

## Jean Monnet Guest Speakers, Glendon College, York University, Fall 2020

A limited number of guests may attend the Zoom sessions; priority for questions will be given to students. The sessions will not be recorded. Questions or to request guest attendance? [email professor Maas](#).  
*All times are Toronto time (Eastern timezone)*

### European Integration and the Governance of Migration

**Tuesday 20 October, 14:00-15:00**



[Alexander Caviedes](#) holds a PhD in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, a JD from the University of Florida, and an LLM in European Law from the University of the Saarland, Germany. He is currently Director of Academic Advisement and Information at Farmingdale State College (SUNY), having previously served as Associate Professor in the Department of Politics and International Affairs at the State University of New York at Fredonia, where he was pre-law advisor and the faculty advisor for the SUNY Model EU and also held positions as Interim Director of the Honors Program and Coordinator of International Studies. His research interests lie in comparative political economy, particularly public policy related to migration and labour migration policy. He previously practiced immigration law in Tampa, Florida. [<Read Article in JCER>](#)

### Immigration, Race and the Radical Right: Politics and Policy from Colonialism to Brexit

**Tuesday 27 October, 13:00-14:00**



[Terri E. Givens](#) (PhD UCLA) is the CEO and Founder of the [Center for Higher Education Leadership](#). She has more than 30 years of success in higher education, politics, international affairs, and non-profits, having held leadership positions as Vice Provost at University of Texas at Austin and Provost of Menlo College (first African American and woman); professorships at University of Texas at Austin, and University of Washington. She was the founding director at the Center for European Studies at the University of Texas and led the university's efforts in Mexico and Latin America as Vice Provost for International Activities. At Menlo College she led faculty and staff in developing programs for first generation students, updating curriculum and infrastructure for evidence-based assessment. Dr Givens is the author/editor of books and articles on immigration policy, European politics, and security. Her most recent book is [Legislating Equality: The Politics of Antidiscrimination Policy in Europe](#). [<Read Article in JCMS>](#)

### US Elections: What's Going On, What Matters, and What Doesn't

**Thursday 29 October, 11:00-12:00**



[Julia Azari](#) (PhD Yale) is Associate Professor and Assistant Chair in the Department of Political Science at Marquette University, where she also serves as Director of Graduate Studies for the Political Science and International Affairs MA Programs. Her research and teaching interests include the American presidency, American political parties, the politics of the American state, and qualitative research methods. Professor Azari is a regular contributor to the political science blog [The Mischiefs of Faction](#). Her work has also appeared in the Washington Post's *Monkey Cage* blog, *Politico*, and [FiveThirtyEight](#). She is the inaugural winner of the American Political Science Association's award for best public-facing scholar. [<Browse Delivering the People's Message>](#)

## The 'Europe Route' for EU Citizens and their Family Members

Tuesday 3 November, 12:00-13:00



[Jeremy Bierbach](#), originally from Pittsburgh, immigrated to the Netherlands in 2001 and in 2015 defended his PhD thesis in European constitutional law at the University of Amsterdam. He currently practices as a lawyer specialized in immigration and citizenship law in Amsterdam. His specialty and focus of interest is in invoking norms of international law, EU law in particular, as a source of protection for members of minority groups who are unrepresented or underrepresented in the democratic process: in particular EU citizens, their non-EU citizen family members, and other non-EU citizen immigrants to the Netherlands. He represented two non-EU citizens, P. and S., in challenging the Dutch state on its laws providing for a fine to be imposed on immigrants who do not pass the civic integration exam (*inburgeringsexamen*) by a set deadline. The underlying questions of EU law were ultimately referred to and [decided on by the Court of Justice of the European Union in 2015](#), establishing important limits on the extent to which immigrants can be penalized without a complete examination of their personal circumstances and needs.

## Where to Next in EU-Americas-UK Relations?

Tuesday 10 November, 13:00-14:00



[Jackie Jones](#) has been researching and teaching law for over 20 years, first at Cardiff Law School, then at Bristol Law School, University of the West of England. Her main teaching and research interests lie in the areas of gender, migration, asylum process, human trafficking, violence against women, all within a human rights perspective. She is a former president of the European Women Lawyers Association, and served as one of the [four Members of the European Parliament from Wales](#) in the [9<sup>th</sup> European Parliament](#), from 2 July 2019 until 31 January 2020 (when the UK left the EU). In parliament, she served as First Vice President of the EU-US Delegation, FEMME and Legal Affairs Committee, LGBTIQ Inter Group member, Children's Rights Inter Group; she remains coordinator of the Wales-EU Friendship Group and member of the EU-UK Friendship Group.

## The Konrad Adenauer Foundation and Democracy-Building Worldwide

Tuesday 17 November, 13:00-14:00



[Stefan Gehrold](#) studied law in Passau, Porto, and Freiburg prior to his doctorate in Münster. From 1996 to 1999 he worked as a lawyer for labour law at Enneking & Partner in Damme and Berding & Partner in Dinklage. Over the years, he has served as the head of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation (KAS) offices in Croatia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, and Slovakia. Prior to serving as the head of the KAS office in Senegal, he was responsible for accountancy and legal affairs at the Löwenbäcker GmbH in Leipzig. Gehrold was the Director of the [European Office of the KAS](#) in Brussels from 2011 to 2017. Before he joined the [eighth European Parliament](#) in September 2018, he ran the Hermann-Ehlers Educational Institute of the KAS in Oldenburg. He is fluent in German, English, French, Dutch, and Croatian.

## Challenges and Opportunities for EU-Canada Relations

Tuesday 24 November, 13:00-14:00



[Christian Burgsmüller](#) has been the EU Chargé d'affaires a.i. and Deputy Head of the [Delegation of the European Union to Canada](#) in Ottawa since August 2020. He is an EU career diplomat with the European External Action Service (EEAS). From 2014-2019 he served as Member of Cabinet (Private Office) of EU Trade Commissioner Cecilia Malmström, with responsibility for the US, Canada, Japan, Australia, and New Zealand. His previous diplomatic postings include assignments as Head of the Global Issues and Innovation Section of the EU Delegation to the US in Washington DC (2010-2014) and as Head of Political and Public Affairs Section of the EU Delegation to Brazil in Brasilia (2006-2010). Being a lawyer by training with a Ph.D. in constitutional law from the University of Cologne, he joined the European institutions in Brussels in 2000. Christian is married with two children.

## The UK as Semi-Detached European

Tuesday 1 December, 13:00-14:00



[Michael Hindley](#) served as Member of the European Parliament from 1984 to 1999, serving as Vice-President of the External Economic Affairs Committee with Parliamentary responsibilities for scrutiny of the entire range of EU external bilateral and multilateral relations from 1989 to 1999; he wrote reports on relations with China, Hong Kong, Macao, Vietnam, North Korea, ASEAN, the Gulf States, and Belarus. Before and after serving as MEP, he served as a Labour member in local and district Council roles in Lancashire. Since 1999 he is freelance adviser on EU relations, including evaluation missions for the EU Commission to China, Vietnam, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Gambia, Mauritius, and the eastern Caribbean to study the effectiveness of EU capacity building in foreign and trade ministries. Since 2008, he has acted as trade policy adviser to the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) writing reports inter alia on trade and sustainable development, agricultural trade, trade in strategic raw materials, and EU energy policy. He also regularly lectures at a range of universities.