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EDUCATION

2016-2020	PhD, Political Science, Australian National University
2013-2015	MA, Political Science, University of Ottawa
2009-2013	BScH, Life Sciences, Queen's University

MAJOR GRANTS ($434,808)

1) Insight Development Grant, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (**Value $73,137**)
   - Role: Principal Investigator
   - Title: "White identity, political elites and political behaviour in Canada"

2) Insight Grant, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (**Value $361,671**)
   - Role: Co-Investigator
   - Title: "Alberta in transition: assessing gaps between public opinion and political culture"

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS (16)

1) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Jared Wesley, and Evan Walker. 2026. "Understanding Political Culture and Behaviour through Longitudinal Data in Alberta." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 59(1): 182-194. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0008423925100656.

2) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Evan Walker, and Jared Wesley. 2025. "White Identity Activation and Attitudes Towards Diversity and Immigration in Canada." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* (Online First). https://doi.org/10.1017/S0008423925100929.

3) **Snagovsky, Feodor** and Daniel Stockemer**.** 2025. "Does It Matter How We Measure Conspiracy Beliefs? A Test of Three Measurement Approaches." *Social Science Quarterly* 106 (1). https://doi.org/10.1111/ssqu.13471.

4) Werner, Annika, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2025. "Do Voters Support Democracy at All Costs? Input and Output Legitimacy in Australia and the United Kingdom." *Australian Journal of Political Science* 60(1): 1–19. https://doi.org/10.1080/10361146.2025.2454557.

5) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** 2024. “White Consciousness Helps Explain Conspiracy Thinking.” *Harvard Kennedy School Misinformation Review* 5 (6). https://doi.org/10.37016/mr-2020-166.

6) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, and Annika Werner. 2025. “Using Survey Experiments for Construct Validation: ‘Strong Leader’ Questions and Support for Authoritarian Leadership.” *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties* 35(4): 893–913. https://doi.org/10.1080/17457289.2024.2341127.

7) Midzain-Gobin, Liam, **Feodor Snagovsky**, and Chadwick Cowie. 2024. “Indigenous Diffuse Support and Descriptive Representation in the Canadian House of Commons.” *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* 9 (3): 512–38. https://doi.org/10.1017/rep.2024.12.

8) Marland, Alex and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2023. “Representation and Partisanship: What Determines the Topics that Members of Parliament Prioritize in Communications with their Constituents?” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 56 (4): 848-870. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0008423923000641.

9) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Marija Taflaga, and Matthew Kerby. 2023. “Responsive to whom? Political advising and elected careers in institutionalized democracies.” *Party Politics* 29 (3): 435-447. https://doi.org/10.1177/13540688221079299 (open access).

10) Kang, Woo Chang, Jill Sheppard, **Feodor Snagovsky**, and Nicholas Biddle. 2021. “Candidate Sex, Partisanship and Electoral Context in Australia.” *Electoral Studies* 70 (April): 102273. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2020.102273.

11) Kerby, Matthew, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2021. “Not All Experience Is Created Equal: MP Career Typologies and Ministerial Appointments in the Canadian House of Commons, 1968–2015.” *Government and Opposition* 56 (2): 326–44. https://doi.org/10.1017/gov.2019.29.

12) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Woo Chang Kang, Jillian Sheppard, and Nicholas Biddle. 2020. “Does Descriptive Representation Increase Perceptions of Legitimacy? Evidence from Australia.” *Australian Journal of Political Science* 55 (4): 378–98. https://doi.org/10.1080/10361146.2020.1804834.

13) McAndrews, John R, **Feodor Snagovsky**, and Paul E J Thomas. 2020. “How Citizens Judge Extreme Legislative Dissent: Experimental Evidence from Canada on Party Switching.” *Parliamentary Affairs* 73 (2): 323–41. https://doi.org/10.1093/pa/gsy050.

14) **Snagovsky, Feodor** and Matthew Kerby. 2019. “Political Staff and the Gendered Division of Political Labour in Canada.” *Parliamentary Affairs* 72 (3), pp. 616–637. https://doi.org/10.1093/pa/gsy032.

15) McAllister, Ian and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2018. “Explaining voting in the 2017 Australian same-sex marriage plebiscite.” *Australian Journal of Political Science* 53 (4), pp. 409-427. https://doi.org/10.1080/10361146.2018.1504877.

16) **Snagovsky, Feodor,** and Matthew Kerby. 2018. “The Electoral Consequences of Party Switching in Canada: 1945–2011.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 51 (2), pp. 425-445. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0008423917001445.

BOOKS – MONOGRAPHS (1)

1) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2026. *Who Cares About Representation? Race, Ethnicity, and Legitimacy in Westminster Democracies*. University of British Columbia Press. https://www.ubcpress.ca/who-cares-about-representation.

