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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Kant, Nietzsche, Existentialism, Philosophy and Literature

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Associate Professor of Philosophy	2020-
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2017-2020
University of Tennessee, Knoxville Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2012-2017

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley Ph.D. Philosophy Dissertation: <i>Kant on Freedom, Nature and Normativity</i> Co-Directors: Hannah Ginsborg and R. Jay Wallace	2006-2012
University of Oxford M.St. European Literature Exam Subjects: Thomas Mann, Franz Kafka, Friedrich Nietzsche Thesis: <i>Struggle and Victory in Kafka's Das Schloss</i>	2004-2005
University of Oxford B.Phil. Philosophy Exam Subjects: Aristotle, Metaphysics and Epistemology, Moral Philosophy Thesis: <i>Substance in Aristotle's Categories</i>	2002-2004

HONORS AND AWARDS

[1]* Schwab Academic Excellence Award Institute for the Arts and Humanities, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	2021
[2]* Junior Faculty Development Award Provost's Office, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	2018
[3]* Foreign Travel Award Scholarly and Research Incentive Funds, University of Tennessee, Knoxville	2016
[4]* John Rogers Prize Awarded to the best paper in the 2015 <i>British Journal for the History of Philosophy</i> British Society for the History of Philosophy For "Kant on the Inapplicability of the Categories to Things in Themselves"	2016
[5]* Foreign Travel Award Scholarly and Research Incentive Funds, University of Tennessee, Knoxville	2015
[6]* Chancellor's Grant for Faculty Research University of Tennessee, Knoxville	2015
[7]* Summer Stipend Award National Endowment for the Humanities	2015

- [8]* **Visiting Scholars Project Award** 2014
Funded the visit of Karl Ameriks, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- [9]* **Mabelle McLeod Lewis Memorial Fund Dissertation Fellowship** 2011
- [10]* **Dean's Normative Time Fellowship** 2009 & 2011
University of California, Berkeley
- [11]* **Fink Prize** 2007
Awarded to the best Philosophy Graduate Student Essay
University of California, Berkeley
For "Substancehood and Subjecthood in Aristotle's *Categories*"
- [12]* **Ralph W. Church Fellowship** 2006
University of California, Berkeley
- [13]* **Distinction for Master of Studies in European Literature Degree** 2005
University of Oxford
- [14]* **Reynolds Graduate Scholarship in Modern Languages** 2004
New College, University of Oxford
- [15]* **Paul Ries Collin Scholarship** 2004
Oriental College, University of Oxford
- [16]* **Hölderlin Scholarship** 2003
German National Merit Foundation
- [17]* **Tuition Award** 2002
UK Arts and Humanities Research Board

* Refereed

Publications

Book

Kant on Freedom and Rational Agency. Oxford University Press. Forthcoming (2023)

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

- [1] **A New Dawn Fades: Post-Punk Under the Shadow of Nihilism**
Post-Punk and Philosophy, Edited by Josh Heter and Richard Greene. Carus Publishing. Forthcoming
- [2] **Grounding Empirical in Transcendental Reality**
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research. Forthcoming
- [3] **Nietzsche versus Kant on the Possibility of Rational Self-Critique**
Rethinking Kant Volume 7, Cambridge Scholars Publishing. Edited by Edgar Valdez. Forthcoming.
- [4] **Kant on Cognition and Knowledge**
The Oxford Handbook of Kant, Oxford University Press. Edited by Anil Gomes and Andrew Stephenson. Forthcoming
- [5] **Die radikale Unbegreiflichkeit von Gott für den menschlichen Verstand**
Die Gottesidee in Kants theoretischer und praktischer Philosophie, Studien und Materialien zur Geschichte der Philosophie. Edited by Bernd Dörflinger and Dieter Hüning. Georg Olms Verlag. Forthcoming
- [6] **Ist die Lehrbarkeit der Tugend vereinbar mit Kant's Theorie der Willensfreiheit?**
Kant als Tugendethiker?, Studien und Materialien zur Geschichte der Philosophie. Edited by Bernd Dörflinger and Dieter Hüning. Georg Olms Verlag. Forthcoming
- [7] **Kant on Mind-Dependence: Possible or Actual Experience?**
Kantian Review. Forthcoming

