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## EDUCATION

- 2025      PhD in Political Science, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
Major Field: Political Theory (with *distinction*)  
Minor Fields: American Politics, Writing Politics (certificate)  
Dissertation: “Problems with Authority: The Political Theory of Neoconservative Political Science”  
Committee: Robyn Marasco (chair), Michael Fortner, Leonard Feldman
- 2018      MA in Political Science, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
Thesis: “Politics as Loot: Political Theories of the Decline of the Political”  
Advisor: Susan Buck-Morss
- 2012      BA in Political Studies, Bard College at Simons Rock, *magna cum laude*

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2025      Visiting Assistant Professor of Politics and Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in Political Theory, Oberlin College

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2025      “A Democracy of Authorities: Broken Windows Policing and the Neoconservative Political Theory of Law and Order,” *Perspectives on Politics* (FirstView: February 13, 2025)

### Book Reviews

- 2024      “*The Right-Wing Mirror of Critical Theory: Studies of Schmitt, Oakeshott, Hayek, Strauss, and Rand* by Larry Alan Busk. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2023,” *New Political Science* (Volume 46, Issue 2, Spring 2024): 200–201.

### In Progress

- “Beyond Repression: Historical Methods in Theorizing the Police”

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

2024 – 2025	Student Citizenship Award, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2025	Elsa Favila Travel Award, <i>Western Political Science Association</i>
2025 – 2026	Doctoral Student Research Grant, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2024 – 2025	American Studies Dissertation Fellowship, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2024 – 2025	Provost's University Fellowship, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2024 – 2025	Writing Across the Curriculum At-Large Fellowship, <i>Bronx Community College, CUNY</i>
2023 – 2024	Writing Across the Curriculum Fellowship, <i>Bronx Community College, CUNY</i>
2022 – 2023	Doctoral Student Research Grant, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2019 – 2024	Graduate Center Fellowship, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2018	Best Master's Thesis, <i>The Graduate Center, CUNY</i>
2010 – 2012	Hutchins Scholarship for Academic Achievement, <i>Bard College at Simon's Rock</i>
2010 – 2011	Rodney Christopher Scholarship for Study Abroad, <i>Bard College at Simon's Rock</i>

## COURSES TAUGHT

### Oberlin College

Fall 2025	Authority and Rule
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### Lehman College, CUNY

Fall 2023	Politics and the Police
Spring 2023	Contemporary Political Thought: New Left/New Right
Spring 2022	Contemporary Political Thought: Culture War
Fall 2022, 2021	Marxism
Spring 2021	Contemporary Political Thought: State and Society
Fall 2020	American Political Thought
Fall 2019	Democracy and Its Critics
Spring 2019	American Political System

### Hunter College, CUNY

Spring 2019	American Government: A Historical Introduction, 2 sections
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### Queensborough Community College, CUNY

Fall 2018	American Government and Politics, 2 sections
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### City College, CUNY

#### *Teaching Assistant*

Fall 2017 – Fall 2018	Introduction to American Government, 2-3 sections per semester
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## INVITED TALKS

2024	“A Democracy of Authorities: Broken Windows Policing and the Neoconservative Political Theory of Law and Order,” Invited talk for “The Art of Culture War in American Politics” undergraduate course, sponsored by the Department of Political Science, Purchase College, State University of New York
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- 2024 “What’s the Problem with the Police?” Invited talk sponsored by the Ethics and Public Policy Program, Criminology and Political Science Departments, Adelphi University

## **SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

### **Papers Presented**

- 2025 “The Aristotelian Turn in Neoconservative Political Science,” *Western Political Science Association Annual Conference*
- 2024 “Conjunctural Analysis & Reviving a Critical Theory of the Police,” *Association for Political Theory Annual Conference*
- 2024 “Conjunctural Analysis & Reviving a Critical Theory of the Police,” *American Political Science Association Annual Conference*
- 2024 “Conjunctural Analysis & Reviving a Critical Theory of the Police,” *Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference*
- 2024 “What Kind of Problem Are the Police? Wilson, Moynihan, Kristol and the Political Theory of Law and Order,” *Western Political Science Association Annual Conference*
- 2023 “Broken Windows Policing & the Limits of Critical Theories of the Police,” *Association for Political Theory Annual Conference*
- 2023 “Broken Windows Policing & the Limits of Critical Theories of the Police,” *American Political Science Association Annual Conference* (accepted)
- 2023 “Broken Windows Policing & the Limits of Critical Theories of the Police,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*
- 2022 “Wilson Contra Weber,” *Association for Political Theory Annual Conference*
- 2022 “On the New Economism,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*
- 2021 “The Aristotelian Turn in Conservative Political Science,” *Association for Political Theory Annual Conference*
- 2021 “Problems with Authority: James Q. Wilson’s Political Theory of the Police,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*
- 2021 “Problems with Authority: James Q. Wilson’s Political Theory of the Police,” *Western Political Science Association Annual Conference*
- 2018 “Politics as Loot,” *MAD Politics and Aesthetics Summer Studio*
- 2017 “Disappearances,” *MAD Politics and Aesthetics Summer Studio*
- 2013 “The Real Movement of Immediacy,” *Materialism and the Colony Conference*
- 2012 “Rousseau on Poland,” *New England Political Science Association Annual Conference*

### **As Discussant**

- 2024 Alex Vitale, “The Newark Method: A Community-Based Model for Violence Reduction,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*
- 2024 “Political Philosophy Perspectives on Criminal Justice,” *Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference*
- 2023 Gabriel Winant, “The Baby and the Bathwater: Class Analysis and Class Formation After Deindustrialization,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*
- 2021 Melinda Cooper, “Trump and the Wages of White Men,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*
- 2021 Asad Haider, “The Absence of Work: Foucault, Marxism, and History, and Politics,” *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*

- 2021 Aziz Rana, "Rise of the Constitution," *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*  
 2020 Corey Brettschneider, "Democratic Punishment," *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*  
 2019 Anne Norton, "The People Steering: Theses on the Democratic Commons," *The Graduate Center Political Theory Workshop*

## SERVICE & ASSISTANSHIPS

- 2019–2025 Political Theory Workshop, Lead Organizer, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
 2023–2025 Political Science Department Lead Union Steward, Professional Staff Congress, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
 2021–2022 Research Assistant to Michael Fortner, Claremont McKenna College  
 2020–2021 Student Representative, Department Executive Committee, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
 2020–2021 Department Representative, Doctoral and Graduate Student Council, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
 2019–2020 Department Representative, Graduate Council, The Graduate Center, CUNY  
 2019–2020 Research Assistant to Susan Buck-Morss, The Graduate Center, CUNY

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA)  
 Western Political Science Association (WPSA)  
 Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA)  
 Association for Political Theory (APT)

## ACADEMIC REFERENCES

Robyn Marasco  
 Henry A. and Louise Loeb Professor of Political and Social Science  
 The New School for Social Research  
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Michael Fortner  
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 Claremont McKenna College  
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 Hunter College and The Graduate Center, CUNY  
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