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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics · Applied Ethics · Metaethics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics · Political Philosophy · Bioethics · Ethics of Technology · History of Ethics

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, Harvard University,	2022–
Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska–Lincoln	2020–2022
Postdoctoral Associate, Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2019–2020
Instructor, Yale Young Global Scholars	2013–2019

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Dissertation: <i>Love First</i> Committee: Kieran Setiya (Chair), Caspar Hare, Tamar Schapiro	2014–2019
B.A. in Philosophy, Yale College <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> , With Distinction in Philosophy	2010–2014

PUBLICATIONS

“The Importance of Being Constant,” in *Loyalty*, ed. T. Jollimore, Oxford University Press, currently under (invited) review.

“Honesty and Discretion,” *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 50 (2022): 6-49. (<https://doi.org/10.1111/papa.12203>).

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTARIES

“Undemandable Obligations and Paying it Forward”

- Interpersonal Relations Conference, University of Birmingham, 2022

“Forgiveness: Personal and Political”

- Invited Talk, Harvard, 2022
- Graduate-Faculty Colloquium, UNL, 2021
- Invited Talk, Yale, 2021

“Honesty and Discretion”

- Philosophy Club, UNL, 2022
- Invited Talk, Oberlin College, 2020
- Trust and Truth: AHRC International Interdisciplinary Conference, Cambridge, 2019
- Work In Progress Seminar, MIT, 2018

“Ethics in the Shadow of Love”

- Northeastern Normativity Workshop, 2020
- Invited Talk, New York University, 2020
- Invited Talk, UNC Wilmington, 2020
- Invited Talk, University of Nebraska–Lincoln, 2020
- Central APA, 2020
- Work In Progress Seminar, MIT, 2019
- Northern New England Philosophical Association, University of Vermont, 2018

Commentaries

- Rahul Kumar, “Contractualism and the Moral Relationship,” Northwestern University Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics (NUSTEP), 2022
- Peter Zuk, “Reconciling Experiential Theories of Pleasure,” Central States Philosophical Association, 2022
- Tom Dougherty, “Communicating Consent”, MITing of the Minds, 2015

AWARDS

- MIT Presidential Fellowship, 2014 – 2015.
- Phi Beta Kappa, 2014.
- George. A. Schrader, Jr. Prize, 2014 (for highest achievement in the humanities, Branford College, Yale)
- E. Francis Riggs Prize, 2011 (for highest achievement in the Directed Studies Program, Yale)

TEACHING

COURSES

- Consent (graduate seminar), Harvard Spring 2022
- The Good, The Bad, and the Beautiful: The Ethics of Art, Harvard Fall 2022
- Why Be Moral? (graduate/undergraduate seminar), UNL Spring 2022
- Ethics of the Emerging Media Arts, UNL Spring 2022

- Personal Identity, Persistence, and Time, UNL Fall 2021
- Philosophy and Current Issues, UNL Fall 2021, S '21, F '20, F '21
- Love (graduate seminar), UNL Fall 2020
- Ethics of Technology, MIT Fall 2019
- Bioethics, MIT Fall 2019
- Thinking, Being, Doing, Ethics in Your Life, MIT Spring 2020

OTHER TEACHING

- Bioethics: Enhancement, Treatment and the Self, Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS), Summer 2019, '17
- The Ethics of Consent: Medicine, Research, and Sexuality, YYGS, Summer 2019
- Legitimacy and Authority: The Political Philosophy of Thomas Hobbes, YYGS, Summer 2022, 2018, '17, '16 and '15
- Is There a Place for Ethics in War?, YYGS, Summer 2018, '16
- Nationalism and Cosmopolitanism: Kant and Schmitt on the International Order, YYGS, Summer 2018,
- Killing, Saving, and Letting Die: The Ethics of Self Driving Cars, YYGS, Summer 2018
- Racism, Sexism, Race and Gender, YYGS, Summer 2017
- Climate Ethics, YYGS, Summer 2017
- Moral and Cultural Relativism, YYGS, Summer 2018, '17, '16
- Affluence, Aid, and Our Obligations to Others, YYGS, Summer 2017, '16 & '15
- Big Data, Surveillance, and the Philosophical and Legal Dimensions of Privacy ('17)
- Philosophy of Race, YYGS Summer 2016 & 2015
- Liberalism, Libertarianism: Rawls and Nozick on Justice, YYGS, Summer 2016 & '15
- Population Ethics, YYGS, Summer 2015
- Philosophical Foundations of Conservatism, YYGS, Summer 2015
- Philosophy of Race, YYGS, Summer 2015
- Population Ethics, YYGS, Summer 2015
- Jus ad Bellum, YYGS, Summer 2014
- Jus in Bello, YYGS, Summer 2014
- Debates about Harm, YYGS, Summer 2014, '13
- Honesty and Discretion, YYGS, Summer 2022
- Three Views on Forgiveness, Drisha Institute, Fall 2021
- What is racism?, YYGS, Summer 2020, '21

TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Classics of Western Philosophy (Haslanger), MIT, Fall 2017
- Bioethics (Prescott-Couch), MIT, Spring 2017
- Moral Problems and the Good Life (Setiya), MIT, Fall 2016

- Problems of Philosophy (Hare), MIT, Fall 2015

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

- Kaufman Teaching Certificate Program, MIT, Spring 2018
- Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning Seminar Design Workshop, Yale, Spring 2019, '18, '17, '16 & '15

SERVICE

- Faculty Lead, Embedded Ethics Program, University of Nebraska–Lincoln, 2020–22
- Graduate Advisor, Spring 2021
- Refereed (often multiple times) for: The Australasian Journal of Philosophy; The Canadian Journal of Philosophy; Contemporary Aesthetics; The European Journal of Philosophy; Ergo; Ethics, Policy, and Environment; Inquiry; The Journal of the American Philosophical Association; Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophy and Phenomenological Review; The Southern Journal of Philosophy; Utilitas
- Editorial work for *Routledge Handbook of Social & Political Philosophy of Language* (edited by Khoo and Sterken, under contract with Routledge)
- Co-organizer of the MIT Ethics Reading Group, Fall 2015 – Spring 2017
- Co-organizer of the MITing of the Minds Conference, Spring 2015.

ADVISING

- Trevor Adams, dissertation committee member, UNL, expected date of completion May 2023.
- Lucy Johnson, second year paper advisor, Harvard, 2022–2023.

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

(* = audit)

ETHICS AND METAETHICS

- *Reasons for Action (Setiya, MIT), Fall 2018
- *Realm of Rights (Thompson, MIT), Spring 2018
- *Noncognitivism (Fitelson, Spencer; MIT), Fall 2016.
- Topics in Moral Philosophy (Hare, MIT), Spring 2016
- Normative and Meta-Normative Questions (Parfit and Berker, Harvard), Spring 2015
- Moral Psychology (Setiya, MIT), Spring 2015
- Ought and 'Ought' (Spencer and Khoo, MIT), Fall 2014
- Metaethics (Berker, Harvard), Fall 2014
- Political Theory: Berlin, Oakeshott, & Strauss (Smith, Yale), Fall 2013
- Recent Ethical Theory: Derek Parfit's *On What Matters* (Darwall & Kagan, Yale), Fall 2012

METAPHYSICS AND EPISTEMOLOGY

- *Problems in Metaphysics: Color and its Place in Nature (Spencer, Byrne and Pautz, MIT), Fall 2017
- Independent Study on Explanation, Fundamentality and Time (Skow, MIT), Spring 2016
- Proseminar II (Haslanger, Rayo, MIT), Spring 2015.
- Proseminar I (Spencer, Yablo, MIT), Fall 2014.
- Formal Tools for Philosophers (Skow, MIT), Fall 2014.
- Mathematical Logic (Shin, Yale), Fall 2013
- Persistence, Action and Relations (Della Rocca, Yale), Fall 2013
- Personal Identity (Winkler, Yale), Spring 2013

HISTORY

- Kant's Ethical Theory (Korsgaard, Harvard), Spring 2016
- The British Moralists (Schapiro, MIT), Fall 2016
- Hume (Winkler, Yale), Fall 2013
- Aristotle's Ethics (Kronman, Yale) Fall 2012
- Kant's Ethical Theory (Elizondo, Yale), Spring 2012
- Political Philosophy of Thomas Hobbes (Smith, Yale), Fall 2012
- Modern Political Philosophy (Garsten & Smith, Yale), Spring 2012
- Ancient Political Philosophy (Garsten & Smith, Yale), Fall 2011

REFERENCES

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