

**ÅRSHEIM, Helge**

**Name:** Helge Årsheim, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Oslo, Norway.

**Biography and Research Statement:**

Helge Årsheim received basic training in religious studies at the University of Bergen in 2007. Since then, Årsheim worked at the United Nations Association of Norway with human rights information, and as a case officer at the Norwegian Immigration Appeals Board. Årsheim joined the Faculty of Theology at the University of Oslo as a PhD. Candidate in 2010, and started his current position in 2015, after receiving a four-year research grant dedicated to the exploration of how the Protestant majority culture in Norway affects the formation of law and policy on religion.

Årsheim's main research interests are at the intersections of law and religion, broadly conceived, from the shared origins of some religious and legal concepts, to the ways in which "religion" becomes determined by law and jurisprudence, and to the nuts and bolts of law and adjudication of religion at the international level. While Årsheim's doctoral work focused on the concept of religion at different parts of the United Nations, he has now turned his attention towards the ways in which transnational, domestic and local forms of regulation of religion interact. Årsheim explores these questions comparatively, as they play out in legal discourses related to refugee status determination procedures and the rights of indigenous peoples, and theoretically, where he has started working on some overarching questions related to the growth of "religion law" as a separate field of legal inquiry, and the triangulations between law, religion and human rights.

**Publications:**

- 2016. "Internal affairs? Assessing NGO engagement for religious freedom," In Anne Stensvold (ed.): *Religion, State and the United Nations – Value Politics*. London: Routledge, pp. 79-94. [[SSRN](#)]
- 2016. "Religion and International Organizations," In Ian Hurd, Ian Johnstone, and Jacob Katz Cogan (eds), *The Oxford Handbook of International Organizations*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 490-507. [[SSRN](#)]
- 2016. "Secularist Suspicion and Legal Pluralism at the United Nations," In *Religion and Human Rights* 11(2): pp. 166-188. [[SSRN](#)]
- 2016. "Whose Religion, What Freedom? Discursive Constructions of Religion in the work of UN Special Rapporteurs on the Freedom of Religion or Belief," in Kocku von Stuckrad & Frans Wijzen (eds), *Making Religion: Theory and Practice in the Discursive Study of Religion*. Leiden: Brill, pp. 287-316. [[SSRN](#)]

2015. "Om nokre religiøse unntaksreglar i norsk rett," In *Kirke og Kultur* , (March), pp. 284-297. [[academia.edu](#)]
2015. with Pamela Slotte. "The Ministerial Exception – Comparative Perspectives," In *Oxford Journal of Law and Religion* 4 (2), pp. 1-28. [[SSRN](#)]
2014. "Legal Secularism? - Differing Notions of Religion in International and Norwegian Law," in Trygve E. Wyller, Rosemarie Van Den Breemer & Jose Casanova (eds), *Secular and Sacred? The Scandinavian Case of Religion in Human Rights, Law and Public Space*. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, pp. 123-151. [[SSRN](#)]
2014. "Hvilken religion, hva slags vitenskap? – En undersøkelse av religionskategorien i universitetsstudier i religionsvitenskap og teologi," *Teologisk Tidsskrift* 3(1), pp. 50-72. [[academia.edu](#)]

**BARRAS, Amélie**

**Name:** Amélie Barras, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Assistant Professor, Department of Social Science, York University.

**Biography and Research Statement:**

Amélie Barras is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Social Science (Law & Society Program), at York University (Toronto, Canada). Before her appointment at York, she completed her PhD at the London School of Economics in 2011 in the department of Government and was a post-doctoral fellow with the Religion and Diversity Project from 2011 to 2014. In her research she is interested in thinking about the relationship between politics, religion, gender and law in and beyond Canada. Barras published her first monograph in 2014, in which she documented the work of activists fighting headscarf bans in France and Turkey (*Refashioning Secularisms in France and Turkey. The case of the headscarf ban*. Routledge, 2014). Barras is currently finishing a collaborative project on Islam in Canada with Jennifer Selby (Memorial University) and Lori Beaman (University of Ottawa). Their book manuscript, under review with UBC Press, explores how Muslims in Canada negotiate their religion in their everyday lives. She is also principal investigator on a new project funded by a SSHRC Insight Development Grant that explores the work of faith-based activists at the UN Human Rights Council (HRC) in Geneva. Barras is particularly interested in documenting the extent to which these activists contribute and shape the direction of human rights discussions at the HRC, as well as the creation of new human rights standards internationally.

