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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, May 2004

Dissertation: "Property Rights, Social Norms and the Law" (committee: Gerald Postema (director), Thomas Hill, Jr., Geoffrey Sayre-McCord, Jesse Prinz, Michael Corrado)

B.A., (Summa Cum Laude) Greek Classics and Philosophy, Brown University, May 1996

**CURRENT APPOINTMENT**

Fall 2012 – Present: Associate Professor, University of Leeds

- Director, Program in Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Fall 2013 – Present)
- Member, Cities and Social Justice Cluster, School of Geography, University of Leeds (Spring 2014 – present)

**PAST APPOINTMENTS**

1. Fall 2010 – Summer 2012: Associate Professor (untentured), Yale University Department of Philosophy, and the Program in Ethics, Politics and Economics
2. Fall 2004 – Summer 2010: Assistant Professor, Yale University Department of Philosophy, and the Program in Ethics, Politics and Economics

**INVITED VISITING APPOINTMENTS**

1. Fall 2008 – Summer 2009: Visiting Scholar, NYU Institute for Public Knowledge
2. Spring Semester 2007: Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Moral and Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Action

**AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

Philosophy of Law, Metaethics

**PUBLISHED & FORTHCOMING WORK**

**ESSAYS**

1. "Introduction: Intentions, Past, Present, and Future," (w/ Ulrike Heuer), forthcoming in *Intentions: State of the Art*, co-edited with Ulrike Heuer, *Philosophical Explorations* 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Issue 2017 (contributors: Joseph Raz, David Owens, Ralph Wedgwood, Luca Ferrero, Hallie Liberto, Erasmus Mayr, Sarah K. Paul, Fiona Woollard).
2. "Sovereign Agency and the Authority of Intentions," forthcoming in Brendan Balcerak-Jackson and Magdalena Balcerak-Jackson, eds. *Reasoning* (Oxford University Press, 2017)
3. "One Dogma of Philosophy of Action," 173 *Philosophical Studies* (2016): 2249 – 2260.
4. "Officials and Subjects in Gardner's *Law as a Leap of Faith*," 33 *Law and Philosophy* (2014): 795 – 311.
5. "The Importance of What They Care About," 165 *Philosophical Studies* (2013): 297 – 314.

6. "Political Obligation and the Self," 86 *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (2013): 347 – 375.
7. "Terrorism as Ethical Singularity," 24 *Public Affairs Quarterly* 3 (2010): 229 – 246.
8. "Practical Imagination and Its Limits," 10 *Philosophers' Imprint* 3 (2010): I – 19.
9. "Reliance," 44 *Noûs* I (2010): 135 – 157.
10. "Ideas of Justice: Positive," in *Law and Humanities: An Introduction*, Austin Sarat, editor (Cambridge University Press, 2009): 161 – 187.
11. "Legal Truths and Falsities," 22 *Ratio Juris* I (2009): 95 – 109.
12. "Rethinking Sovereignty, Rethinking Revolution," 4 *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 36 (2008): 405 – 440.
13. "Terrorism, Shared Rules and Trust," 16 *Journal of Political Philosophy* 2 (2008): 201 – 219.  
Reprinted as "The Moral Significance of Terrorism," in *Philosophy of Law*, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, Jules Coleman and Joel Feinberg, eds. (Wadsworth, 2009): 456 – 470.
14. "The Law as a Social Practice: Are Shared Activities at the Foundations of Law?" 12 *Legal Theory* (2006): 265 – 292.  
Reprinted in *Legal Theory and the Social Sciences*, Volume 2, Maksymilian Del Mar and Michael Guidice, eds. (Ashgate, 2010): 305 – 334.

#### BOOK REVIEWS

1. "Jeremy Waldron, *Dignity, Rank, and Rights*," 74 *Analysis* 4 (October 2014): 740–743.
2. "Sharon Lloyd, *Morality in the Philosophy of Thomas Hobbes: Cases in the Law of Nature*," *Notre Dame Philosophical Review* (Nov. 1, 2010: <http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=21989>).
3. "Daniel Shapiro, *Is the Welfare State Justified?*" *Notre Dame Philosophical Review* (Feb. 17, 2008: <http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=12403>).
4. "Simon Caney, *Justice Beyond Borders: A Global Political Theory*," 3 *Journal of Moral Theory* (2006) I: 100 – 2.

#### EDITED VOLUME

1. *Intentions: State of the Art*, co-edited with Ulrike Heuer, *Philosophical Explorations* 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Issue 2017 (contributors: Joseph Raz, David Owens, Ralph Wedgwood, Luca Ferrero, Hallie Liberto, Erasmus Mayr, Sarah K. Paul, Fiona Woollard, and an introduction by the editors).

#### WORKS IN PROGRESS

##### MONOGRAPHS

1. *Reliance: On the Materiality of Our Agency* (drafted – currently preparing proposal for submission to Princeton University Press, Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, and MIT Press)

##### ESSAYS

1. "Political Creativity: A Skeptical Overview" (prepared for *Creativity and Philosophy*, edited by Matthew Kieran and Berys Gaut, forthcoming from *Routledge* in 2017)
2. "Surfaces and Boundaries: Extended Agency and the Reliance View of Action" (Under review)
3. "Reliance Structures and Freedom" (Under review)
4. "Racialized Agency" (In draft)
5. "States of Exception: Justifications of Legitimate Authority in Times of Emergency" (In draft)
6. "Reliance on Evil" (In draft)
7. "The Spatial Contract: An Alternative Approach to Urban Politics," with Alex Schafran (In draft)

