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Employment

Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy, August 2011-present. **Director of Graduate Studies**, August 2013-present.

Assistant Professor, Northwestern University Department of Philosophy, September 2005-August 2011.

Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Chicago Department of Philosophy, September 2007-December 2007.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Judd and Marjorie Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, Northwestern University, August 2004-August 2005.

Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of California at Los Angeles, December 2004.

Dissertation – *The Embodiment of Morality*.

Committee: Prof. Barbara Herman (co-director), Prof. Seana Shiffrin (co-director), Prof. Calvin Normore (member), and Prof. Stephen Gardbaum (member).

Proposition – *Harms Without States: A Defense of the Possibility of Posthumous Harm*.

Committee: Prof. Seana Shiffrin (adviser) and Prof. Barbara Herman (second reader).

A.B. in Philosophy *summa cum laude*, Princeton University, June 1997.

Senior Thesis – *Resisting Skepticism About Meaning*.

Committee: Prof. Scott Soames (adviser) and Prof. John Burgess (second reader).

Areas of Expertise

Principal Areas of Specialization:

Ethical Theory, Political Philosophy, History of Ethical Theory and Political Philosophy.

Further Areas of Research/Graduate Teaching Competences:

Philosophy of Law, Philosophy of Mind, Metaethics.

Undergraduate Teaching Competences:

Epistemology, History of Philosophy, Applied Ethics.

Current Research

‘**Animal Punishment**’, under review.

‘**Decomposing Legal Personhood**’, under review.

‘**Worldview Adoption as a Special Psychology**’, under review.

Publications

Essays

- ‘Against the Construction of Ethical Standing’.**
Forthcoming in *Kant on Animals*, Eds. Lucy Allais and John Callanan (Oxford, 2016).
- ‘Rawlsian Stability’.**
Forthcoming in *Res Publica*, 2016.
- ‘The Priority and Posteriority of Right’.**
Theoria 81:3, 2015.
- ‘The Salience of Moral Character’.**
The Southern Journal of Philosophy 53:2, 2015.
- ‘On the Respectful Use of Animals’.**
Between the Species 16:1, 2013.
- ‘The Idea of an Overlapping Consensus Revisited’.**
The Journal of Value Inquiry 46:2, 2012.
- ‘Meriting Concern and Meriting Respect’.**
Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy 5:2, 2011.
- ‘Legitimacy Is Not Authority’.**
Law and Philosophy 29:6, 2010.
- ‘Mimicking Korsgaard’.**
In *Rethinking Kant: Volume II*, Ed. Pablo Muchnik (Cambridge Scholars, 2010).
- ‘Structuring Ends’.**
Philosophia 38:4, 2010.
- ‘The Embodiment Thesis’.**
Ethical Theory and Moral Practice 7:1, 2004.
- ‘Zarathustra’s Dilemma and the Embodiment of Morality’.**
Philosophical Studies 117:2, 2004.

Encyclopedia Entries

- ‘Procedural Justice’ and ‘Publicity’.**
In *A Cambridge Rawls Lexicon*, Eds. Jon Mandle and David Reidy (Cambridge, 2015).
- ‘Duty’.**
In *The Encyclopedia of Political Thought*, Eds. Michael Gibbons, Diana Coole, Elisabeth Ellis, and Kennan Ferguson (Wiley-Blackwell, 2014).

Reviews

- James Sterba, *From Rationality to Equality*** (Oxford, 2013).
Philosophical Review 124:3, 2015.
- Samuel Kerstein, *How to Treat Persons*** (Oxford, 2013).
Notre Dame Philosophical Review, 2013.
- Robert Taylor, *Reconstructing Rawls*** (Penn State, 2011).
Perspectives on Politics 10:4, 2012.
- Christian Miller (Ed.), *The Continuum Companion to Ethics*** (Continuum, 2011).
Notre Dame Philosophical Review, 2012.
- Terence Irwin, ‘Rawls: The Right and the Good’, in *The Development of Ethics: Volume III*** (Oxford, 2009).
Philosophical Forum 42:3, 2011.
- Alex Voorhoeve, *Conversations on Ethics*** (Oxford, 2009).
Journal of Moral Philosophy 8:4, 2011.
- Samuel Scheffler, *Equality and Tradition*** (Oxford, 2010).
Notre Dame Philosophical Review, 2010.