**Publications:**

**Books**

2016. *Réguler le Religieux dans les Sociétés Libérales?* (eds). Labor et Fides. (with S. Nicolet and F. Dermange). [http://www.laboretfides.com/?page\\_id=3&product\\_id=687242](http://www.laboretfides.com/?page_id=3&product_id=687242)
2014. *Refashioning Secularisms in France and Turkey: The struggle of devout Muslim women for full citizenship rights*. Routledge. (2016 paperback).  
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**Selected articles**

2016. "Exploring the intricacies and dissonances of religious governance: The case of Quebec and the discourse of request," *Critical Research on Religion*. 4.1: pp. 57-71.  
<http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/2050303216630066>
2013. "Sacred laïcité and the politics of religious resurgence in France: wither religious freedom?" *Mediterranean Politics* 18. 2: pp. 276-293.

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2013. "The Safety of Authenticity: Ali Kebap and the Swiss political imaginary of foreignness," *European Journal of Cultural Studies* 16.3: pp. 310-328. With X. Guillaume (first author). <http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ecsa/16/3>
2012. "Devout Turkish Women Struggle for Full Citizenship," *MERIP* 262 (Spring): pp. 32-35. <http://www.merip.org/author/amelie-barras>
2012. "Transnational understandings of secularism and the right to religious freedom – exploring UN and ECHR cases," *Journal of Human Rights* 11.2: pp. 263-279. <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/14754835.2012.674460>
2009. "A rights based discourse to contest the boundaries of state secularism? The case of the headscarf ban in France and Turkey," *Democratization* 16.6 (December): pp. 1237-1260. <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/13510340903271852>

### **Selected book chapters**

2017. "French Laïcité," Phil Zuckerman and John Shook (eds). *The Oxford Handbook of Secularism*. Oxford. <https://global.oup.com/academic/product/the-oxford-handbook-of-secularism-9780199988457?cc=ch&lang=en&>
2016. "No Mosque, No Refugees: Some Reflections on Syrian Refugees and the Construction of Religion in Canada," *The Refugee Crisis and Religion: Secularism, Security and Hospitality*. Edited by Luca Mavelli and Erin Wilson. Rowman & Littlefield (forthcoming December). 21 pages. With L. Beaman, and J. Selby (third author). <https://www.rowmaninternational.com/book/the-refugee-crisis-and-religion/3-156-48c9ac48-37ef-422c-81a2-bdba8befe523>
2016. "Introduction: Réguler le religieux dans les sociétés libérales?" Amélie Barras, Francois Dermange, et Sarah Nicolet (eds). *Réguler le Religieux dans les Sociétés Libérales ? Labor et Fides*. (with S. Nicolet). [first author]. [http://www.laboretfides.com/?page\\_id=3&product\\_id=687242](http://www.laboretfides.com/?page_id=3&product_id=687242)
2016. "Religion as Visible and Invisible in Public Institutions: Canadian Muslims Public Servants," Benjamin Berger and Richard Moon (eds). *Religion and the Exercise of Public Authority*. Hart Publishing. (with J. Selby and L. Beaman) [first author]. <http://www.bloomsburyprofessional.com/uk/religion-and-the-exercise-of-public-authority-9781849467155/>
2014. "Only Skin Deep: Revising the Secular Narrative through Circumcision? A study of recent case-law," Heather Shipley (ed). *Globalized Religion and Sexuality*. Brill. (with D. Dabby). <http://www.brill.com/products/book/globalized-religion-and-sexual-identity>

**DABBY, Dia**

**Name:** Dia Dabby, D.C.L.

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Postdoctoral Fellow, Religion and Diversity Project.

