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EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor; 2016-Present
University of Vermont, Department of Philosophy

Assistant Professor; 2009–2016
University of Vermont, Department of Philosophy

EDUCATION

Stanford University (Stanford, CA); 1999–2009
Ph.D. (joint) in Philosophy and Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities

Columbia University (New York, NY); 1995–1999
B.A. *magna cum laude* in Philosophy and Music

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Action
Philosophy of the Social Sciences

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaethics
Metaphysics
Ancient Greek Philosophy
Moral Philosophy
Logic
Political Philosophy
Philosophy of Mind

DISSERTATION

Collective Goals, Collective Reasoning, Collective Action

Principal Advisor: Michael E. Bratman

Readers: Debra Satz, Joshua Landy (Department of French and Italian), John Ferejohn (Department of Political Science)

PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)

ARTICLES

(forthcoming) "Collective actions and rational choice explanations"; *Journal of Philosophical Research*. (15000 words)

(forthcoming) "Reid on the Autonomy of Ethics" (co-authored equally with Terence Cuneo); *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*. (10000 words)

(2015) "Why Pursue Unification? A Social-Epistemological Puzzle" (co-authored equally with Kareem Khalifa); *Theoria* 30(3), pp. 431–447.

REVIEWS

(forthcoming) "Raimo Tuomela: *Social Ontology*"; *Journal of Moral Philosophy*. Invited. (1500 words)

(2014) "Review Essay: Christine Korsgaard's *Self-Constitution*" (co-authored equally with Terence Cuneo); *Journal of Moral Philosophy* 11(1), pp. 97–110. Invited.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES &C.

(forthcoming) "Thomas Reid" (co-authored equally with Terence Cuneo); forthcoming in *Routledge Companion to Free Will*, ed. M. Griffith, N. Levy, & K. Timpe. Invited. (6000 words)

(forthcoming) "Realism and Antirealism" (co-authored equally with Kareem Khalifa); forthcoming in *Routledge Companion to Philosophy of Social Science*, ed. L. McIntyre & A. Rosenberg. Invited. (8500 words)

PUBLICATIONS (NOT PEER-REVIEWED)

ARTICLES

(2016) "Social Ontology and the Black Lives Matter Movement"; forthcoming in *The Critique* (<http://www.thecritique.com/articles/social-ontology-the-black-lives-matter-movement/>). Invited. (4500 words)

REFEREED TALKS

"Do group intentions explain collective actions?"
Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable, University of South Florida (international conference); March 2016

"Why do scientific communities unify? Some game-theoretic proposals"
The Collective Dimension of Science, Université Nancy 2 (international conference); December 2011

"Collective epistemic goals and theoretical unity"
Episteme Conference, Carnegie Mellon University (international conference); June 2011

"Collective goals and individual rational choice"
Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable, Saint Louis University (international conference); March 2010

"A rational choice model of intentions"
Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable, University of Washington (international conference); March 2008

INVITED TALKS

- "Comments on Aly Massof, 'Can the Master and Slave Work Together?' "
American Philosophical Association Conference, Central Division (national conference);
March 2017
- "Race, Social Construction, and the Curious Case of Rachel Dolezal"
Blackboard Jungle keynote panel, University of Vermont (local talk); March 2016
- "Social Ontology and the Black Lives Matter Movement"
George Washington Henderson seminar, University of Vermont (local talk); October 2015
- "On shared attitudes in collective actions: motivation, justification, and goals"
George Washington Henderson seminar, University of Vermont (local talk); October 2012
- "Comments on Svetlana Beggs, 'Maturity and self-preservation' "
American Philosophical Association Conference, Pacific Division (national conference);
April 2011
- "Altruism, egoism, and collective intentions"
George Washington Henderson seminar, University of Vermont (local talk); October 2010
- "Comments on Heidi Maibom, 'I feel what you think'"
Vermont-Dartmouth Philosophy Conference, University of Vermont (local conference);
September 2009
- "In search of the 'I' in 'team': individual deliberation, collective goals, and collective action"
George Washington Henderson seminar, University of Vermont (local talk); April 2009
- "Deliberation under constraints: preferences, intentions, and values"
Department of Philosophy, University of Vermont (local talk); April 2009
- "On the intrinsic normativity of shared actions"
Spring Colloquia Series, University of California-Santa Cruz (local talk); May 2006
- "Cooperation and the limits of economic theory"
Social Ethics and Normative Theory Workshop, Stanford University (local talk); April 2005
- "Comments on Tony Bezsylko, 'Is Frankfurt's self vulnerable to Moran's alienation?'"
Berkeley-Stanford Graduate Student Conference, Stanford University (local conference);
May 2003
- "Comments on Wayne Wu, 'On motivating reasons'"
Berkeley-Stanford Graduate Student Conference in Philosophy, University of California-Berkeley (local conference); May 2002
- "Why bad puppets make for good tragedy: agency and morality in ancient Greece"
Graduate Program in Humanities Symposium, Stanford University (local talk); May 2001

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Egoism, altruism, and collective intentions”

“Shared attitudes and reduction in collective actions”

“The possibility of group akrasia”

“Do group intentions explain collective actions?”, co-authored equally with Kareem Khalifa.

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Ethics (undergraduate introductory lecture)

Introductory Logic (undergraduate introductory lecture)

Introduction to Philosophy (undergraduate introductory lecture)

Ancient Philosophy (undergraduate intermediate lecture)

Philosophy of Action (undergraduate intermediate lecture)

Free Will (undergraduate intermediate lecture/advanced seminar)

The Meaning of Freedom (honors undergraduate intermediate seminar)

Philosophy of Social Science (undergraduate advanced seminar)

Social Metaphysics (undergraduate advanced seminar)

Teaching Methods in Philosophy (graduate student teaching methodology seminar)

INDIVIDUAL WORK SUPERVISED

Grant-winning project (undergraduate): “Neuroscience, volitional agency, and legal responsibility”

Honors thesis on ethics and automobile use

Honors thesis on moral fictionalism

Honors thesis on game theory and explanation

Independent study on the philosophy of social science and religion

Independent study on the philosophy of action

Independent study on game theory and rationality

Independent study on personhood and agency

AWARDS

George Washington Henderson Fellow, University of Vermont; 2007–2009

Fellow, Introduction to Humanities Program, Stanford University; 2005–2006

Stanford University Centennial Teaching Assistant Award; 2004

Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies; 1999

Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship for Minority Students (Honorable Mention); 1999

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Member, Nominations and Elections Committee; 2012–2015

Member, Simon Scholarship interview committee, 2012–2016

University faculty senator (replacement), Fall 2009

Member of doctoral thesis committee: Nolan Rampy (Psychology)

Member of masters thesis committee: Mark Ibrahim (Mathematics)

Undergraduate honors thesis advisor: Nicholas Cioffi (Philosophy), Ross Huntley (Philosophy),
David Kasofsky (Philosophy)

Member of undergraduate honors thesis committee: Justice Gudorf (Philosophy), Umer Shaikh (Philosophy), Kyle Mitofsky (Economics), Justin Hoekstra (Studio Art), Laura Duane (English), Thomas Campbell (Philosophy), Emma Lettiere (Philosophy), Bretton Klinedinst (Psychology), Samantha Berthelette (Philosophy)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Chair, Colloquium: Philosophy of Race

American Philosophical Association Pacific Division conference, April 2015

Chair, "The ethics of compromise in democracy" (panel discussion)

American Philosophical Association Eastern Division conference; December 2010

Referee for: *Erkenntnis*

MIT Press

Member, Society for Young Black Philosophers