court of Human Rights in Russia.” Co-author Valerie Sperling.
  - Discussant on panel: “International Courts and Society.”

- Workshop on Assessment Power in World Politics, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, May 6-7.

International Studies Association Convention, Atlanta, GA, March:
- Discussant on panel: “NGO Backlash? Changing Patterns of NGO-State Relations.”

2015
- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, September:
  - Presentation of paper “BRICS NGOs and Global Governance: Ascendance or Absence?” (co-authors Laura A. Henry and Priya Bala-Miller).

International Studies Association Convention, New Orleans, LA, February:
- Presentation of paper “Global Governance at Home: NGOs as Governance Promoters in Russia and the other BRIC States.” Co-author Laura A. Henry.

2014
- Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, San Antonio, TX, November:
  - Presentation of paper “Are Women’s Rights Human Rights? Gender Discrimination Cases and the European Court of Human Rights in Russia.” Co-author Valerie Sperling.
  - Discussant on panel: “Between State Policies and Citizens’ Interests: The Societal Role of Socially Oriented NGOs in Russia.”

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August:
- Presentation of paper “Russian Gender Discrimination Cases at the European Court of Human Rights: Why so few?” Co-author Valerie Sperling.

2013
- Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Boston, MA, November:
  - Presentation of paper “Trying Sex in Russia: Gender-based Discrimination Cases at the European Court of Human Rights” Co-author Valerie Sperling.
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August:
  - Presentation of paper “Global Governance in the BRICS: The Role of NGOs.” Co-author Laura A. Henry.

International Studies Association Convention, San Francisco, CA, April:
  - Presentation of paper “Russia, the BRICs and the Domestic Politics of Global Governance: Initial Explorations on Corporate Social Responsibility.” Co-author Laura A. Henry.

2011

Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Washington, DC, November:
  - Presentation of paper “Better with Honey or Vinegar? Examining Russian Domestic NGO Efforts on Implementation of European Court of Human Rights Judgment.”

International Studies Association Convention, Montreal, QC, March:
  - Presentation of paper “Russian NGOs and the European Court of Human Rights: A Spectrum of Approaches to Litigation.”
  - Discussant on panel: “Women’s Rights, Human Rights: Comparative Perspectives.”

2010

Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Los Angeles, CA, November:
  - Presentation of paper “Russian NGOs and the European Court of Human Rights: A Spectrum of Approaches to Litigation.”
  - Discussant on panel: “Civil Society under a Semi-Authoritarian Political Regime in Russia.”

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August:
  - Discussant on panel: “Comparative Perspectives on Judicial Politics in Eastern Europe and Latin America.”

International Studies Association Convention, New Orleans, LA, February:
- Presentation of paper “Russia’s Dual Approach to Climate Change: Domestic and International Priorities.” Co-author Laura A. Henry.

2009 Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA, November:
- Discussant on panel: “Political System Transformation in Today’s Russia.”

2008 Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA, November:
- Discussant on panel: “Crisis Centres Fighting Domestic Violence in Post-Soviet Russia.”

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August:
- Presentation of paper “Braking the Backslide: Which International Mechanisms Can Best Assist Russian Civil Society?”

Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC, June:
- Presentation of paper “Braking the Backslide: Which International Mechanisms Can Best Assist Russian Civil Society?”
- Discussant on panel “Parties, Voters, and Party Systems in Postcommunist States”

Canadian Association of Slavists Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC, June:
- Chair and Co-Discussant on panel “Parties and Elections in Postcommunist States, Part 1 (Russia and Eastern Europe)”
- Discussant on panel “Parties and Elections in Postcommunist States, Part 2 (Ukraine)”

2007 Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, New Orleans, LA, November:
• Presentation of paper “Braking the Backslide: Which International Mechanisms Can Best Assist Russian Civil Society?”

• Chair of panel “Civil Society in Russia: Grassroots Perspectives”

Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, June:

• Presentation of paper “Russia and the Kyoto Protocol: Seeking an Alignment of Interests and Image”

2006

International Studies Association Convention, San Diego, CA, March:

• Presentation of paper “Russia and the Kyoto Protocol: Ratification and Post-Ratification Politics”. Presented with co-author Laura A. Henry.

2005

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September:

• Panel presentation of paper “Foreign Donors and Russian Activists: Who’s to Blame for Russia’s Weak NGO Sector?”

Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, London, ON, June:

• Invited discussant on concluding roundtable for workshop “Gender and Citizenship in the Global East and South.”

2004

Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA, December:

• Panel presentation of paper “Soldiers’ Rights Groups in Russia: Civil Society Through Russian and Western Eyes.”

