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Employment

- 2012- Assistant Professor of Politics, Oberlin College
- 2011 Visiting Scholar, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto
- 2010 Visiting Scholar, Department of Political Science, University of Toronto

Education

- 2003- 10 University of Chicago, Ph.D.
- 1997-2002 University of Toronto, Political Science B.A. (Hons)

Publications

I. Book

Burdens of Political Responsibility: Narrative, Ontology, Responsiveness
(Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2014)

II. Articles

- 2014 “Liberal and the Question: Strauss and Derrida on Politics and Philosophy,”
forthcoming in *Telos: Critical Theory of The Contemporary*.
- 2013 “Varieties of Thoughtlessness and the Limits of Thinking,” forthcoming in *European Journal of Political Theory*.
- 2010 “From Antiliberal to Untimely Liberal: Leo Strauss’ Two Critiques of Liberalism” in
Philosophy and Social Criticism 36(2): 157-181
- 2009 “Inclusion and Responsiveness”, in *The Good Society* 18:1.
- “Confronting Political Responsibility: The Problem of Acknowledgment”, in *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* 23(3): 99-117.
- 2008 “‘Real?’ As if! Critical Reflections on State Personhood”, in *Review of International*

Studies 34(2):363-377.

“The Trouble With ‘Never Again!’: Rereading Levinas for Genocide Prevention and Critical International Theory”, in *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 36(2): 27-49.

III. Book Chapter

2013 “Power and Responsibility,” in Genieve Fuji Johnson and Lorelea Michaelis, eds, *Political Responsibility Refocused: Thinking Justice After Iris Marion Young* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press), ch. 3

IV. Reviews

2014 “George Shulman, Reluctant Prophet,” Review of George Shulman, *American Prophecy: Race and Redemption in American Political Culture* (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2008), in *Contemporary Political Theory*

Courses Taught

Being Political: Political Theory and Political Action
Responding to Disaster: Politics, Philosophy, Literature
European Political Theory: From Hobbes to Marx
Political Responsibility
European Political Theory: From Plato to Machiavelli (underway)
Honors Seminar (with Chris Howell, underway)

Awards

Benton Fund Award, Oberlin College Politics Department
University of Chicago Dissertation Research and Teaching Fellowship, 2008-09
APSA travel grant, 2008
Grodzins Prize Lectureship, 2008 and 2009 (declined)
University of Chicago, Unendowed Fellowship, 2002-06
Doolittle-Harrison Travel Fellowship, 2005

Other Experience

Research Assistant

2003-04 Research support for Professor Alexander Wendt, University of Chicago

2001 Research support for Professor Franklyn Griffiths, University of Toronto

Policy Analyst

2002 Junior Policy Analyst, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario

2001 Research Assistant, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario

2000 Research Assistant, Canadian Policy Research Networks (Health)

Conference and Workshop Presentations

A. Papers Presented

“Against Redemptive Politics And The Politics of Redemption.” Presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2013

“The Subject of Education: Politics and Pedagogy in Strauss and Rancière.” Presented at the American Political Science Association in Seattle, WA, September 2011.

“From Global Justice and Global Governance to Global Judgment and Global Action: Rereading Hannah Arendt for International Relations.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association in Waterloo, ON, May, 2011.

“Politics, Ontology, Narrative.” Paper Presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX, April, 2011.

“Politics, Ontology, Narrative.” Paper Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2011.

“On The Possibilities and Limits of Affective Reason: Thinking and Thoughtlessness in the Work of Hannah Arendt.” Paper Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, DC, September 2010.

“The End of Neoliberalism? Reflections on the Economic and Financial Crisis.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL, April 2010.

“Power and Responsibility: A Reconsideration.” Paper presented at the Canadian Political Science Association Annual Meeting, May 2009.

“The Persistence of Misrecognition”. Paper presented at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, January 12, 2009.

“Becoming Inclusive: Deliberative Democracy, Cosmopolitanism, and the Cultivation of Responsiveness.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Boston, MA, August 28-31, 2008.

“The Problem of Responsiveness.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL, April 3-6, 2008.

