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PSCI 495 Research Apprenticeship

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Term: Fall 2024

Project Title: What can scholars of gender & security institutions learn from scholarship on gender & the military?

Project Description: There has been extensive scholarship, globally, to help understand how gender mainstreaming has been implemented in militaries. What can we learn from these scholars that might help us to understand how gender mainstreaming might be integrated into other security institutions (such as border security, intelligence, national security policing, counter-terrorism, etc.)

Time breakdown:

20 hours: literature review on gender & the military. Output will be an annotated bibliography detailing how each entry discusses research security.

10 hours: Write a report with citations that summarizes the lessons you have learned from the literature review. Output will be the report, plus a Zotero library containing references

10 hours: Report revisions, reflections and check-ins with Dr. Kitchen

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Project Title: Mapping Provincial Security

Project Description: Much attention has been paid by scholars to how national security manifests at the federal level, and the growing number of security institutions that manage security threats. Less has been paid to provincial security organizations. The RA will map scholarship on provincial security offices and the security organizations themselves.

Time breakdown:

10 hours: literature review on provincial security in Canada. Output will be an annotated bibliography detailing how each entry discusses provincial security.

20 hours: Mapping provincial & territorial security organizations to track their mandates, organizational structure, partners, and activities. Output will be a collection of documents accompanied by a Zotero library containing references, and a report summarizing findings for each province and territory.

10 hours: Report revisions, reflections and check-ins with Dr. Kitchen

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Project Title: Discourses about Research Security

Project Description: The threat to 'research' is emerging in national security discourses in Canada, with new directives for universities to develop policies about research security. In this project, we gather documents, speeches, and debates about research security to investigate how the threat is actually identified.

Time breakdown:

10 hours: literature review on research security in Canada, to identify both grey sources and scholarly literature. Output will be an annotated bibliography detailing how each entry discusses research security.

20 hours: Document collection. Collect documents to include policy documents, political speeches, and parliamentary debates on the topic of research security.

Analyse these documents to understand how the threat to research is defined.

Write a report summarizing findings. Output will be a collection of documents accompanied by a Zotero library containing references, and a report summarizing findings for each province and territory.

10 hours: Report revisions, reflections and check-ins with Dr. Kitchen

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Term: Fall 2024

Project Title: *Of Skin, Sperm, and Blood*

Project Description: In the last ten years, Canada has allowed for the establishment of a number of pay-for-plasma clinics, where people receive money or gift cards for “donating” blood products. While this is contrary to understandings of payment for blood, tissues, fluids, and organs being altruistic in Canada, legislation on these matters varies widely across the country.

This project explores how the variation in legislation related to blood, tissue, organs, and other bodily substances came to be, its implications for our public health care system, and for the future of sperm, egg, embryo, blood, and organ donation in Canada.

Time breakdown: The Research Assistant (RA) will conduct research and provide recommendations to update the project website to identify new developments since 2019 (<https://www.tissueexemptions.com>). RAs will also support the completion of a series of papers-in-progress on the regulation of blood and sperm donation in Canada including completing referencing, conducting additional research, proofreading/providing feedback on drafts, and supporting the submission of the papers to target journals.

Familiarization with literature/project	8 hours
Team meetings	4 hours
Research/website updates	15 hours
Referencing/research/proofreading for papers	10 hours