**Biography and Research Statement:**

Dia Dabby received her doctorate in civil law (D.C.L.) from the Faculty of Law at McGill University in 2017. Her dissertation was funded by a SSHRC Joseph- Armand Bombardier CGS Doctoral scholarship (2012-2015). In addition, she holds previous degrees from Université de Montréal (LL.B., LL.M.) and McGill (B.A.) and is a member of the Quebec Bar. Dia's scholarship has focused on law, religion and institutions from a Canadian and comparative constitutional law context and has been published in the *Supreme Court Law Review*, *Dalhousie Law Journal*, *Studies in Religion*, *Osgoode Hall Law Journal* as well as in *Globalized Religion and Sexuality* (Brill, 2014). Forthcoming publications include topics such as yoga in schools; children's religious rights in a pluralist setting; and a book project on religious diversity and public education in Canada. Dia is currently a Postdoctoral Fellow with the Religion and Diversity Project, working on local zoning and Muslim cemeteries in Quebec with Lori G. Beaman.

**Publications:**

Forthcoming. "Bent out of shape: fictions of yoga and religion before the courts," (with Amélie Barras).

2016. "Doctoral Studies in Law: From the Inside Out," *Dalhousie Law Journal* 39(1), pp. 221-247 (with Bethany Hastie & Jocelyn Stacey). [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=2702175](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2702175).

2016. "An Inevitable "Marriage March"? A Survey of the "Arbiter of Religious Dogma," in Canadian Case Law" 45(2) *Studies in Religion*, pp. 127-145. <http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0008429816636089>.

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2014. "Book review: *Secular States and Religious Diversity*," 52(1) *Osgoode Hall Law Journal*, pp. 321-331. <http://digitalcommons.osgoode.yorku.ca/ohlj/vol52/iss1/10/>.

2014. "Only Skin Deep: Revising the Secular Narrative through Circumcision?" in Heather Shipley (ed.), *Globalized Religion and Sexuality* (Brill) (with Amélie Barras), pp. 86-106. [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=2649820](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2649820).

2013. "Children stuck in the middle? Questions of Ink and Belonging," *Regulating Religion!*, (Winter), online: [http://religionanddiversity.ca/media/uploads/dabby\\_e-journal\\_template.pdf](http://religionanddiversity.ca/media/uploads/dabby_e-journal_template.pdf)

**GAREAU, Paul**

**Name:** Paul L. Gareau, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Assistant professor in the Faculty of Native Studies and Research Fellow for the Rupertsland Centre for Métis Research, University of Alberta.

**Biography and Research Statement:**

Paul L. Gareau is an assistant professor in the Faculty of Native Studies and Research Fellow for the Rupertsland Centre for Métis Research at the University of Alberta. His research is grounded in critical theory and methodology relating to the social and cultural impacts of religion on identity formation. His academic publications and community research projects explore the influence of Catholicism on early and late modern identity, the legacy of colonial discourses on Indigenous and ethno-cultural minorities, and the multiplicity of experience in rural spaces. His research focuses on the Métis, Indigenous religiosity, youth, gender, *la francophonie*, and rural Canada.

Based in the Rupertsland Centre for Métis Research in the Faculty of Native Studies at the University of Alberta, Dr. Gareau is launching a multi-phase, interdisciplinary research project that will investigate the historical, socio-cultural, and religious lifeways of Métis at Lac Ste. Anne, Alberta. Over the next 5 to 10 years, he will organize a team of Métis Studies scholars from the University of Alberta and community members to develop ethnohistorical, material, and sociological scholarship on the Métis using Lac Ste. Anne as a research site and seek to represent community perspectives of history, culture, and worldview. This project will enable a more complex and complete understanding of contemporary Métis identity.

**Publications:**

**Chapters**

2017. "Esquisse de la population Canadienne-française d'Ottawa, 1871-1961," In A. Gilbert, L. Hotte, F. Charbonneau, & S. Jolivet (eds.), *Construction d'une mémoire française à Ottawa* (collection « Amérique Française »), les Presses de l'Université d'Ottawa. (avec Frenette, Y.).
2016. "Belief," In A. Palmer (ed.), *A cultural history of dress and fashion in the modern age*, vol. 6. London; New York: Bloomsbury. (avec Palmer, S.).
- Forthcoming. "Army of Mary: Quebec nationalism and Catholic heterodoxy," In S. Palmer et M. Geoffroy (eds.), *Quebec's new religions: Sectes, spirituality, and schisms since the Quiet Revolution*. Basingstoke, UK: Palgrave Macmillan.
2015. "The Living Histories Ensemble: Sharing authority through play, storytelling, and performance in the aftermath of collective violence," In A. Sinner & D. Conrad (eds.), *Creating Together: Participatory, Community-Based, and Collaborative Arts Practices and Scholarship across Canada*. Wilfrid Laurier Press. (with Sajnani, N., et. al.).

