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## EMPLOYMENT

### King's College London

2019–... Associate Professor, Department of Political Economy  
2015–2019 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Economy

### Université de Montréal

2012–2015 Postdoctoral Fellow, Research Chair in Electoral Studies

### Visits

2019 Visiting Fellow, **Paris School of Economics**  
2011 Visiting PhD Student, **European University Institute**  
2011 Erasmus Exchange Student, **University of Bergen**

## EDUCATION

### Université de Louvain

2013 PhD in Political Science  
2008 Postgraduate Certificate in Statistics  
2007 MA in Political Science  
2005 BA in Political and Social Sciences

## PUBLICATIONS

See [Google Scholar](#) for citations (n cites > 1,850; h-index = 17)  
See [Dataverse](#) for replication material

### Peer-reviewed journal articles

(\* PhD students/Postdocs under supervision)

(A40) **Damien Bol**, André Blais, Maxime Coulombe\*, Jean-François Laslier, and Jean-Benoit Pilet (2023). Choosing an Electoral Rule: Values and Self-Interest in the Lab. *Journal of Economic Psychology* 95: 102602.

(A39) **Damien Bol** and Ria Ivandic\* (2022). Does the Number of Candidates Increase Turnout? Causal Evidence from Two-Round Elections. *Political Behavior* 44(4): 2005–2026.

(A38) **Damien Bol**, Jean-François Laslier, and Matias Nunez (2022). Two-Person Bargaining Mechanisms: A Laboratory Experiment. *Group Decision and Negotiation* 31(6): 1145–1177.

(A37) Jean-Benoit Pilet, **Damien Bol**, Davide Vittori\*, and Emilien Paulis\* (2022). Public Support for Deliberative Citizens' Assemblies Selected through Sortition: Evidence from 15 Countries. *European Journal of Political Research*. First View.

(A36) Aurelia Ananda\* and **Damien Bol** (2021). Does Knowing Democracy Affect Answers to Democratic Support Questions? A Survey Experiment in Indonesia. *International Journal of Public Opinion Research* 33(2): 433–443.

- (A35) Christopher J. Anderson, **Damien Bol**, and Aurelia Ananda\* (2021). Estimating Humanity's Attitudes About Democracy and Political Leaders: Patterns and Trends. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 85(4): 957–986.
- (A34) André Blais, **Damien Bol**, Shaun Bowler, David M. Farrell, Annika Fredén, Martial Foucault, Emmanuel Heisbourg\*, Romain Lachat, Ignacio Lago, Peter John Loewen, Miroslav Nemcok, Jean-Benoit Pilet, and Carolina Plescia (2021). What Kind of Electoral Outcome Do People Think is Good for Democracy? *Political Studies*. First View.
- (A33) **Damien Bol** and Marco Giani (2021). It's a (Coarsened Exact) Match! Non-Parametric Imputation of Abstainers' Vote. *Political Science Research and Methods* 9(2): 445–450.
- (A32) **Damien Bol**, Marco Giani, André Blais, and Peter John Loewen (2021). The Effect of COVID-19 Lockdowns on Political Support: Some Good News for Democracy? *European Journal of Political Research* 60(2): 497–505.
- (A31) **Damien Bol**, Thomas Gschwend, Thomas Zittel, and Steffen Zittlau (2021). The Importance of Voter Signals for the Responsiveness of Legislators: A Field Experiment. *European Journal of Political Research* 60(2): 455–473.
- (A30) Philipp Harfst, **Damien Bol**, and Jean-François Laslier (2021). Designing Preference Voting. *Electoral Studies*. 69: 102262.
- (A29) Jean-François Daoust and **Damien Bol** (2020). Polarization, Partisan Preferences, and Strategic Voting. *Government and Opposition* 55(4): 578–594.
- (A28) **Damien Bol** (2019). Putting Politics in the Lab: A Review of Lab Experiments in Political Science. *Government and Opposition* 54(1): 167–190.
- (A27) **Damien Bol**, Konstantinos Matakos, Orestis Troumpounis, and Dimitrios Xeferis (2019). Electoral Rules, Strategic Entry, and Polarization. *Journal of Public Economics* 178: 104065
- (A26) **Damien Bol**, André Blais, Xavier Gillard\*, Lidia Nunez\*, and Jean-Benoit Pilet (2018). Voting and Satisfaction with Democracy in Flexible-List PR. *Electoral Studies* 56: 23–34.
- (A25) **Damien Bol**, André Blais, and Simon Labbé St-Vincent (2018). Which Matters Most: Party Strategic Exit or Voter Strategic Voting? A Laboratory Experiment. *Political Science Research and Methods* 6(2): 229–244.
- (A24) **Damien Bol**, André Blais, and Jean-François Laslier (2018). A Mixed-Utility Theory of Vote Choice Regret. *Public Choice* 176(3): 461–478.
- (A23) Mike Medeiros, **Damien Bol**, and Richard Nadeau (2018). Democratic Legitimacy or Regional Representation: Support for Upper Chamber Reform in Scotland and Quebec. *Parliamentary Affairs* 71(4): 738–759.
- (A22) Camille Bedock, **Damien Bol**, and Thomas Ehrhard (2017). Political Scientists and Electoral Reforms in Europe and Canada: What They Know, What They Do. *Election Law Journal* 6(3): 335–340.
- (A21) **Damien Bol**, Arnaud Dellis, and Mandar Oak (2017). Candidatures endogènes dans les élections pluralitaires : quelques explications du nombre de candidats et de leur polarisation. *L'Actualité Économique* 93(1-2): 141–171.

