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Research Interests

Political behaviour; comparative politics; political communication; language politics; sociolinguistics; candidate evaluation; political representation; intergroup relations; experimental methods.

Academic Position

KU Leuven

FWO Junior Postdoctoral Fellow

- Affiliation: Voting and Democracy Research Group

Incoming

Leuven, Belgium

Education

Sciences Po Paris

Joint PhD in Political Science

- Supervisor: Martial Foucault
- Affiliation: Centre de recherches politiques de Sciences Po (CEVIPOF)
- Dissertation: *Au-delà des beaux discours : les variétés linguistiques et l'image des personnalités politiques*

2021–2026

Paris, France

Université de Montréal

Joint PhD in Political Science

- Supervisor: Richard Nadeau
- Affiliation: Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)
- Dissertation: *Au-delà des beaux discours : les variétés linguistiques et l'image des personnalités politiques*
- CGPA: 4.3/4.3

2021–2026

Montréal, Canada

McGill University

Master of Arts in Political Science

- Supervisor: Éric Bélanger
- Affiliation: Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)
- Master's thesis: *Le français, un facteur de convergence attitudinale et comportementale?*
- CGPA: 4/4
- Student exchange at Sciences Po Paris (2018–2019)

2018–2021

Montréal, Canada

McGill University

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Political Science

- Supervisor: Éric Bélanger
- Honours thesis: *Les relations intergouvernementales du Québec avec les pays francophones de la fin de la Seconde Guerre mondiale à aujourd'hui*
- CGPA 3.9/4
- Award: *First-Class Honours*
- Minor in German language

2015–2018

Montréal, Canada

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

7. Chassé, Philippe, and Florence Laflamme. 2026. "Speaking to Power: How Linguistic Minority Accents Shape Voter Perceptions of Party Leaders" *Nations and Nationalism*: 1–18.

6. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Matthew Taylor. 2025. “Bridging the Gap: Bilingualism and the End of the Two Solitudes.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 58(4): 927–47.
5. Nadeau, Richard, Michael Lewis-Beck, Martial Foucault, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2025. “Ideology and Voting in France: A Weakening Relationship?” *French Politics* 23: 217–43.
4. **Chassé, Philippe**, Olivier Jacques, and Colin Scott. 2025. “Between Decentralization and Asymmetry: Explaining Preferences toward the Division of Power in Canada.” *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 55(1): 147–73.
3. Gélis, Camille, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2024. “Are Young Candidates Sacrificial Lambs? Evidence from the 2012, 2017, and 2022 French Legislative Elections.” *Electoral Studies* 90: 102829.
2. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Alizée Pillod. 2023. “J’ai un accent, moi? Les médias et les caractéristiques ‘atypiques’ des candidats politiques.” *Glottopol* 39: 186–211.
1. Bélanger, Éric, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2021. “The 2018 Provincial Election in Quebec.” *Canadian Political Science Review* 15(1): 34–43.

Book Chapter

1. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Éric Bélanger. 2022. “Ideology and Public Opinion.” In *Comparative Political Opinion*, edited by Cameron Anderson and Mathieu Turgeon, 173–93. London: Routledge.

Peer-Reviewed Report

1. Jacques, Olivier, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2025. “Priorité à la santé : Les préférences des Québécois en perspective comparée.” CIRANO, 2025RP-07.

Other Publications

4. Jacques, Olivier, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2025. “A Demanding Patient: Assessing Quebec’s Healthcare Spending Needs.” *Perspectives*, 2025PJ-10.
3. Jacques, Olivier, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2025. “La santé avant tout ? Perceptions de la population québécoise quant à l’engagement de l’État envers la santé.” *Perspectives*, 2025PJ-07.
2. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2018. “Construire le socialisme à l’échelle urbaine : Stalinstadt et Nowa Huta entre 1948 et 1956.” *Vielfalt: Studentenzeitschrift der McGill Germanistik* 8: 24–31.
1. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Christophe Savoie-Côté. 2017. “La fin de l’avantage libéral? Le comportement électoral des néo-Québécois francophones lors des élections provinciales québécoises.” *McGill Journal of Political Studies* 8: 88–105.

