

**Taylor Rogers**

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## EDUCATION

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**Northwestern University** | Ph.D (2020) Philosophy, Certificate Gender & Sexuality Studies

**Indiana University, Bloomington** | M.A. (2012) Philosophy

**Oberlin College** | B.A Philosophy, High Honors (2011), B.A. Third-World Studies

-Visiting Student, Women in the History of Philosophy Summer School, University of Jyväskylä, Finland, August 2016

-Visiting Student, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso de Chile, March 2010-August 2010

## RESEARCH INTERESTS AND SKILLS

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**Areas of Specialization** | Feminist Philosophy, Social Epistemology, Critical Race Theory

**Areas of Competence** | Bioethics, Foucault, Kant, Philosophy of Art, Affect Theory

**Languages** | English, Spanish (advanced), Sanskrit (beginner)

## PUBLICATIONS

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“Impartiality and Patriotism,” co-authored with Marcia Baron, *Patriotism Handbook*, “Major Reference Works Series,” *Springer*, February 2018

“Knowing How to Feel: Racism, Resilience, and Affective Resistance,” under ‘R&R,’ July 2019

“Las Calles de Valparaíso son sus Habitantes,” *Puerto Claro*, Valparaíso, Chile, October 2011

“Food Ethics,” Bi-annual Newsletter, *Parr Center for Ethics*, Chapel Hill, NC, Summer 2009

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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“Affectively Ignorant: Racism, Resilience, and Aesthetic Resistance,” in preparation (dissertation)

“NOA: A Story of Human Tides,” a film funded by Northwestern’s Center for Interdisciplinary Research in the Arts, in preparation as part of my dissertation

“Biopolitical Racism: Paranoid and Numb,” in preparation

“Affective Resistance: Butler and Kant,” in preparation

## DISSERTATION

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COMMITTEE: José Medina (Chair), Charles Mills, Jennifer Nash, Penelope Deutscher, Rachel Zuckert

DISSERTATION SUMMARY: In *Knowing How to Feel: Epistemic Oppression and Affective Resistance*, I explore ways of resisting harmful ‘epistemic resilience,’ or the phenomenon whereby shared systems of meaning remain stable despite counter-evidence or attempts to alter them. According to my view, we best resist ‘affectively,’ or by targeting how we *feel* or *fail to feel* towards others, and especially towards those who possess the alternative resources of meaning required for deep transformation. I show that some kinds of emotional engagement through art can affectively resist harmful resilience through countering “affective numbness.”

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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- “Affectively Ignorant,” Political Epistemologies, Villanova University, Philly, PA, March 2019
- “Affectively Ignorant,” Resistant Imaginations, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, February 2019
- “Intersectionality & Lawless Violence,” Eastern American Philosophical Association, NYC, Jan. 2019
- “Resisting Epistemic Resilience,” Central American Philosophical Association, Chicago, IL, Feb. 2018
- “Resisting Epistemic Resilience,” Brown Graduate Conference, Providence, RI, November 2017
- “Epistemic Injustice,” Invited Speaker, Northwestern University Women in Philosophy, Nov. 2017
- “Democracy, Epistemic Diversity, & Kant’s Regulative Ideas,” Loyola Grad Conference, Chicago, IL, Oct. 2017
- “Resisting Epistemic Resilience,” Inclusiveness Philosophy, Purdue Univ. Lafayette, IN, March 2017
- “Epistemic Injustice,” Invited Speaker, Northwestern at Shepard Residential College, Chicago, IL March 2017
- “The Moral Order of Commitment,” North American Kant Society, Evanston IL, October 2015
- “The Moral Order of Commitment,” Indiana Philosophical Association Spring, Indianapolis, IN, March 2014
- “The Ethical Significance of Abstract Art,” UEHIRO Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Hawaii at Manoa, March 2014

## **AWARDS**

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- CIRA Grant, Northwestern University, June 2018
- Purdue Women in Philosophy Travel Award, Purdue University, March 2017
- Erasmus Gender & Philosophy Summer School Award, University of Jvaskyla, August 2016
- UHEIRO Graduate Philosophy Travel Award, University of Hawaii Manoa, January 2014
- CAHI Graduate Student Conference Travel Award, Indiana University, January 2014
- Indiana University Graduate Fellowship, Indiana University, September 2012- May 2013
- Nelson Summer Research Fellowship, Indiana University, Summer 2013
- Creativity and Leadership Fund Grant, “Empowerment through Jump Rope,” Fall 2010, Oberlin, OH
- USA Today’s All College Academic Third Team for outstanding undergraduates, USA TODAY, 2010
- Charles Sister Memorial Endowed Scholarship for academic achievement, Oberlin College, 2007- 2011

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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- Instructor, Epistemic Injustice, Statesville Maximum Security Correctional Center, Winter 2019
- Teaching Assistant, Philosophy of Race, Northwestern University, Winter 2019
- Invited Scholar, Rethinking Pedagogy Workshop and Practicum, UNAM, Mexico, November 2018
- Teaching Assistant, Bioethics, Northwestern University, Fall 2018
- Invited Scholar, Rethinking Pedagogy Workshop and Practicum, Fordham University, NY, April 2018

Invited Presenter, 'Equalizing Power Dynamics,' TA Workshop, Northwestern University, Spring 2018  
Teaching Assistant, Early Modern Philosophy, Northwestern University, Spring 2017  
Teaching Assistant, Social Epistemology, Northwestern University, Fall 2017  
Teaching Assistant, Foucault, Northwestern University, Spring 2017  
Teaching Assistant, *The First Critique*, Northwestern University, Fall 2016  
Associate Instructor, Thinking & Reasoning, Indiana University, Fall 2013-Spring 2014

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Participant, Midwest Philosophy of Race Workshop, Chicago, Winter 2019

-This series brings together scholars in the Mid-West working on race to regularly present their work.