“Political Disasters and the Problem of Responsiveness.” Paper accepted for the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in Chicago, Illinois, February 28-March 3, 2007 (not presented due to illness); and at the University of Chicago Program on International Politics, Economics, and Security, October 19, 2006.

“Disasters and the Limits of Thinking.” Paper accepted for the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March 2007 (not presented due to illness); and at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, December 8, 2006.

“Emmanuel Levinas and the Disorientation of Responsibility.” Paper presented at the Bernard T. Brennan Conference, “Encounters With The Other”, at Loyola University, March 18-20, 2005.

“Politics Against Redemption: Rereading Levinas for Critical International Theory.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1-5, 2005; at the University of Chicago Program on International Politics, Economics, and Security, January 27, 2005; and at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, January 10, 2005.

“Real? As if! Critical Reflections on State Personhood.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1-5, 2005.

“On Responsibility.” Paper presented at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, March 8, 2004.

“Different Strokes: Mapping The Terrain of Alterity.” Paper presented at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, December 1, 2003.

B. Papers Discussed

Marla Brettschneider, "Colonialism and the Diasporic Condition," at the American Political Science Association in Seattle, WA, September 2011.

Kevan Yenerall, "Reproductive Rights and Modern Film: Five Women, Six Movies and the Politics of Abortion," at the American Political Science Association in Seattle, WA, September 2011.

Wout Cornellisen, "Hannah Arendt on Political Legitimacy without Philosophical Justification," at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, November 26, 2007.

Andrew Dilts, "To Kill a Thief: Locke, Punishment and Proportionality," at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, June 4, 2007.

Richard Price, "Moral Limit and Possibility in World Politics," at the University of Chicago Program in Politics, Economics, and Security, May 24, 2007.

Ian Storey, "Forgiveness and the Bounds of Politics," at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, November 20, 2006.

Roland Paris, "International Machinery for Postwar Peacebuilding: The Dilemmas of Coordination," at the University of Chicago Program in Politics, Economics, and Security, May 11, 2006.

Rafeeq Hasan, "Democracy and Decision in Rousseau," at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, April 10, 2006.

Nathan Tarcov, "Leo Strauss on the Lessons of the Experience of Communism," at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, November 28, 2005.

Alexander Wendt and Raymond Duvall, "Sovereignty and the UFO," at the University of Chicago Program in Politics, Economics, and Security, November 3, 2005.

Jennifer Mitzen, "The Forum Effects of Talk," at the University of Chicago Program in Politics, Economics, and Security, May 27, 2004.

Mara Marin, "Community and Social Criticism," at the University of Chicago Political Theory workshop, May 17, 2004.

Takayuki Nishi, "Hypotheses on International Ingratitude," at the University of Chicago Program in Politics, Economics and Security, March 4, 2004.

Anne Holthoefer, "A Procrustean Bed? International Law and The Shaping of International Order," at the University of Chicago Political Theory workshop, January 26, 2004.

Seyla Benhabib, "The Right To Have Rights," at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, September 29, 2003.

Deborah Boucoyannis, “Balance of Power and Liberal Theory,” at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, April 7, 2003.

Willem Bakker, “Weak Legitimacy and the Particularity Problem,” at the University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, March 10, 2003.

C. Other Participation

Presenter and discussion leader for a conversation on hate speech, Oberlin College 2013

Participant, Midwest Faculty Seminar on JM Coetzee’s *Disgrace*, University of Chicago, 2012

Invited paper, “The Necessity of Systematically Distorted Communication,” for Transformations of the Public Sphere (conference at The Ohio State University), 2012

Professional Service

Oberlin College

Benton Fund Committee, Politics Department, 2013

Honors Committee, 2013-14

University of Chicago

Comparative Politics Search Committee, Department of Political Science 2006-07

Reviewer for *Polity*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Review of International Studies*, *Journal of International Theory*, *Hypatia: Journal of Feminist Philosophy*, *Journal of International Relations and Development*

References

Professor Patchen Markell: Department of Political Science, University of Chicago, Pick Hall, 5828 S. University Ave., Chicago, IL 60637
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