

# **Christian Houle**

**Assistant Professor of Political Science at Michigan State University**

East Lansing, MI, US

An expert on comparative politics of developing countries

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## **Biography**

Christian Houle joined the department in 2013. Prior to that, he was assistant professor in the department of political science at Trinity College, Dublin, for three years. Houle's main research and teaching interests focus on the comparative politics of developing countries. He is especially interested in topics related to democracy and regime change, inequality, political instability and civil war. His articles have been published or are forthcoming in *International Organization*, *World Politics*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Political Behavior*, *Journal of Economic Inequality*, *International Interactions*, *Democratization* and *Government and Opposition*.

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Social Mobility, Inequality, Civil Wars, Democracy, Regime Change, Political Instability, Redistribution

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## **Affiliations**

Committee Member (Chair), Comparative Democratization Section, Best Paper Prize, American Political Science Association, 2014., Committee Member, Comparative Democratization Section, Best Paper Prize, American Political Science Association, 2011.

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## **Education**

**University of Rochester**

Ph.D. Political Science

**University of Rochester**

M.A. Political Science

**Queens University**

M.A. Economics

**Universie Laval**

B.A. Political Science and Sociology

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## **Accomplishments**

**Best Paper Award, APSA Comparative Democratization Section,  
2014**

**Arts & Social Sciences Benefactions Fund Grant, Trinity College, Dublin  
2012**

**Kellogg/Notre Dame Award, best paper in comparative politics presented at the MPSA,  
2012**

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