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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Institutional design, institutional adaptation, environmental governance, international trade, mixed-method research

EDUCATION

PhD in political science (international relations), 2017 – 2022

Laval University, Quebec City, Canada

Dissertation title: *Learning to embrace change: On adaptive environmental treaties*

Supervisors: Jean-Frédéric Morin, James Hollway

Committee members: Julia Gray, Philippe Le Prestre, Erick Duschene

Master's degree in Environmental Economics, 2015 – 2016

Université de Bordeaux, Pessac, France

With the highest distinction ("mention très bien")

Master's degree in Business Law, 2013 – 2015

Université Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris, France

Double degree with HEC Paris

Master's degree in International Tax and Legal Strategy (SFJI), 2011 – 2015

HEC Paris, Jouy-en-Josas, France

No. 2 worldwide master's in management (Financial Times 2014-2021)

Finished top of the SFJI class

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral researcher (September 2022 – February 2026)

Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland

Package treaties: Making trade agreements work in the service of society

Research Assistant (June 2017 – August 2022)

Canada Research Chair in International Political Economy

Laval University, Québec, Canada

- Wrote several academic papers
- Supervised two research assistants
- Produced statistical analyses for various publications
- Completed and updated databases of trade and environmental treaties
- Reviewed proofs of upcoming books
- Diffused content on the Chair's social media pages

Instructor (September 2021 – December 2021)

Laval University, Political science department, Quebec City, Canada

- Preparation and hybrid teaching of the course entitled “Structuration de la recherche” (Structuration of research, undergraduate level, 90 students)
- Supervised three teaching assistants
- Main themes taught: research governance norms, epistemology, literature review, types of empirical studies, quantitative and qualitative methods of research

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Laurens, N., Brandi, C. & Morin, J-F. (2021). Climate and trade policies: From silos to integration. *Climate Policy*, 22(2), 248-253.

Laurens, N. & Morin, J-F. (2019). Negotiating environmental protection in trade agreements: A regime shift or a tactical linkage? *International Environmental Agreements: Politics, Law and Economics*, 19(6), 533-556.

Laurens, N., Dove, Z., Morin, J-F., & Jinnah, S. (2019). NAFTA 2.0: The greenest trade agreement ever? *World Trade Review*, 18(4), 659-677.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Laurens, N., Dove, Z., Morin, J-F., & Jinnah, S. (2021). NAFTA and the environment: Decades of measured progress. In Gagné, G. & Rioux, M. (Eds.) *NAFTA 2.0: From the first NAFTA to the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan. pp. 157-180.

Laurens, N. (2020). Meta-analysis: A solution to deal with scientific information overload when conducting research syntheses. In Morin, J-F., Olsson, C. & Atikcan, E. Ö. (Eds.) *Research Methods in the Social Sciences: An A-Z of Key Concepts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. pp.163-165.

POLICY REPORTS

Laurens, N. (2019). De l'ALÉNA à l'ACÉUMC : Quels progrès et quelles lacunes pour la protection de l'environnement? *CEPCI Policy Brief no.12*, March 2019.

OP EDs

Laurens, N. & Morin, J-F. (28 July 2020). Les véritables déficiences environnementales dans les accords commerciaux sont ailleurs. *Le Monde*.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Laurens, N., Hollway, J. & Morin, J-F. (*invited to revise and resubmit*). Checking for updates: Ratification, design, and institutional adaptation.

Laurens, N. (*invited to revise and resubmit*). Institutional adaptation in slow motion: Zooming in on desertification governance.

Laurens, N. (*submitted*). A springboard or a safeguard? The repercussions of affinity on treaty adaptability.

Brandi, C., Laurens, N., Morin, J-F., Schwab, J. (*working paper*). Trade provisions in MEAs: An incentive to join the club?

**PEER-
REVIEWED
PRESENTATIONS**

“Institutional adaptation in slow motion: Zooming in on desertification governance”

- International Studies Association Annual Convention, Montreal, Canada (upcoming in March 2023)
- Annual Conference on Earth System Governance, Toronto, Canada, October 20, 2022

“A springboard or a safeguard? The repercussions of affinity on treaty adaptability”

- Political Economy of International Organization, Oxford, United Kingdom, July 8, 2022
- Barcelona workshop on global governance, Barcelona, Spain, May 16, 2022

“Checking for updates: Participation, design, and environmental regime adaptation”

- Annual Environmental Politics and Governance Conference, online, June 25, 2021
- Annual Conference on Earth System Governance, online, May 7, 2021
- International Studies Association Annual Convention, online, April 6, 2021

“Promoting environmental protection in trade agreements: A regime shift or a tactical linkage?”