### **Scholarly Journals – Peer Reviewed**

2013. “Le providentialisme d’hier à aujourd’hui : La construction idéologique ultramontaine de l’identité canadienne-française dans le développement de l’Armée de Marie,” *Studies in Religion/Sciences Religieuses*, 42(3), pp. 346–363.
2007. “Ethnic and cultural diversity in rural Canada: Its relationship to immigration,” *Metropolis Magazine: Our Diverse Cities (Special issue on Rural Communities)*, 1, pp. 30–35. (with Reimer, B. and Burns, M.).

### **Graduate Journal Publications**

2011. “History as the rise of a modern Jewish identity,” *Ottawa Journal of Religion/La Revue des Sciences des Religions d’Ottawa*, 3, pp. 27–43.
2008. “The role of religious diversity in creating community cohesion in rural Canada,” *Word in the World: Concordia Graduate Journal of Theological Studies*, 2(1), pp. 59–68. (with Burns, M.).
2006. “Religious pluralism versus Catholic orthodoxy: An investigation into the ambiguities of John Paul II and post-Vatican II soteriological theology,” *Concordia Religion Students’ Association: Journal of Religion*.

### **Professional Magazine Publications**

2015. “Religious providence for religious action: Investigating Roger Allen Laporte’s French-Canadian Catholic heritage,” Article on *the Religion Studies Project* website. See, <http://www.religiousstudiesproject.com/2015/05/14/religious-providence-for-religious-action-investigating-roger-allen-laportes-french-canadian-catholic-heritage/>

**GRIGORE, Monica**

**Name:** Monica Grigore Dovlete, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Postdoctoral Fellow, Religion and Diversity Project.

**Biography and Research Statement:**

Monica Grigore is a Postdoctoral Fellow with the *Religion and Diversity Project* since October 2015. Grigore works with Lori G. Beaman on a project entitled, *The Local Regulation of Religion*. This project explores how the transformation of the space—caught in a circular movement between religious and secular—happens in everyday life in the metropolitan area of Montreal.

Grigore completed her PhD in Sociology from University of Montreal. Her doctoral thesis, *Les pèlerines, la religion vécue et la Roumanie postcommuniste*, discusses the lived religion of Orthodox Romanians in the post-communist era. Grigore is currently writing a book based on her PhD thesis, which is due to be published with the University of Ottawa Press in 2018/2019.

**Publications:**

2017. “Ghostly Presence: An Abandoned Space and Three Religious Communities in Parishville, Quebec,” with Lori G. Beaman, *Eurostudia. Revue transatlantique de recherche sur l’Europe*, forthcoming November.
2015. “The Aiud ‘Prison Saints.’ History, Memory, and Lived Religion,” *Eurostudia. Revue transatlantique de recherche sur l’Europe*, 10(1): pp. 33-49. (<https://www.erudit.org/fr/revues/euro/2015-v10-n1-euro02010/1033881ar/>).
2015. “Tamara’s Illness: Pilgrims, Fate and Lived Religion in Post-Communist Romania,” *Religion and Society in Central and Eastern Europe*, 7(1): pp. 39-51. ([http://www.rascee.net/index.php/rascee/article/view/99/pdf\\_1](http://www.rascee.net/index.php/rascee/article/view/99/pdf_1)).



**HALL, Dana**

**Name:** Dana Hall, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Educator, Ottawa-Carleton District School Board

**Biography and Research Statement:**

Dana Hall is currently a local educator with the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board. Hall currently teaches the Gifted Program at Cedarview MS in Barrhaven but has also taught in the east end of Ottawa. He is the recipient of the Golden Apple Award for Teaching and the Phi Delta Kappa Award of Excellence for Program Design. In addition, he actively coaches history fair and the annual science fair to which he has been a regional judge for over a decade.