Presentations

- ‘**Animal Punishment**’, New Voices in Legal Theory Workshop, Loyola University New Orleans, February 2016. Presented also at University of Miami Department of Philosophy, December 2015; Kentucky Philosophical Association Summer Workshop, July 2015; and Wake Forest University Department of Philosophy, March 2015.
- ‘**Group Agents, Non-Rational Animals, and Legal Personhood**’, Symposium Presentation, Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, January 2016.
- ‘**Worldview Adoption as a Special Psychology**’, Workings of Democracy Conference, University of Iceland (Iceland), May 2015. Presented also at Religion, Civil Religion, and the Common Good Conference, London Metropolitan University (United Kingdom), June 2012; Tennessee Philosophical Association Meeting, Vanderbilt University, November 2011; and Long Island Philosophical Society Meeting, Long Island University at Brooklyn, October 2011.
- ‘**Thomas Piketty’s *Capital in the Twenty-First Century***’, Committee on Social Theory and Center for the Study of Social Justice Panel Discussion, University of Tennessee, November 2014.
- ‘**Is Morality Objective?**’, Veritas Forum (with Prof. Terence Cuneo), University of Tennessee, October 2014.
- ‘**Persons Without Rights (and Vice Versa)**’, International Social Theory Consortium Conference, University of Tennessee, May 2014.
- ‘**Rawlsian Stability**’, Symposium on John Rawls, Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, April 2014. Presented also at Indiana Philosophical Association Meeting, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, October 2013; and Tennessee Value and Agency Conference, University of Tennessee, November 2012.
- ‘**The Salience of Moral Character**’, St. Mary’s University Texas Department of Philosophy, March 2014. Presented also at Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics Conference, Northwestern University, May 2013; University of Kentucky Department of Philosophy, March 2013; and Auburn University Department of Philosophy, September 2012.
- ‘**Realism as a Constraint on Fantasy**’, Utopia in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Conference, University of North Georgia, February 2014. Presented also as University Honors Program faculty lecture, University of Tennessee, January 2013.
- ‘**The Priority and Posteriority of Right**’, Workshop in Value Theory, Rutgers University Department of Philosophy, December 2013. Presented also at Value, Valuing, and Appreciation Workshop, University of North Carolina Department of Philosophy, May 2012; Invited Symposium on Moral Obligation (with Profs. Stephen Darwall and Julia Markovits), Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, April 2011; University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy, January 2011; and Iowa State University Department of Philosophy, April 2009.
- ‘**Liberalism, Stability, and Fairness**’, Tennessee Philosophical Association Meeting Author Meets Critics Session, Vanderbilt University, October 2013.
- ‘**Decomposing Legal Personhood**’, Loyola University New Orleans Department of Philosophy, October 2013. Presented also at Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, December 2012.
- ‘**Against Moral Community Closure**’, Immanuel Kant on Animals Conference, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa), July 2013.
- ‘**Legalizing Marijuana**’, Black Law Student Association Panel Discussion, University of Tennessee School of Law, April 2013.
- ‘**Moral Coordination Problems and Global Distributive Justice**’, Scope of Distributive Justice Conference, Central European University (Hungary), July 2012.