- (A20) Sona Golder, Laura B. Stephenson, Karine Van der Straeten, André Blais, **Damien Bol**, Philipp Harfst, and Jean-François Laslier (2017). Votes for Women: Electoral Systems and Support for Female Candidates. *Politics & Gender* 13(1): 107–131.
- (A19) Alexandre Morin-Chassé, **Damien Bol**, Laura B. Stephenson, and Simon Labbé St-Vincent (2017). How to Survey About Electoral Turnout? The Efficacy of the Face-Saving Response Items in Different Contexts. *Political Science Research and Methods* 5(3): 575–584.
- (A18) Pedro Riera and **Damien Bol** (2017). Ticket-Splitting in Mixed-Member Systems: On the Importance of Seat Linkage Between Electoral Tiers. *West European Politics* 40(3): 584–597.
- (A17) Tom Verthé, **Damien Bol**, Stefanie Beyens, and André Blais (2017). Making Votes Count in Parliament or Government? *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties* 17(4): 389–412.
- (A16) **Damien Bol** (2016). Electoral Reform, Values and Party Self-interest. *Party Politics* 22(1): 93–104.
- (A15) **Damien Bol**, Philipp Harfst, André Blais, Sona Golder, Jean-François Laslier, Laura B. Stephenson, and Karine Van der Straeten (2016). Addressing Europe’s Democratic Deficit: An Experimental Evaluation of the Pan-European District Proposal. *European Union Politics* 17(4): 525–545.
- (A14) Alrik Thiem, Michael Baumgartner, and **Damien Bol** (2016). Still Lost in Translation! A Correction of three Misunderstandings Between Configurational Comparativists and Regressional Analysts. *Comparative Political Studies* 49(6): 742–774.
- (A13) **Damien Bol**, Jean-Benoit Pilet, and Pedro Riera (2015). The International Diffusion of Electoral Systems: The Spread of Mechanisms Tempering Proportional Representation across Europe. *European Journal of Political Research* 54(2): 384–410.
- (A12) Jean-François Laslier, André Blais, **Damien Bol**, Sona Golder, Philipp Harfst, Laura B. Stephenson, and Karine Van der Straeten (2015). The EuroVotePlus Experiment. *European Union Politics* 16(4): 601–615.
- (A11) Laurie Beaudonnet, André Blais, **Damien Bol**, and Martial Foucault (2014). The Impact of Election Outcomes on Satisfaction with Democracy under a Two-Round System. *French Politics* 12(1): 22–35.
- (A10) **Damien Bol** (2014). De l’intérêt de la régression multi-niveau en politique comparée. *Revue Internationale de Politique Comparée* 21(2): 81–95.
- (A9) **Damien Bol** and Francesca Luppi (2013). Confronting Theories Based on Necessary Relations: Making the Best of QCA Possibilities. *Political Research Quarterly* 66(1): 205–210.
- (A8) Benoît Rihoux, Priscilla Alamos-Concha, **Damien Bol**, Axel Marx, and Ilona Rezsohazy (2013). From Niche to Mainstream Method? A Comprehensive Mapping of QCA Applications in Journal Articles from 1984 to 2011. *Political Research Quarterly* 66(1): 175–184.
- (A7) Benoît Rihoux, Patrick Dumont, Lieven Dewinter, Serge Deruette, and **Damien Bol** (2012). Belgium. *European Journal of Political Research, Political Data Yearbook* 51(1): 41–48.
- (A6) Jean-Benoit Pilet and **Damien Bol** (2011). Party Preferences and Electoral Reform: How Time in Government Affects the Likelihood of Supporting a Change. *West European Politics* 34(3): 568–586.

