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### EDUCATION

**Ph.D., University of Chicago, Political Science** 2008

### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

#### **University of Victoria**

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science July 2018-present

#### **University of Toronto**

Visiting Fellow and Postdoctoral Associate, Centre for Ethics 2015-18

#### **Frankfurt University**

Go-In Postdoctoral Fellow, Cluster of Excellence *Normative Orders* 2013-16  
Postdoctoral fellow, *Justitia Amplificata* Centre for Advanced Studies 2012-13

#### **University of Chicago**

Harper Schmidt Fellow and Collegiate Assistant Professor in the Social Sciences Collegiate Division 2008-12

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Feminist theory, social theory, history of political thought, structural injustice, oppression, domination, critical race theory, authority, political obligation

### PUBLICATIONS

#### **Book**

*Connected by Commitment. Oppression and Our Responsibility to Undermine It* (New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2017), 216 pages.

Reviewed in *Political Theory*, *Contemporary Political Theory*, *Ethics*, *Hypatia* Reviews Online, *APA Newsletter for Feminism and Philosophy*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Choice Magazine*.

#### **Peer-reviewed articles**

Transformative Action as Structural and Publicly Constituted, in Jude Browne and Maeve McKeown (eds.), *What Is Structural Injustice?*, Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2024, 31-47.

The Racial Division of Carework and the Devaluation of Care, *Contemporary Political Theory*, 2021, 20(4), 895-899.

Part of the Critical Exchange Woodly, D., Brown, R. H., Marin, M., Threadcraft, S., Harris, C. P., Syedullah, J., & Ticktin, M. The politics of care. *Contemporary Political Theory*, 2021, 20(4), 890-925.

Racial Structural Solidarity. *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, 2018, 21(5), 586-600. Reprinted in Avigail Ferdman and Margaret Kohn, (eds.) *Solidarity and Public Goods* (Routledge, 2021).

Care, Oppression and Marriage. *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy*, 2014, 29(2), 337-354.

## **PUBLICATIONS (Continued)**

### **Book chapters:**

Marriage as Commitment: A Revisionary Argument. In Sherrow O. Pinder (ed.), *American Multicultural Studies*. Sage Publications, 2012, 303-316.

### **Book reviews**

Rochelle DuFord, *Solidarity in Conflict: A Democratic Theory*, *Perspective on Politics*, 20 (4), 2022, 1444-1445.

Avery Kolers, *A Moral Theory of Solidarity*, *Perspectives on Politics*, 16 (3), 2018, 802-803

Nichole Marie Shippen, *Decolonizing Time. Work, Leisure and Freedom*, *Political Theory*, 46 (1), 2018, 151-155.

Elizabeth Brake (ed.), *After Marriage. Rethinking Marital Relationships*, *Hypatia Reviews Online* 2017

Shay Welch, *Existential Eroticism. A Feminist Approach to Understanding Women's Oppression-Perpetuating Choices*, *APA Newsletter on Feminism and Philosophy*, 17 (1), 2017, 12-14.

### **Other**

Response to Avery Kolers's review of "Connected by Commitment: Oppression and Our Responsibility to Undermine It." *Perspective on Politics*, 2018, 16(3), 806.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

### **Articles**

Gender Subordination, Structural Analysis, and Domination  
Structural Responsibility (R&R)

### **Book Manuscript**

*Structural Agency and Structural Obligations. Rethinking Agency, Political Action and Obligations to Resist Oppression* (under review)

### **Book Project**

*Race as Social Structure. A Conception of Race as the Basis for Solidarity for Anti-racist Collective Action*

## **PAPER PRESENTATIONS**

### **Invited presentations**

"Structural Obligations," *Power and Domination: An International Research Workshop*, McGill University, August 15-17, 2022.

"A Structural View of the Obligations to Resist Oppression," *Centering the Margins: New Approaches to Transnational Injustices* workshop, Haverford College, April 22, 2022.

"Commitment and the Politics of Labor," Yale-NUS College Philosophy Research Colloquium Series, October 6/7, 2021.

"How to Think of Action as Structural," Political Philosophy Reading Group, Queen's University, August 9, 2021.

"How to Think of Action as Structural," *Structural Injustice* workshop, University of Cambridge, March 22-23, 2021.