- ‘Consciousness Without Consequentialism’**, University of Memphis Department of Philosophy, March 2012.
- ‘On the Respectful Use of Animals’**, Moral and Legal Status of Animals Symposium, University of Tennessee, March 2012.
- ‘The Idea of an Overlapping Consensus Revisited’**, Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, December 2011. Presented also at University of Groningen Ethics Workshop (The Netherlands), May 2011.
- ‘Philosophy as a Transhumanistic Discipline’**, The Meaning, Metaphysics, and Morality of Death Conference, University of Newcastle (United Kingdom), July 2011.
- ‘Moral Coordination Problems’**, Joint North Carolina Philosophical Society Meeting and South Carolina Society for Philosophy Meeting, Elon University, February 2012. Presented also at University of Groningen Department of Philosophy (The Netherlands), May 2011.
- ‘The First Virtue and the Realistic Utopia’**, Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, Washington and Jefferson College, September 2011. Presented also at Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, February 2010.
- ‘Why Do Animals Count?’**, One Book/One Northwestern public lecture, Northwestern University, February 2010.
- ‘Legitimacy Is Not Authority’**, Northwestern University School of Law, March 2010. Presented also at Critical Theory Round Table, State University of New York at Stony Brook, September 2009.
- ‘Meriting Concern and Meriting Respect’**, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado, August 2009. Presented also at Iowa State University Department of Philosophy, April 2009.
- ‘Mimicking Korsgaard’**, joint meeting of Modern Philosophy Workshop and Practical Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago Department of Philosophy, January 2010. Presented also at North American Kant Society Midwest Study Group, Purdue University, October 2008.
- ‘The Humean Interpretation of Justice as Fairness’**, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 2008. Presented also at Midwest Faculty Seminar, University of Chicago, March 2007.
- ‘Two Kinds of Unconditional Value’**, St. John’s University Department of Philosophy, February 2008.
- ‘Structuring Ends’**, Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, December 2007. Presented also at Iowa Philosophical Society Meeting, Iowa State University, September 2006.
- ‘Extreme Need and the Global Embodiment of Morality’**, Global Ethics Conference, University of Chicago, April 2005.
- ‘Collective Agent-Centered Options’**, Washington University in St. Louis Department of Philosophy, February 2004. Presented also at Vassar College Department of Philosophy, February 2004; Northwestern University Department of Philosophy, February 2004; University of Pittsburgh Department of Philosophy, January 2004; McGill University Department of Philosophy (Canada), January 2004; and University of California at San Diego Department of Philosophy, January 2004.
- ‘The Embodiment Thesis’**, British Society for Ethical Theory Conference, Queen’s University Belfast (United Kingdom), July 2003.
- ‘Zarathustra’s Dilemma and the Embodiment of Morality’**, Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, March 2003. Presented also at Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis & Clark College, October 2002.
- ‘Philosophical Liberalism’**, Humane Fellows Colloquium, George Mason University, May 2002. Presented also at Columbia University-New York University Graduate Philosophy Conference, March 2002.

Commentaries

- Sarah Wright, ‘The Neo-Stoic Epistemic Virtues of Groups’**, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology Meeting, February 2014.
- Joshua Watson, ‘How Animalists Can Survive the Corpse Problem’**, Tennessee Philosophical Association Meeting, Vanderbilt University, October 2013.
- Katharine Schweitzer, ‘Deliberation, Negotiation, and Reasonable Disagreement’**, Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, February 2013.
- Lucy Allais, ‘Kant on Giving to Beggars’**, North American Kant Society Biannual Meeting, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 2011.
- Paul Kelleher, ‘Capabilities, Resources, and Spheres of Distributive Justice’**, Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics, Northwestern University, May 2010.
- Christine Korsgaard, ‘Valuing Our Humanity’**, Moral Literacy and Moral Imagination Conference, University of California at Los Angeles, April 2010.
- Erin Taylor, ‘Conventions and Moral Requirements’**, Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics, Northwestern University, April 2009.
- Douglas Paletta, ‘Scanlon: The New Redundancy Objection and Justifiability’**, Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, February 2009.
- Christian Coons, ‘The Serpent-Windings of Normative Taxonomy’**, Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics, Northwestern University, May 2008.
- Mark Jensen, ‘Can Group Agents Be Autonomous?’**, Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, April 2008.
- Julia Markovits, ‘Acting for the Right Reasons’**, Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics, Northwestern University, May 2007.
- Judith Andre, ‘Facets of Honesty’**, Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, April 2006.
- Lowell Herr, ‘The State of Nature, the Social Contract, and Gender Justice’**, Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis & Clark College, October 2002.

Teaching Experience

University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy

Graduate Seminars.

Animal Psychology and Moral Status, Fall 2015.

Naming and Necessity, Fall 2014.

Ideal and Nonideal Theory, Spring 2014.

Moral Obligation, Spring 2013.

John Rawls’s Theory of Justice, Spring 2012. (Co-listed as undergraduate course.)

Advanced Undergraduate Courses.

Philosophy of Mind, Spring 2016.

Social and Political Philosophy, Spring 2015 and Fall 2011.

Ethical Theory, Fall 2013 and Spring 2013.

Philosophy of Law, Fall 2013 and Spring 2012.

Introductory Undergraduate Courses.

