

# Curriculum Vitae - Dr. Laura McLeod (she/her/hers)

## APPOINTMENTS.

- 2021 – Present: **Senior Lecturer in International Politics:** Department of Politics, University of Manchester (UoM), UK.
- 2014 – 21: **Lecturer in International Politics.** Department of Politics, UoM, UK.
- 2012 – 14: **Post-doctoral Research Associate.** Department of Politics, UoM, UK. ERC Advanced Investigator Grant ‘Understanding Institutional Change: A Gender Perspective’.
- 2011 – 12: **Lecturer in International Politics (Fixed-term).** Department of Politics, UoM, UK.
- 2007 – 10: **Associate Tutor in International Politics.** Department of Politics, University of Sheffield, UK.

**Maternity leave:** (1) November 2018 – July 2019 & (2) August 2021 – April 2022

## EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS.

- 2011 **PhD.** University of Sheffield, UK. Pass with no corrections. Thesis title: *Gender Politics and Security Discourse: Personal-political imaginations and feminism in 'post-conflict' Serbia*. Fully funded by the ESRC. Awarded The Andrew Gamble Prize for Most Outstanding Thesis (2011).
- 2006 **MA Research Methods in Politics/International Relations.** University of Sheffield, UK. *Distinction*. Fully funded by the ESRC. Awarded The Liam Holden Memorial Prize for most commendable performance (2006).
- 2005 **BA International History and International Politics.** University of Sheffield, UK. *Class 1*. Awarded The Thomas Dickinson Memorial Prize for best overall performance on degree (2005). Awarded The Howard Warrender Memorial Prize for best overall performance, first year (2003).

## RESEARCH.

### Books:

- 2021 Jointly with Maria O'Reilly. *Feminist Interventions in Critical Peace and Conflict Studies*. Routledge: London.
- 2016 *Gender Politics and Security Discourse: Personal-Political Imaginations and Feminism in "Post-Conflict" Serbia*. Routledge: London.  
(Serbian Translation, 2016) *Rodna politika I bezbednosni diskurs: Lično-političke imginacije I feminizam u "postkinfliktnoj" Srbiji*. OSCE: Belgrade. New preface written for the translation.

### Journal Articles (selected):

- 2021 'Hoping for Change: Gender and Constitutional Reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina' *Journal of International Relations and Development* 24, 628–650.
- 2019 'Investigating "Missing" Women: Gender, Ghosts, and the Bosnian Peace Process' *International Studies Quarterly*, 63:3, 668-679.
- 2019 'Critical Peace and Conflict Studies: Feminist Interventions – An Introduction' *Peacebuilding* 7:2, 127-45. Jointly authored with Maria O'Reilly.
- 2017 'The Present and the Future of the REF Impact Agenda in the UK Academy: A Reflection from Politics and International Studies' *Political Studies Review*, 15:1, 60-72. Jointly with A. Ni Mhurchu, G. Siles-Brugge and S. Collins.
- 2015 'A Feminist Approach to Hybridity: Understanding Local and International Interactions in Producing Post-Conflict Gender Security', *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding*, 9:1, 48-69.
- 2015 'Introduction: Gaga Feminism' *Critical Studies on Security* 3:2, 214-215
- 2015 'Gaga ways of counting insecure bodies' *Critical Studies on Security* 3: 2, 233-235.
- 2013 'Back to the Future: Temporality and Gender Security Narratives in Serbia' *Security Dialogue* 44:2, 165-81.
- 2013 'Ethnographic Explorations and Fragmented Senses of (Feminist) In/security' (Contribution to State of the Discipline: A Security Studies Forum) *International Studies Perspectives* 14:4, 459-62.
- 2012 'Why should we understand meanings of 'Gender Security'?' *Journal of Regional Security* 7:1, 1-15
- 2011 'Configurations of Post-conflict: Impacts of representations of conflict and post-conflict upon the (political) translations of gender security within UNSCR 1325' *International Feminist Journal of Politics* 13:4, 605-22. (Translated into Serbian by Žene u Crnom).

