

# Étienne Proulx

## Curriculum vitae

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## Education

- 2024– **Master's in Political Science**, *Université Laval*, Québec, Canada.  
Coursework completed (average: 4.28/4.33). Expected completion: 2026
- Summer 2025 **ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, United States.  
First session
- August 2024 **Interdisciplinary School of Tools & Methods (EIOM)**, *Université Laval*, Québec, Canada.  
Final grade: A+
- 2021–2024 **Bachelor's in Public Affairs and International Relations**, *Université Laval*, Québec, Canada.  
Cumulative average: 4.11/4.3
- 2019–2021 **DEC in Natural Sciences, Health Profile**, *Cégep Édouard-Montpetit*, Longueuil, Canada.  
R-Score: 33

## Professional Experience

- 2026–Present **Project Manager**, *Vitrine Démocratique*, Université Laval, Québec  
Centre for Public Policy Analysis (CAPP)
  - Digital research project presenting CAPP data on Canadian and Quebec media coverage.
- Winter 2026 **Teaching Assistant**, *POL-2000 Quantitative Methodology*, Université Laval, Québec
- Winter 2026 **Teaching Assistant**, *POL-2425 Persuasion and Public Opinion*, Université Laval, Québec
- Fall 2025 **Teaching Assistant**, *POL-2000 Quantitative Methodology*, Université Laval, Québec
- Fall 2025 **Teaching Assistant**, *POL-2201 Government Policy Analysis*, Université Laval, Québec
- 2025 **Data Analyst**, *Datagotchi Canada 2025*, Université Laval, Québec  
Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN)
  - Datagotchi is a playful and educational application that offers personalized predictions based on lifestyle habits and socio-demographic aspects, with a focus on Canadian elections.
  - The result of an interdisciplinary academic collaboration, Datagotchi combines expertise and innovation to provide accessible analyses for everyone.
- 2024 **Research Assistant**, *Research Project on Tax Expenditures in Quebec*, Université Laval, Québec  
Centre for Public Policy Analysis
  - Conducted textual analyses of parliamentary speeches.
- 2024 **Data Analyst**, *Datagotchi US 2024*, Université Laval, Québec  
Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN)
- 2024 **Research Assistant**, *Research Chair on Visual Culture in International Studies*, Université Laval, Québec
  - Development of an innovative method for image analysis in social sciences using generative AI.

- 2023–2025 **Research Assistant**, *Polimètre*, Université Laval, Québec  
Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN)
- Polimètre is an independent initiative developed by political scientists that tracks whether politicians keep the promises they make.
- 2023–2024 **Data Analyst**, *Projet Quorum*, Université Laval, Québec  
Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN)
- Projet Quorum is a multidisciplinary web application that allows Quebecers to take the pulse of their society in real time and understand the mood and perceptions of public decision-makers, media, and general public opinion on current issues.
- 2023–2024 **Project Coordinator**, *Projet Chatbot-parties*, Université Laval, Québec  
Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN)
- Development of a playful platform for interacting with political party bots.
- 2023–2024 **Data Analyst**, *Datagotchi-Japon*, Université Laval, Québec  
Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN)
- Educational and playful, Datagotchi is the first fully illustrated survey making predictions based on your lifestyle habits.
- 2022–2023 **Research Assistant**, *Canada Research Chair in Immigration and Security*, Université Laval, Québec
- Database construction through encoding of political speeches.

## Scholarships and Awards

- 2025 **Methodology Scholarship**, *Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)*  
CAD \$3,000
- 2025 **Research Grant**, *Centre for Public Policy Analysis, Université Laval*  
CAD \$1,000
- 2025 **General Fund for Graduate Studies (FGES) Scholarship**, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)*  
CAD \$1,500
- 2025 **Methodological Training Scholarship**, *Vincent-Lemieux Fund, Université Laval*  
CAD \$2,000
- 2025 **Travel Scholarship (conferences)**, *Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)*  
CAD \$1,000
- 2025–2026 **Master's Research Scholarship**, *Fonds de recherche du Québec*  
CAD \$20,000
- 2024–2025 **Canada Graduate Scholarships - Master's Program**, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)*  
CAD \$27,000
- 2024–2025 **Master's Research Scholarship**, *Fonds de recherche du Québec*, Declined  
CAD \$20,000
- 2024 **Faculty of Social Sciences Dean's List**, *Université Laval*  
For academic excellence at the bachelor's level
- 2023 **Mobility Scholarship**, *International Office, Université Laval*  
CAD \$3,000
- 2023 **Grant**, *Canada Research Chair in Immigration and Security*  
CAD \$5,000
- 2020 **Odyssey Scholarship for Student Involvement**, *Cégep Édouard-Montpetit*  
CAD \$500