Under Revision

4. **Chassé, Philippe**. “Regional Accents in Politics: An Obstacle or an Advantage for Candidates? Experimental Evidence from France” Under review.
3. **Chassé, Philippe**. “Speaking like Ordinary People, Representing Ordinary People? Language Registers, Populist Attitudes, and Voters’ Evaluation of Political Candidates.” Under review.
2. Jacques, Olivier, and **Philippe Chassé**. “When the Self-Determination Cleavage Weakens Partisan Polarization on the Welfare State: Health and Fiscal Policy Preferences in Québec and Ontario” R&R at *Regional and Federal Studies*.
1. Jacques, Olivier, and **Philippe Chassé**. “Federalism and the Welfare State: Comparing Public Preferences across Provinces.” Under review for the volume *Canada: The State of the Federation*, edited by Nadia Verrelli and Julie Simmons, McGill-Queen’s University Press.

Working Papers

3. **Chassé, Philippe**, Olivier Jacques, and Andrew Parkin. “Introducing The Confederation of Tomorrow Dataset.”

2. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Camille Gélis. “Are Gender Quotas Enough? Female Candidates and District Competitiveness in France.”
1. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Olivier Bergeron-Boutin. “Do Citizens Know What They Don’t Know? A Study of Americans’ Self-Assessment of Political Knowledge.”

Conferences and Invited Talks

24. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2026 (February). “Parler avec un accent « régional », un obstacle en politique ? Séminaire général du Centre de recherches politiques de Sciences Po (CEVIPOF). Paris, France.
23. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2025 (July). “Speaking like Ordinary People, Representing Ordinary People?” International Political Science Association (IPSA) World Congress. Seoul, South Korea.
22. **Chassé, Philippe** and Florence Laflamme. 2025 (July). “Speaking to Power: How Language Minority Accents Shape Voter Perceptions of Party Leaders.” International Political Science Association (IPSA) World Congress. Seoul, South Korea.
21. **Chassé, Philippe** and Florence Laflamme. 2025 (June). “Speaking to Power: How Language Minority Accents Shape Voter Perceptions of Party Leaders.” European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference. Madrid, Spain.
20. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2024 (November). “Speaking like Ordinary People, Representing Ordinary People?” Llengua, democràcia i confiança política: una perspectiva interdisciplinària des de la teoria política, la ciència política i la sociolingüística. Barcelona, Spain.
19. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2024 (September). “Speaking like Ordinary People, Representing Ordinary People?” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference. Philadelphia, United States of America.
18. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Richard Nadeau. 2024 (July). “Are Foreign and Regional Accents an Obstacle for Political Candidates? Language-based Judgments and Voters’ Attitudes.” European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference. Cologne, Germany.
17. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Matthew Taylor. 2024 (June). “Bridging the Gap: Bilingualism and the End of the Two Solitudes.” Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Annual Conference. Montréal, Canada.
16. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Richard Nadeau. 2024 (May). “Les accents étrangers et régionaux, un obstacle pour les candidats politiques au Québec?” Congrès annuel de la Société québécoise de science politique (SQSP). Ottawa, Canada.
15. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Matthew Taylor. 2024 (April). “Bridging the Gap: Bilingualism and the End of the Two Solitudes.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference. Chicago, United States of America.
14. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Matthew Taylor. 2024 (January). “Le bilinguisme individuel et la fin des « deux solitudes » au Canada.” Seminar organized by the Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy. Montréal, Canada
13. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Camille Gélis. 2023 (September). “Are Young Candidates Sacrificial Lambs? Evidence from the French Legislative Elections.” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, United States of America.
12. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2023 (July). “Voters and Candidates’ Linguistic Styles.” Summer School of the CERIU-FMSH. Paris, France.
11. Gélis, Camille, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2023 (June). “Are Young Candidates Sacrificial Lambs? Evidence from the 2012, 2017, and 2022 French Legislative Elections.” European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference. Glasgow, United Kingdom.
10. **Chassé, Philippe**, Olivier Jacques, and Colin Scott. 2023 (June). “Explaining Preferences about Asymmetrical Federalism and the Division of Power in Canada.” Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Annual Conference. Toronto, Canada.
9. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Alizée Pillod. 2023 (May). “J’ai un accent, moi? Les médias et les caractéristiques ‘atypiques’ des candidats politiques.” Congrès de l’ACFAS. Montréal, Canada.

