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CHARISMA AND DEMOCRACY:

LEADERS, FOLLOWERS, AND POLITICAL
[UN]ACCOUNTABILITY IN LATIN AMERICA



Caitlin Andrews-Lee is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration at Toronto Metropolitan University. Her research focuses primarily on Latin America and investigates how leaders cultivate charismatic attachments with voters to garner support, consolidate power, and undermine democratic accountability. She has published an award-winning book with Cambridge

University Press on this topic, *The Emergence and Revival of Charismatic Movements: Argentine Peronism and Venezuelan Chavismo*, as well as peer-reviewed articles in several academic journals. Her current research examines the gendered structure of charismatic authority and investigates under what conditions women can defy expectations and establish charismatic legitimacy as executive leaders.

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