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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Loyola University Chicago, Assistant Professor of Philosophy 8/2019 – present

EDUCATION

Cornell University 8/2013 – 5/2019

PhD in Philosophy

Dissertation Title: Socratic therapy for the criminal, the glutton, and the coward.

Committee: Tad Brennan (chair), Rachana Kamtekar, Charles Brittain

Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn 2009-2012

MA in Philosophy

Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn 2006-2009

BA in Philosophy and German Language and Literature

VISITING SCHOLAR

King's College London Spring 2017

Harvard University Fall 2016

University of Toronto 2011-2013

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND COMPETENCE

Area of Specialization: Ancient Greek Philosophy

Areas of Competence: Moral Psychology, Ethics, Continental Philosophy, Medieval Islamic Philosophy.

PUBLICATIONS

Why do itches itch? Bodily pain in Socratic moral psychology. 2020. In: Emotions in Plato. Candiotta, L.; Renaut, O. (eds.). Brill.

Socratic Motivational Intellectualism. Forthcoming. In: The Bloomsbury Companion to Socrates. Smith, N; Jones, R.; Sharma, R. (eds.). Blackwell.

Tidying up with Socrates (Opinion piece) In: Philosophy Now (8/2019), The Montréal Review (3/2019), Times Union (3/22/2019).

How inclusive and accessible is your statement on inclusion and accessibility? (Opinion Piece) In: Inside Higher Ed (10/2020), APA Blog (10/2020).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- Socratic Therapy for the Glutton.** 04/2021
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Meeting
- Disrupt, unclutter, innovate. Why Google and Apple hire Socratic Leaders.** 01/2021
Rethinking Upper-Division Courses for Non-Majors
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Meeting
- Socratic Therapy for the Glutton.**
Plato West Coast Workshop, Lewis and Clark College 09/2020
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Meeting 04/2020
(Commentator: Thomas Blackson)
This meeting was cancelled because of COVID-19
- Socratic Leadership.** 02/2020
Teaching Hub Poster Presentation
American Philosophical Association, Central Meeting
- Comments on Wenjin Liu, “The Fabric of Akrasia—a new reading of *Prot.* 351-360.”** 01/2020
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Meeting
- Can Flogging Make Us Smarter? Socrates on Reformatory Punishment.** 10/2018
Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, Christopher Newport University
- Why Do Itches Itch? Bodily Pain in Socratic Moral Psychology.**
41st Ancient Philosophy Workshop, University of Florida 2/2018
American Philosophical Association, Central Meeting 2/2018
(Commentators: Rachel Singpurwalla, Emily Fletcher)
- Emotions and Appetites in the Socratic Dialogues.**
Emotions in Plato, University of Edinburgh 4/2017
- Socrates on Punishment.**
New Perspectives on Plato’s Philosophy, UFABC, São Paulo 6/2016
Graduate Conference in Philosophy of Mind, University at Albany 4/2016
- The Unemotional “Emotions” in Aristotle.**
The 2nd IIFs-UNAM Philosophy Graduate Conference, 3/2016
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México
- Rethinking Emotions in Aristotle.**
The 10th Annual Mark L. Shapiro Graduate Philosophy Conference, 11/2015
Brown University
- Comments on David Kaufman, “Seneca and Epictetus on the Pre-Emotions of the Wise Man.”** 9/2015
New Perspectives on Stoicism, Cornell University

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Teaching Excellence Award: James Slevin Assignment Sequence Prize (awarded each semester to one graduate student for the best assignment sequence assigned in a first-year seminar)	Fall 2017
Norman Malcolm Fellowship (awarded each year to one graduate student)	Spring 2017
Cornell Graduate School Conference Travel Grant	2/2016, 2/2017, 2/2018
Sage School of Philosophy Graduate Fellowship	2013-2014/ 2016-2017
Klaus Murmann Fellowship (full scholarship sponsored by the Foundation of German Business)	2008-2013

LANGUAGES

English (fluent)	
German (first language)	
Ancient Greek (reading knowledge)	
Latin (reading knowledge);	
French (reading knowledge)	
Spanish (reading knowledge)	
Intensive Latin Summer Class, University of California, Berkeley	Summer 2014
Graecum (National Certificate in Ancient Greek), University of Cologne	Summer 2010

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Philosophy

At Loyola University Chicago:

Graduate Seminar: Plato's Early Dialogues	Fall 2020
Philosophy of Human Nature	Fall 2020
Philosophy and Persons (Core Course)	Spring 2020, Spring 2021
History of Ancient Philosophy.	Fall 2019

At Cornell University:

Discussions of Justice: Democracy Now.	Fall 2018
What Does It Mean to Be Human? Ancient, Medieval, and Contemporary Readings.	Fall 2018
Heidegger and Arendt on the Human Condition.	Spring 2018
Explanation of Human Action. Introduction to Moral Psychology.	Fall 2017

Auburn Correctional Facility & Five Points Correctional Facility:

What Does It Mean to Be Human? Ancient, Medieval, and Contemporary Readings	Fall 2018
A Philosopher's Guide to the Galaxy. Philosophy and Science Fiction. Co-taught with August Faller	Summer 2016

German

As Full Course Instructor

German (A1)	Hansa Language Center, Toronto	Summer 2012, Spring 2013
German (A2)	Hansa Language Center, Toronto	Fall 2012

TEACHING CERTIFICATES AND TRAININGS

CIRTL, Online Learning and Teaching, nine-week course	Summer 2020
CIRTL, Diversity in the College Classroom, semester-long course	Spring 2019
Assisting Students in Distress, Workshop, Cornell	Fall 2017
Teaching Writing, six-week course, Cornell	Fall 2017
CIRTL Certificate, The College Classroom, semester-long course	Spring 2017
Citizen Schools Training to prepare to teach at Orchard Gardens Middle School, MA	Fall 2016

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND OUTREACH

National & Professional

Reviewer, Cambridge University Press	2020/2021
Member, APA Committee on Teaching of Philosophy (assess applications for the APA Teaching Award 2021 and for the APA Small Grant Program)	8/2021 - present
Session chair, Colloquium Hellenistic Philosophy, APA Central Meeting	2/2020
Organizer, Eudemean Ethics Conference 2015, Cornell University	8/2015
Research Assistant, German Reference Center for Ethics in the Life Sciences (DRZE) (mainly responsible for the topic <i>Euthanasia</i>)	2010

University & Department

Chair, Undergraduate Awards Committee	8/2020 - present
Member, Undergraduate Coordinating Committee	Fall 2019 - present
Organizer, LUC Philosophy Club (with Richard Kim)	Fall 2019 - present
Graduate Student Mentor, Sage School Mentoring Program	Fall 2018

Public

Volunteer for Citizen Schools, taught philosophy once a week in grade eight at Orchard Gardens Middle School in Roxbury, MA	Fall 2016
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Research

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