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# CURRICULUM VITAE Patricia Ure Petersen

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**Degrees:** A.B., Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts, 1961

M.A., University of Toronto, 1977

Ph.D., (Political Science), University of Toronto, November, 1985

Dissertation title: "The Evolution of the Executive in Toronto

Government, 1834-1984"

Languages: German, fluent: French, functional

## **Employment (with the University)**

**1987-- Director**, Urban Studies Program, Innis College, University of Toronto

**1985-- Co-ordinator**, Internship Program in City Politics

Innis College, University of Toronto

1984-- Senior Lecturer, City Politics, Urban Studies, Innis College, University of

Toronto

**1984-85** Lecturer, City Politics, Political Science Department, University of Toronto

**1980-84 Lecturer**, City Politics, Scarborough College, University of Toronto

#### **Activities Outside the University**

**Keynote Speaker,** "Toronto als Vorbild", Symposium on the Dynamic City, City-

state of Hamburg (Germany), June 12, 2003, invited by the Mayor of Hamburg.

Panel Discussant, Questioning the Boundaries of Governance: A Graduate Workshop on the Theory and Practice of Federalism, Decentralisation and

Multilevel Governance, Munk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto, February 14-15 2003

Media work in 2003 included extensive appearances on TV and radio – primarily CBC Radio 1 and CBC news (both French and English networks) during the municipal election; Goldhawk Live in January on the MFP Inquiry; commentary on municipal politics for the Globe and Mail and the Toronto Star.

- **1998 Guest Lecturer,** City of Hamburg, district of Hamburg-Nord, "Stadtplanung und Baugenehmigungsverfahren in Toronto, Kanada", (City Planning and the Building Approval Process in Toronto), by invitation.
- **Guest Lecturer,** Institut für Geographie, Universität Hamburg, "Kanada ist doch anders: amerikanische und kanadische Großstädte im Vergleich"

Guest Lecturer, Nordamerika Programm, Universität Bonn

- 1994-- Visiting Planner, District Office of Hamburg-Eimsbüttel (six weeks annually)
- 1995 Guest Seminar Discussant, Institut für Finanzwissenschaft, Universität Hamburg
- 1988-- Campaign Manager and Policy Advisor, Councillor Brian Ashton
- **1992-93 Member**, Water Levels Reference Study Board, International Joint Commission for the Great Lakes
- **Guest Lecturer**, Urban Management and the Environment, "Open Cities Project", Nankai University, Tianjin, China, sponsored by The Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Government of China
- **Member**, Greater Toronto Area in Transition Committee, Social Planning Council of Metro Toronto
- **1987-89 Vice Chairman**, (Great Lakes) Shoreline Management Advisory Council, reporting to the Minister of Natural Resources, Province of Ontario

#### **Consulting and Community Work**

- 1988-92 Consulting on Land Use Planning and Related Matters major clients included Imperial Oil, Tridel and the City of Toronto Department of Health
- **1981-83** Chairman, Planning Board, City of Scarborough
- 1976-83 Member, Planning Board, City of Scarborough

**Chairman**, Urban Design Awards Committee, Planning Board, City of Scarborough

**Chairman**, Committee on the Proposed Planning Act, Planning Board, City of Scarborough

**Seminar Co-ordinator**, "Creating Liveable Suburbs", workshops for civil servants, politicians, and citizens on planning the suburbs, Planning Board, City of Scarborough

**Chairman and Policy Co-ordinator**, Joint Technical Committee of the Ontario Petroleum Association and the Planning Department of the City of Scarborough to devise a Service Station Policy for the City

- **1973-75 Chairman**, Association of Women Electors of Metropolitan Toronto, Scarborough Branch
- **Member**, Executive Committee, Association of Women Electors of Metropolitan Toronto

**Member**, Citizen's Task Force on Land Use Planning, Mayor's Office, City of Scarborough

**Member**, steering committee of the "Women in Local Government Project", Ontario Conference in Local Government

#### **Professional Affiliations**

Associate, Centre for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto

# **Scholarly and Professional Writing**

- editor, *Historic Preservation in the USA*, primary author Karolin Frank, Springer-Verlag: Berlin, Heidelberg, 2002, 265p
- Talbot's Only Dragon. Primary author. Illustrations by Meredith Blackmore. Junior fiction (ages 6-10) on local politics, 30,000 words. Submitted to publishers for possible publication.
- "Cooperating with the Neighbours: Comparing Regional Planning in Toronto and Hamburg", primary author . [8,000 words] First presented at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, 1997. Re-written and presented at the Symposium entitled: "Regionalism: Promises and Problems" held at the Law School of the

State University of New York at Buffalo, March 1999. *Buffalo Law Review*, Winter 2000, Vol. 48. 1. Refereed.