- Annual Conference on Earth System Governance, Oaxaca, Mexico, November 6, 2019
- International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada, March 27, 2019

INVITED TALKS

“Checking for updates: Determinants of environmental regimes’ adaptation”
Montreal Center for International Studies (CÉRIUM), online, April 30, 2021

“Promoting environmental protection in trade agreements: A regime shift or a tactical linkage?”

Center for International Environmental Studies (CIES) Lunch Seminar Series, Geneva, Switzerland, March 12, 2020

“Lire et comprendre l’ALÉNA 2.0 : chapitre 24 et accord parallèle sur l’environnement”

UQAM, Montreal, Canada, February 15, 2019

“NAFTA 2.0: an innovation or a setback for environmental protection?”

CEPCI, Laval University, Quebec City, Canada, November 29, 2018

“L’ALÉNA et l’Environnement”

Transnational Law Seminar, Sherbrooke University, Sherbrooke, Canada, June 11, 2018

“L’ALÉNA en comparaison : un accord pionnier, mais dépassé”

(with Jean-Frédéric Morin) Conference on NAFTA provisions related to Labor and the Environment, UQAM, Montreal, Canada, April 26, 2018

“The coevolution of the trade and the environmental regime complexes”
(with *Jean-Frédéric Morin*) Environmental Governance Lab Workshop,
University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, March 2, 2018

**GRANTS AND
PRIZES**

Oran R. Young Prize, Earth System Governance Project
October 2022, for the article entitled “Institutional adaptation in slow motion:
Zooming in on desertification governance”

Postdoctoral fellowship, Quebec Research Fund – Society and Culture
May 2022, 90.000 CAD (declined)

Doctoral excellence grant, Montreal Research Centre in Public Law
April 2022, 5.000 CAD

Best co-publications grant, Montreal Research Centre in Public Law
April 2021, 1.000 CAD, for the co-publication entitled “Promoting Environmental
Protection in Trade Agreements: A Regime Shift or a Tactical Linkage?”

Doctoral excellence grant, Laval University’s Political Science Department
April 2021, 2.000 CAD

**Dissertation writing scholarship for PhD candidates in International
Relations, Montreal Center for International Studies**
July 2020, 5.000 CAD

Doctoral research scholarship, Quebec Research Fund – Society and Culture
April 2019, 63.000 CAD

**Doctoral excellence grant, Hydro-Québec Institute on the Environment,
Development and Society**
April 2019, 7.000 CAD

**Doctoral excellence grant, Hydro-Québec Institute on the Environment,
Development and Society**
June 2017, 4.000 CAD

Allen & Overy-HEC Paris prize
September 2015, 1.500 EUR, for master’s thesis on socially responsible private
equity

**NON-ACADEMIC
EXPERIENCE
(INTERNSHIPS)**

Research officer in environmental economics (Jan. – July 2016)
Suez, Talence, France

Legal assistant in corporate and tax law (April – July 2015)
Fidal, Mérignac, France

Project manager assistant (Jan. – July 2014)
French Chamber of Commerce in Great Britain, London, UK

Legal assistant in labor law (July – Dec. 2013)
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Paris, France

COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION **ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research**
June 2020, online
Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA)

Interactive online courses, DataCamp
October-November 2019, online
Intermediate and advanced courses on quantitative analysis with R

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
July 2019, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
Social networks: Theoretically informed analysis with UCINET; Social network analysis and visualization with R

2019 International Sunbelt Social Network Conference
June 2019, UQAM, Montreal, Canada
Using R and igraph for social network analysis; understanding diffusion with NetDiffusR

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research
July 2018, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, United States
Regression analysis; statistics and data analysis; network analysis; mathematics for social scientists

International Law Summer Institute
June 2018, CIGI/BSIA, Waterloo, Canada

LANGUAGES **French** (native)
 English (fluent)
 Spanish (intermediate)

I.T. **R, RStudio** (proficient)
 NVivo (advanced)
 Microsoft Office (advanced)