- (A5) Benoît Rihoux, Patrick Dumont, Lieven Dewinter, Serge Deruette, and **Damien Bol** (2011). Belgium. *European Journal of Political Research, Political Data Yearbook* 50(7-8): 913–921.
- (A4) Benoît Rihoux, Ilona Rezsóhazy, and **Damien Bol** (2011). Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) in Public Policy Analysis: An Extensive Review. *German Policy Studies* 7(3): 9–82.
- (A3) Benoît Rihoux, Patrick Dumont, Lieven Dewinter, Serge Deruette, and **Damien Bol** (2010). Belgium. *European Journal of Political Research, Political Data Yearbook* 49(7-8): 899–908.
- (A2) Benoît Rihoux, Patrick Dumont, Lieven Dewinter, Serge Deruette, and **Damien Bol** (2009). Belgium. *European Journal of Political Research, Political Data Yearbook* 48(7-8): 903–912.
- (A1) Benoît Rihoux, Patrick Dumont, Lieven Dewinter, **Damien Bol**, and Serge Deruette (2008). Belgium. *European Journal of Political Research, Political Data Yearbook* 47(7-8): 917–928.

### Book chapters

- (C13) André Blais and **Damien Bol** (2023). Electoral Rules. In Joshua Tucker and Andrew Rudalevige (eds.) *A Political Science Experiment*.
- (C12) **Damien Bol** and Tom Verthé (2021). Strategic Voting Versus Sincere Voting. In David Redlawsk (ed.) *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Political Decision Making*. Oxford University Press.
- (C11) **Damien Bol** (2020). Experiments. In Jean-Frédéric Morin, Christian Olsson, and Ece Ozlem Atikcan (eds.) *Research Methods in the Social Sciences: An A-Z of Key Concepts*. Oxford University Press, pp. 110–113.
- (C10) Philipp Harfst, André Blais, and **Damien Bol** (2018). Voting Strategically in a Two-Vote Election. In John Aldrich, André Blais, and Laura B. Stephenson (eds.) *The Many Faces of Strategic Voting*. University of Michigan Press, pp. 225–255.
- (C9) **Damien Bol**, André Blais, Jean-François Laslier, and Antonin Macé (2016). Electoral System and Number of Candidates: Candidate Entry under Plurality and Majority Runoff. In André Blais, Jean-François Laslier, and Karine Van der Straeten (eds.) *Voting Experiments*. Springer, pp. 303–321.
- (C8) **Damien Bol**, Arnaud Dellis, and Mandar Oak (2016). Comparison of Voting Procedures Using Models of Electoral Competition with Endogenous Candidacy. In Maria Gallego and Norman J. Schofield (eds.) *The Political Economy of Social Choices*. Springer, pp. 21–54.
- (C7) **Damien Bol**, Simon Labbé St-Vincent, and Jean-Michel Lavoie (2016). Recruiting for Laboratory Voting Experiments: Exploring the (Potential) Sampling Bias. In André Blais, Jean-François Laslier, and Karine Van der Straeten (eds.) *Voting Experiments*. Springer, pp. 271–286.
- (C6) **Damien Bol** and Marian Bohl (2015). Negative Campaigning in Proportional Representation –Yet Non-coalition– Systems: Evidence from Switzerland. In Alessandro Nai and Annemarie Walter (eds.) *New Perspectives on Negative Campaigning: Why Attack Politics Matters*. ECPR Press, pp. 113–125.
- (C5) **Damien Bol** and Elisabeth Dupoirier (2015). André-Paul Frogner : un chercheur exigeant, un électoraliste pionnier. In Benoît Rihoux, Virginie Van Ingelgom, and Samuel Defacqz (eds.) *La légitimité de la science politique : construire une discipline au-delà des clivages*. Presses Universitaires de Louvain, pp. 41–50.