Critical Thinking, Spring 2016.

Introduction to Philosophy, Spring 2015.

Contemporary Moral Problems, Fall 2011.

University of Chicago Department of Philosophy

Graduate Seminar.

Joseph Raz’s Morality of Freedom, Fall 2007.

Northwestern University Department of Philosophy

Graduate Seminars.

Structuring Value, Spring 2011.
John Rawls's Political Liberalism, Winter 2010 and Fall 2005.
John Rawls's Theory of Justice, Winter 2009.
Joseph Raz's Morality of Freedom, Spring 2008.
Consequentialism and Its Critics, Spring 2007.
Morality and Social Institutions, Fall 2004.

Advanced Undergraduate Courses.

Reasons and Persons, Fall 2010.
Justice as Fairness, Spring 2010 and Spring 2008.

Introductory Undergraduate Courses.

Introduction to Ethical Theory, Spring 2011, Spring 2010, Winter 2007, Fall 2005.
Introduction to Philosophy, Fall 2010, Winter 2010, and Fall 2007.
Elementary Logic, Fall 2004.

Freshman Seminars.

The Theory of Games, Winter 2009.
Anarchism and the Duty to Obey the Law, Fall 2007.
Death, Winter 2006.

Graduate Advising

As Director.

Grace Campbell, University of Tennessee, *Stability, Resilience, and Global Justice*, Ph.D. expected 2016. With Profs. David Reidy (co-director), Adam Cureton, and Bruce Tonn.
Matthew Reese, University of Tennessee, *Beyond Fulfillment*, M.A. 2014. With Profs. E.J. Coffman and David Palmer.
Gavin Enck, University of Tennessee, *Enhancement in Education*, Ph.D. 2013. With Profs. David Reidy, Clerk Shaw, Adam Cureton, and Sadie Hutson. Placement: Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Research Center.

As Committee Member.

Laura Cutshaw, University of Tennessee, *A Rationalist Approach to Empathy*, M.A. expected 2016. With Profs. Adam Cureton (director) and Kristina Gehrman.
Trevor Hedberg, University of Tennessee, *Population and Consumption*, Ph.D. expected 2017. With Profs. John Nolt (director), David Reidy, and Scott Frey.
Devon Bryson, University of Tennessee, *The Beauty of Understanding*, Ph.D. expected 2017. With Profs. David Reidy (director), David Palmer, and Allen Dunn.
Jason Fishel, University of Tennessee, *The Green Staff of Asclepius*, Ph.D. 2014. With Profs. John Nolt (director), Adam Cureton, and Paul Erwin. Placement: Assistant Professor, Roane State Community College.
Todd Burkhardt, University of Tennessee, *Just War and Human Rights*, Ph.D. 2013. With Profs. David Reidy (director), Adam Cureton, Larry May, and Vejas Gabriel Liulevicius. Placement: Lecturer, United States Military Academy Department of English and Philosophy.
Joel MacClellan, University of Tennessee, *Minding Nature*, Ph.D. 2012. With Profs. John Nolt (director), David Reidy, and Dan Simberloff. Placement: Visiting Assistant Professor, Washington State University Department of Philosophy.
Max Cherem, Northwestern University, *Habermas on Citizenship and Immigration*, Ph.D. 2012. With Profs. Cristina Lafont (director), Charles Mills, and Richard Kraut. Placement: Assistant Professor, Kalamazoo College Department of Philosophy.

