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Letter from the Editors

We are grateful for the opportunity to work on *Mapping Politics*, the peer-reviewed political science journal of Memorial University. This volume has excellent scholarship that will be exposed to a wider audience than ever.

This issue marks the 7th year of *Mapping Politics*. Over the years, the journal has constantly enjoyed quality original submissions. This year, contributions range from political philosophy, public administration, voting behaviour, and contentious politics.

The journal represents valuable and unique opportunities for students interested in political science and relevant studies. Its influence has been enhancing. This year, we have made attempts to expand the readership of the journal. Firstly, we alter the publication format. The journal is now downloadable as a single PDF file. In this way, the access to the journal is more convenient. Secondly, we have listed the journal with the Council on Undergraduate Research. Thus, the work of Memorial's undergraduate scholars will be exposed to a broader, and potentially international, audience. This is good news for past and future contributors.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all submitters. We sincerely enjoy reading the submissions, which cover a wide range of interesting and important topics. We hope you will submit again and suggest that your friends submit to our journal.

Thank you to Dr. Amanda Bittner and Dr. Russell Williams for supervising this edition of the journal. Thanks to editorial board members, Tanisha Connolly, Mike Fleet, Alex Marshall, Axel O'Young, and Christoph Pike for their dedication in reviewing the submissions.

We hope you enjoy Volume 7. Should you have any concern, please feel free to contact Emma at <u>lho8o7@mun.ca</u> or Mackenzie at <u>mkk633@mun.ca</u>

Sincerely, L. Emma Huang and Mackenzie MacLeod

About Us

The Journal

Mapping Politics is an annual peer-reviewed journal produced by students in the Political Science department at Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland. We welcome submissions from Memorial students in all areas of political science including Newfoundland and Labrador politics, Canadian politics, international relations, media and politics, comparative politics, and political theory.

The Editors

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Members on Editorial Board

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Dr. Russell Williams is an Associate Professor in political science at Memorial University. His research focuses on the intersection between international political economy and public policy in the areas of financial services regulation, the management of trade disputes, and climate change policy. He has numerous publications, including articles in the *Journal of Public Policy, Review of Policy Research,* the *International Journal of Public Sector Management, Canadian Foreign Policy, Global Social Policy* and the *American Review of Canadian Studies.*