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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Social and Political Philosophy, Normative Ethics, Business Ethics, Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE), Philosophy of Law

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

History of Ethics, Metaethics, Aesthetics, Applied Ethics

EMPLOYMENT

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Academic Pluralism, Heterodox Academy, 2023-Present

Visiting Assistant Professor, Gabelli School of Business, Fordham University, 2022-2023

Visiting Assistant Professor, Chapman University, 2021-2022

Research Associate, Smith Institute for Political Economy and Philosophy, Chapman University, 2019-2021

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (2019), Philosophy, University of Arizona

Committee: Gerald Gaus (chair), Thomas Christiano, David Schmidtz, Steve Wall
Dissertation *A Theory of Justice Pluralism*

B.A., English, University of Chicago

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

“Diversity and Business Legitimacy,” *Journal of Business Ethics*, Forthcoming.

“Liberalism, Polarization, and the Aggregation Problem,” *Synthese*, Forthcoming.

“Agnosticism and Pluralism about Justice,” *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, vol. 26, no 1 (2023): 1-22.

“Rights, Mini-Publics, and Judicial Review,” *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, vol. 9, no 1 (2023): 53-71.

“Introduction to Symposium: Kevin Vallier’s *Trust in a Polarized Age*,” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, vol. 26, no 4 (2023): 579-584.

“Justice, Desert, and Disagreement: A Response to Alec Rawls,” *The Independent Review*, vol. 26, no 3 (2021): 377-384.

“Aesthetic Debunking and the Transcendental Argument of the Novel,” *Aesthetic Investigations* 4, no. 1 (2020): 36-53. (with Jonathan M. Weinberg)

“Moral Learning, Rationality, and the Unreliability of Affect,” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 96, no. 3 (2018): 460-473.

Book Chapters

“Aesthetic Debunking Arguments” in Alex King and Christy Mag Uidhir (eds.), *Art and Philosophy*, Oxford University Press, 2024. (with Jonathan M. Weinberg)

“Technology Firms and the Business Case for Diversity” in Gregory Robson and Jonathan Tsou (eds.), *Technology Ethics: A Philosophical Introduction and Readings*, Routledge Press, 2023.

Book Reviews and Public Philosophy

Review of Joseph Henrich, *The WEIRDest People in the World: How the West Became Psychologically Peculiar and Particularly Prosperous*, *Business Ethics Quarterly*,

33, no. 1 (2023): 244-247.

Review of Hélène Landemore, *Open Democracy: Reinventing Popular Rule for the Twenty-First Century*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, 19, no. 1 (2022): 95-98.

Post for the Public Ethics Blog, "Court Packing: Arguments for and Against," published by the Stockholm Centre for the Ethics of War and Peace.

IN PROGRESS

"Liberalism Without Epistemology"

EDITED SYMPOSIA

Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy, symposium for Kevin Vallier's *Trust in a Polarized Age*, vol. 26, no 4 (2023).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

"Business Legitimacy and Diversity," PPE Society Meeting, New Orleans, November 2022.

"Social Norms, Public Justification, and Mask Mandates," PPE Society Meeting, New Orleans, February 2022. (Unable to present due to flight cancellations.)

"Abortion in the Balance: Public Reason and the Weighing Problem," Bowling Green State University, July 2021.

"Justice Pluralism and Theory Comparability," PPE Society Meeting, New Orleans, March 2018

"A Model of Moral Revolutions," Southern Economic Association, Washington D.C., November 2016

"Humean Utilitarianism," 43rd Hume Society Conference, Sydney, Australia, July 2016

"Social Norms and Moral Hindsight Bias," Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, July 2016

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Adam Smith Fellowship 2017-19

Hume Society Young Scholar Award 2016

Humane Studies Fellowship 2015-19

TEACHING

Instructor

Fordham University

Ethics in Business 2022 (Fall), 2023 (Spring)

Chapman University

Philosophy of Law 2020 (Fall), 2022 (Spring)
Games and Decisions 2020 (Spring), 2022 (Spring)
International Justice 2021 (Fall)
Introduction to Ethics 2021 (Fall)

University of Arizona

Philosophical Perspectives on Society 2018 (Fall)
Business Ethics 2017 (Fall, Spring)

Teaching Assistant

University of Arizona

Ethics & Economics of Wealth Creation	
TA for Guido Pincione	2016 (Fall)
TA for Steven Wall	2015 (Spring)
Philosophical Perspectives on Society	
TA for Thomas Christiano	2015 (Fall)
Philosophical Perspectives on the Individual	
TA for Jonathan Weinberg	2014 (Fall)
Experimental Economics	
Grader for Cathleen Johnson	2017 (Fall)

SERVICE

Referee: *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Economics and Philosophy*, *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, *Philosophical Explorations*, *Journal of Value Inquiry*, *Croatian Journal of Philosophy*, *Ledger*

Assistant Editor

 Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics (2018-2019)
 Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy (2018-2019)
 Social Philosophy & Policy (2016-2017)

Panel organizer for author meets Critics symposia: Gerald Gaus, *The Open Society and Its Complexities*, PPE Society (2022); Kevin Vallier, *Must Politics be War?* PPE Society (2019)

Manuscript Workshop organizer at the University of Arizona (2016-18)

Commentator at the American Philosophical Association, Pacific (2017)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Philosophical Association, PPE Society, Hume Society

REFERENCES

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