Prior to teaching (and sometimes concurrently), Hall was a researcher and university sessional instructor and guest lecturer. He holds undergraduate degrees in English and health sciences (psychology), as well as a Masters in Education. His doctoral work was in the field of psychoneuroimmunology. As a researcher, his works includes *A Practical Guide for Understanding Research Methods for Educational Practitioners*; *Barriers to Technology Implementation (CJE)*; *Normative Communication Protocols* for Air Canada. He was the Canadian Lead on a two-year international study on *Cross-Cultural Values of Student Teachers*, Faculties of Education and Psychology, University of Ottawa (with Lomonosov Moscow State University). He was also the lead researcher for Immunological Efficacy of the Merck HepB single dose vaccine and potential for Acquired Dyslexia, United States Air Force and later Health and Welfare Canada. A rural person at heart, Dana lives in Metcalfe with his wife and daughter.

## **HOLTMANN, Catherine**

**Name:** Catherine Holtmann, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Associate Professor, Sociology Department and the Director of the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research, University of New Brunswick.

### **Biography and Research Statement:**

Catherine Holtmann has a PhD in Sociology from the University of New Brunswick (UNB). As a doctoral student, she became involved with the Religion and Diversity Project and served as the Student Caucus Leader from 2010-2013. Together with RDP team members in the Atlantic region, Holtmann organized three workshops on the Study of Religion in Atlantic Canada at Saint Mary's University in Halifax from 2012-2014. She has collaborated with Nancy Nason-Clark in the creation of a series of online teaching resources hosted on the RDP website (<http://religionanddiversity.ca/en/projects-and-tools/projects/linking-classrooms/>) as well as the guide, Best Practices for Supervising and Supporting Graduate Students in the RDP (<http://religionanddiversity.ca/en/projects-and-tools/tools/best-practices-supervising-and-supporting-graduate-students-rdp/>). Holtmann completed a post-doc with the New Brunswick Institute for Research, Data and Training and a Limited Term Appointment in the Sociology Department at the University of Saskatchewan before accepting a tenure-track position in the Sociology Department at UNB in 2015.

Holtmann's research expertise lies in the areas of religion and gender, domestic violence, and immigrant women. She uses both qualitative and quantitative research methods. In addition to her duties as the Director of the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research (MMFC), Holtmann is a member of the Religion and Violence and the academic chair of the Violence against Immigrant and Visible Minority Women research teams there. The Religion and Violence team, under the direction of Nason-Clark, developed the Religion and Violence E-Learning or RAVE Project website ([www.theraveproject.org](http://www.theraveproject.org)) based on over twenty years of research results with different populations impacted by domestic violence. After a decade of use, the website is currently undergoing revisions to improve its appearance and responsiveness to identified needs for information and training. The launch of the revamped site is set to coincide with the release of the research team's co-authored publication, *Religion and Intimate Partner Violence: Understanding the Challenges and Proposing Solutions* by Oxford University Press. The research on Violence against Immigrant Women is currently funded by a multi-year grant from the Status of Women Canada. The team is working on strengthening a coordinated community response to domestic violence in immigrant families in New Brunswick. Part of this work includes capacity building amongst immigrant women in addressing the structural barriers that they face. With funding from the Fergusson Foundation, Holtmann co-produced the video *Breaking Barriers Moving Forward* (<https://youtu.be/I1ciRp-o9aA>) featuring Asian women speaking about how they have faced and overcome a variety of challenges in creating their new Canadian identities and contributing to the growing cultural diversity of New Brunswick society.

Holtmann is editing an e-text on religious diversity in Canada designed for upper level undergraduate and graduate students. The majority of contributors to *Exploring Religion and Diversity in Canada: People,*

*Practice and Possibility* were once graduate students associated with the RDP and the chapters deal with a range of topics from issues related to religion and education to the lived religious practices of Muslim women to the growth of religious “nones.” The manuscript is being reviewed by Springer. She is co-editing a publication with Nason-Clark based on the successful workshop they hosted at the MMFC titled *When Prayers are Not Enough: Religion, Gender and Family Violence*. Workshop participants, half of whom are graduate students, have contributed chapters to this volume from multiple disciplinary and faith perspectives.

Building on her expertise using visual methods in the scientific study of religion, Holtmann is a collaborator on the project “The Interfaith Photovoice Initiative: Amplifying Voice through Photography, Interfaith Dialogue, and Immigrant Advocacy,” under the direction of Roman Williams of Calvin College with funding from the Louisville Institute.

