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Trudeau Foundation names 14 new student award winners

Scholars seek solutions to issues of importance to Canadians and citizens around the world

Montreal, Quebec, 27 May 2014 – Today, the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation proudly announced the names of the 14 recipients of the 2014 Trudeau scholarship, the most prestigious doctoral award for the social sciences and humanities in Canada. The scholarship supports outstanding doctoral students who are committed to solving issues of critical importance to Canada and the world. In addition to an annual grant of up to \$60,000 for a three-year period, the 14 Trudeau Foundation scholars will benefit from the expertise and knowledge of the network of Foundation fellows and mentors.

“This cohort consists of the best minds studying crucial and complex questions for Canadians and the world, from Aboriginal issues to climate change in Canada. The Trudeau scholarship provides them with financial support and an extensive network to generate innovative solutions that will inform public policies at home and abroad,” said Tim Brodhead, interim president of the Foundation.

The 2014 Trudeau scholars and their areas of interest are:

- **Tammara Soma** (Geography and Planning, University of Toronto): Tammara is studying the factors that influence food consumption and food wasting in urban Indonesia and ways to end the dumping of food waste in landfills.
- **Wendell Adjetey** (History and African American Studies, Yale University): Wendell is examining how cross-border migrations in Great Lakes cities enabled Black people to effect political change in Canada and the US.
- **Erika Bockstael** (Natural Resources and Environmental Management, University of Manitoba): Erika is exploring the way changes in coastal resource management in the Caiçara, a mixed-heritage traditional community in Brazil, are particularly impacting women and people with disabilities.
- **Geoffrey Cameron** (Political Science, University of Toronto): Geoffrey is studying the influence of religious communities on the development of international refugee policies in North America.
- **Mélanie Doucet** (Social Work, McGill University and Université de Montréal): Mélanie is analyzing the social and health services that youth receive from the Child Protection System to propose ways to improve them.
- **Ali Hamandi** (Health Policy, Harvard University): Ali is exploring the benefits and pitfalls of having non-state social and health organizations play the role of the state in the Middle East.
- **Joanna Langille** (Law, University of Toronto): Joanna is examining the legitimacy of courts of law applying foreign private law in contractual and property disputes and family law matters that are related to multiple jurisdictions.

- **Nathan Lemphers** (Comparative Politics, University of Toronto): Nathan is seeking to apply to Canada Norway's experience of decreasing its domestic carbon emissions while continuing fossil fuel extraction.
- **Andrea Marston** (Geography, University of California, Berkeley): Andrea is analyzing the emergence of the cooperative mining sector as one of Bolivia's most politically influential social forces.
- **Aaron Mills** (Law and Society, University of Victoria): Aaron is examining the Anishnaabe legal tradition and how a revival of Indigenous legal orders will help Canadians to better understand Aboriginal issues.
- **Jake Pyne** (Social Work, McMaster University): Jake is seeking to establish innovative ways to accompany the parents, caregivers, and health providers of transgender youth during their gender transition.
- **Ayden Scheim** (Population Epidemiology, Western University): Ayden is researching how marginalization impacts transgender people's health in order to find strategies for intervention at the social and policy levels.
- **Claudia Stoicescu** (Social Intervention, University of Oxford): Claudia is investigating the trigger elements of sexual and injection-related HIV risk behaviours among drug-addicted and marginalized women in Indonesia.
- **Rebecca Sutton** (Law, London School of Economics): Rebecca is studying the international community's response to armed conflict today through the new lens of law, war, and aid combined.

More information on each Trudeau scholar is available on the [Foundation's website](#).

About the Foundation

The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation is an independent and non-partisan charity established in 2001 as a living memorial to the former prime minister by his family, friends, and colleagues. The Foundation's actions are focused on four major themes that reflect central questions critical to our society: Human Rights and Dignity, Responsible Citizenship, Canada in the World and People and their Natural Environment. By granting doctoral scholarships, awarding fellowships, appointing mentors, and holding public interaction events, the Foundation brings together thinkers and decision-makers from all walks of public life who form a critical, provocative, informed, and engaged network to collaborate on the transformation of great ideas into concrete improvements for Canada and the world. In 2002, with the unanimous support of the House of Commons, the Government of Canada endowed the Foundation, which also receives donations from the private sector. Learn more at www.trudeaufoundation.ca

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