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**British Columbia Political Studies Association
Annual Conference on Trust and Leadership
May 2 and 3, 2024
Vancouver Island University, Nanaimo**

Keynote Events and Speakers

May 2, 2024

Dr. Morgan Mowatt: "A Package Deal: Indigenous Knowledge, Culture, and Political Authority-Making"

Dr. Morgan Mowatt is a member of the Gitksan Nation and is a Banting Postdoctoral Fellow with the Centre for Indigenous Research and Community-Led Engagement and the School of Indigenous Governance at the University of Victoria. Their research is focused on Indigenous authority-making, Indigenous-state relations, more-than-human diplomacy, and reciprocal and resurgent governance against colonial and imperial violence.

May 3, 2024

Dr. Cris de Clercy and Dr. Michael MacKenzie: "Contemporary Challenges in Democratic Leadership and Public Trust"

Dr. Cris de Clercy

Dr. Cristine de Clercy is an expert on the study of political leadership. Currently Trent University's inaugural Jarislowsky Research Chair in Trust and Political Leadership and Professor of Political Studies, for many years before this role she taught in the Political Science department at Western University, and was affiliated with its Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies department. She is one of Canada's foremost experts in political leadership and has been teaching and conducting research in this field for over two decades.

Dr. Michael MacKenzie is an expert in democracy and public trust who taught in the department of Political Science at the University of Pittsburgh for several years before joining VIU as the inaugural Jarislowsky Research Chair in Trust and Political Leadership. He is the author of *Future Publics: Democracy, Deliberation, and Future-Regarding Collective Action* (Oxford University Press, 2021) and a co-editor of *Democracy and the Future: Future-Regarding Governance in Democratic Systems* (University of Edinburgh Press, 2023).

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