### **Publications:**

2016. “Women seeking safety: Nonviolent responses to intimate partner violence,” In H. Eaton and L.M. Levesque, (eds.) *Advancing Nonviolence and Social Transformation: New Perspectives on Nonviolence Theories*, pp. 188-200. London, UK, Equinox Publishing.
2016. “Christian and Muslim Immigrant Women in the Canadian Maritimes: Considering their Strengths and Vulnerabilities in Responding to Domestic Violence,” *Studies in Religion Sciences Religieuses* 45(3): pp. 397-414. Available: <http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/sira/45/3>
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2016. *A Coordinated Community Response to Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence Experienced by Immigrant and Newcomer Women in New Brunswick*, report for the Status of Women Canada, Ottawa, ON. (with Torri, C., et. al.) Available: [http://www.unb.ca/fredericton/arts/centres/mmfc/resources/pdfs/annexa\\_swc-cfc174915v1nb15133\\_newbrunswickmulticulturalcouncilinc\\_needsassessmentreport\\_final.pdf](http://www.unb.ca/fredericton/arts/centres/mmfc/resources/pdfs/annexa_swc-cfc174915v1nb15133_newbrunswickmulticulturalcouncilinc_needsassessmentreport_final.pdf)
2015. “When Violence Hits the Religious Home: Raising Awareness about Domestic Violence in Seminaries and amongst Religious Leaders,” *Journal of Pastoral Care and Counseling* 69(2): pp. 113–124. (with McMullin, S., et. al.) Available: <http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/pcca/69/2>
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2015. “Women, sex and the Catholic Church: The implications of domestic violence on reproductive choice,” In P. Dickey Young, T. Trothen and H. Shipley, eds. *Religion and Sexuality: Diversity and the Limits of Tolerance*. pp. 141-164. Vancouver, BC: UBC Press.
2015. “Naming the Abuse, Establishing Networks, and Forging Negotiations: Contemporary Christian Women and the Ugly Subject of Domestic Violence,” In A. Day, ed. *Powers and Pieties: Contemporary Issues in the Worldwide Anglican Communion*. London, UK, Routledge. (with Nason-Clark, N.).

**HOVERD, William**

**Name:** William Hoverd, PhD

**Affiliation/Current Position:** Senior Lecturer, Centre for Defence and Security Studies, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Massey University, Wellington Campus, New Zealand.

**Biography and Research Statement:**

William Hoverd is a social scientist with a specific interest in critical research into New Zealand security issues and religious diversity. He has published a variety of qualitative and quantitative research publications in security, sociology, religious studies and psychology. He is currently editing a volume on *'The Critical Analysis of Religious Diversity'* with Lene Kuhle and Jorn Borup from Aarhus University. In 2017, he published an edited volume on New Zealand National Security. His future research projects will look to investigate questions of freedom and security by assessing how the New Zealand government has addressed questions of diversity, oversight, trust & confidence and radicalization within its population.

William is the CDSS Internship Programme coordinator which places Massey Students into workplace applied research projects in government agencies. He teaches research based papers at post-graduate level both extramurally to the New Zealand public and into the New Zealand Defence Force Command and Staff College. He supervises PhD & Masters Students involved in applied and critical projects focusing on New Zealand questions of Defence, Intelligence, Policing, Foreign Affairs, Religion, and, Diversity.

In 2012 he was a successful co-recipient of the NZ \$231,000 Danish Research Council funded *Critical Analysis of Religious Diversity Network*. In 2011/2012, he was a DFAIT Government of Canada Post-Doctoral Fellow, at the Religion and Diversity Project at Ottawa University, Ontario. In 2012, he graduated with a PhD in Religious Studies from Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand.

**Publications:**

**Books**

2005. *Working Out My Salvation: The Contemporary Gym and the Promise of 'Self' Transformation*. Aachen: Book 7, Sport, Culture, and Society, Meyer and Meyer Sport.

**Edited Volumes**

2017. *New Zealand National Security: Challenges, Trends and Issues*. Massey University Press, Auckland. (with Nelson, N., and Bradley, C.).

