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Areas of research

Specialization: Kant, 20th Century European Philosophy, Ethics

Competence: Social & Political Philosophy, 19th Century European Philosophy, Wittgenstein & Ordinary Language Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy

Education

Columbia University	
Ph.D., Philosophy (<i>expected</i>)	2015-20
Committee: Axel Honneth and Patricia Kitcher (co-chairs), Wolfgang Mann, Frederick Neuhauser	
M.Phil., Philosophy	2015-18
M.A., Philosophy	2015-17
University of Oxford	
Visiting PhD student, on the invitation of Amia Srinivasan	2019
Cambridge University	
Visiting PhD student, on the invitation of Angela Breitenbach	2020
Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	
Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD) Fellow	2014-15
University of Chicago	
A.B. (honors, Phi Beta Kappa) in Philosophy (intensive track)	2010-14

Peer-reviewed articles

“Anthropology as Critique: Foucault, Kant, and the Metacritical Tradition.”	2019
<i>British Journal for the History of Philosophy</i> , online first. DOI: 10.1080/09608788.2019.1650250	
“‘When You (Say You) Know, You Can’t Be Wrong’: A Defense of J.L. Austin’s Normative Account of ‘I Know’ Claims.” <i>Inquiry</i> , special issue.	Forthcoming
“Kant on Autonomy as Self-Making in the <i>Opus Postumum</i> and the <i>Metaphysics of Morals</i> .”	Forthcoming
<i>Proceedings of the 13th International Kant Congress</i> . Berlin & Boston: de Gruyter.	

Other publications

“Political Spirituality as the Will for Alterity.”	
<i>Critical Inquiry</i> . Archival, previously unpublished interview by Michel Foucault. Edited (introduction and notes) and translated.	Forthcoming, Autumn 2020

Under review

Title redacted: Paper proposing a means of unifying the two halves of the Third Critique.

Talks

† denotes refereed

“Self-Making and Non-Moral Autonomy.” NAKS Panel on “Reason as Self-Making”, Eastern Meeting of the APA, New York.	January 2021
“On Moral Conceivability.” Society for Analytical Feminism, Eastern Meeting of the APA, Philadelphia.†	January 2020
“Kant on Autonomy as Self-Making in the <i>Opus Postumum</i> and the <i>Metaphysics of Morals</i> .” The 13 th International Kant Congress, University of Oslo, Norway.†	Aug. 2019
Princeton Graduate Conference in the History of Philosophy, Princeton University.†	May 2019
“Reflective Judgment in Kant’s Mature Moral Philosophy.” Early Modern Philosophy Works in Progress Session, NYU.	April 2019
“Political Spirituality and Practices of the Self: Foucault’s Vindication of the Meditative Tradition.” Finding the Way to Truth: Sources, History, Impact of the Meditative Tradition, Center for New Narratives in Philosophy, Columbia University.	Feb. 2019
“Culture as the Unifying Ground of Kant’s <i>Critique of Judgment</i> .” Eastern Meeting of the APA, symposium (two-hour) session, New York.†	Jan. 2019
The Joint Conference of the Society for German Idealism & Romanticism and North American Kant Society, Stanford University.†*	Oct. 2017
* Winner of Best Graduate Paper Award & nominated for Markus Herz Prize.	
“Foucault on Anthropology and Critique in the History of Philosophy.” System and Fragment: Epistemic Collisions in the Long 19 th Century, Columbia German Department.	Oct. 2018
Rencontre doctorale du Centre Michel Foucault, Caen, France.†	March 2018
25 th International Conference of Europeanists, Chicago.†	March 2018
“‘When You Know, You Can’t Be Wrong’: The Normative Attachments of Claims to Knowledge.” Perlocutionary!: International Workshop, Université Panthéon-Sorbonne (Paris 1), Paris.	June 2018
8 th Conference of the Nordic Wittgenstein Society (declined), Turku, Finland.†	May 2017
“‘Nothing More Than the Feeling of an Existence’: The Variable Status of Apperception in the <i>Critique</i> .” Leuven Kant Conference, KU-Leuven, Belgium.†	May 2018
“A Feminist Critique of Butler and Nussbaum.” Women in Philosophy Presentation Workshop, Columbia University.	May 2017
Comment on Allison Glasscock’s “Meno’s Memory & Learning as Recollecting.” Athena in Action: Mentorship Workshop for Women in Philosophy, Princeton University.†	Aug. 2016
“Towards a Dialogical Account of Peer Disagreement.” Research Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt.	Nov. 2014
“Reflections on Undergraduate-Powered Activism.” Workshop on Attracting & Retaining Female Philosophy Majors, UNC Chapel Hill.	April 2014