"Labor Relations and Obligations of Commitment," Department of Political Science, Queen's University, April 2, 2020 (cancelled due to COVID 19)

**PAPER PRESENTATIONS, Invited presentations (Continued)**

- “Labor Relations and Obligations of Commitment,” Department of Political Science, Department of Political Science, University of Ottawa, April 3, 2020 (cancelled due to COVID 19)
- “Generating Inequality through the Denial of Vulnerability,” Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia, April 24, 2019
- “Racial Structural Solidarity,” *Approaches to Public Goods: Solidarity and Social Justice* workshop, University of Toronto, May 13-14, 2016
- “What Domination Can and Cannot Do. Gender Oppression and the Limits of the Notion of Domination,” *Challenges of Structural Injustice*, Binghamton University, November 20, 2015
- “Connected by Commitment in Response to Oppression,” *What Is ‘Commitment’ to Resist Oppression?* workshop with Lionel McPherson, Tufts University, March 6, 2015
- “Connected by Commitment in Response to Oppression,” The New School, March 5, 2015
- “What Domination Can and Cannot Do. Gender Oppression and the Limits of Pettit’s Notion of Domination,” *Structural Injustice* conference, Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, February 12-13, 2015
- “A Commitment Model of Political Obligation,” Workshop in Political Philosophy, Cambridge University, November 14, 2014
- “Care, Oppression, and Marriage,” Reed College, April 2, 2013
- “Marriage as Commitment: A Revisionary Argument,” Université de Montréal, June 4, 2010
- “Political Obligation as Commitment,” Cornell Political Theory Colloquium, October 24, 2007

**Conference presentations (selection)**

- “Structural Obligations,” WPSA, Vancouver, 2024
- “Transformative Action as Socially Structured and Plurally Public,” WPSA, San Francisco, 2023
- “How to Think of Action as Structural,” APSA, Montréal, 2022
- “Transformative Action as Socially Structured,” *Structural Injustice, Responsibility, and the Passage of Time* MANCEPT Workshop, September 8, 2022
- “Tommie Shelby on ‘impure dissent’ and the missed opportunity of understanding obligations as structural,” WPSA, Portland, 2022
- “Resistance as Structural Agency,” WPSA, April, 2021
- “Obligations to Resist Oppression and the Limits of Action,” APSA, 2020
- “Against Understanding Obligations to Resist Oppression as Moral Obligations,” WPSA, Los Angeles, 2020 (cancelled due to COVID 19)
- “Black Solidarity and the Denigration of Black Labor,” CPSA, Vancouver, 2019
- “Black Solidarity and the Denigration of Black Labor,” WPSA, San Diego, 2019
- “Racial Structural Solidarity,” APSA, San Francisco, 2017
- “Structural Solidarity,” CPSA, Toronto, 2017
- “The Insufficiency of Non-Domination: The Case of Gender Oppression,” APSA, San Francisco, 2015
- “Commitment as a Model for Our Responsibility for Oppression,” APSA, Washington, DC, 2014
- “Responsibility for Structural Oppression,” ALSP, Leeds, July 2014
- “What Is Structural about the Basic Structure?,” WPSA, Seattle, 2014
- “What Is Structural about Structural Injustice?” *Philosophy and Social Science*, Prague, 2013
- “Gender Oppression and the Language of Choice,” WPSA, Los Angeles, 2013

## OTHER PARTICIPATION (SELECTION)

### Invited

Participant in *Power and Domination: An International Research Workshop*, a book manuscript workshop on Arash Abizadeh's *Power, Subjection, and Democracy* and William Clare Roberts' *A Radical Politics of Freedom*, McGill University, August 15-17, 2022

Participant in roundtable on *The Form of the Firm* by Abraham Singer, CPSA, Vancouver, 2019

Participant in symposium on *The Politics of Repressed Guilt* by Claudia Leeb, WPSA, San Diego, 2019

Participant in *Judgement, Relationality, Care: A Celebration of the Work of Jennifer Nedelsky*, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto, October 27, 2017

Discussant for Michael Ferguson's "Cooptation or Complicity?," Political Theory Research Workshop, University of Toronto, February 12, 2016

Discussant in the *Theoretical Reflections on Exploitation in Practice* workshop at University of Guelph, October 9-10, 2015 (organized by Monique Deveaux, Meena Krishnamurthy and Vida Panitch)

Participant in roundtable on *Fortunes of Feminism* by Nancy Fraser, Frankfurt University, May 2013

### At conferences

Chair for Author Meets Critics panels:

- *Part-Time for All. A Care Manifesto* by Jennifer Nedelsky and Thomas Malleson, WPSA 2023.
- *Reckoning. Black Lives Matter and the Democratic Necessity of Social Movements* by Deva Woodly, APSA 2022
- *In a Classroom of Their Own* by Keisha Lindsay, WPSA 2021

Participant in and chair of *Authors Meet Authors: Solidarities and Injustices* workshop (APSA 2020)

Participant in Author Meets Critics on *Law's Relations* by J. Nedelsky, WPSA, Portland, 2012

Discussant for WPSA panels (2024: *Marxisms*; 2023: *Politics of Care*; 2021: *Capitalism, Colonialism, and Race*), CPSA panels (2019: *Solidarity and Organic Politics*; 2010: *The Uses and Limits of Ideals in Political Judgment*), APSA panels (2017: *Consent, Authority, and Obligation*; 2010: *The Good Citizen: Re-thinking Political Obligation*; 2008: *Feminist Theory and "Redistribution"*; 2006: *Care and Social Justice*)

## STUDENT SUPERVISION

**Graduate Supervision:** Jacob Morel (MA, in progress), Maria Milanova (MA, in progress), Ava Dale (MA, in progress), Monet Nobuso (MA, in progress).