(C4) André-Paul Frognier and **Damien Bol** (2015). Modèles électoraux et vote en Wallonie : Plus de 20 ans d'analyse électorale. In Pierre Baudewyns (ed.) *Etre électeur en Wallonie*. Presses Universitaires de Louvain, pp. 15–36.

(C3) **Damien Bol** and Ferdinand Teuber (2013). L'adoption des étiquettes partisanes. In Régis Dandoy, Jérémy Dodeigne, Geoffrey Matagne, and Min Reuchamps (eds.) *Les élections communales de 2012 en Wallonie*. Vanden Broele, pp. 47–58.

(C2) André-Paul Frognier, **Damien Bol**, and Marc Swyngedouw (2012). Une démocratie multipartisane. Flandre - Wallonie : 20 ans d'analyse des comportements électoraux. In Astrid Von Busekist (ed.) *Singulière Belgique*. Fayard, pp. 135–145 [Translated in Dutch in Astrid Von Busekist (ed.) *Belgie begrijpen*. De Bezige bij Antwerpen.]

(C1) Benoît Rihoux, Charles Ragin, Sakura Yamasaki, and **Damien Bol** (2009). Conclusions - The Way(s) Ahead. In Benoît Rihoux and Charles C. Ragin (eds.) *Configurational Comparative Methods: Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) and Related Techniques*. Sage, pp. 167–177.

## TEACHING

### Courses

- 2017–.. Comparing Political Systems, KCLondon, Undergraduate Year 1 (350 students p.a.)
- 2016–.. Elections and Voting Behavior, KCLondon, Undergraduate Year 3 (40 students p.a.)
- 2016–2023 Statistics for Political Science II, KCLondon, Undergraduate Year 2 (20 students p.a.)
- 2015–2016 Statistics for Political Science I, KCLondon, Undergraduate Year 1 (80 students p.a.)
- 2009–2011 Comparative Political Institutions, ULouvain, Postgraduate (10 students p.a.)

### PhD supervision

- 2021–.. Gabriela Aguirre Fernández, KCLondon
- 2018–.. Andrew Hunter, KCLondon
- 2016–2023 Aurelia Ananda, KCLondon (Now Postdoc at Royal Holloway University of London)
- 2016–2021 Alban Versailles, ULouvain (Now Senior Researcher at Kantar Public)

## MONEY

### External research grants

- 2020 Coordinated Cross-University Fund: Small Contributions from 10+ Universities (€55,000)
- 2019 Belgian Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique: Research Credit (€40,000)
- 2017 British Academy/Leverhulme: Small Research Grant (£10,000)
- 2015 Montréal Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship: Seed Grant (\$7,500)

