

# **Michelle Stack**

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Professor Stack's teaching and research are in the areas of university rankings, media education and educational policy.

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## **Biography**

Michelle Stack, PhD, is an associate professor, former senior policy advisor and public commentator on education. Her research interests include university rankings, the role of media in the policymaking process, using multimedia technology as part of research, community and youth engagement, social justice and equity in education. She also consults with school districts, government agencies and non-profits on equity issues.

Her primary goal is to challenge what is often seen as common sense and to integrate other ways of thinking and knowing about problems and possible solutions. To do this work, Michelle focuses on collaboration and bridging the knowledge of diverse communities including children and youth, activists, practitioners, journalists, academics and policymakers to the research process.

She has dipped her toe in standup comedy, and she is currently a student in a creative writing program.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Research, Public Policy

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## **Areas of Expertise**

University Rankings, Educational Policy, Educational Leadership, Education and Equity, Media and Democracy, Mental Health And Media Coverage, Knowledge Mobilization

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## **Affiliations**

Canadian Society for Studies in Education : Member, Center for Leadership and Diversity : Affiliated Member

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## **Event Appearances**

**University Rankings and Mediatization,**  
Canadian Research in International Education

**University Rankings, Mediatization and Celebrification**  
Mediatization Research: Culture, Conflict and Organizations Seminar

**Social Justice and learning from each other**  
Right to Education Conference for School Management Representatives

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## **Education**

**University of Toronto, Ontario Institute of Studies in Education (OISE)**  
Ph.D.

**Carleton University**  
M.A. Applied Language Studies

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M.A. Canadian Studies

**University of Alberta**  
B.A. Anthropology

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## **Accomplishments**

### **Killam Teaching Award**

Awarded for formal and informal teaching. I have had opportunities to teach and learn with high school students, new immigrants and refugees to Canada, undergraduate and graduate students.

### **Visiting Scholar Emory Law School**

While at Emory, I worked with Professor Martha Albertson Fineman on issues of equity, and developing strategies for the implementation of a vulnerability approach across government ministries, boards, agencies and commissions.

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