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RESEARCH

Areas of Specialization — Social & Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Language
Areas of Competence — Ethics, Philosophy of Law, Epistemology

EMPLOYMENT

from Sept 2019 – Assistant Professor in the Department of Politics and the Center for Human Values, Princeton University

2017-2019 – Research Fellow in the School of Philosophy, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University
Australian Research Council (ARC) project on Ethics & Risk, with Seth Lazar, Lara Buchak, Alan Hájek, Philip Pettit, Frank Jackson, and Katie Steele

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Southern California, December 2017
Mistaken Self-Defense and Normative Conventions. Supervised by Jonathan Quong (chair), Robin Jeshion, Mark Schroeder, Seana Shiffrin (UCLA), Richard John (USC Psychology), John Hawthorne
- M.A. Philosophy, Northern Illinois University, May 2012
- B.S. Studio Arts, Biola University, December 2010, *Summa cum laude*.
- B.A. Philosophy, Biola University, December 2009, *Summa cum laude*.

PUBLICATIONS

- Journal Articles*
- ◇ ‘The Rational Impermissibility of Accepting (some) Racial Generalizations’, *Synthese* (2018)
doi: 10.1007/s11229-018-1809-5
 - ◇ ‘Reasonable Mistakes and Regulative Norms: Racial Bias in Defensive Harm’, *Journal of Political Philosophy* Vol. 25, No. 2 (2017): 196-217. doi: 10.1111/jopp.12120
 - ◇ ‘Revisiting the Right to do Wrong’, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* Vol. 95, No. 1 (2017): 43-57.
doi: 10.1080/00048402.2016.1179654
 - ◇ ‘The Pragmatics of Slurs’, *Nous* Vol. 51, No. 3 (2017): 439-462. (Published online March 2015)
doi: 10.1111/nous.12090
- Book Reviews*
- ◇ Review of *How Propaganda Works* by Jason Stanley. *Ethics* Vol. 127, No. 2 (2017): 502-507.
doi: 10.1086/688753
- In Preparation*
- ‘Naive Slurring and Non-Derogatory Slurs: Delimiting the Linguistic Community’, in Cepollaro and Zeman, eds., *Grazer Philosophische Studien* (special issue on pejoratives, in preparation).
 - ‘The Language of Mental Illness’, in Khoo and Sterken (eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Social and Political Philosophy of Language* (under contract).

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2016 – PhD Achievement Award, University of Southern California
Awarded to five out of the 3,000+ students enrolled in PhD programs university-wide.
- Flewelling Award for Outstanding Graduate Students, University of Southern California
Competitive philosophy department award
- 2015 – University Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, University of Southern California.
Awarded to the top three teaching assistants University-wide, one in each of the humanities, social sciences, and hard sciences.
- 2014 – Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Southern California.
Awarded to one teaching assistant per department.
- 2012 – C. Mason and Madeline Myers Graduate Philosophy Award, Northern Illinois University.
Awarded to one outstanding student in the philosophy M.A. program.
- 2009 – Outstanding Philosophy Thesis Presentation of the Year, Biola University
- Member of Epsilon Kappa Epsilon, Biola University
Awarded to the top 5% of the graduating class.
- Order of Peter & Paul, Torrey Honors Institute, Biola University
Awarded to the top 10% of graduating students in the honors program.

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2015-16 – Scholar at the *Saks Institute for Mental Health Law, Policy, and Ethics*
- 2013 – University of Southern California Graduate School Professional Development Summer Fellowship.
Sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF); Competitive University Fellowship
- 2012-17 – University Provost Fellowship, University of Southern California (*Competitive University Fellowship*)
- 2011 – University Fellowship, The Graduate School, Northern Illinois University (*Competitive University Fellowship*)
- 2005 – Jerry Junkins Fellowship (*Texas Instruments*); National Merit Scholar; National AP Scholar with Distinction

PRESENTATIONS

‘●’ indicates invited talks

[1] TBD

- 2019 - Mar ● University of Queensland (colloquium)
2019 - Mar ● University of Sydney (colloquium)
2019 - Apr ● Virginia Tech University (colloquium)
2019 - May ● Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Workshop on Moral Rights
2019 - Jun ● University of Cologne, Workshop on Moral Encroachment

[2] Objective Rights & Epistemic Risks: Beyond Subjective Permissibility

- 2018 - Oct ● Wuhan University Philosophy Seminar (colloquium)
2018 - Oct ● National University of Singapore (colloquium)
2018 - Oct ● University of Otago Philosophy Seminar (colloquium)
2018 - Aug ● University of Melbourne Philosophy Seminar (colloquium)
2018 - July ● Australian National University, Workshop on Ethics & Risk. *Comments by Rahul Kumar.*

[3] Moral Risks and Communicating Consent

- 2019 - Apr ● Virginia Tech University, Seminar on Feminist Philosophy
2019 - Mar ○ Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting, New Orleans. Part of the panel ‘Normative Powers and Convention’ with Tom Dougherty (Cambridge) and Laura Valentini (LSE)
2018 - Sept ● Victoria University of Wellington Philosophy Seminar (colloquium)
2018 - Mar ● Melbourne Applied Philosophy Seminar

