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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, Northwestern University, 2013-present

Weinberg College Fellow (tenure track), Northwestern University, 2012-2013

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

Ph.D. Philosophy, 2012

M.A., Philosophy, 2009

Dissertation: "Friendship, Beneficence, and the Self"

Committee: Barbara Herman (Chair)

Pamela Hieronymi, A.J. Julius, Herbert Morris

Pomona College, Claremont, CA

B.A., with Honors, Philosophy, Politics, Economics, May 2005

Undergraduate Thesis: "Justice and Dependency in International Relations"

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics, Philosophy of Action, Political Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaethics, Philosophy of Law, History of Moral and Political Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

Articles/Chapters:

"The Problem of Self-Torture: What's Being Done?" *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (forthcoming)

"Justice and Solidarity," in Heidbrink, Sombetzki, and Langbehn, eds. *Handbook of Responsibility* (Springer, 2016)

Book Reviews:

"Review of Michael Bratman, *Shared Agency*," *Ethics* (forthcoming)

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

“The Centrality of One’s Own Life” (To be presented at the 2016 Arizona Workshop in Normative Ethics, and possibly forthcoming in Mark Timmons, ed., *Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics*)

“Responsibility and the Demands of Morality”(under review)

“Action and Production” (under review)

“Intention and Prediction in Means-End Reasoning”

“On the Moral Objection to Coercion”

“The Relevance of Formative Circumstances to Blameworthiness”

PRESENTATIONS:

“The Centrality of One’s Own Life,”

Arizona Workshop in Normative Ethics, Tucson, AZ, January 2016

“The Relevance of Formative Circumstances to Blameworthiness,”

Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado, Boulder, August 2015

“On the Moral Objection to Coercion,”

McGuire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility, SMU, April 2015 (Invited talk)

“Justice, Responsibility, Solidarity,”

Practical Philosophy Workshop, Northwestern University, February 2015

“Standing Up for Neutrality,”

Presentation to Value Theory Group, Loyola University, Chicago, November 2014

“Ends Justifying Means,”

Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado, Boulder, August 2014

“Two Arguments against Teleological Accounts of Practical Reason,”

American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, February 2014

“Action and Production,”

Philosophy Department, York University, December 2013 (Invited talk)

“Teleological Reasons and Rational Action”

Georgetown University Philosophy Conference, April 2013

“Self-Torture and the Logic of Temptation”

South Carolina Philosophy Society Annual Meeting, March 2013

“Autonomy and Personal Responsibility”

Albritton Society, UCLA, February 2012

“Nagel's Argument for Agent-Neutrality”

Albritton Society, UCLA, May 2011

Comments on Charles Kurth, “How Assurance-Based Accounts of Promising can Solve Their Circularity Problem”

American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Annual Meeting, April 2011

“Responsibility and the Demands of Morality”

Ethics Workshop, UCLA, February 2011

Comments on Sean Aas, “Reasons: Right and Wrong”

UCLA/USC Graduate Conference in Philosophy, February 2011

“What's Wrong With Coercion?”

Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, University of Colorado, Boulder, August 2010

“What's Wrong With Coercion?”

Society for Ethical Theory and Political Philosophy, Northwestern University, May 2010

“Blame and Personal History”

Albritton Society, UCLA, May 2010

“Moral Authority and the Doctrine of Doing and Allowing”

Ethics Workshop, UCLA, February 2010

“Coercion and Freedom”

Albritton Society, UCLA, August 2009

“Friendship and Special Responsibilities”

Ethics Workshop, UCLA, April 2009

“Friendship and Special Responsibilities”

Metaphysics Working Group, UCLA, March 2009

Comments on Brandon Warmke's “Invariantism About Moral Responsibility”

UCLA/USC Graduate Conference in Philosophy, February 2009

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 2011

Dissertation Year Fellowship, UCLA 2011

Pauley Graduate Fellowship, UCLA 2009

Graduate Research Mentorship, UCLA 2008

Summer Research Mentorship, UCLA 2006

Award for Best Thesis in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, Pomona College, 2005

Phi Beta Kappa, 2004

OTHER

Invited Participant, Conference: Is Healthcare a Human Right? Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society,

University of Chicago, October 2014

Invited Participant, Manuscript Workshop for A.J. Julius, *Reconstruction*, Center for Ethics, University of Toronto,

June 2014

Invited Participant, Arizona Normative Ethics Workshop, 2012, 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Northwestern University, Department of Philosophy

Topics in the History of Moral and Political Philosophy: The Social Contract Tradition, Fall 2015

Introduction to Moral Philosophy, Fall 201

Topics in Moral Philosophy: Impartiality and the Moral Point of View, Winter 2015

Introduction to Moral Philosophy, Winter 2015

Graduate Seminar: Ethics of Interaction, Fall 2014

Freshman Seminar: Love and Money, Fall 2014

History of Political Philosophy: The Social Contract Tradition, Spring 2014

Introduction to Political Philosophy, Spring 2014

Graduate Seminar: Explaining Human Action, Winter 2014

Introduction to Moral Philosophy: Winter, 2014

Graduate Seminar in Ethical Theory: Ends Justifying Means, Spring 2013

Freshman Seminar: Freedom and Fairness in Politics, Spring 2013

UCLA, Department of Philosophy

Instructor

History of Political Philosophy (upper-division undergraduate), Summer 2011

History of Political Philosophy, Summer 2010

History of Political Philosophy, Summer 2009

Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, UCLA

Introduction to Moral Philosophy, Summer 2012

Introduction to Philosophy of Science, Spring 2011

Introduction to Political Philosophy, Winter 2011

History of Ethics, Ancient, Fall, 2010

History of Political Philosophy – Kant, Hegel, Marx, Summer 2008

Introduction to Political Philosophy, Spring 2008

Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy, Winter 2008

Topics in Political Philosophy, Fall, 2007

Philosophy of Law, Summer 2007

Introduction to Ethical Theory, Spring 2007

Introduction to Philosophy of Mind, Winter 2007

Ancient Philosophy, Fall 2006

DEPARTMENTAL and UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Placement Officer, (Northwestern, AY 2015-2016)

NU Philosophy Department Colloquium Committee (Chair) (AY 2015-2016)

Search Committee member: Brady Scholars Program Distinguished Visiting Scholar (Northwestern University)

- AY 2014-15

- AY 2013-15

Undergraduate Committee (Northwestern, AY 2014-2015)

NU Philosophy Department Colloquium Committee (AY 2014-2015)

Freshman Adviser, Fall 2014

Graduate Committee (Northwestern AY, 2013-14)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

American Philosophical Association, Central Division Program Committee, (2017)

Co-organizer, Northwestern University Society for Ethics and Politics ,Annual Conference (2013, 2014)

Journal Referee for *Dialectica*, *Mind*, *Philosophical Studies*