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AREAS OF RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Political Philosophy, Ethics

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

History of Modern Philosophy (esp. Moral and Political), Epistemology, Critical Thinking

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, University of Manitoba (2016 -)

Postdoctoral Fellow (3 year term), Australian National University (2014 - 2016)

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, Stanford University, 2014

Dissertation: *Justifying Political Liberalism*

Committee: David Hills, Debra Satz, Joshua Cohen

MA in Philosophy, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2008

BA (self-designed humanities degree), Hampshire College, 2004

PUBLICATIONS

"[Civic Friendship, Public Reason](#)" *Philosophy and Public Affairs* (2019, 47(1))

"[Exploiting Disadvantage as Causing Harm](#)" *Ethics and Global Politics* (2019, with Siba Harb, 12(1))

"[What Do the Affluent Owe the Global Poor?: An Introduction](#)" Invited Publication, *Ethics and Global Politics* (2019, with Siba Harb and Bashshar Haydar, 12(1))

"[Childhood Bads, Parenting Goods, and the Right to Procreate](#)" *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* (2018, with Sarah Hannan, 21(3))

—Also included in *Family Values and Social Justice* (Routledge, 2019)

["Do Parental Licensing Schemes Violate the Rights of Biological Parents?"](#) *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, (2017, with Christian Barry, 94(2))

["Political Liberalism and Political Community"](#) *Journal of Moral Philosophy* (2017, with Han van Wietmarschen, 14(2))

["Reasonableness, Intellectual Modesty, and Reciprocity in Political Justification"](#) *Ethics* (2012, with Han van Wietmarschen, 122(4)).

WORK IN PROGRESS

"Discrimination and Social Hierarchy" (in progress, with Han van Wietmarschen)

"Discrimination in Sex and Romance" (in progress)

"Reasonable Disagreement and Children's Autonomy" (in progress, with Sarah Hannan)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Critical Thinking (Lecture, ~140 students, University of Manitoba, Fall 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)

Contemporary Political Philosophy (Lecture, University of Manitoba, Winter 2019)

Intro to Epistemology (Lecture, University of Manitoba, Fall 2017, Winter 2019)

Discrimination (Seminar, ~ 10 students, University of Manitoba, Fall 2018)

Conservative Political Thought (Seminar, ~20 students, co-taught with Steve Lecce, cross-listed with Politics, University of Manitoba, Winter 2018)

The Ethics of Parenting and Procreation (Seminar, ~10 students, University of Manitoba, Winter 2017; ~15 students, ANU, Winter 2014)

Ethics and the Environment (Lecture, ~130 students, University of Manitoba, Fall 2016)

Global Justice (Lecture, ~160 students, Australian National University, Fall 2016)

Theories of Social Justice (Lecture, ~100 students, ANU, Winter 2014 and 2015)

Applied Ethics (Lecture, ~45 students, ANU, Fall 2015)

History of Political Philosophy from Hobbes to Mill (Lecture, ~80 students, ANU, Fall 2015)

GRADUATE ADVISING

Manitoba:

MA committee (Philosophy): Kyle Berkey;

MA committee (Political Studies): Enoch Appiagyeyi, Lukas Froese, Hosni Azzabi

MA committee (Religion): Nathan Dyck

ANU:

PhD committee (Philosophy): Rob Kirby, Susan Pennings

MA committee (Philosophy): Vince Redhouse

PRESENTATIONS

“Reasonable Disagreement and Children’s Autonomy” (with Sarah Hannan)

Peer Reviewed Talk: Prairie Political Science Association (2019)

“Discrimination and Social Hierarchy”

Invited Talk: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Department of Philosophy (2019)

“Discrimination in Sex and Romance”

Invited Talk: University of Manitoba, Institute of the Humanities (2018)

“Benefitting from Structural Injustice” (with Holly Lawford Smith)

Invited Talk: American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (2017)

“Against Rescue Arguments for the Duty to Adopt”

Peer Reviewed Talk: Prairie Political Science Association (2016)

“Do Parental Licensing Schemes Violate the Rights of Biological Parents?”

Invited Talk: American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (2016)

“Exploiting Disadvantage as Causing Harm”

Invited Talk: Workshop on Christian Barry and Gerhard Øverland’s *Responding to Global Poverty: Harm, Responsibility, and Agency* at the University of Leuven (2016)

“Parental Interests and the Permissibility of Procreation”

Invited talk: Australian National University; Melbourne University; Centre for Applied Philosophy, Politics, and Ethics at Charles Stuart University (2015)

“Political Liberalism and Civic Friendship”

Invited talk: University of Manitoba, Australian National University (2015)

“Political Liberalism and Political Community”

Invited talk: Queens University, University of Western Ontario, SUNY Binghamton, Franklin & Marshall, Stanford University (2014-2015)

“Political Liberalism’s Justificatory Problem and the Case Against the Respect Answer,”

Selected by anonymous review: Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress at the University of Colorado (2013)

“Democracy and Religious Pluralism”

Invited talk for general public: Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, Adult Learning Ethics Class, Sunnyvale, CA (2013)

“An Institutionalized Concern with Promoting Egalitarianism?”

Selected by anonymous review: American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (2013)

“Reciprocity and Reasonableness”

Selected by anonymous review: Second Copenhagen Conference on Epistemology at Copenhagen University (2010)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Associate Director, Centre for Professional and Applied Ethics, University of Manitoba (2018-)

University of Manitoba Faculty Association, Union Representative for Philosophy and Peace & Conflict Studies (2018-)

University of Manitoba, Philosophy Enrollment Committee (2019-)

University of Manitoba, Chair, Philosophy Department Speakers Committee (2017-)

Acting Graduate Chair, University of Manitoba Department of Philosophy (2019)

Editor: symposium (2019) in *Ethics and Global Politics* on Christian Barry and Gerhard Øverland's *Responding to Global Poverty*

University of Manitoba, Philosophy Hiring Committee (2018)

Acting Associate Head of Department, University of Manitoba Department of Philosophy (2017)

Referee: *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*; *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*; *Journal of Applied Philosophy*; *Journal of Moral Philosophy*; *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Social Philosophy*; *Journal of Political Philosophy*; *Journal of Value Inquiry*; *Politics, Philosophy & Economics*; *Res Publica*; *Social Theory and Practice*; Canadian Philosophical Association

Volunteer Instructor at Hope House (a residential treatment program in Menlo Park, CA for women addicted to drugs or alcohol), Course: What's Wrong with the Achievement Gap?: Justice in the Distribution of Education (2012)

REFERENCES

Christian Barry

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