BOOKS – EDITED (1)

1) **Snagovsky, Feodor** and Jared Wesley. Forthcoming November 2026. *Shifting Sands: Political Culture and Public Opinion in Alberta*. University of Alberta Press. https://ualbertapress.ca/9781772128802/shifting-sands/.

BOOK CHAPTERS (3)

1) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** “Alberta”. 2026. *Big Worlds: Politics and Elections in the Canadian Provinces and Territories, Second Edition*. Edited by Jared J. Wesley and J.P. Lewis. University of Toronto Press. https://utppublishing.com/doi/book/10.3138/9781487566791.

2) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** “Conspiracy Theories in Alberta”. Forthcoming November 2026. *Shifting Sands: Political Culture and Public Opinion in Alberta*. Edited by Feodor Snagovsky and Jared Wesley. University of Alberta Press.

3) **Snagovsky, Feodor** and Matthew Kerby. 2019. “Party Switching in the Canadian Federal Context: 1867-2014.” In *Democracy(ies), Parliamentarism(s) and Legitimacy(ies)*, edited by Nadim Farhat and Philippe Poirier. Larcier.

WRITTEN COMMENTARY (18)

1) Wesley, Jared, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2024. “How Danielle Smith Turns ‘cheap Talk’ into Public Policy.” *The Edmonton Journal*, April 26. https://edmontonjournal.com/opinion/columnists/opinion-how-danielle-smith-turns-cheap-talk-into-public-policy.

2) Knight, Andy, **Feodor Snagovsky**, and Jared Wesley. 2024. “Universities Must Uphold Pluralism, Not Suppress It.” *Common Ground*, March 21. https://cground.substack.com/p/universities-must-uphold-pluralism.

3) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2024. “Research Brief: What Albertans Think about Pronouns and Gender Affirming Care.” *Common Ground*, February 8. https://cground.substack.com/p/what-albertans-think-about-pronouns.

4) Marland, Alex, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2023. “Why Your MP’s Little Newsletter Needs to Be Archived Online Permanently.” *Policy Options*, March 17. https://policyoptions.irpp.org/2023/03/mp-newsletters-householders/.

5) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2022. “Western Premiers Could Be Virtue Signalling Their Way to a Democratic Crisis.” *CBC News*, December 20. https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/western-premiers-danielle-smith-scott-moe-alberta-saskatchewan-alberta-sovereignty-act-1.6690861.

6) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2022. “Troubling Trends in Canadian Democracy.” *Policy Options*, December 2. https://policyoptions.irpp.org/2022/12/threats-canadian-democracy/.

7) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2022. “Research Brief: Support for Pierre Poilievre and Freedom Convoy Sympathy in Alberta.” *Common Ground*, September 14. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/albertans-poilievre-convoy.

8) Jaipaul, Noelle, Andrew Zhao, Nikita Sleptcov, **Feodor Snagovsky**, and Jared Wesley. 2022. “Research Brief: Albertans’ Support for the Freedom Convoy.” *Common Ground*, August 29. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/albertans-support-for-freedom-convoy.

9) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2022. “The Only Peaceful Solution Is Democracy in Russia.” *The National Post*, March 7. https://nationalpost.com/opinion/feodor-snagovsky-the-only-way-the-war-in-ukraine-could-truly-end-is-with-democracy-in-russia.

10) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2021. “Research Brief: Albertans Continue to Abandon UCP in Fourth Wave of COVID-19.” *Common Ground*, October 25. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/abandon-ucp.

11) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Jared Wesley, and Michelle Maroto. 2021. “Financial Insecurity and Right-Wing Beliefs Drive COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy among Albertans.” *The Conversation*, October 26. https://doi.org/10.64628/AAM.qwnu54nsf.

12) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, and Michelle Maroto. 2021. “Research Brief: Ethnicity and Class: Booming in Alberta & Saskatchewan.” *Common Ground*, June 2. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/ethnicityandclass.

13) Wesley, Jared, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2021. “Research Brief: Viewpoint Alberta: Major Shifts in Vote Intentions.” *Common Ground*, March 18. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/viewpoint-alberta-major-shifts-in-vote-intentions.

14) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, and Jared Wesley. 2020. “Research Brief: Support for Political Parties & Leaders in Alberta.” *Common Ground*, December 14. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/support-for-political-parties-leaders-in-alberta.

15) Maroto, Michelle, Loleen Berdahl, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2020. “Research Brief: Economic Perspectives and Security during COVID-19.” *Common Ground*, December 9. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/economic-perspectives.

16) Wagner, Angelia, Daniel Beland, Adam Gaudry, and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2020. “Research Brief: Shifting Opinions: Perceptions of Discrimination in Alberta Society.” *Common Ground*, December 3. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/shifting-opinions-perceptions-of-discrimination-in-alberta-society.