8. **Chassé, Philippe**, Olivier Jacques, and Colin Scott. 2023 (May). “Expliquer les attitudes à l’égard du fédéralisme asymétrique et de la séparation des pouvoirs au Canada.” Seminar organized by the Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy. Montréal, Canada.
7. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2023 (April). “Les électeurs et les styles langagiers des candidats politiques : une étude comparative entre le Québec et la France” Graduate Student Conference of the Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC). Québec, Canada.
6. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Camille Gélis. 2022 (November). “Les jeunes sont-ils voués à être des candidats ‘poteaux’?” Seminar organized by the Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy. Montréal, Canada.
5. Bergeron-Boutin, Olivier, and **Philippe Chassé**. 2022 (September). “Do American Citizens Know What They Don’t Know?” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting. Montréal, Canada.
4. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Olivier Bergeron-Boutin. 2022 (September). “Do Citizens Know What They Don’t Know?” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting. Lightning Rounds. Montréal, Canada.
3. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Olivier Bergeron-Boutin. 2022 (April). “Les citoyens savent-ils ce qu’ils ne savent pas?” Graduate Student Conference of the Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC). Québec, Canada.
2. **Chassé, Philippe**. 2020 (April). “Le français, un facteur de convergence attitudinale et comportementale?” Graduate Student Conference of the Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC). Montréal, Canada. *Cancelled due to COVID-19*.
1. **Chassé, Philippe**, Christophe Savoie-Côté, Olivier Bergeron-Boutin, and Tim Roy. 2018 (April). “An Inquiry into the Determinants of Canadian Immigrants’ Political Participation.” Poster. Montréal, Canada. *Awarded the Best Research Award in the Introduction to Quantitative Methods course*.

In the Media

6. Daoust, Jean-François. 2026 (July 9). “[Les francophones discriminés par leur accent lorsqu’ils parlent anglais](#)” *Noovo Info*.
5. Mercier-Ross, Léo. 2026 (Avril 17). “[Le Québec est-il plus facile à gouverner quand le Canadien gagne ?](#)” *Le Devoir*.
4. **Chassé, Philippe**, and Matthew Taylor. 2025 (July 8). “[Le bilinguisme individuel, un moyen de rompre les deux solitudes ?](#)” *Le Devoir*.
3. *Cultures Monde*. 2025 (April 29). “[Élections fédérales : les libéraux vainqueurs malgré eux.](#)” *France Culture*. Radio broadcast.
2. *Affaires étrangères*. 2025 (April 26). “[De l’Ukraine au Canada, l’ombre portée de Trump.](#)” *France Culture*. Radio broadcast.
1. Merlo, Édouard. 2024 (July 3). “[Dans l’Ouest canadien, l’extrême droite française minoritaire, mais en forte progression ?](#)” *Radio-Canada*.

Research Experience

Research Assistant for Richard Nadeau

Université de Montréal

2025

Montréal, Canada

- Project: *Political Campaigning* with Frédérick Bastien.

Research Assistant for Olivier Jacques

École de santé publique de l’Université de Montréal

2021–2025

Montréal, Canada

- Project: *Healthcare Inequalities* with Sharon Baute, Marius Busemeyer, and David Weisstanner.
- Project: *The Micro-foundations of Permanent Austerity: Income Stagnation and the Decline of Taxability in Advanced Democracies* with David Weisstanner.

- Research Assistant for Éric Bélanger** 2018–2021
McGill University *Montréal, Canada*
 • Project: *Le nouvel électeur québécois* with Jean-François Daoust, Valérie-Anne Mahéo, and Richard Nadeau.
- Research Assistant for Valérie-Anne Mahéo** 2019–2020
Université Laval *Québec, Canada*
 • Project: *Vivre ensemble et citoyenneté : apprendre la vie démocratique.*
- Research Assistant for Thomas Soehl** 2018
McGill University *Montréal, Canada*
 • Project: *Challenges When Identifying Migration from Geo-located Twitter Data* with Caitrin Armstrong, Ate Poorthuis, Matthew Zook, and Derek Ruths.

Teaching Experience

- Teaching Assistant** 2025
Sciences Po Paris *Paris, France*
 • Elections and Voting Behaviour, Professor Damien Bol.
- Guest Lecturer** 2024–2025
Université de Montréal *Montréal, Canada*
 • POL 6522 – Communication stratégique, politique et média.
- Teaching Assistant** 2021
Université de Montréal *Montréal, Canada*
 • POL 1008 – Forces et comportements politiques, Professor Laurie Beaudonnet.
- Teaching Assistant** 2019–2021
McGill University *Montréal, Canada*
 • POLI 221 – Government of Canada, Professor Daniel Béland.
 • POLI 227 – Developing Areas, Professor Daniel Douek.