- [8] **The Post-Punk Struggle for Authenticity**
Punkrock and Philosophy, pp. 87-96. Edited by Josh Heter and Richard Greene. Carus Publishing, 2022
- [9] **A Priori Intuition and Transcendental Necessity in Kant's Idealism**
European Journal of Philosophy 29 (4), 827-845. 2021
- [10] **Kants subjektivistische Begründung von Moral und Freiheit im *Naturrecht Feyerabend***
Auf dem Weg zur kritischen Rechtslehre? Naturrecht, Moralphilosophie und Eigentumstheorie in Kants „Naturrecht Feyerabend“, pp. 150-171. Edited by Dieter Hüning, Stefan Klingner, Gianluca Sadun Bordoni. Brill, 2021
- [11] **Spontaneity and Contingency: Kant's Two Models of Rational Self-Determination**
The Concept of Will in Classical German Philosophy, pp. 29-48. Edited by Manja Kissner and Jörg Noeller. De Gruyter, 2020
- [12] **Kant on Cognizing Oneself as a Spontaneous Cognizer**
Canadian Journal of Philosophy 50 (3), 395-412, 2020.
- [13] **Kafka on the Loss of Purpose and the Illusion of Freedom**
The Polish Journal of Aesthetics 53 (2/2019): 69-90, 2019
- [14] **The Metaphysical Deduction and the Shadow of Humean Skepticism**
Kant-Studien 109 (3): 367-394, 2018
- [15] **Kant's Critique of Instrumental Reason**
Pacific Philosophical Quarterly 99 (3): 489-516, 2018
- [16] **Kant's Standpoint Distinction**
Kantian Review 23 (2): 229-255, 2018
- [17] **The Normativity of Prudence**
Kant-Studien 108 (4): 517-542, 2017
- [18] **Radical Evil as a Regulative Idea**
Journal of the History of Philosophy, 55 (4): 641-673, 2017
- [19] **Kant on Idealism, Freedom, and Standpoints**
Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie 98 (1): 21-54, 2016
- [20] **Kant and "Ought Implies Can"**
Philosophical Quarterly 65 (261): 690-710, 2015
- [21] **Kant on Freedom of Empirical Thought**
Journal of the History of Philosophy 53 (2): 301-326, 2015
- [22] **Kant on Determinism and the Categorical Imperative**
Ethics 125 (2): 331-356, 2015
- [23] **Kant on the Inapplicability of the Categories to Things in Themselves**
British Journal for the History of Philosophy 23 (1): 90-114, 2015
Recipient of the 2015 John Rogers Prize (British Society for the History of Philosophy)
- [24] **Transcendental and Practical Freedom in the *Critique of Pure Reason***
Kant-Studien 105 (3): 313-335, 2014
- [25] **Substancehood and Subjecthood in Aristotle's *Categories***
Phronesis 53 (2): 152-179, 2008
- [26] **Struggle and Victory in Kafka's *Das Schloss***
The Modern Language Review 101 (4): 1053-1043, 2006

BOOK REVIEWS

- [1] ***The Fiery Test of Critique: A Reading of Kant's Dialectic***, Ian Proops
Mind, forthcoming

- [2] ***The World According to Kant*, Anja Jauernig**
The Philosophical Review 131 (4), 511-514, 2022
- [3] ***Immanuel Kant. Groundwork for the Metaphysics of Morals*. Translated with an Introduction and Notes by Christopher Bennett, Joe Saunders, and Robert Stern**
Kant-Studien 113 (2), 367-369, 2022
- [4] **Kantian Subjects: Critical Philosophy and Late Modernity, Karl Ameriks**
Kantian Review 26 (2), 335-340, 2021.
- [5] **Kant's Conception of Freedom. A Developmental and Critical Analysis, Henry Allison**
European Journal of Philosophy 28 (3), 805-809, 2020.
- [6] ***Kant on the Sources of Metaphysics*, Marcus Willaschek**
Journal of the History of Philosophy 58 (1), 181-182, 2020.
- [7] ***Kant on Reflection and Virtue*, Melissa Merritt**
Ethics 129 (4), 726-731, 2019
- [8] ***Kants Begründung von Freiheit und Moral in Grundlegung III. Neue Interpretationen*, edited by Dieter Schönecker**
Jahrbuch des Deutschen Idealismus 13: 259-263, 2018
- [9] ***The Bounds of Freedom: Kant's Causal Theory of Action*, Robert Greenberg**
Kantian Review 23 (1): 158-163, 2018
- [10] ***Kant on Spontaneity*, Marco Sgarbi**
Kantian Review 20 (3): 479-483, 2015
- [11] ***Kant on Practical Justification*, edited by Mark Timmons and Sorin Baiasu**
Kantian Review 19 (2): 332-338, 2014

