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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

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

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

History of Moral and Political Philosophy
Applied Ethics
Metaethics
Philosophy of Law

EMPLOYMENT

Postdoctoral Research Fellow (starting Fall 2020)
Global Priorities Institute, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Arizona (2020)
Dissertation *Social Ideals and Social Reform*
Committee Gerald Gaus (chair), Allen Buchanan, Thomas Christiano, Connie Rosati, David Schmidtz
B.A. (Honours), with Distinction, Philosophy, Queen's University (2013)

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

"Optimism about Moral Responsibility," *Philosophers' Imprint* (forthcoming).
"Punishment and Disagreement in the State of Nature," *Economics and Philosophy* (forthcoming).
"Efficient Inequalities," *Journal of Political Philosophy* 28, no. 2 (2020): 181-198.
"Social Reform in a Complex World," *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 17, no. 2 (2020): 103-132.
"Is Maximin Egalitarian?" *Synthese* 197, no. 2 (2020): 817-837.
"Interpersonal Comparisons with Preferences and Desires," *Politics, Philosophy & Economics* 18, no. 3 (2019): 219-241.

Book Chapters

"Laws, Norms, and Public Justification: The Limits of Law as an Instrument of Reform" (with Gerald F. Gaus), in S. A. Langvatn, M. Kumm, & W. Sadurski, (Eds.), *Public Reason and Courts*. Cambridge University Press (2020), 201-228.

Book Reviews

Review of Kevin Vallier, *Must Politics be War? Restoring our Trust in the Open Society*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy* (forthcoming).

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

William H. Fink Prize for Overall Outstanding Graduate Student, 2020
SPP Research Assistant Fellowship, 2019-2020
Joel Feinberg Dissertation Fellowship, 2018-2019
Templeton Research Assistant Fellowship, 2015-2016, 2016-2017
Graduate College Fellowship, 2013-2014

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“Social Reform in a Complex World,” *Southern Journal of Philosophy Workshop on "The Epistemology of Justice,"* Memphis, TN, March 2019
“The Equal Consideration of Interests,” *PPE Society Conference*, New Orleans, LA, March 2019
“Social Reform in a Complex World,” *PPE Society Conference*, New Orleans, LA, March 2018
“Interpersonal Comparisons with Preferences and Desires,” *PPE Society Conference*, New Orleans, LA, March 2017
Comment on David Wiens’s, “Against Ideal Guidance,” *Workshop on David Wiens*, University of Arizona, May 2016
Comment on Anness Webster’s, “Terror, Tactics, and Preferences,” *Pacific APA*, San Francisco, CA, April 2016

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Arizona

Instructor

The Social Contract (Fall 2018)
Contemporary Moral Problems (Spring 2018)
Neuroethics (Fall 2017)
History of Moral and Political Philosophy (Summer 2017)
Law and Morality (Fall 2016, Summer 2016)

Teaching Assistant

Personal Morality (Sartorio, Fall 2015)
The Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation (Wall, Spring 2015)
Philosophical Perspectives on the Individual (Weinberg, Fall 2014)
Logic and Critical Thinking (Weinberg, Fall 2013)

SERVICE

Referee: *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Economics and Philosophy* (x2), *Economics & Politics*, *Ethical Perspectives*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Journal of Political Philosophy*, *Legal Theory*, *Social Philosophy & Policy* (x2)
Organized Annual Reading Group on History of Moral and Political Philosophy (Sidgwick, Kant, Hume, Dewey, History of Feminism, The Federalist Papers), University of Arizona, 2015-2020
Editorial Assistant, *Social Philosophy & Policy*, 2015-2017, 2019-2020
Climate Committee Member, Philosophy Department, University of Arizona, 2018-2019
Graduate Student Representative, Philosophy Department, University of Arizona, 2015-2016

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Philosophical Association
Canadian Philosophical Association
American Political Science Association

REFERENCES

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