### Awards and prizes

- 2019 Paris School of Economics: Visiting Fellowship (€5,000)
- 2015 Belgian Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique: Postdoc Fellowship (4×€40,000, declined)
- 2012 Belgian Political Science Association: Best Paper from a PhD student (€250 ☺)
- 2008 Belgian Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique: PhD Scholarship (4×€20,000)

## PRESENTATIONS

### **Conferences (since 2017)**

- 2022 European Political Science Association, Prague
- 2021 Economics and Politics Workshop, Sciences Po Paris
- 2020 Political Methodology Workshop, Political Studies Association, Manchester
- 2019 European Political Science Association, Belfast
- 2018 Elections, Parties and Public Opinion Workshop, Political Studies Association, London
- 2018 European Consortium for Political Research, Hamburg
- 2018 Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago
- 2017 Political Methodology Workshop, Political Studies Association, Colchester
- 2017 American Political Science Association, San Francisco
- 2017 Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago
- 2017 Belgian Political Science Association, Mons

### **Invited talks (since 2017)**

- 2022 European University Institute, Department of Social and Political Sciences
- 2022 Université de Luxembourg, Chaire in Parliamentary Studies
- 2022 Durham University, Centre for the Study of Institutions and Political Behavior
- 2021 Université de Louvain, Institute for Political Sciences Louvain-Europe
- 2021 Goethe University Frankfurt, Centre for the Study of Democratic Innovations
- 2021 Abo Akademi University, Department of Social Sciences
- 2021 University of Canberra, Centre for the Study of Deliberative Democracy
- 2020 City University of London, Centre for Comparative Politics
- 2020 Université de Montréal, Chair in Electoral Studies
- 2020 Université de Montréal, Department of Economics
- 2019 Leuphana University Lüneburg, Centre for the Study of Democracy
- 2019 Paris School of Economics, Centre for the Study of Economic Behavior
- 2019 Sciences Po Paris, CEVIPOF
- 2019 University of Cologne, Cologne Center for the Study of Comparative Politics
- 2018 University Carlos 3 Madrid, Department of Political Science
- 2018 Middlesex University, Department of Economics
- 2018 Essex University, Experimental Economics
- 2017 Université de Montréal, Chair in Electoral Studies
- 2017 Essex University, Social Science Experimental Lab
- 2017 London School of Economics & Political Science, Centre for the Study of Political Behaviour

## **SERVICES**

### **Internal**

- 2023–.. KCLondon: Director of Politics & IR REF Selection Panel (150 affiliates)
- 2020–2023 KCLondon: Director of PhD in Political Economy/Politics (100 students)
- 2019–2023 KCLondon: Director of Quantitative Political Economy Research Group (50 affiliates)
- 2017–2019 KCLondon: Director of BA/BSc in Politics (80 students p.a.)

### **External**

- 2020–.. Belgian Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek: Grant Selection (100 applicants p.a.)
- 2023 Pol-Meth Europe: Convener of Annual Conference, London
- 2020-2023 London Doctoral Program in Social Sciences: PhD Selection (100 applicants p.a.)
- 2017–2021 ECPR: Director of Standing Group on Comparative Political Institutions (300 members)
- 2021 APSA: Convener of Section on Comparative Politics, Seattle (100 proposals)
- 2016 ECPR: Convener of Section on Comparative Political Institutions, Prague (100 proposals)
- 2012 ECPR: Convener of Workshop on Research Methods, Antwerp (50 proposals)

**Publishing**

Editorial board: *Canadian Journal of Political Science; Electoral Studies*

Referee: 25 reviews p.a. Mainly: *Acta Politica; American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Comparative Political Studies; Electoral Studies; European Journal of Political Economy; European Journal of Political Research; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties; Journal of Politics; Nature Human Behavior; Party Politics; Political Analysis; Political Behavior; Political Research Quarterly; Political Science Research and Methods; Political Studies; Public Choice; Social Choice and Welfare; West European Politics*