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### **Biography**

She has degrees in history, environmental studies, planning and geography from McGill, York and Toronto respectively. She teaches and does research on the urban creative economy, with recent publications in *Economic Geography*, *Environment and Planning A*, and *Space and Polity*. She is also a Registered Professional Planner and has consulted on a wide-range of public policy issues for all levels of government. Her report, *Competing for Talent: implications for social and cultural policy in Canadian city-regions* was commissioned by Heritage Canada. Dr. Donald currently has two SSHRC-funded research projects: one on creative class politics in Toronto and Boston, and the other on the urban creative food economy. She has received numerous awards for her research including the Governor General's Gold Medal for Academic Excellence. As a Visiting Scholar at Harvard University's Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston in the Kennedy School of Government, Dr. Donald has been examining the politics of the new economy in Boston.