Other Relevant Experience

- Intern** 2016
Cabinet of the French Minister for the Civil Service *Paris, France*
 • Prepared analyses of draft legislation and memoranda for the Minister.

Scholarships and Awards

- Junior Postdoctoraal Mandaat, approx. €226,000**
Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek – Vlaanderen (FWO) 2026
 • Competitive funding to support recent PhD graduates in further specializing in their field.
- Postdoctoral Scholarship (B3), \$110,000**
Fonds de recherche du Québec (FRQ) 2026
 • Competitive scholarship supporting the next generation of researchers in the social sciences and humanities in Québec.
 • Ranking: 1/9.
- Canada Graduate Scholarship – Doctoral Program (CGS D), \$105,000**
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) 2022
 • Competitive scholarship supporting excellence in Canadian research.
 • Ranking: 9/137.

Doctoral Research Scholarship (B2Z), \$84,000*Fonds de recherche du Québec – Société et Culture (FRQSC)*

2022

- Competitive scholarship supporting research excellence in Québec.
- Ranking: 1/20.
- Declined (not cumulative with CGS D).

Doctoral Contract, approx. €73,500*Sciences Po Paris*

2021

- Competitive funding awarded on the basis of academic excellence and the quality of the doctoral research project.
- Fewer than 9% of applications were accepted in 2021.

Doctoral Scholarship, \$12,000*Université de Montréal*

2021

- Funding awarded to all doctoral students (total support, including RA/TA contracts: \$80,000).
- Declined since 2022 (not cumulative with CGS D).

Finalist – Jenson-Pétry Prize*Société québécoise de science politique (SQSP)*

2021

- Prize awarded to the author of the best political science master's thesis written in French in Canada.

CSDC Scholarship, \$2,500*Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)*

2019

- Scholarship awarded to graduate student researchers affiliated with the CSDC.

Guy Drummond Fellowship, \$32,500*McGill University*

2018

- Scholarship awarded on the basis of academic performance (highest cumulative GPA) and likelihood of valuable future contribution to Canadian political life.

Best Research Award*McGill University*

2018

- Prize awarded by Professor Aaron Erlich in the course *Introduction to Quantitative Methods*.

*Grants***CEVIPOF Research Grant, €4,000**

2024

Centre de recherches politiques de Sciences Po (CEVIPOF)

- Funding for “Speaking like ordinary people, representing ordinary people?” awarded after the evaluation of the project by the research council.

CSDC Research Grant, \$2,500

2024

Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)

- Funding for “Are regional accents an obstacle for political candidates?” awarded after the evaluation of the project by the scientific committee.

Doctoral Research Funding, €2,000

2023

École de la recherche, Sciences Po Paris

- Funding for “Are Young Candidates Sacrificial Lambs?” awarded after the evaluation of the project by the research council.

CSDC Research Grant, \$2,500

2022

Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC)

- Funding for “Do Citizens Know What They Don't Know?” awarded after the evaluation of the project by the scientific committee (with Olivier Bergeron-Boutin).

Other Trainings

Summer School of the CERIUM-FMSH – Is Electoral Democracy in Danger? (2023); Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship Methods Winter School – Conjoint Analysis (2021); Summer Camp of the Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship – R and Mathematics (2019).

Service to the Discipline

Peer Reviewing: *British Journal of Political Science*; *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*; *French Politics*; *Saha – Revue critique du Maghreb/Machrek*; *McGill Journal of Political Studies*.

Institutional Service: Board Member of the Research Committee on the Politics of Language (RC50) of the International Political Science Association (2025–); Member of the Research Council of the Centre de recherches politiques de Sciences Po (2024–); Representative of the PhD Students of the Centre de recherches politiques de Sciences Po (2024–); Organizer of the Political Economy Seminar of the AxPo Observatory of Market Society Polarization (2024–2025); Communication Officer of the Association des étudiant·e·s en science politique de l'Université de Montréal (2022–2023).

Skills

Computer Softwares: R, Stata, Qualtrics, L^AT_EX.

Languages: French (C2); English (C2); German (B1).