

Christine Saulnier

Nova Scotia Director at Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives

Halifax, NS, CA

Christine Saulnier serves as the Nova Scotia director for the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives.

Biography

Christine Saulnier has been the Nova Scotia Director of the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA-NS) since November 2007. Her areas of expertise include fiscal policy, social policy, poverty, and women's rights, with a primary focus on Nova Scotia, but also the impact of federal policies on the Atlantic region. She leads the work of the CCPA-NS to support policy development that advances social and economic justice, as well as environmental sustainability. She coordinates CCPA-NS' annual provincial alternative budget. Previous to this position, she served as Senior Researcher and Research Manager at the Atlantic Centre of Excellence for Women's Health. During this time, she was also Adjunct Assistant Professor in the School of Health and Human Performance at Dalhousie University and had an appointment in the Faculty of Graduate Studies. She grew up in rural New Brunswick and moved back to the Maritimes in 2003 after completing her doctorate in Political Science at York University, specializing in Canadian Politics, and Women and Politics. Her dissertation focused on health policy development. She is active in several antipoverty organizations and sits on the board of the Nova Scotia Health Coalition, and Adsum for Women & Children.

Christine Saulnier est directrice du Centre Canadien des Politiques Alternatives (Nouvelle-Ecosse) depuis novembre 2007. Ses régions d'expertise portent sur la politique fiscale, la politique sociale, la pauvreté et les droits des femmes avec un intérêt particulier sur la Nouvelle-Ecosse. Un autre intérêt est l'impact des politiques fédérales sur la région atlantique. Elle soutient le travail de ccpa-ns pour influencer le développement des politiques qui avance la justice sociale et économique ainsi que la subsistance environnementale. Elle coordonne annuellement le budget alternatif provincial. Son poste précédent était chercheuse et gestionnaire de recherche pour le centre d'excellence pour la santé des femmes, Atlantique. En 2003 après avoir obtenu un doctorat en sciences politiques à l'université York avec spécialité en politique canadienne et la politique et les femmes. Sa dissertation avait le développement de la politique en matière de santé comme sujet d'étude. Elle est active dans plusieurs organisations anti-pauvreté et siège dans 2 organismes : Adsum et NS Health Coalition.

Industry Expertise

Public Policy

Areas of Expertise

Research, Women and Politics, Canadian Public Policy, Social Policy, Antipoverty

Affiliations

Adsum for Women and Children : Board of Directors, NS Citizens' Health Care Network : Board of Directors, Women's Committee Nova Scotia Federation of Labour: Member, UNIFOR Local 567: Member, Legal Education and Action Fund NS : Member, Midwifery Coalition of NS : Member (Past Chair), Coalition to End Poverty NS: Steering Committee Member (Past), Member Women's Committee Nova Scotia Federation of Labour

Event Appearances

Stakeholder Perspectives on Seizing the Opportunity to Develop a Nova Scotian Approach to Carbon Pricing
Carbon Pricing Forum

Income - Based Solutions to Poverty Alleviation
Poverty Summit, United Way Halifax

Income Inequality: Reversing the Trend
Council of Canadians-South Shore Chapter, AGM

Taking Stock of the Status of Women in Nova Scotia
NS Federation of Labour's International Women's Day Breakfast

Education

York University
Ph.D. Political Science

University of Victoria
M.A. Political Science

University of Ottawa
B.S.S. Political Science

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