This report highlights significant achievements and activities during the 2013 year.

**A. HONOURS, AWARDS, PRIZES**

Elisabeth Gidengil was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

Stuart Soroka was a co-recipient of the Seymour Lipset Book Award from the American Political Science Association, with Christopher Wlezien, *Degrees of Democracy: Politics, Public Opinion and Policy* for their co-authored book, (Cambridge University Press).

Manuel Balán won the Political Science Students Association Award (PSSA) for outstanding teaching for 2013-2014.

Lorenzo Daieff received the PSSA Award for outstanding Teaching Assistant.

**B. PROMOTIONS AND HIRES**

Megan Bradley will join the Department of Political Science and the Institute for the Study of International Development as an Assistant Professor in the fall of 2014.

Christa Scholtz was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure.

**C. RANKINGS**

The Department is ranked 38th in the world and 2nd in Canada [QS University Rankings, 2013, Politics and International Studies].
**D. SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**


E. SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES


Rex Brynen, “Western Intelligence Communities and the Arab Spring.” John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Invited lecturer.


Erik Kuhonta. Organizer, Chair, and Discussant, Panel on “Religion and Politics in Asia” Canadian Council on Southeast Asian Studies.


Catherine Lu, “Reparations and Reconciliation”, Australian National University, School of Philosophy, Moral, Social and Political Thought Seminar. Invited.

Catherine Lu, “Global justice, democracy and world government,” presented in the Department of Government and International Relations Colloquium Series, University of Sydney; School of Political Science & International Relations, University of Queensland; Democracy and Justice Workshop, Australian National University. Invited.

Antonia Maioni, Summary and Closing Panel, “Toward a Canadian Healthcare Strategy” Health Policy Change Conference, Queen’s University Monesian Centre/School of Public Policy, Toronto.


Philip Oxhorn. Keynote Address, Re-Imagining Communities and Civil Society Conference, School of Languages and Literatures, University of Guelph.

T.V. Paul. American University (January 2013); East-West Center, Honolulu (February); University of Hawaii, Honolulu (February); Hawaii Pacific University, Honolulu (February); Asia-Pacific Studies
Center, Honolulu (February); George Washington University (April); Aarhus University, Denmark (December).


Krzysztof Pelc, Japan Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). “Japan’s Trade Litigation Activity In Perspective”.


Vincent Pouliot, "Diffusion and Mechanisms: Reports from the Trenches of Field Research," roundtable participant, ISA.

Vincent Pouliot, "Practice Theory and World Politics: Promise and Limitations," roundtable participant, ISA.

Vincent Pouliot, "Theorizing Hierarchy in Anarchy: Political, Economic and Social Perspective," workshop participant, ISA.

Vincent Pouliot, "Bourdieu in IR: Rethinking Key Concepts in IR," roundtable participant, ISA.


F. SELECTED RESEARCH GRANTS


Rex Brynen, Principal Investigator SSHRC, Insight Grant, 2013-2016 “The ‘Arab Spring’ and the Political Science of Prediction”, $160,233

Catherine Lu, Principal Investigator, SSHRC, 2013-2018.
Victor M. Muniz-Fraticelli, SSHRC Insight Development Grants 2013-2015, $73,213


Will Roberts, Principal Investigator, FQRSC, Établissement nouveaux professeurs-chercheurs, 2012-15. ($39,000)

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

Juliet Johnson, McGill Co-Director of EUCE, Institutional Grant “Cooperation with Industrialised Countries - Supplementing the Network of EU Centres in Canada and Korea.” European Commission Grant, 2014-16. 300,000 euros from EU, 300,000 euros in matching funds from McGill and Université de Montréal.

WORKSHOP AND LECTURE SERIES GRANTS

Erik Kuhonta: Principal Investigator, SSHRC Workshop Grant 2012-2013, $25,000

Jacob Levy, $35,000 grant from the Aurea Foundation for the RGCS Lecture Series and RGCS Student Essay Prize, 2013-14

Faculty members holding other ongoing research grants either as PI or Co-Investigator include: Éric Bélanger, Elisabeth Gidengil, Erik Kuhonta, Jacob Levy, Victor Muniz-Fraticelli, Philip Oxhorn, T.V. Paul, Krzysztof Pelc, Maria Popova, Vincent Pouliot, Filippo Sabetti, Stuart Soroka, Dietlind Stolle, Christina Tarnopolsky, Juan Wang.

G. INSTITUTIONAL AND DISCIPLINARY CONTRIBUTIONS


BOARD AND ADVISORY FUNCTIONS: Faculty members supported the activities of: American Political Science Association; American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy; Asian Journal of Political Science; Board of Governors and Senate (McGill); Association for Political Theory; British International Studies Association (IPE Book Prize Committee); Canadian Academics for Peace in the Middle East; Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement; Canadian Institute for Advanced Research; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Canadian Political Science Association; CIREQ Advisory Board; European Consortium for Political Research; Federation for Humanities and Social Sciences; French Politics; International Indigenous Policy Journal; International Journal; International Studies
Association, ISA-Int’l Political Sociology; Journal of Ukrainian Politics and Society, International Telecommunications Society; Latin American Research Review (Editor-in-Chief), Law and Politics Book Review; McGill Institute for Global Food Security (Advisory Board); Pacific Affairs; PONARS Eurasia; Russian Politics and Law, Society for Social and Political Philosophy, Vanier College (University Rep, Board of Directors), Vote Compass.

PRIZE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Elisabeth Gidengil was a member of the Sigel Award Committee for the International Society for Political Psychology.

E. PhD Placement

The Department placed the following students in tenure track or postdoctoral positions: Merouan Mekouar, Assistant Professor York University; Nina Valiquette-Moreau, Collegiate Associate Professor (Postdoctoral Fellowship) University of Chicago; Erin Crandall, Postdoctoral Fellowship, Queen’s University.