## Chapters

2017. "Differentiating between New Zealand's two security studies agendas" In Hoverd, William J., Nelson, Nick, Bradley, C. *New Zealand National Security: Challenges, Trends and Issues*. Massey University Press, Auckland: pp. 289-307.
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2016. "New Zealand: The Atheist Bus Campaign in New Zealand; From Buses to Billboards," in *The Atheist Bus Campaign Global Manifestations and Responses*. Edited by Steven Tomlins and Spencer Bullivant, Brill Publications, Leiden, October: pp. 239-261. (with Strehle K.).
2009. "Deadly Sin: Gluttony, Obesity and Health Policy," In *Negotiating the Sacred III: Religion, Medicine and the Body*, ed. Kevin White & Elizabeth Burns Coleman, Religion and Culture Series, Brill Publications, Leiden: pp. 204-230.
2004. "Working Out My Salvation: The Religiosity of Contemporary Gym Culture," in *What is Religion For?* Eds. Joe Bulbulia & Paul Morris, pp. 233-238. Wellington: Victoria University Press.

## Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

2014. "Forecasting religious change: a Bayesian model predicting proportional Christian change in New Zealand," *Religion Brain and Behaviour*. 5(1), pp. 15-23. (with Bulbulia, J., et. al.),
2014. "A Promising Thaw," *Proceedings of the U.S. Naval Institute*. 140(9/1,339): pp. 60-65. (with Paul, C., & Nelson, N.). Retrieved from <http://wmiller@usni.org/>
2013. "Does poverty predict religion?" *Religion, Brain and Behavior*. 3(3): pp. 185-200. (with Bulbulia, J., & Sibley, CG.)
2013. "Religion, deprivation and subjective wellbeing: Testing a religious buffering hypothesis," *International Journal of Wellbeing*, 3(2): pp. 182-196. (with Sibley, C.G.).
2013. "Religion, Brain & Behavior : Forecasting religious change: a Bayesian model predicting proportional Christian change in New Zealand," *Religion, Brain & Behavior*, (with J Bulbulia., et. al.) DOI: 10.1080/2153599X.2013.824497
2012. "Group Size and the Trajectory of Religious Identification," *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 51(2): pp. 286-303. (with Sibley, C. G, et. al.).
2012. "Income and subjective wellbeing in New Zealand," *New Zealand Journal of Psychology*, 4 (2): pp. 21-44. (with Sengupta, N. K., et. al.)
2011. "Ethnic Group Labels and Intergroup Attitudes in New Zealand. Naming Preferences Predict Distinct Ingroup and Outgroup Biases," *Journal of Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy* 11(1): pp. 201-220. (with Sibley, Ch. G., Houkamau, Carla. Hoverd.).

2011. "What's in a flag? Subliminal exposure to New Zealand national symbols and the automatic activation of egalitarian versus dominance values," *Journal of Social Psychology*, 151(4): pp. 123. (with Sibley, C. G., & Duckitt, John.).
2011. "Pluralistic and monocultural facets of New Zealand national character and identity," *New Zealand Journal of Psychology*, 40: pp. 19-29. (Sibley, C. G., et. al.)
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**LAVOIE, Bertrand**

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Bertrand Lavoie holds a bachelor's and a master's degree in sociology, and a doctorate in law. He is a postdoctoral researcher at University of Sherbrooke, and he has worked as a researcher invited to the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies at the University of Oxford. He is also a lecturer in sociology and law. His research interests focus on the institutional supervision of the ethno-cultural diversity in the contemporary context and on the interdisciplinary study of the interaction between religious and legal standards.

*Institutional supervision of the ethno-cultural diversity in the contemporary context*

In Lavoie's research, his interest is on the public expression and configuration of cultural identities in the present societies. Lavoie is studying the deployment of government policies and case law developments aimed at supervising the personal expression of cultural and religious practices by drawing from the literature on legal culture and cultural studies. At a time when the debate on living together fuels social debate, Lavoie places his research in a critical perspective whose aim is to question the policies and practices implemented by various organizations and institutions in order to regulate culture, identity and religion.

*The interdisciplinary study of interactions between religious and legal norms*

Lavoie is studying the forms of interaction between norms, culture and religion through an interdisciplinary approach. He is interested in the various manifestations of the contemporary religious by a conceptualization of the arrangements implemented by the believers to reconcile the religious obligations and requirements related to the daily reality, whether social, intercultural, linguistic or professional. Lavoie places these research interests in a horizon of knowledge where he works on the theoretical and epistemological conditions of interdisciplinarity to critically examine current modes of knowledge by examining the possible forms of encounter between knowledge usually studied separately.