Research Assistant, Mellon Grant, Dr. Penelope Deutscher, Northwestern University, Spring 2018- present.

-As part of Northwestern's 'Critical Theory in the Global South' initiative, I have developed a 'critical epistemology' lexicon for a wide number of scholars to draw from, attended workshops, conducted interviews, and collaborated with visiting scholars on developing new syllabi and conference initiatives.

Graduate Assistant, Residential Services, Northwestern University, Fall 2018-present

-I work as the Graduate Assistant to one of Northwestern's Faculty in Residence. I do administrative work and organize regular events for Northwestern's Southwest undergraduate residential neighborhood, including events that center art and resistance.

Research Assistant, *Theories of the Flesh*, Dr. José Medina, Northwestern University, Winter 2018

-I compiled and edited the bibliography for a forthcoming co-edited volume on Latina Feminism.

Assistant Chair of Shepard Residential College, Northwestern University, Fall 2015-Spring 2018

-I worked as Assistant Chair to a Northwestern Residential College, doing administrative work and organizing regular events aimed towards fostering community at Shepard Residential College.

Administrative Assistant, Indiana University Philosophy Department, August 2012-May 2013

Intern and Researcher, Parr Center for Ethics, UNC-CH Philosophy Department, Summer 2009

-I helped develop written materials for ethics events sponsored by UNC-CH's Philosophy Department.

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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Commentator, German Philosophy Workshop, DePaul University, March 2019

Commentator, Aesthetic Reasoning, Central American Philosophical Ass., Denver, CO, Feb 2019

Organizer, Decolonial Aesthetics Workshop, Northwestern University, Fall 2018-present

Climate Committee Member, Northwestern University Philosophy Department, Fall 2016-Spring 2017

Organizer, Annual Inclusiveness Lecture, Northwestern University, Fall 2016

Chair, Queer Temporality & Aesthetics Critical Theory Workshop, Northwestern University, May 2016

Chair, Epistemic Norms, Central American Philosophical Association, Chicago, IL, March 2016

Organizer, Northwestern Society of Ethics and Politics (NUSTEP) conference, Chicago, IL May 2015

Chair, Moral Philosophy, Indiana Philosophical Association, Indianapolis, IN, November 2013

Chair, Indiana University Philosophy Department, Bloomington, IN, Fall 2013

## GRADUATE COURSEWORK

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Gender & Sexuality Studies Colloquia, Jennifer Nash, Fall 2018-Winter 2019, Northwestern University  
Critical Race Theory, José Medina, Spring 2019, Northwestern University  
Intersectionality and it's Discontents, Jennifer Nash, Spring 2017, Northwestern University  
Hannah Arent, Mary Dietz, Spring 2017, Northwestern University  
Foucault and Biopower, Penelope Deutscher, Spring 2017, Northwestern University  
Global Capitalism and Law, Christina LaFont, Winter 2017, Northwestern University  
Queer Theory, Ryan Dohoney, Winter 2017, Northwestern University  
Social Epistemology, Jennifer Lackey, Fall 2016, Northwestern University  
Eighteenth Century Philosophy of History, Rachel Zuckert, Fall 2016, Northwestern University  
Nietsche, Mills, Toqueville, Mary Dietz, Spring 2016, Northwestern University  
Biopower and Gender, Penelope Deutscher, Spring 2016, Northwestern University  
Rawls and Nozick, Charles Mills, Spring 2016, Northwestern University  
Marx, Charles Mills, Winter 2016, Northwestern University  
Spinoza's Ethics *Books I & II*, Kenneth Seeskin, Winter 2016, Northwestern University  
Advanced Feminist Theory, Mary Dietz, Winter 2016, Northwestern University  
Kant's *Third Critique*, Rachel Zuckert, Fall 2015, Northwestern University  
Aristotle's *Nicomachean Ethics*, Richart Kraut, Fall 2015, Northwestern University  
Kant's Ethics, Kyla Ebels-Duggan, Fall 2015, Northwestern University  
Theory of Desire, Kyla Ebbels, Duggan, Spring 2015, Northwestern University  
External World Skepticism, Adam Leite, Spring 2014, Indiana University  
Contemporary Ethical Theory, Marcia Baron, Spring 2014, Indiana University  
Sanskrit I & II Fall 2013-Spring 2014, Indiana University  
*The First Critique*, Allen Wood, Fall 2013, Indiana University  
Shopenhauer and Neitzche, Sandra Shapshay, Fall 2013, Indiana University  
Philosophy of Art, Sandra Shapshay, Spring 2013, Indiana University  
Kant's Ethics, Allen Wood, Spring 2013, Indiana University  
Feminist Philosophy, Kate Abramson, Spring 2014, Indiana University  
Metalogic, Joan Weiner, Fall 2012, Indiana University  
Fichte's Ethics, Allen Wood, Fall 2012, Indiana University  
Buddhism and Hinduism, Richard Nance, Fall 2012, Indiana University

## REFERENCES

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