- [4] **Naïve Slurring and Non-Derogatory Slurs: Delimiting the Linguistic Community**
 2018 - July ○ Australian Association of Philosophy/New Zealand Association of Philosophy Joint Meeting, Wellington.
- [5] **The Moral Grounds of Mistaken Self-Defense**
 2018 - Feb ● Australian National University, Philosophy Thursday Seminar (colloquium)
 2016 - Sept ○ Manchester Center for Political Theory (MANCEPT), Panel on Risk & Uncertainty.
 2015 - Oct ○ Harvard Graduate Political Theory Conference. *Comments by Edmund 'Tweedy' Flanigan.*
- [6] **The Case for Conventional Defensive Permissions**
 2018 - Jan ● Oxford University
 2018 - Jan ● 6th Annual Australasian Workshop in Moral Philosophy
 2017 - Nov ● Princeton University
 2017 - Nov ○ Stockholm Centre for the Ethics of War and Peace Graduate Reading Retreat. *Comments by Suzanne Uniacke.*
- [7] **Testimonial Injustice and the Harm in Mental Illness Epithets**
 2017 - Dec ● New York Philosophy of Language Workshop
 2017 - Dec ● University of Southern California, Colloquium
 2017 - Mar ○ American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, Kansas City (symposium). *Comments by Cassie Herbert.*
- [8] **Explaining Asymmetries in the Justificatory Force of Statistical and Individualised Evidence**
 2017 - Nov ● Australian National University Philosophy & Economics Workshop
- [9] **The Rational Impermissibility of Accepting Racial Generalizations**
 2017 - May ○ St. Louis Annual Conference on Reasons and Rationality (SLACRR), St. Louis. *Comments by Julianne Chung.*
 2016 - Nov ● Talbot Philosophical Society Colloquium, Biola University.
 2016 - Oct ○ 9th Arché Graduate Conference, St. Andrews. *Comments by Ethan Landes.*
- [10] **The Problem of the Mistaken Defender**
 2016 - Sept ○ Stockholm Centre for the Ethics of War and Peace Graduate Reading Retreat. *Comments by Lars Christie.*
 2016 - Aug ○ Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress (RoME), Boulder. *Comments by Howard Nye.*
- [11] **Reporting Bad Beliefs: Solutions for Pragmatic Accounts of Slurs**
 2016 - Mar ○ American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, San Francisco (colloquium). *Comments by Kent Bach.*
 2015 - Nov ○ 9th Annual Northern Graduate Conference at Northern Illinois University. *Comments by Meagan Phillips.*
- [12] **Reasonable Mistakes and Regulative Conventions: Racial Bias in Defensive Harm**
 2015 - Dec ○ Political Violence Workshop, University of Connecticut.
- [13] **Metalinguistic Moral Disagreement**
 2015 - Feb ○ American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, St. Louis (colloquium). *Comments by Jamie Dreier.*
- [14] **Revisiting the Right to do Wrong**
 2014 - Oct ○ UCLA Law and Philosophy Graduate Conference. *Comments by David Bordeaux.*
- [15] **The Specification Problem for Anderson's Democratic Egalitarianism**
 2014 - Mar ○ 8th Annual Conference Northwestern University Society for Theory in Ethics and Politics. *Comments by Jessica Talamantez.*
- [16] **The Pragmatics of Slurs**
 2013 - Apr ○ Princeton/Rutgers Graduate Student Conference. *Comments by Ashley Atkins.*
 2013 - Apr ○ 7th Annual Texas Tech University Philosophy Graduate Student Conference.
- [17] **Chancy Conditionals: A Critique of Hawthorne**
 2012 - Apr ○ Indiana Philosophical Association. *Comments by Sam Cowling.*
- [18] **A Prosententialist Account of Vagueness**

- 2012 - Feb ◦ USC/UCLA Graduate Conference. *Comments by Gabriel Oak Rabin.*
- 2011 - Sept ◦ 15th Annual British Postgraduate Philosophical Association Conference. *Comments by Kian Mintz-Woo*
- 2011 - Sept ◦ 32nd Central States Philosophical Association Annual Conference. *Comments by Nicholas Baima*