17) Wesley, Jared, Elaine Hyshka, **Feodor Snagovsky**, Nick Carlson, Pamela Downe, and Haizhen Mou. 2020. "Research Brief: The Politics of COVID-19 in Alberta." *Common Ground*, October 28. https://www.commongroundpolitics.ca/the-politics-of-covid19-in-alberta.

18) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, and Patrick Dumont. 2019. "Are Independents Part of a 'Green-Left' Conspiracy? New Research Finds They Are More the 'Sensible Centre.'" *The Conversation*, May 16. https://doi.org/10.64628/AA.twqke7avq.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PAPERS (21)

1) **Snagovsky, Feodor,** Evan Walker and Jared Wesley. 2026. "The Short-Term (In)Effectiveness of Anti-Immigration Rhetoric from Canadian Members of Parliament". Presented at the *Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference*, Ottawa, Ontario, June 2-4.

2) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Sewordor Toklo, and Roberto Mendoza. 2025. "Corruption Perceptions and Diffuse Support: Evidence from Canada". Presented at the *Prairie Political Science Association (PPSA) Conference*, Banff, Alberta, September 19-22.

3) Samuel Goertz and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2025. "OK Boomer: Understanding Speaker Persuasiveness Across Generations". Presented at the *Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference*, Toronto, Ontario, June 3-5.

4) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2024. "Conspiracy Theories in Alberta". Presented at the *Prairie Political Science Association (PPSA) Conference*, Banff, Alberta, September 20-22.

5) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Jared Wesley and Evan Walker. 2024. "White Identity Activation and Attitudes Towards Diversity and Immigration in Canada". Presented at the *Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference*, Montreal, Québec, June 12-14.

6) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2023. "The Same-Old World Order: Authoritarian Socialization and Conspiracy Endorsement in Canada". Presented at the *A World of Conspiracies: A Global Comparative Perspective to Understanding Conspiracy Theories and Their Believers* Workshop, Ottawa, Ontario, October 5-6.

7) Midzain-Gobin, Liam, **Feodor Snagovsky**, and Chadwick Cowie. 2023. "Perceptions of State Legitimacy and Descriptive Representation Among Indigenous Peoples in Canada". Presented at the *Prairie Political Science Association (PPSA) Conference*, Banff, Alberta, September 22-24.

8) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Michelle Maroto, and Jared Wesley. 2022. "White Identity and Western Alienation in Alberta". Presented at the *Prairie Political Science Association (PPSA) Conference*, Banff, Alberta, September 16-18.

9) Wesley, Jared, **Feodor Snagovsky**, Mireille Lalancette, and Alex Marland. 2022. "Partisan Defection in Canada: Voice, Exit, Disloyalty". Presented at the *Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference*, Virtual, May 27- June 3.

10) Marland, Alex and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2021. “Communication in a Crisis: MP Communication Strategies through Householders During COVID-19”. Presented at the *Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference*, Virtual, June 7-10.

11) **Snagovsky, Feodor** and Annika Werner. 2020. “Decisive or Dictatorial: Strongman-Style Leadership and Democratic Attitudes”. Presented at the *Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Conference*, San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 9-11.

12) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** 2020. “Does Legislation Affect Political Attitudes? The Impact of Same-Sex Marriage Recognition on Voter Attitudes Towards Marriage Equality”. Presented at the *Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Conference*, San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 9-11.

13) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** 2019. “Perceiving Demands for Responsiveness: Diffuse Support and Congruence in Representative Democracies.” Presented at the *Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Conference*, Austin, Texas, January 17-19.

14) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** 2018. “What Causes the Honeymoon? Prime Ministers and Post-Election Popularity.” Presented at the *Australian Society for Quantitative Political Science (ASQPSA) Conference*, Canberra, Australia, December 10-11.

15) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Woo Chang Kang, Jill Sheppard and Nicholas Biddle. 2018. “The Impact of Descriptive Representation on External Efficacy in Australia.” Presented at *the International Political Science Association (IPSA) Conference*, Brisbane, QLD, July 23.

16) **Snagovsky, Feodor** and Matthew Kerby. 2017. “MP Staff and the Gendered Division of Political Labour in Canada. Presented at the *Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Annual Conference*, Toronto, Ontario, May 30 – June 1.

17) Kerby, Matthew and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2017. “MP Career Typologies and Ministerial Appointment in the Canadian House of Commons, 1968-2006.” Presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference*, Chicago, Illinois, April 6-9.

18) McAndrews, John, **Feodor Snagovsky** and Paul Thomas. 2017. "Citizens’ Attitudes Toward Legislator Independence: Experimental evidence from Canada.” Presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference*, Chicago, Illinois, April 6-9.

19) Kerby, Matthew and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2016. “Who Climbs the Greasy Pole? MP Career Typologies and Ministerial Appointment in the Canadian House of Commons, 1968-2011.” Presented at the *2016 ECPR General Conference*, Prague, Czech Republic. Sept. 7-10.

20) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. 2015. “Party Switching and Legislator Incentives in the Canadian House of Commons, 1945-2014.” Presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference*, Chicago, Illinois, April 16-19.

21) Kerby, Matthew and **Feodor Snagovsky**. 2015. “After the Party: Post-Ministerial Careers in the Canadian House of Commons, 1945-2015.” Presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference*, Chicago, Illinois, April 16-19.

22) **Snagovsky, Feodor.** 2014. “Do Motives Matter? The Electoral Fortunes of Party Switchers in the Canadian House of Commons.” Presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference*, Chicago, Illinois, April 2-6.

INVITED TALKS (7)

1) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Tim Caulfield, Shani Gwin, Shazma Mithani and Ryan Jespersen. “Navigating Truth in a Digital Age”. *University of Alberta Chancellor's Forum on Misinformation*. May 7, 2025.

2) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. “The Role of Political Staff in Democracy”. *Housing, Infrastructure, and Communities Canada.* February 4, 2025.

3) Wesley, Jared and **Feodor Snagovsky**. “Keynote: Polarization and Policymaking in Alberta.” *Economics Society of Northern Alberta (ESNA) Conference.* December 5, 2025.

4) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, and Lex Pytlarz. “Western Alienation, Economic Uncertainty, Political Polarization and Conspiracy Beliefs”. *Prairies Economic Development Canada.* January 26, 2024.

5) Wesley, Jared and **Feodor Snagovsky**. “Western Alienation, The Convoy Movement, Political Polarization, Conspiracy Beliefs, and The Upcoming Election”. *University of Alberta President’s Executive Committee*. May 18, 2023.

6) Wesley, Jared and **Feodor Snagovsky**. “Western Alienation, The Convoy Movement, Political Polarization, Conspiracy Beliefs, and The Upcoming Election”. *Privy Council Office.* February 24, 2023.

7) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. “Support for the Freedom Convoy in Alberta”. *Parkland Institute Conference.* November 19, 2022.

MAJOR PROJECTS IN PROGRESS (5)

1) Wesley, Jared, **Feodor Snagovsky**, Rob Currie-Wood, Samuel Goertz, and Gala Palavicini. “The Separatists: The Alberta Sovereignty Movement.” *Monograph under contract with McGill-Queen’s University Press* (due December 1, 2026).

2) **Snagovsky, Feodor**. “The Same-Old World Order: Authoritarian Regime Socialization and Conspiracy Endorsement in Canada”. Final review before submission to academic journal.

3) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Sewordor Toklo, and Roberto Mendoza. “Corruption Perceptions and Diffuse Support: Evidence from Canada”. Final review before submission to academic journal.

4) Samuel Goertz and **Feodor Snagovsky**. “OK Boomer: Understanding Speaker Persuasiveness Across Generations”. Final review before submission to academic journal.

5) **Snagovsky, Feodor**, Jared Wesley, PB Berge, Gillian Harvey. “Facilitating Difficult Conversations with Board Games: TownSquare”. In Progress.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

2025	Faculty of Arts Undergraduate Teaching Award (Early Achievement), University of Alberta
2020	Vice Chancellor’s Award for Teaching Excellence (Tutoring and Demonstrating), Australian National University
2019	Excellence in Teaching Award (Tutoring and Demonstrating), Australian National University (ANU) College of Arts and Social Sciences
2017	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Doctoral Fellowship **(Value $60,000)**
2016	Australian Research Council PhD Scholarship **(Value approx. $85,000)**
2016	Australian National University (ANU) Higher Degree by Research (HDR) Fee Remission Merit Scholarship **(Value approx. $110,000)**

SERVICE

Service to the Department and University

- Communications Committee (2020-2021)
- Graduate Committee (2022-2024, 2025 – 2026)
- Undergraduate Committee (2024 – 2025)
- MA Policy Studies practicum organizer (2021 – 2025)
- Co-Coach, CAPPA Policy Case Study Competition, University of Alberta team (2022 – present)
- General Faculties Council, Faculty of Arts representative (2025 – present)

Service to the Discipline

- SSHRC Insight Development Grant Adjudication Committee (2023, 2026)
- Journal Reviewer, American Political Science Review (2 papers)
- Journal Reviewer, Australian Journal of Political Science (5 papers)
- Journal Reviewer, British Journal of Political Science (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, Canadian Journal of Development Studies (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, Canadian Journal of Political Science (4 papers)
- Journal Reviewer, Canadian Journal of Public Health (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, Commonwealth and Comparative Studies (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, European Journal of Political Research (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, Government and Opposition (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, Party Politics (1 paper)
- Journal Reviewer, Political Science Review (1 paper)