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Jasjit Singh's research examines religious identity and processes of religious and cultural transmission among young South Asians born in diaspora with a particular focus on Sikhs. He is interested in the relationship and impact of different arenas of religious transmission including those established by young people in diaspora including camps, faith societies and the Internet. His research interests include Religion and Youth, Religion and Media and the presentation and representation of religious communities. He has completed a number of funded research projects on the cultural value of South Asian Arts, the role and impact of minority heritage faith buildings and most recently a CREST funded project on 'Sikh radicalisation' in Britain.

**Publications:**

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**STACEY, Timothy**

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**Biography and Research Statement:**

Tim Stacey explores the role of religion and belief in renewing a sense of solidarity in culturally and economically fragmented spaces. In particular, he explores what he calls ‘myths’, that is, the stories of great events and characters that point towards an ideal way of living. He uses the term myth to highlight the parity between religious and secular ways of inhabiting the world.

Seeing research as a means of changing rather than only exploring the world, Tim pays particular attention to the implications of his work for politics, policy and professional practice. Tim has experience in numerous methods, but prefers ethnography, and in particular employs a lot of auto-ethnographic reflection as he seeks to adopt the myths and practices of his research participants.

Tim is also a member of several research and policy networks. He is the co-founder of LivedReligionProject.com, an online campaign that challenges prejudiced understandings of religion as dogma by highlighting the complexity and humour with which randomly selected individuals navigate their religious and nonreligious lives. He is the co-founder of FaithXChange, an international network highlighting alternative visions and epistemologies in the public sphere. And he is Assistant Editor at NSRN online.

Tim is currently living in Vancouver, where he is undertaking ethnographic research into the values that motivate secular citizens (those for whom religion is no more than a secondary concern) to campaign for social and economic justice.

**Publications:**

**Books**

Forthcoming. *On Rediscovering What Is Missing: Myth and Solidarity in the Modern World*, Routledge.

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Before moving to the University of Helsinki in 2015 I studied and worked in the University of Turku, Finland (1998–2008, 2011–2015) and University of Leeds, England (2008–2010). My research has focused on three overlapping areas: 1) media portrayals of religion (and non-religion), 2) atheism and non-religion, and 3) the category of “religion” in social practices (particularly registration processes). I have published extensively on all three areas both in English and in Finnish, but I have also written about religion in Finnish society and discursive approaches in the study of religion. I am currently writing a monograph on the discursive study of religion, articles/chapters on religion in the media, and an article on Finnish “nones” on the basis of recent survey data.

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Steven Tomlins obtained his Bachelor of Arts at the University of Prince Edward Island with a major in Religious Studies and a double minor in Political Studies and Art History, graduating with the highest academic standing in the final year of his program. In 2016, he obtained his Doctorate degree in Religious Studies from the University of Ottawa with his thesis, “Navigating Atheist Identities: An Analysis of Nonreligious Perceptions and Experiences in the Religiously Diverse Canadian City of Ottawa.” He is co-editor of two international academic volumes pertaining to atheist identities and nonreligious expression (Springer; Brill). He has also studied multiculturalism, secularism, religion and the media, and the intersections between religious expression and Canadian law. He is currently interested in Commonwealth blasphemy laws and the effect of filter bubbles on university culture(s). He presently works at a non-profit think tank where he researches the characteristics of nation-to-nation (federal/Indigenous) relations, and models of multilevel/inter-jurisdictional governance.

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Shreya Voore is a grade 9 student living in Ottawa, Ontario. She attends Colonel By Secondary School as part of the IB program, and is a gifted student. She has participated in the [Ottawa Regional Science Fair](#) and has for two years consecutively been awarded third place in her category. She has also participated in the [Ottawa Regional Heritage Fair](#) alongside her partner, Ina Zeng. Together, they reached out to Professor Lori Beaman at the University of Ottawa for insight and research on their topic, titled, “Our Home and Native Land; The History of Immigration and Multiculturalism in Canada”, which investigated periods of mass immigration throughout Canada’s history. It focused on the xenophobia and racism experienced by past immigrants, while relating it to current issues and trends, such as the refugee crisis. It is also necessary to review approaches to these issues following political changes occurring in the United States. In her spare time, Shreya regularly volunteers at her dance class and language schools, and enjoys activities such as basketball, badminton, and dance.

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