Institute for Research on Public Policy Conference on Canada’s Role in International Assistance to Democratic Development, Ottawa, ON, September:

• Presentation on CIDA’s civil society assistance programs in Russia and suggestions on priorities for Canada’s democracy assistance worldwide.

• Participant throughout the two days of the conference with Canadian policymakers, assistance practitioners, and scholars on democratic development.
Working paper for IRPP and chapter in edited volume on Canadian assistance approaches to follow.

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September:

- Panel presentation of paper “Soldiers’ Rights Groups in Russia: Civil Society Through Russian and Western Eyes.”
- Discussant on panel “Civil Society’s Requirements and Roles.”

Annual Meeting of the British Columbia Political Science Association, April:

- Invited discussant on comparative politics panel.

2002 Conference on The Inter-American Democratic Charter: Challenges and Opportunities, Liu Centre, University of British Columbia, November:

- Panel presentation of paper “Carrots and Sticks for Democracy in the OAS: Comparison with the East European Experience.”

Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Pittsburgh, PA, November:

- Panel presentation of paper “Where the Global and the Local Meet: Transnational Assistance and Regional Politics in Russian NGO Development.”
- Chair of panel on Russian civil society.

Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, Toronto, ON, May:

- Panel presentation of paper “International Rights Regimes and Resistant Domestic Norms: The Case of Russia and Women’s Rights.”
- Chair of panel “Peace-Building and Conflict Resolution.”

Conference on State Terrorism and Crimes Against Humanity, Liu Centre, University of British Columbia, May:

- Roundtable presentation on “Brutality in Chechnya: Causes and Complexities.”

International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA, March:

- Panel presentation of paper “International Rights Regimes and Resistant Domestic Norms: The Case of Russia and Women’s Rights.”
2001 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, August:
- Panel presentation of paper “Transnational Norms in Domestic Contexts: The Cases of Women’s and Soldiers’ Rights NGOs in Russia.”

CAMPUS TALKS:


2002 Conference on The Inter-American Democratic Charter: Challenges and Opportunities, Liu Institute for Global Issues, UBC, November. Presentation of paper “Carrots and Sticks for Democracy in the OAS: Comparison with the East European Experience.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Teaching areas:

Comparative politics and international relations.

Courses taught:

Theories of Democratization (3rd-year undergraduate lecture)
International Relations Theory (3rd-year undergraduate lecture)
Third-Year Honours Seminar (3rd-year undergraduate seminar)
International Relations Theory (4th-year undergraduate seminar)
International NGOs and Global Civil Society (4th-year undergraduate seminar)
Comparative Democratization (graduate seminar)
Comparative Politics (graduate core field seminar)

SERVICE TO PROFESSION:

Association Leadership

Vice-Chair (elected for term 2018-2019), Human Rights Section, International Studies Association

Manuscript Reviews


Grant proposals: United States National Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.
Adjudication Committees

2015 Postdoctoral Fellowships National Adjudication Committee, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, October-December.

2012 Insight Development Grants Adjudication Committee, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, April-May.

Editorial Boards

Journal of Comparative Politics (Slovenia) (2013-present)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

Departmental Service

Co-Chair, International Relations Major Program (2018-)
Chair, Equity Committee (2015-2016)
Member, Peer Review of Teaching Committee for Sheryl Lightfoot tenure and promotion review (2014-2015)
Member, Equity Committee (2014-2015)
Member, Graduate Admissions Committee (2014-2015, 2018-19)
Member, Hiring Priorities Committee (2013-2015)
Member, Graduate Program Committee (2013-2014)
Graduate Program Director (2010-2013)
Field Chair, International Relations (2007-2009)
Field Chair, Comparative Politics (2005-2006, 2017-2019)
Member, Hiring Committees for spousal hires (2005-2006, 2018-19)
Co-chair, Graduate Admissions Committee (2005-2006)
Member, Undergraduate Program Committee (2004-2005)
Member, Hiring Committee for Political Theory position (2001-2002)

**University Service**

Elected Member, President's Advisory Committee on the Selection of a Head for the Department of Political Science (2015-2016, 2018-19)
Member, Hiring Committee for Simons Chair in Disarmament, Global and Human Security, Liu Institute for Global Issues (2015-2016)
Member, Hiring Committee for Assistant Professor of International History, History Department (2013-2014)
Member, Faculty of Arts Community Based Experiential Learning Committee (2013-2014)
Internal peer evaluator for SSHRC grant applications, UBC SPARC Office (periodically since 2013)
Member, Faculty of Arts Slavic Studies Committee (2004-2008)

**LANGUAGES:**

English (native)
Russian (fluent reading, speaking, writing)
French (good reading, rudimentary speaking and writing)

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Political Science Association (1999-)
Canadian Political Science Association (2000-)
Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies) (2001-)
International Studies Association (2002-)