

# Maxime Polleri

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Research Interests

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Japan; disaster; radioactive contamination; nuclear power; politics of expertise; governance; risk; citizen science; science and technology studies

### Academic Positions

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- 2019 - 2020      Postdoctoral Fellow,  
Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation
- 2018 - 2019      Predoctoral Fellow,  
Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation
- 2015 - 2016      Visiting Student Researcher,  
Saitama University, Department of Anthropology

### Education

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- 2013 - 2019    Ph.D. Social Anthropology. York University
- 2011 - 2013    M.A. Anthropology. Université de Montréal
- 2008 - 2011    B.A. East-Asian Studies and Anthropology (Japanese culture). Université de Montréal

### Refereed Publications

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#### Articles

2019. Post-political Uncertainties: Governing Nuclear Controversies in Post-Fukushima Japan. *Social Studies of Science*. (Online First)  
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0306312719889405>
2019. Conflictual Collaboration: Citizen Science and the Governance of Radioactive Contamination after the Fukushima Nuclear Disaster. *American Ethnologist*. 46(2): 214-226.

2018. Beyond a Place: Fieldwork as a Concept. In *Cultural Anthropology: A Perspective on the Human Condition*, edited by E.A. Schultz, R.H. Lavenda and R.R. Dods, 47-48. 4th Canadian Edition. Toronto: Oxford University Press.

2017. Exchanging Business Cards in Japan: Oh! So You Are an... *Anthropology Today*. 33(3): 23-24.

2017. Radioactive Contamination and Citizen Science after Fukushima. Digital Series on "Sensorial Engagements with a Toxic World," edited by C. Fukuda. *Second Spear, Medical Anthropology Quarterly*. March 29.

<http://medanthroquarterly.org/2017/03/29/radioactive-contamination-and-citizen-science-after-fukushima/>

2017. Ethnographic Memories: The Politics of Fieldwork. *Contingent Horizons: York University Student Journal*. 3(1): 7-18.

2016. Tracking Radioactive Contamination after Fukushima. *Anthropology Now*. 8(2): 90-103.

2015. 'Matters' of Importance: Contamination in the Aftermath of the Fukushima Disaster. *Nexus: The Canadian Student Journal of Anthropology*. 23(1): 13-25.

### **Book Chapters**

2018. Indeterminate Life: Dealing with Radioactive Contamination as a Voluntary Evacuee Mother. In *Bearing the Weight of the World: Exploring Maternal Embodiment*, edited by A. Einion and J. Rinaldi, 151-170. Bradford: Demeter Press.

### **Non Refereed Publications**

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2019. The Truth about Radiation in Fukushima. *The Diplomat*. March 14.  
<https://thediplomat.com/2019/03/the-truth-about-radiation-in-fukushima/>

2019. Teaching about Radiation after Fukushima. *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*. February 26.  
<https://thebulletin.org/2019/02/teaching-about-radiation-after-fukushima/>

2018. Risk is your Business: Citizen Science after Fukushima. *Somatosphere*. December 10.  
<http://somatosphere.net/2018/12/risk-is-your-business.html>

2017. Futatabime [Second Time]. *Sekiguchi Global Research Association*. Atsumi International Foundation.

2016. Shiru to Wakaru [Knowing and Understanding]. *Sekiguchi Global Research Association*. Atsumi International Foundation.

2016. Notes from the Field: Buy the Ticket, Take the Ride. *The SAGA Exchange*. 1(2): 3.

## **Fellowships, Scholarships, and Awards**

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- 2019 Science History Institute Travel Grant,  
Science History Institute, Othmer Library of Chemical History (\$1500)
- 2019 John and Jackie Lewis Fund,  
Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation (\$1000)
- 2019 MacArthur Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellowship,  
Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation (\$66 667)
- 2019 Managing the Atom Postdoctoral Fellowship,  
Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs,  
Harvard University *declined*
- 2019 Science in Human Culture Program Postdoctoral Fellowship,  
Northwestern University *long short-listed out of 180 applicants,  
drop out of finalist stage*
- 2018 MacArthur Nuclear Security Predoctoral Fellowship,  
Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation (\$32 900)
- 2016 SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship,  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (\$40 000)
- 2015 Japanese Studies Fellowship Program, Japan Foundation (\$40 000)
- 2015 Ontario Graduate Scholarship *declined* (\$15 000)
- 2015 Vivienne Poy Asian Research Award, York University (\$2000)
- 2014 Ontario Graduate Scholarship (\$15 000)
- 2014 YCAR Language Award, York University (\$2100)
- 2013 York University Graduate Entrance Scholarship,  
York University (\$3000)
- 2013 York University Graduate Scholarship,  
\$21 041 for year I to IV; \$21 491 for year V; \$16 491 for year VI,  
York University (\$122 146)
- 2012 Bourse de mobilité, Université de Montréal (\$3000)
- 2012 Bourse de déplacement LOJIQ (\$1000)

2009            Bourse de déplacement LOJIQ (\$1000)

## Conference Papers

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2019. Conflictual Collaboration: Citizen Science and the Governance of Radioactive Contamination after the Fukushima Nuclear Disaster. *Society for the History of Technology*. Milan, October 24. *Travel funded by the Center for International Security and Cooperation*.

2019. Nuclear Embodiment Or: How I Learned To Stop Worrying and Love Radiation. *Society for East Asian Anthropology*. Tokyo, August 2.

