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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

“Love First,” *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, forthcoming.

“Beautiful, Troubling Art,” *Philosophical Studies*, forthcoming.

“Honesty and Discretion,” *Philosophy & Public Affairs* 50 (2021): 6-49. (<https://doi.org/10.1111/papa.12203>).

“The Importance Of Being Constant,” invited for inclusion in *The Oxford Handbook of Personal Relationships*, ed. Betzler & Stroud.

REVIEWS

Saito, Yuriko. *Aesthetics of Care*, reviewed in *The Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism*, 2024. (<https://doi.org/10.1093/jaac/kpae017>)

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTARIES

“Giving Permission”

- PPE Society Meeting, 2023

“Beautiful, Troubling Art”

- Chapel Hill Normativity Workshop, UNC Chapel Hill, 2023
- Interpersonal Relationships Workshop, Birmingham, 2023

“Paying it Forward”

- University of Michigan, 2024
- Michael Bennett Memorial Workshop, University of Pittsburgh, 2024
- Central APA, 2024
- Oxford Moral Philosophy Seminar, 2024
- King’s College London, 2024
- Northwestern University Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics (NUSTEP), 2023
- Mahindra Humanities Center Lunch Talk, Harvard, 2023
- Interpersonal Relations Conference, University of Birmingham, 2022

“Forgiveness: Personal and Political”

- NYU Ethics Workshop, New York University, 2025
- Colloquium, Cal State Chico, 2024
- PPE Colloquium Talk, UNC Chapel Hill, 2023
- Invited Talk, Harvard, 2022
- Graduate-Faculty Colloquium, UNL, 2021
- Invited Talk, Yale, 2021

“Honesty and Discretion”

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

“Love First” (formerly called “Ethics in the Shadow of Love”)

- Love or Care as the Basis for Morality, Harvard, 2024
- 3PR: Philosophy, Religion, and Love, Princeton, 2024
- 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

- Stephen Darwall, *The Heart and its Attitudes*, Author Meets Critics, Pacific APA, 2025
- Laura Valentini, *Morality and Socially Constructed Norms*, Author Meets Critics, Eastern APA 2025
- Stephen Darwall, *The Heart and its Attitudes*, MS Workshop, LMU
- Daniel Muñoz, *What We Owe To Ourselves*, MS Workshop, St. Andrews
- Claire Kirwin, “The Guise of the Good and the Normative Structure of Intentional Action,” Saint Louis Area Conference on Reasons and Rationality (SLACRR)
- 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

TEACHING

COURSES

- The Many and the Few, Harvard Spring 2024
- Consent (graduate seminar), Harvard Spring 2023
- The Good, The Bad, and the Beautiful: The Ethics of Art, Harvard Fall 2022, Fall '23
- 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, Harvard Fall 2023
- Ethics of Technology, MIT Fall 2019
- Bioethics, MIT Fall 2019
- Thinking, Being, Doing, Ethics in Your Life, MIT Spring 2020

OTHER TEACHING

- Embedded EthiCS Teaching Lab: Spring 2022, '23
- 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

- Co-Director of Graduate Fellowship Program, Edmund and Lily Safra Center for Ethics, 2024–
- Faculty, Embedded EthiCS, 2022–
- 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; Erkenntnis; Ethics; Ethics, Policy, and Environment; Inquiry; The Journal of the American Philosophical Association; The Journal of Moral Education; Journal of Moral Philosophy; The Journal of Value Inquiry; Minds and Machines; Noûs; The Philosophers' Imprint; Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophy and Phenomenological Research; The Southern Journal of Philosophy; Utilitas; the Chapel Hill Normativity Workshop
 - 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.
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ADVISING

- Abraham Mathew, dissertation committee member, MIT
 - Jing Hwan Khoo, second year paper advisor ('23–24) and prospectus advisor, Harvard 23–
 - Florence Bacus, dissertation committee member, Harvard
 - Bethany Cates, prospectus advisor and (23–24) and dissertation committee member, Harvard
 - Yuan Tian, dissertation committee member, Harvard
 - Caitlin Fitchett, dissertation committee member, Harvard, completed 2024.
 - Lucy Johnson, second year paper advisor, Harvard, 2022–2023.
 - Trevor Adams, dissertation committee member, UNL, completed 2023.
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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)