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# Choice, Commitment, and Modern Selfhood in Friendship-based Households

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**Laura Eramian** is a social anthropologist who specializes in personhood and everyday social relationships. Since 2016, she has been engaged in a series of collaborative projects on modern friendship in Atlantic Canada. She is principal investigator on a 2020-2024 SSHRC Insight Development Grant-supported project on friendship across public and private life. A central goal of that project is to understand both the rising cultural value placed on friendship and growing anxieties around it as friendship increasingly becomes an object of reflexive scrutiny. She is also principal applicant on a successful 2024 SSHRC Connection Grant that will support a workshop bringing together North American and international friendship scholars and an edited book (co-editor Peter Mallory), *Critical Friendship in the Modern World*, which is under contract with Cambridge University Press.

**Monday November 4, 12.00-13.00**

**MCKN 621 (6<sup>th</sup> floor, next to the elevators)**

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