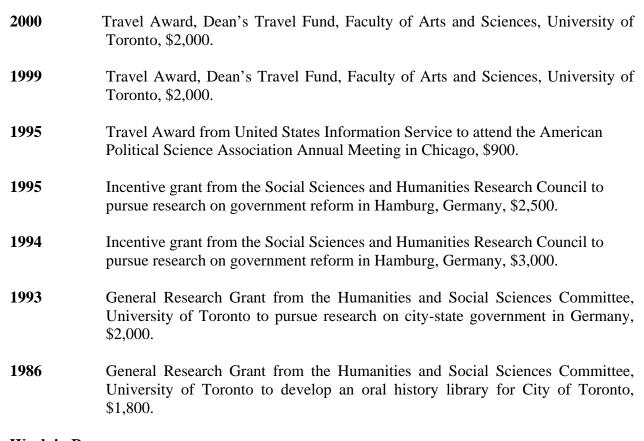
- 1998 "Die Schubladen meines Schrankes". Primary author. *ProVi Aktuell*, Spring, 1999, Government of Hamburg, 4 pages. Not refereed. (article on administrative reform in Hamburg for the City's administration magazine).
- "The News from Wandsbek: Using an Ethnographic Approach to the Study of Local Politics in Germany". primary author. [7,000 words]
- "Disentangling State Responsibilities: The Never-ending Story of District Reform in Hamburg, Germany", primary author. [12,000 words] Published in *German Politics and Society*, Vol. 16 No. 4, Winter 1998. Referred. Presented at the Urban Affairs Association, Annual Meeting, 1996.
- "One City's Poison: the Disadvantages of Being a City-state in the Federal Republic of Germany", primary author. [10,000 words] Presented at the American Political Science Association Convention 1995.

"Hamburg Goes Red-Grey", primary author. [3,000 words] paper in a seminar series on Global Cities - Local Places: Issues in Urban Sustainability, Faculty of Environmental Studies, York University, Toronto, March 15, 1994. Published in *Local Places in the Age of the Global City*, David Bell, Roger Keil and Gerda Wekerle, editors, Montreal: Black Rose Books 1995.

- "Government Response to a Changing Community: Metropolitan Toronto and Its Visible Minorities", primary author. [2,000 words]. Presented at the International Union of Local Authorities Conference, Toronto, June 1993.
- "Leave the Fads to the Yankees": the Campaigns for Commission and City Manager Government in Toronto, 1910-1926, primary author. [2,500 words] *Urban History Review*, Vol. 20, #2/3 (refereed) Spring 1992
- "Sister Cities, Different Governments: the Evolution of Municipal Government in Rochester and Toronto", primary author. [4,000 words] Presented at the American Studies Association Conference, November 1989
- "The Evolution of the Board of Control", primary author, article in *Forging a Consensus*, Victor Russell editor, University of Toronto Press, 1984, presented with the Award of Merit by the Regional History Committee of the Canadian Historical Association, 1986; finalist, Toronto Book Awards, 1984

#### **Awards**

Travel Award, Dean's Travel Fund, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, University of Toronto, \$1,100.



## **Work in Progress**

I am writing a book on the city-state of Hamburg, Germany. The book is divided into four main sections: Hamburg as a city-state; reform of political institutions, political parties, and neighbourhood revitalization. I have written a number of papers for journals and conferences that serve as a starting point for each of these four sections. My main purpose is to understand how urban problems are dealt with in the German political system with its particular set of political institutions, traditions and beliefs. Although the book is primarily about a city and how it deals with these within a specific culture, it is also about the process of learning about the city. I started the research with a very general question: What is it like to be a city-state? This has lead me on a nine year search for an answer to that question as well as answers to all the other questions that have arisen from that first question. Where this questioning leads you and what it teaches about the city, the country, the people is the major theme of the book. Other topics that are woven throughout the book include language, perception (mine, theirs), history, memory, spirit (*Geist*), and landscape.