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- Education: **PhD, Political Science, Western University (1989)**
MA, Creative Writing and English Literature,
University of New Brunswick (2002)
MA, Political Science, Dalhousie University (1982)
BA, Political Science and English (Hons), Dalhousie University (1978)
- Present Position: *Professor of Political Science*
Coordinator, Journalism and Canadian Studies Programmes
University of Prince Edward Island
- Other Positions: Freelance columnist, creative writer, broadcaster, political analyst and consultant

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:

- 2011-present *Full Professor, Political Science*
Coordinator, Journalism Programme
University of Prince Edward Island
Charlottetown, PEI
- 2015-present *Coordinator, Canadian Studies*
University of Prince Edward Island
Charlottetown, PEI
- 2013-2015 *Director of Faculty Development*
University of Prince Edward Island
Charlottetown, PEI
- 2011-2013 *Dean of Arts*
University of Prince Edward Island
Charlottetown, PEI
- 2010-2011 *Director (inaugural), Urban and Community Studies Institute,*
University of New Brunswick, Saint John
- 2007-2010 *Associate Dean of Graduate Studies*
University of New Brunswick, Saint John
- 2000-2011 *Full Professor, Political Science*
Department of History and Politics
University of New Brunswick, Saint John
- 2007 (Winter term) *Visiting Professor (sabbatical appointment)*
Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia
- 2003-2006 *Chair, Department of History and Politics*
University of New Brunswick, Saint John

2002 (Michaelmas term)	<i>Senior Academic Member</i> (sabbatical appointment) Linacre College, Oxford University, Oxford, UK
1992-2000	<i>Associate Professor</i> , Political Science Department of History and Politics University of New Brunswick, Saint John
1998-1999	<i>Special Advisor to the President</i> University of New Brunswick ("Revisioning the University: Strategic Planning Exercise")
1996 (January-July)	<i>Visiting Researcher</i> (sabbatical appointment) Institut d'études politiques Université de Bordeaux IV, France
1995 (Fall term)	<i>Visiting Scholar</i> (sabbatical appointment) Department of Political Science University of Western Ontario London, Ontario
1992-1994	<i>Chair</i> , Department of History and Politics University of New Brunswick, Saint John
1989-1992	<i>Assistant Professor</i> , Political Science Social Science Division University of New Brunswick, Saint John

RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITY:

1) Forthcoming:

Desserud 2015. "Is it still "simple, secure, and reasonably quick"? The use of voting tabulators in the New Brunswick General Election of 2014," chapter 30 in Richard Balasko and Gregory Tardi, eds, *The Informed Citizens' Guide to Elections: Electioneering Based on the Rule of Law, Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law* (Special Issue).

Desserud 2015. "Prince Edward Island," chapter 3 in Jared Wesley, ed., *Big Worlds: Politics and Elections in the Canadian Provinces and Territories*, Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Bateman, Lewis and Desserud 2015. Tom Bateman, J.P. Lewis, and Don Desserud, "The 2014 Provincial Election in New Brunswick," *Canadian Political Science Review*.

2) Journal Articles:

McKenna & Desserud 2013. Peter McKenna and Don Desserud, "The 2011 Provincial Election in Prince Edward Island," *Canadian Political Science Review*, 7: 65-71.

Desserud & Hyson 2011. Don Desserud and Stewart Hyson, "Bringing New Brunswick's Legislative Assembly into the 21st Century," *Canadian Study of Parliament Occasional Paper Series*.

Desserud 2011. "The 2010 Provincial Election in New Brunswick," *Canadian Political Science Review*,

5: 99-116.

Desserud 2010. "Responsible Government, the Separation of Powers and Money Bills," *Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law*, 4: 193 -

Desserud 2009a. "The Decision to Prorogue," *Canadian Political Science Review*, 3: 40-54.

Desserud 2008. "The 2006 Provincial Election in New Brunswick," *Canadian Political Science Review*, 2: 1-13.

Howe 2006. Paul Howe, Joanna Everitt and Don Desserud, "Social and Civic Attitudes and Beliefs in New Brunswick (Canada)'s Linguistic Communities," in Chedly Belkhdja, ed., *Canadian Ethnic Studies*, 38: 37-57.

Desserud 2006. *The Confidence Convention under the Canadian Parliamentary System*, *Canadian Study of Parliament Occasional Paper Series No. 7*, October.

Desserud 2005. "Would Fixed-Date Elections be an Improvement or Create New Problems?" *Electoral Insight*, 7.1 (January): 48-53.

Desserud 1999a. "Commerce and Political Participation in Montesquieu's Letter to Domville," *History of European Ideas*, 25: 135-51.