Fellowships & Awards

Jonathan Lieberman Memorial Prize, for best graduate paper on moral or social philosophy, Columbia	2019
Best Graduate Paper Award, North American Kant Society	2017
Markus Herz Prize Nominee, for best paper of the year on Kant, North American Kant Society	2017
Council for European Studies Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, for archival research in Paris	2017
Columbia University Fellowship Award	2015-2020
DAAD Long-Term Research Fellowship	2014-2015
Rhodes Scholarship Finalist	2013

Dunn Family Philosophy Research Fellowship	2013
Phi Beta Kappa, early induction	2013

TRAVEL GRANTS

Full Accommodation Award, Princeton Graduate Conference in the History of Philosophy	2019
APA Travel Grant	2019
Columbia University Conference Travel Grant	2019, 2018
Full Travel & Accommodation Award, Humboldt-UzB Summer School in Critical Theory, <i>declined</i>	2018
Full Travel & Accommodation Award, Tübingen Summer School in German Idealism	2018
Full Travel & Accommodation Award, Athena in Action Mentorship Workshop for Women in Philosophy, Princeton University	2016
PRISM Summer Research Grant	2013
F. Champion Ward Third Year International Travel Grant	2013
Dean's Fund Recipient	2013

Teaching

AS INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

Existentialism	Summer 2019
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AS TEACHING ASSISTANT

Philosophy of Language, <i>Karen Lewis</i>	Spring 2019
Philosophy of Law, <i>Michele Moody-Adams</i>	Fall 2018
Kant, <i>Patricia Kitcher</i>	Spring 2018
European Social Philosophy: Smith, Hegel, Marx, Weber, <i>Frederick Neuhouser</i>	Fall 2017
20th Century European Philosophy: Heidegger, Gadamer, Foucault, Derrida, <i>Taylor Carman</i>	Spring 2017
Philosophy & Feminism, <i>Christia Mercer</i>	Fall 2016

AS GUEST LECTURER

"Langton and West on Scorekeeping in a Pornographic Language Game," Philosophy of Language	Spring 2019
"Judgment and the Schematism in the Analytic of Principles," Kant	Spring 2018
"Biopower, Discipline, and the Sexual Subject," 20th Century European Philosophy	Spring 2017
"Panopticism, Surveillance, and the Prison-Industrial Complex," Philosophy & Feminism	Fall 2016

Coursework

* indicates audit

KANT

Kant's Critique of Judgment (NYU), <i>Béatrice Longuenesse & Anja Jauernig</i>	Fall 2016
Kant's Critique of Pure Reason, <i>Desmond Hogan (Princeton)</i>	Spring 2016
Kant's Critique of Pure Reason (Chicago), <i>James Conant</i>	Winter 2014

EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY POST-KANT

*Heidegger's Being & Time, <i>Taylor Carman</i>	Fall 2017
Independent Study: Foucault on Kant and Ethics, <i>Bernard Harcourt & Taylor Carman</i>	Spring 2017
Hegel, <i>Frederick Neuhouser</i>	Fall 2016
*Nietzsche's Beyond Good and Evil, <i>Robert Gooding-Williams</i>	Spring 2016
*Merleau-Ponty, <i>Taylor Carman</i>	Spring 2016