### Special Issue Editorship:

- 2019 Jointly with Maria O'Reilly. Special Issue 'Critical Peace and Conflict Studies: Feminist Interventions' *Peacebuilding* 7:2.  
2015 Forum editor 'Gaga Feminism: Escaping Normal Bodies of Feminist Security Studies.' *Critical Studies on Security* 3:2.

### Book chapters (selected):

- 2023 'Gender and Sexuality' in *Security Studies: Critical Perspectives* eds. X. Guillaume and K. Grayson. Oxford University Press, Oxford. Jointly with Jennifer Hobbs.  
2021 'Measuring the Women, Peace and Security Agenda' in *The Palgrave Encyclopaedia of Peace and Conflict Studies* eds. O. Richmond and G. Visoka.  
2018 'Gender and Post-conflict Reconstruction' in *Routledge Handbook of Gender and Security* eds. C. Gentry, L. J. Shepherd & L. Sjoberg. Routledge, London.  
2016 'The Women, Peace and Security Resolutions: UNSCR 1325 to 2122' in *Handbook of Gender and International Relations* eds. J. Steans & D. Tepe.  
2013 'Artistic Activism, Public Debate and Temporal Complexities: Fighting for Transitional Justice in Serbia' co-authored with artists Jovana Dimitrijevic and Biliana Rakočević. *The Art of Transitional Justice* eds. O. Simic & P. Rush. Springer: 25-42.  
2011 'Experiences, Reflections, and Learning: Feminist Organisations, Security Discourse and UNSCR 1325' *Making Gender, Making War: Violence, Military and Peacekeeping Practices* eds. A. Kronsell & E. Svedberg. Routledge, London: 135-49.

### Conference papers and presentations.

I have presented over 20 papers based on my research. This includes invitations to address practitioners at Belgrade Security Forum, Foreign and Commonwealth Office; academic conferences including annual conventions of the British International Studies Association; International Studies Association; European International Studies Association; International Association for Peace and Conflict Studies & International Feminist Journal of Politics Conference. I have presented at a number of HEIs, including Central European University, University of Leeds, University of Birmingham, University of Plymouth, Aston University, University of Limerick & University of Cardiff.

### Editorial Roles.

- 2023 - Advisory Board '*Feminist Studies on Peace, Justice and Violence*' Edinburgh University Press.  
2018 - Editorial board, *International Feminist Journal of Politics*  
2014 – 2018 Conversations Editor, *International Feminist Journal of Politics*.  
2012– 2014 Co-editor, *International Studies Today*: Newsletter of British International Studies Association.

### Research grants awarded.

- November 2019 - June 2020. **£5300**. SoSS Research Support Fund – Impact Activity; CeASR Small Grants, Leeds Beckett University. *Feminist Peace & Conflict Studies: Building Bridges and Crossing Divides between Research, Policy and Practice*. Joint PI (with Dr. Maria O'Reilly).
- May 2016 – June 2017. **£2700**. British International Studies Association, SoSS Research Support Fund & Goldsmiths Career Development Fund. *Critical Peacebuilding: Feminist Interventions*. Joint PI (with Dr. Maria O'Reilly).
- August 2015 – March 2017. **£9800**. British Academy Small Research Grant. *Do We Know Gender in Peacebuilding? Gender Knowledge and Peacebuilding Indicators*. PI.

### SERVICE & LEADERSHIP (internal and external)

- 2022 – 2026 **External Examiner**, University of Limerick, Ireland.  
2017 – 2021 **External Examiner**, University of Bath, UK.  
2017 – 2021 **MA Director, Politics**, University of Manchester. Responsible for oversight and management of fifteen different programmes and pathways within Politics, with upwards of 200 students each year. Oversaw strategic direction on all PGT matters, including recruitment, admissions, teaching, and development of programmes.  
2015-2017 **Programme director**, MA International Politics.  
2013 – 2016 **Convenor, Gendering IR Working Group (GIRWG)**, British International Studies Association (BISA). Oversaw design of GIRWG constitution; management of mailing list and bank account; organisation of conference panels; preparation of Annual Report and budget expenditure; applying for funding to support GIRWG activities.