2019 **Merit Prize in History from the Mouvement national des Québécois**

2019 **Outstanding Student-Athlete, Best Academic Average**, Mortagne Sport-Study Baseball Program

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## Publications

### Peer-reviewed journal articles

- Pelletier, C., Proulx, É., Foisy, L.-O. M., Drouin, J., Cadieux, H., and Dufresne, Y. (2025). "Religiosity in Times of Crisis: Uncovering Canadians' Responses to COVID-19 through Terror Management Theory". *Mental Health, Religion & Culture*. Accepted for publication.
- Tremblay-Antoine, C., Fortier-Chouinard, A., Cloutier, A., Proulx, É., et Dufresne, Y. (2025). "Weighting Pledge Trackers Scores: A Measure Based on Pledge Salience". *Canadian Political Science Review*. Accepted for publication.
- Foisy, L.-O. M., Proulx, É., Cadieux, H., Gilbert, J., Rivest, J., Bouillon, A., et Dufresne, Y. (2025). "Prompting the Machine: Introducing an LLM Data Extraction Method for Social Scientists". *Social Science Computer Review*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/08944393251344865>

### Conference papers

- Fortier-Chouinard, A., Carignan, B., Proulx, É., et Dinan, S. (July 2025). "More Attention, More Action? The Determinants of Improvements in Fulfillment Status". Comparative Pledges Project (CPP) Workshop. University of Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany.
- Proulx, É., Rivest, J., Pelletier, C., Labonté, E., Beaulé, A., Foisy, L.-O. M., et Dufresne, Y. (April 2025). "Cultural Dimensions of AI Perceptions: A Comparative Study of Public Attitudes Toward Artificial Intelligence in Japan and Canada". Midwest Political Science Association 2025 Conference. Chicago.
- Foisy, L.-O. M., Pelletier, C., Proulx, É., Vincent, S., Temporão, M., et Dufresne, Y. (April 2025). "Beyond Language Barriers: Evaluating the Efficacy of Large Language Models in Analyzing Sentiment in Non-English Textual Data". Midwest Political Science Association 2025 Conference. Chicago.
- Pelletier, C., Foisy, L.-O. M., Drouin, J., Gervasi, K., Proulx, É., et Dufresne, Y. (April 2025). "Beyond Church and State: Investigating Attitudes on Abortion in the 2024 US Elections". Midwest Political Science Association 2025 Conference. Chicago.
- Pelletier, C., Proulx, É., Foisy, L.-O. M., Cadieux, H., et Dufresne, Y. (June 2024). "La Pandémie de COVID-19 Au Canada : À Travers Le Prisme de La Peur de La Mort et de La Religiosité". Canadian Political Science Association 2024 Conference. Montréal.
- Proulx, É. (January 2024). "Zooming on the Zoomers: A Comprehensive Analysis of Quebec's Shifting Independence Dynamics". Southern Political Science Association 2024 Conference. New Orleans.

### Contributions to edited volumes

- Fortier-Chouinard, A. et Proulx, É. (2025). "Introduction Aux Langages de Balisages Dans La Rédaction En Sciences Sociales". In Cloutier, A., Dufresne, Y., et Bibeau-Gagnon, A., *Outils de recherche en sciences sociales numériques*. Les Presses de l'Université Laval.

### Forthcoming publications

- Proulx, É., Jacob, S., Beaulé, A., Dinan, S., and Dufresne, Y. (2026). "AI Politics and Regulation in the European Parliament: Ideological Divides and Policy Convergence Before and After ChatGPT". *British Journal of Political Science*. Submitted.
- Proulx, É., Cadieux, H., Bouillon, A., et Dufresne, Y. (2025). "Zooming on the Zoomers: A Comprehensive Analysis of Quebec's Shifting Secession Dynamics". *Nations and Nationalism*. Revise and resubmit.
- Foisy, L.-O. M., Pelletier, C., Proulx, É., Cadieux, H., Temporão, M., and Dufresne, Y. (2025). "From Checkbox to Textbox: Can LLM-processed Open-Ended Questions Measure the Same Latent Factors as Traditional Closed-Ended Questions?". *British Journal of Political Science*. Submitted.