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- Haines Morris Award** for Reason, Sentiment, and Sensibility in the Moral Life Conference, University of Tennessee, November 2014.
- Visiting Scholar Grant** for Humanities Center Religion and Politics speaker series, University of Tennessee Office of Research, May 2013.
- Quest Scholar**, University of Tennessee Office of Research, March 2013.
- Haines Morris Award** for Themes from the Moral Philosophy of John Rawls and Immanuel Kant Conference, University of Tennessee, November 2012.
- Judd and Marjorie Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences Grant** for Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics Conference, May 2010, May 2009, April 2008, May 2007, and May 2006.
- Judd and Marjorie Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowship**, Northwestern University, 2004-05.
- Charlotte Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship**, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, 2003-04.
- Rudolf and Ina Carnap Prize** for “Collective Agent-Centered Options” as most outstanding graduate student essay, University of California at Los Angeles Department of Philosophy, June 2003.
- Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award** for “Zarathustra’s Dilemma and the Embodiment of Morality”, Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, March 2003.
- Dissertation Year Fellowship**, University of California at Los Angeles Graduate Division, 2002-03.
- Humane Studies Dissertation Fellowship**, Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University, 2002-03.
- Hortense Fishbaugh Dissertation Fellowship**, Affiliates of the University of California at Los Angeles, 2002-03.
- Robert Yost Prize** as most outstanding teaching assistant, University of California at Los Angeles Department of Philosophy, June 2001.
- President’s Fellowship**, University of California at Los Angeles Graduate Division, 2001-02 and 1997-98.
- John Martin Warbeke Prize** for *Resisting Skepticism About Meaning* as most outstanding undergraduate thesis in metaphysics and epistemology, Princeton University Department of Philosophy, June 1997.

Affiliations

- International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy.**
February 2015-present.
- Tennessee Philosophical Association.**
November 2011-present.
- Center for the Study of Social Justice.**
October 2011-present.
- North American Kant Society.**
October 2008-present.
- American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy.**
December 2004-present.
- American Philosophical Association.**
September 1999-present.

Professional Service

- Central Division Program Committee Member**, American Philosophical Association. 2017 Central Division Meeting.
- Head's Advisory Committee Member**, University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy, August 2013-present.
- Ethical Theory Search Committee Chair**, University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy, August 2012-present. Search resulted in hire of Kristina Gehrman.
- Tennessee Value and Agency Conference Committee Co-Founder**, August 2011-present. With Profs. E. J. Coffman, Adam Cureton, Markus Kohl, David Palmer, and David Reidy.
- Tennessee High School Ethics Bowl Judge**, February 2016 and January 2015.
- Exhibition of Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement Faculty Judge**, University of Tennessee, March 2012.
- Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics Co-Founder and Principal Organizer**, Northwestern University, September 2005-August 2011. With Profs. Richard Kraut and Kyla Ebels-Duggan.
- Shepard Residential College Faculty Fellow**, Northwestern University, September 2005-August 2011.
- Ethical Theory Search Committee Chair**, Northwestern University Department of Philosophy, September 2005-June 2006. Search resulted in hire of Kyla Ebels-Duggan.
- Book Referee**, Cambridge University Press; Oxford University Press; and Routledge Publishing.
- Journal Referee**, *Between the Species*; *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*; *Contemporary Political Theory*; *Dialectica*; *History of Philosophy Quarterly*; *Journal of Ethics*; *Journal of Moral Philosophy*; *Journal of Social Philosophy*; *Journal of Value Inquiry*; *Kantian Review*; *Law and Philosophy*; *Noûs*; *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*; *Philosophical Papers*; *Philosophical Quarterly*; *Philosophical Studies*; *Philosophy and Public Issues*; *Political Theory*; *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics*; *Res Publica*; *Social Theory and Practice*; *Southern Journal of Philosophy*; and *Theoria*.
- Conference Referee**, *British Society for Ethical Theory*; *Central States Philosophical Association*; *Indiana Philosophical Association*; *Northwestern University Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics*; *Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium*; and *Tennessee Value and Agency Conference*.

References

- Prof. Barbara Herman**, University of California at Los Angeles Department of Philosophy and School of Law, 310.206.2799, herman@humnet.ucla.edu.
- Prof. Richard Kraut**, Northwestern University Department of Philosophy and Department of Classics, 847.491.2552, rkraut1@northwestern.edu.
- Prof. Sarah Buss**, University of Michigan Department of Philosophy, 734.764.6285, sbuss@umich.edu.
- Prof. Daniel Brudney**, University of Chicago Department of Philosophy, 773.702.7546, dbrudney@uchicago.edu.
- Prof. Seana Shiffrin**, University of California at Los Angeles Department of Philosophy and School of Law, 310.825.6044, shiffrin@humnet.ucla.edu.
- Prof. David Reidy**, University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy, 865.974.7210, dreidy@utk.edu.
- Prof. Mark Sheldon**, Northwestern University Department of Philosophy, also Assistant Dean and Distinguished Senior Lecturer in Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, 847.491.4918, sheldon@northwestern.edu. (Teaching Reference)