Desserud 1999b. "An Outpost's Response: The Language and Politics of Moderation in Eighteenth-Century Nova Scotia," *American Review of Canadian Studies*, 29: 379-406.

Desserud 1996a. "The Exercise of Community Rights in the Liberal-Federal State: Language Rights and New Brunswick's Bill 88," *International Journal of Canadian Studies*, special issue on *Citizenship and Rights*, 14: 215-36.

Desserud 1991a. "Virtue, Commerce and the 'Tale of the Troglodytes': Montesquieu's Persian Letters," *History of Political Thought*, 12: 605-26.

3) Book Chapters:

Desserud 2015. "The Political Economy of New Brunswick," chapter 4 in Bryan Evans and Charles Smith, eds, *Transforming Provincial Politics: The Political Economy of Canada's Provinces and Territories in the Newliberal Era*, University of Toronto Press, 110-134.

Desserud 2009b. "'Whither 91.1?' The Constitutionality of Bill C-19: An Act to Limit Senate Tenure," chapter 7 in Jennifer Smith, ed., *The Democratic Dilemma: Reforming the Canadian Senate*, McGill-Queen's University Press, 63-80.

Desserud 2007. "Fixed-Date Elections under the Canadian Parliamentary System," chapter 10 in William Cross, ed., *Electoral Reform in New Brunswick*, Canadian Scholarly Press, 204-20.

Desserud 2001. "Reading Montesquieu's *Voyage d'Italie* as Travel Literature," Vol. III of the *Eighteenth-Century French World*, Servanne Woodward ed., London, ON: Mestengo Press, 1-39.

Desserud 1996b. "Waiting for the Third Wave: Women in New Brunswick Politics," chapter 11 of *In the Presence of Women*, Jane Arscott and Linda Trimble, eds, Toronto: Harcourt Brace Canada, 254-77.

Desserud 1991b. "Nova Scotia and the American Revolution," *Making Adjustments: Change and Continuity in Planter Nova Scotia, 1759 - 1800*, Margaret Conrad, ed., Fredericton: Acadiensis Press, 89-112.

4) Creative Writing (published or performed):

"Nutmeg Harmony," directed by Robert Moore, Lorenzo Society (UNBSJ), one-act play, Nov 18-20, 2004.

"The Work of the Right Hand," in *Winners' Circle Ten*, Nancy Del Col, ed., Toronto: Canadian Authors' Association (2003) 10: 47-55.

"Three poems," *Amethyst Review* (2000) 2.8: 52-3.

"El Sereno," *The Gaspereau Review* (2000) 12: 55-65.

"The man who came out of the sea," *The New Brunswick Reader* (1998) Jan 3rd: 7-11.

5) Consultancy Work (commissioned papers and briefs):

"The Constitutionality of Bill C-7 (2012): an historical review and assessment," commissioned expert opinion written on behalf of the *Secrétariat aux affaires intergouvernementales canadiennes*, Ministère du Conseil exécutif, Gouvernement du Québec (January 2013).

"Reforming the Legislative Assembly," commissioned report written on behalf of the Speaker of the Legislature of New Brunswick, the Honourable Dale Graham (March 2011).

"Having fixing election dates in New Brunswick helped or hurt?" online essay for CBC NB's New Brunswick Votes www.cbc.ca/canada/nbvotes2010.

"Fixed-Date Elections: what is the problem for which this is the solution?" brief prepared for the Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs, reviewing Bill C-18, an act to fix election dates (14 February 2007).

"Fixed-Date Elections under a parliamentary system," for the *Legislative Democracy Commission of New Brunswick*, 2004-2005.

"Participatory Democracy, Internet Communities and Electronic Democracy, and their application to New Brunswick" (research paper, *Delta Project*, Centre for Property Studies, UNB), March, 2000.

"The State and Maritime Economic Underdevelopment" (policy paper), October, 1993.

"New Brunswick and Constitutional Reform" (policy paper) tabled House of Commons, February, 1992.

"Principles of Electoral Representation in New Brunswick" (background paper) Representation and Electoral District Boundaries Commission of New Brunswick, submitted May 15, 1992.

"New Brunswick's Stake in the New Constitution" (policy paper), submitted June 30th, 1992.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIPS:

Prince Edward Island Law Society (Public Representative)
Canadian Political Science Association Board of Directors (2010-2012)
Canadian Association of Graduate Studies
Institute of Parliamentary and Political Law
Institute of Public Administration in Canada
Canadian Study of Parliament Group
Atlantic Provinces Political Studies Association
American Political Sciences Association