2019. Radioactive Knowledge: The Role of Public Infrastructure in Teaching about Radiation Risks. *Ways of Knowing and Radiation Exposure*. Oregon State University. Corvallis, June 20. *Travel funded by Oregon State University*.

2019. Radioactive Governance: The Politics of Expertise after Fukushima. *Los Alamos National Laboratory*. Los Alamos, May 15. *Travel funded by the Center for International Security and Cooperation*.

2019. Nuclear Embodiment: Teaching about Radiation after Fukushima. *International Studies Association*. Toronto, 27 March. *Travel funded by the Center for International Security and Cooperation*.

2018. Phantomatic Evidence: Fukushima and the Time-Scape Politics of Radiation Harm. *American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting*. San Jose, 15 November.

2018. Embodied Baselines: Experiencing Radiation Harm after Fukushima. *Shifting Baselines, Altered Horizons: Politics, Practice, and Knowledge in Environmental Science and Policy*. Max Planck Institute for the History of Science. Berlin, June 22. *Travel funded by the Max Planck Institute*

2018. The Production of Ethnographic Evidence in a Post-Fukushima Context of Radioactive Contamination – A Critique of “Urgent Ethnography.” *Canadian Anthropology Society Annual Meeting*. Santiago de Cuba, May 19. *Travel funded by the Canadian Anthropology Society*

2017. Nuclear Embodiment: Learning to Love Radiation after Fukushima. *Anthropology of Japan in Japan Fall Workshop*. Doshisha University. Kyoto, December 10.

2017. Nuclear Embodiment: Teaching about Radiation after Fukushima. *Knowledge, Culture, Ecologies Conference*. Universidad Diego Portales. Santiago Chile, November 17. *Travel funded by the York Center for Asian Research and York University*

2017. Commodifiable Phantasm: The Politicization of the Native Land in a Post- Fukushima Context of Radioactive Contamination. *Japan Studies Association of Canada Annual Meeting*. Munk School of Global Affairs. Toronto, 13 October.

2017. Toxic Temporalities and Ethnographic Sensibilities. *Ethnographic Fieldwork in a Global Era: Challenges and Opportunities*. Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Beijing, 29 August. *Travel funded by the Chinese Academy of Social Science*

2017. Furusato Sweet Furusato: Finding Home after Fukushima. *21<sup>st</sup> Asian Studies Conference in Japan*. Rikkyo University. Tokyo, 8 July.

2017. Citizen Science after Fukushima: Useful Innovation or Sword of Damocles? *Anthropology of Japan in Japan Spring Workshop*. Osaka Gakuin University. Osaka, 23 April.

2016. Radioactive Contamination and Citizen Science after Fukushima: Toward Empowerment or Disenfranchise? *American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting*. Minneapolis, 20 November. *Travel funded by York University*

2016. Figuring Nuclear Power: The Multiple Japanese Meanings of Nuclear Energy. *Society for Social Studies of Science/European Association for the Study of Science and Technology Annual Meeting*. Barcelona, 2 September. *Travel funded by York Center for Asian Research*

2015. “Matters” of Importance: Contamination in the Aftermath of the Fukushima Disaster. *Critical Scholarship and Social Transformation Program*. York University. Toronto, 8 May.

### **Invited Talk**

2019. State and Civic Replies to the Fukushima Nuclear Disaster. 6<sup>th</sup> Young Professionals Nuclear Forum. *Moscow Engineering Physics University*. Moscow, November 6. *Travel funded by the Center for International Security and Cooperation*.

2019. Radioactive Governance: The Politics of Expertise after Fukushima. Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. Palo Alto, 21 March.

2019. Nuclear Embodiment: Teaching about Radiation after Fukushima. Stanford Anthropology Brown Bag Series. Palo Alto, 11 March.

2017. Radioactive Contamination and the Politics of Health after Fukushima. Graduate School of Humanities and Social Science, Saitama University. Saitama, 14 June.

### **Panel Organized**

2018. Ethnographic Practices and the Temporality of Evidence. Conference panel organizer, chair, and presenter. *Canadian Anthropology Society Annual Meeting*. Santiago de Cuba, May 16-20.

### **Prizes**

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2017                      Photo Contest,  
Les figures de la contamination radioactive après Fukushima,

## **Work Experience**

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2013 - 2015      Teaching Assistant (T.A.), Making Sense of a Changing World  
Anthropology Department, York University

## **Fieldwork Experience**

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2015/2017. Ph.D. fieldwork, Japan. Participant observation and interviews conducted in Japanese.

Summer 2012. M.A. fieldwork, Tokyo. Participant observation and interviews conducted in Japanese.

## **Professional Services**

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Translation of abstracts, panels and conference programs (from English to French).  
Canadian Anthropology Society (CASCA). 2014 Conference: Promising Uncertainties

Assistance for the award-winning two-day international negotiation simulation *International Security in a Changing World* at Stanford University.

Organizer and moderator for the *2019-2020 Nuclear Reading Group* at the Center for International Security and Cooperation at Stanford University

## **Affiliation**

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### **Current Affiliations**

Society for the History of Science

Nuclear Consulting Group

### **Past or Intermittent Affiliations**

American Anthropology Association

American Ethnological Society

Society for Cultural Anthropology

Society for Social Studies of Science

Canadian Anthropology Society / Société d'Anthropologie Canadienne

Japan Studies Association of Canada

International Studies Association

## **Languages**

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English: fluent

French: fluent

Japanese: advanced speaking, writing and reading

## **Others Research Experiences**

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2009      *Kanazawa* program,  
Homestay in *Ishikawa-ken* with intensive Japanese language course