## SERVICE

### *University of Leeds*

- I. Founding Programme Director, Programme in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, Fall 2013 – present
  - Responsibilities*
    - a. Developing, instituting, managing BA-level curriculum
    - b. Developing, instituting, managing MA-level program
    - c. Organizing and leading interdisciplinary management team
    - d. Drafting funding proposals
    - e. Planning and overseeing recruitment
    - f. Managing staffing
    - g. Oversight of student life
2. Member, Curriculum Review Committee, Summer 2014 – Winter 2015 (4-person committee that reviews and overhauls the full curriculum for philosophy program, special responsibility for oversight of planning for first-year curriculum)
3. Interim Director, Center for Ethics and Metaethics, Fall 2013, Fall 2016

### *Yale University:*

1. Program in Ethics, Politics and Economics University Advisory Committee, 2005 – 2006, 2010 – 2011
2. Program in Ethics, Politics and Economics Admissions Committee, 2004 – 2011
3. Freshman Advisor, Fall 2005 – Fall 2009
4. Sophomore Advisor, Fall 2006 – Summer 2012

### *Yale Department of Philosophy:*

1. Diversity Coordinator for Graduate Admissions Committee, 2005 – 2006, 2007 – 2008
2. Graduate Admissions Committee, 2004 – 2005, 2007 – 2008
3. Colloquium Committee, 2007 – 2008
4. Coordinator, Department of Philosophy Faculty Colloquia Series, 2006 - 2009

### *Conference Organizer:*

1. Co-Organizer (with Alex Schafran and Stephen Hall), A New Politics of the City, November 2016
2. Co-Organizer (with Nicholas Treanor and Paulina Sliwa), Midsummer Philosophy Conference, June 2013, 2014, 2015
3. Co-Organizer (with Ulrike Heuer), International Conference on the Moral Significance of Intentions, June 2014
4. Co-Organizer (with Ulrike Heuer), Workshop on Intentions, February 2014
5. Co-Organizer (with David Velleman), Mid-Atlantic Region Group on Ethics (MARGE), Summer 2007 – Spring 2011.
6. Co-Organizer (with Adrienne Martin), 2010 Workshop on Utopia in Moral and Political Philosophy, April 2010, University of Pennsylvania
7. Co-Organizer (with Adrienne Martin), 2009 Workshop on Imagination, Mind and Morality, April 2009, Yale University.

8. Co-Organizer (with Adrienne Martin), 2008 Workshop on Narrative and the Construction of the Self, April 2008, University of Pennsylvania.
9. Co-Organizer (with Adrienne Martin), 2007 Workshop on the Philosophy of Trust and Testimony, April 2007, Yale University.

*Refereeing:*

*Philosophers' Imprint; Philosophy and Phenomenological Research; Mind; Philosophical Studies; Analysis; Ethical Theory and Practice; Legal Theory; Ethics and International Affairs; Journal of Political Philosophy; Ratio Juris; Law, Culture and the Humanities; Journal of Social Philosophy; Law and Philosophy; Oxford Journal of Legal Studies; Philosophical Quarterly; Journal of Moral Philosophy; British Journal of the History of Philosophy; American Journal of Political Science; History of Political Thought; Political Theory; Journal of Applied Philosophy*

**PHD STUDENTS**

Alison Toop (current – dissertation on the justifications of marriage in a liberal political order)  
Pei-Lung Cheng (current – dissertation on egalitarianism)

**CLASSES TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS**

PPE First Year Seminar (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17)  
War, Terror, Justice (F 16)  
Philosophy of Technology (F 15)  
Introduction to Ethics (F 13, F15)  
Moral Philosophy (F 13, F 14)  
Introduction to Political Philosophy (F 12, F 13, F 14)  
Political Philosophy (S 13)  
Philosophy of Biology (F 13)  
Introduction to Philosophy (F 13)  
Advanced Topics in Value Theory: Social Contract Theory (F 12)

**CLASSES TAUGHT AT YALE UNIVERSITY (GRADUATE SEMINARS MARKED WITH \*)**

\*Recognition (w/ Stephen Darwall) (F 11)  
Ethics of Peace, War and Defense (F 04)  
Meta-Ethics (F 04, \*F 07, \*S 12)  
Introduction to Political Philosophy (S 05, F 06, S 08, F 09, F 11)  
\*Property Rights (S 05)  
Directed Studies (F 05, S 07, S 08, S 10, S 12)  
\*David Hume's *Treatise of Human Nature*, Books 2 & 3 (F 05)  
Foundational Texts of Karl Marx (S 05)  
\*Global Justice (S 05)  
Introduction to Ethics (F 05)  
\*The Ethics of Trust (S 07)  
\*Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau (F 07, F 09)  
\*Dissertation Seminar (S 10)  
Independent Study: Moral Realism (S 09), Normative Interests (S 10)

**CLASSES TAUGHT AT YALE LAW SCHOOL**

\*Issues in Global Justice: Sovereignty, Distributive Justice and Human Rights (S 07)

## FELLOWSHIPS

### *Research Fellowships:*

Sadler Seminar Series Fellowship, Leeds Humanities Research Institute (2016 – 2017)  
Visiting Scholar, NYU Institute for Public Knowledge (2008 – 2009)

### *Graduate Fellowships and Honors:*

Lovick P. Corn Dissertation Fellowship (awarded by UNC Graduate School to students with most promising dissertations), 2003 – 2004  
Member, Royster Society of Fellows (awarded by UNC Graduate School to most promising graduate students), 2003 – 2004  
Graham Keene Dissertation Fellowship (awarded by UNC Philosophy Department), 2003  
Horace Williams Fellowship (awarded by UNC Philosophy Department), 1998 – 2003  
Student Undergraduate Teaching Award (awarded by UNC undergraduate student body), 2000

## REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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