Foucault's "Du gouvernement des vivants: 1979-1980" (Chicago), <i>Arnold Davidson</i>	Fall 2013
Freedom and Love in Psychoanalysis (Chicago), <i>Jonathan Lear</i>	Spring 2013

SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

*Georg Simmel's The Philosophy of Money, <i>Frederick Neuhouser and Axel Honneth</i>	Spring 2018
*Habermas' Theory of Communicative Action, <i>Frederick Neuhouser</i>	Spring 2017
Domination and Oppression: Contemporary Perspectives, <i>Robert Gooding-Williams</i>	Spring 2016
Social Ontology and Social Pathology, <i>Frederick Neuhouser and Rahel Jaeggi (Humboldt-UzB)</i>	Fall 2015

EPISTEMOLOGY & METAETHICS

*Practical Reason, <i>Patricia Kitcher and Carol Rovane</i>	Spring 2019
*Advanced Topics in the Philosophy of Mind, <i>Sebastien Rödl (Leipzig) and Christopher Peacocke</i>	Spring 2018
*Topics in the Theory of Knowledge: Saul Kripke, <i>Robert Stalnaker (MIT)</i>	Spring 2018
Meaning and Normativity (NYU), <i>Paul Boghossian & Paul Horwich</i>	Spring 2017
*Nominalism, <i>Achille Varzi</i>	Spring 2017
*Philosophy of Mind: Intersubjectivity, <i>Axel Honneth and Christopher Peacocke</i>	Fall 2015

EARLY ANALYTIC PHILOSOPHY

Independent Study: Ordinary Language Philosophy, <i>Wolfgang Mann</i>	Fall 2015
Wittgenstein's Philosophical Investigations (Chicago), <i>Jason Bridges</i>	Spring 2014
Wittgenstein's Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus (Chicago), <i>James Conant</i>	Winter 2012
Independent study on Cavell's "The Claim of Reason" (Chicago), <i>James Conant</i>	Spring 2014

HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY, AESTHETICS

*Epictetus, <i>Wolfgang Mann</i>	Spring 2017
Aesthetics Under Siege: The Frankfurt School, <i>Andreas Huyssen</i>	Spring 2016
Modern Aesthetics Survey, <i>Lydia Goehr</i>	Fall 2016
Introduction to Comparative Literature and Society, <i>Lydia Liu</i>	Fall 2015
Adornos Ästhetik (Frankfurt), <i>Axel Honneth, Christoph Menke, Martin Seel</i>	Spring 2015

WORKSHOPS, SUMMER SCHOOLS, AND FACULTY-LED READING GROUPS

3 rd International Summer School on Kant and German Idealism ("Aesthetics and Cognition in Kant, Schelling, Hegel"), Universität Tübingen, <i>Ulrich Schlösser</i>	June 2018
6 th International Summer School in German Philosophy ("The Hermeneutics of Suspicion: Marx, Nietzsche, Freud"), Universität Bonn, <i>Michael Forster and Markus Gabriel</i>	July 2016
Athena in Action: A Networking and Mentoring Workshop for Graduate Women in Philosophy, Princeton University	August 2016

Academic service

The New York German Idealism Workshop, co-organizer	2018-20
"The Social and the Individual," conference organizer	2019-2020
Columbia University Women in Philosophy, coordinator	2015-18
The Columbia-NYU Annual Graduate Conference in Philosophy, referee	2017-18
"Rethinking Philosophy's Past: 1300-1800," conference organizer (for Christia Mercer)	2017
Social Philosophy Workshop, session organizer (six sessions on feminist philosophy)	2016
Columbia University MAP (Minorities and Philosophy) Chapter, coordinator	2015-16

Languages

English (native)
Italian (native)
French (fluency)
German (proficiency)

Professional memberships

American Philosophical Association
North American Kant Society