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## Research Affiliations

- Member, Research Group in Political Communication (GRCP)
- Member, International Observatory on the Societal Impacts of AI and Digital Technology (OBVIA)
- Member, Chair for Leadership in Teaching Digital Social Sciences (CLESSN), Université Laval
- Member, Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)
- Member, Centre for Public Policy Analysis (CPPA), Université Laval

## Presentations

- "Artificial Intelligence in Research: Research Object and Methodological Tool", Course LMO-1000 Introduction to International Studies and Modern Languages, Université Laval, Quebec, Canada, December 2, 2025. (Invited workshop)
- "Introduction to Data Analysis with R", Centre d'appui à la réussite, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Université Laval, Quebec City, Canada, September 26, 2025. (Invited presentation)
- "Workshop on Digital Writing Tools in Social Sciences", École interdisciplinaire outils & méthodes (EIOM), Quebec City, Canada, September 29, 2025. (Invited presentation)
- "Cultural Dimensions of AI Perceptions: A Comparative Study of Public Attitudes Toward Artificial Intelligence in Japan and Canada", Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, United States, April 3-6, 2025. (Presentation)
- "Cultural Dimensions of AI Perceptions: A Comparative Study of Public Attitudes Toward Artificial Intelligence in Japan and Canada", Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship Student and Post-Doctoral Fellow Conference, Québec, Canada, February 21, 2025. (Presentation)
- "Data Analysis Peer Support Clinics with R", Faculty of Social Sciences, Université Laval, Québec, Canada, November 22, 2024. (Workshop)
- "Introduction to Zotero", Course POL-6078 Digital Research Tools, Université Laval, Québec, Canada, October 2024. (Invited presentation)
- "Workshop on Markup Languages", Course POL-2000 Quantitative Methodology, Université Laval, Québec, Canada, February 28, 2024. (Invited presentation)
- "Meeting Humans: Human Library", Citizen Programming Roundtable, National Assembly of Quebec, Québec, Canada, January 27, 2024. (Invited participant)
- "Zooming on the Zoomers: A Comprehensive Analysis of Quebec's Shifting Secession Dynamics", Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, United States, January 10-13, 2024. (Presentation)

## Media Appearances

- "Que restera-t-il du legs de Justin Trudeau?", Radio-Canada, March 20, 2025. (Contribution)
- "Grève générale à l'Université Laval : « la session ne sera pas prolongée »", Radio-Canada, March 2, 2023. (Interview)
- "Le cégep Édouard-Montpetit veut un retour des étudiants", FM103.3, March 22, 2021. (Interview)
- "Rattrapage du 18 mars 2021 : Littérature québécoise, et retour au cégep", Le 15-18, Radio-Canada, March 18, 2021. (Radio interview)

## Teaching

- "Image Analysis in Social Sciences", Course FAS-1001 Introduction to Big Data in Social Sciences, Université Laval, Québec, Canada, March 27, 2025. (Guest lecture - 3 hours)

## Involvement

- External Affairs Representative, Association of Political Science Students of Université Laval (APEUL), 2025-2026
- External Affairs Coordinator, Association of Social Sciences Students, Université Laval, 2022-2023
- Environment Committee Coordinator, Student Association for Public Affairs and International Relations, Université Laval, 2021-2022

- Member of the Grants Committee, Association of Social Sciences Students, Université Laval, 2021-2022
- Member of the Social Action Committee, Student Association for Public Affairs and International Relations, Université Laval, 2021-2022
- Communications Executive, General Association of Cégep Édouard-Montpetit, 2020-2021
- Executive Assistant for Academic Affairs, General Association of Cégep Édouard-Montpetit, 2020
- Revival of the Political Action Committee (PAC) of Édouard-Montpetit CEGEP, 2019

## Skills

- Political theories, political communication, public opinion (advanced)
- Microsoft Office, R programming,  $\LaTeX$  (intermediate)
- AI, machine learning (beginner)
- Languages: French (native), English (full professional proficiency)

## References

- Prof. Yannick Dufresne, Full Professor, Department of Political Science, Université Laval  
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- Prof. Shannon Dinan, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Université Laval  
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