**Second Reader:** Dempsey Wilford (MA, 2019), Kayla Hofman (MA, 2021).

**Graduate committee member:** Karen Hira (PhD, School of Public Administration), Carol Marinho-Ribeiro (PhD in Law and Society, Faculty of Law).

**Honors Students Supervisor:** Alicia Bednarski (2020), Lily Jones (2021), Isabel Simons (2022), Kailani Johansson (2023), Acacia Lee (2024)

**Honors Students Second Reader:** Giulia Gagliano (2021), Mack Stanbridge (2024), Kaitlyn Kirkpatrick (expected Fall 2024)

**JCURA Project Supervisor:** Lily Jones (GDS, 2020-21), Isabel Simons (GDS, 2021-22)

**VKURA Project Supervisor:** Alena Gavrilenko (2024)

**External Examiner:** Sacha Ghandeharian (PhD, Political Science, Carleton University, 2020), Sophia Myers (MA, Sociology, University of Victoria, 2020)

## CLASSES TAUGHT

### University of Victoria

*Introduction to Political Theory*, Fall 2018, 2020, 2022, 2023; Spring 2020, 2022, 2024

*Early Modern Political Theory*, Fall 2019, 2020; Spring 2019, 2020, 2023, 2024.

*Race and Liberal Theory*, Spring 2019

*Gender, Race and Power. Feminist Political Theory*, Fall 2019; Spring 2021, 2022, 2023

*Racial Capitalism*, Fall 2022, 2023; Spring 2021.

### Toronto Metropolitan (former Ryerson) University

*Introduction to Feminist Philosophy*, Winter 2018

### University of Chicago

*Classics of Social and Political Thought*, 2008-12 (yearlong course); Winter 2005, 2006, 2008

*Theories of Oppression*, Autumn 2011

*Introduction to Feminist Political Theories*, Autumn 2007

*Problems in the Study of Sexuality*, Autumn 2007 (co-taught with Lauren BERLANT)

## UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

### University of Victoria

Graduate Committee, Political Science, member (Spring 2022 - present)

Salary Evaluation Committee, Political Science, member (Spring 2021)

Speaker Series Committee, Political Science, member (2019-2021)

Undergraduate Program Review Committee, Political Science, member (Jan-June 2019)

Library Committee, Political Science, member (2018 – Fall)

Victoria Colloquium Speaker Series Committee, member (July 2018-present)

### University of Chicago

The College Council, member (elected term: 2009-2012)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Book manuscript reviewer for: University of Chicago Press, Oxford University Press.

Article manuscript reviewer for: *Philosophical Studies*, *Contemporary Political Theory*, *Global Justice: Theory Practice Rhetoric*, *APSR*, *AJPS*, *CRISPP*, *Journal of Politics*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Hypatia*, *Constellations*, *Political Studies*, *Studies in Social Justice*, *Journal of Applied Philosophy*, *Politics*, *Philosophy and Economics*, *Philosophical Papers*.

Conference co-organizer:

*Love and Care in the Time of Capitalism* (Frankfurt, 2015)

*Relational Injustice* (Frankfurt, 2013)

*Principles of Associations in British History* (Chicago, 2005)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (Continued)

### Conference panel/workshop organizer:

*Transformative action between judgment and structures* panel, WPSA 2023

Author Meets Critics panels on

- *Part-Time for All. A Care Manifesto* by Jennifer Nedelsky and Thomas Malleson (WPSA 2023)
- *Reckoning. Black Lives Matter and the Democratic Necessity of Social Movements* by Deva Woodly (APSA 2022)
- *In a Classroom of Their Own* by Keisha Lindsay (WPSA 2021)

Authors Meet Authors: Solidarities and Injustices Workshop (APSA 2020) (co-organized with Thomas Donahue-Ochoa).

*Structural Injustice, Consent and Obligations* panel (WPSA 2020 – cancelled due to COVID-19)

*Race, Gender, and the Politics of Care* panel (WPSA 2019)

## PRIZES, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

UVic SOOSC Indigenous Resurgence Support Fund (with Reeta Tremblay) (2019) – \$1500

APSA Travel Grant, American Political Science Association (2017, 2005)

Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship, Frankfurt University (4-year position; 2014; declined)

Wayne C. Booth Graduate Student Prize for Excellence in Teaching (2008)

Mellon Foundation/Social Sciences Dissertation-Year Fellowship (2006-07)

Grodzins Prize Lectureship (for teaching *Introduction to Feminist Political Theories*) (2007)

Dissertation Teaching and Research Fellowship (2005-06)

Global Supplementary Grant Award, *Open Society Institute* (2005, 2006)

Nicholson Center Student Initiative Award for organizing *Principles of Associations in British History*, with Victor Muniz-Fraticelli (April 2005)

Access to Research Infrastructure Action, European University Institute, Florence (2002)

Century Scholarship, University of Chicago (2001-05)

Central European University Scholarship (1999-00)