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- Refereeing* ◊ *Analytic Philosophy* • *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (×4) • *Dialectica* (×3) • *Ergo* • *Erkenntnis* • *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* (×2) • *Ethics* • *Journal of Philosophy* • *Journal of Applied Philosophy* • *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* • *Journal of Political Philosophy* (×5) • *Journal of Social Philosophy* • *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (×5) • *Philosopher's Imprint* • *Philosophical Quarterly* (×2) • *Philosophical Studies* • *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (×2) • *Social Theory and Practice* (×2)
- ◊ St Louis Annual Conference on Reasons and Rationality (2018), Midwest Regional Graduate Conference (2011), USC/UCLA Graduate Conference (2013-17)
- Administrative* ◊ PhilPapers Assistant Area Editor, Philosophy of Law (2016-present)
- ◊ Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* (2016-17)
- ◊ Convenor, ANU Thursday Seminars in Philosophy (2018)
- ◊ Co-Organizer, ANU Workshop on Moral Decision-Making Under Risk (2018)
- ◊ Co-Organizer, USC/UCLA Graduate Conference (2014)
- ◊ Co-Organizer, 5th Annual Midwest Regional Graduate Conference in Philosophy (2011)
- ◊ President, Philosophy Graduate Student Association, *University of Southern California* (2015-16)
- ◊ Philosophy Graduate Student Advisory Council, *Northern Illinois University* (2011)
- Memberships* ◊ Association for Political Theory
- ◊ American Philosophical Association
- ◊ Australasian Association of Philosophy
- ◊ Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society
- ◊ Participant, Analytic Legal Philosophy Conference (2015)

TEACHING

- *Advising/Supervision*
 - ◊ Australian National University: Honours co-supervisor (with Katie Steele) in philosophy, for Patrick Williamson
 - ◊ Princeton University: independent study on Social & Political Philosophy of language, for Claudia Yau
- *Instructor*, Australian National University
 - ◊ Graduate Seminar: Social Inference & Categorization (May-June '18; co-taught with Justin D'Ambrosio)
- *Instructor of Record*, University of Southern California
 - ◊ Reasoning and Argument I: Propositional Logic (Spring '17)
 - ◊ Reasoning and Argument II: Reasoning with Probabilities (Spring '17)
- *Guest Lectures*
 - ◊ On the Pragmatics of Slurs, for Robin Jeshion's *Graduate Seminar in Philosophy of Language*, 2017
 - ◊ Racial Bias in Mistaken Defensive Harm, for Mark Schroeder's *Current Moral and Social Issues*, 2017
 - ◊ Encroachment and Racial Generalizations, for John Hawthorne's *Graduate Seminar in Epistemology*, 2016
 - ◊ A Brief Introduction to Propositional Logic, for Jacob Ross's *Contemporary Moral and Social Issues*, 2015
 - ◊ The Problem of Evil, for Stephen Finlay's *Modern Philosophy and the Meaning of Life*, 2014
 - ◊ Aristotelian Virtue Ethics, *Contemporary Moral Issues* (NIU), 2010
- *Lecturer in Philosophy & Theory*, Summer Debate Institute at College of DuPage, Illinois
 - ◊ Instructor for 6-8 classes at annual week-long workshops (2006-2010) for highschoolers. Lectured small classes (12-50 students) on normative ethics, governmental policy, debate theory, and topics in applied ethics.

- ◇ Tutored 92 6th-12th grade students in basic presentation and public speaking.
- *Teaching Assistant*, University of Southern California
 - ◇ Contemporary Moral and Social Issues (Spring '15), Jacob Ross
 - ◇ Legal Controversies and Ethical Principles (Fall '14), Andrei Marmor
 - ◇ Modern Philosophy and the Meaning of Life (Spring '14), Stephen Finlay
 - ◇ Knowledge, Explanation & the Cosmos (Fall '13), Shieva Kleinschmidt
- *Graduate Assistant*, Northern Illinois University
 - ◇ Twentieth Century Analytic Philosophy (upper division; Spring '12), David J. Buller
 - ◇ Environmental Ethics (upper division; Fall '11), Jason Hanna
 - ◇ Contemporary Moral Issues (Spring '11), Nicoleta Apostol
 - ◇ Contemporary Moral Issues (Fall '10), Matthew Pamental
- *LSAT Instructor* for Kaplan Testprep, Inc. 2006-2009
 - ◇ Sole instructor for several 8-week lecture-based classes (15-20 students) covering the material tested on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT). Included introductory logic, reasoning and argumentation, and logic games.

READING GROUPS

Collective Obligations (2018)	Reading: Collins, <i>Group Duties</i> (manuscript)
Modeling Normative Theories (2018)	Read assorted papers on consequentialising deontological ethics
Political Philosophy (2017)	Reading: Shelby, <i>Dark Ghettos</i>
Philosophy of Law (2016)	Reading: Ripstein, <i>Private Wrongs</i>
Epistemology (2016)	Reading: Moss, <i>Probabilistic Knowledge</i> (manuscript)
Philosophy of Race (2015-6)	Readings included Fricker, <i>Epistemic Injustice</i> ; Mills, <i>The Racial Contract</i> (excerpts)
Moral Philosophy (2015)	Readings: Waldron, <i>Tanner Lectures on Human Dignity</i> ; Tadros, <i>The Ends of Harm</i>
Metaethics (2014)	Online discussion of Ridge, <i>Impassioned Belief</i>
Political Philosophy (2013)	Reading: Quong, <i>Liberalism without Perfection</i>

REFERENCES

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