PRESENTATIONS & COMMENTS

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| [1]** | Original Synthesis, Normativity, and Intellectual Freedom
LMU Munich
Intellectual Freedom and the Possibility of Novel and Original Thought in Kant
Invited Keynote Speaker | 6/23 |
| [2]** | Kant on Moral Responsibility
University of Bucharest
Freedom, Action and Control: Conceptions of Rational Agency in Kant and the German Enlightenment. Invited Keynote Speaker. | 6/22 |
| [3]** | Nietzsche versus Kant on the Possibility of Rational Self-Critique
Department of Philosophy & Religion, UNC Wilmington
North American Kant Society, Southern Study Group. Invited Keynote Speaker | 4/22 |
| [4]** | Comments on Anja Jauernig, <i>The World According to Kant</i>
Eastern APA | 1/22 |
| [5]** | Kant on Knowledge of Transcendental Freedom of Will
UNC Philosophy Department, Work in Progress Series | 9/20 |
| [6]** | Comments on Nataliya Palatnik, "Kantian Freedom at a Distance"
NAKS Biennial, SUNY Binghamton | 6/20 |
| [7-8]** | Kant's Genealogical Anxiety
Institute of Philosophy, University of Luxembourg
Workshop on Kant's Practical Philosophy, UNC Chapel Hill | 11/19
10/19 |
| [9]** | Kant's Fourfold Model of Real Possibility
Institute of Philosophy, University of Luxembourg
Workshop on "Concept and Intuition in Kant and Hegel," Invited Keynote Speaker | 11/19 |

- [10]** **Zwei Begründungsebenen in Kants Rechtfertigung der Freiheit des Willens** 7/19
University of Trier
- [11] **Die radikale Unbegreiflichkeit von Gott für den menschlichen Verstand** 10/18
Die Gottesidee in Kants theoretischer und praktischer Philosophie
Katholische Akademie Rabanus Maurus, Frankfurt am Main
- [12] **A Priori Intuition and Transcendental Necessity in Kant's Idealism** 7/18
New Perspectives on Realism, Dualism, and Idealism, University of Tübingen
- [13-14] **Spontaneity and Contingency: Kant's Two Models of Rational Self-Determination**
The Concept of Will in Classical German Philosophy, LMU, Munich 11/17
APA Central Division (Symposium: Spontaneity and Rationality), Kansas City 3/17
- [15]** **Kant on Freedom and the Predictability of Human Action** 11/17
Southern Study Group of the North American Kant Society, Tulane University, New Orleans
- [16]** **Can There Be Kantian Freedom of Imagination?** 4/17
Workshop on The Many Faces of Kantian Freedom, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- [17]** **Kant's Theoretical Defense of Moral Freedom** 2/17
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- [18] **Ist die Lehrbarkeit der Tugend vereinbar mit Kant's Theorie der Willensfreiheit?** 10/16
Kant als Tugendethiker?, Katholische Akademie Rabanus Maurus, Frankfurt am Main
- [19] **Kants subjektivistische Begründung von Moral und Freiheit** 7/16
Kant-Kolloquium, University of Trier
- [20-21] **Kant's Standpoint Distinction**
University of Notre Dame, South Bend 1/16
Pacific Study Group of the North American Kant Society, Vancouver 11/15
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 12/14
- [22] **Radical Evil as a Regulative Idea** 8/15
Conference on Conscience and Moral Self-Knowledge in German Idealism, Oslo
- [23] **Kant and "Ought Implies Can"** 3/14
Workshop on Kant's Ethics, Chapel Hill
- [24]** **Kant on Responsibility and Possibility** 10/12
Philosophy Department Research Seminar, Knoxville
- [25-26] **Kant on Freedom of Belief**
Birkbeck College, University of London 1/12
University of Tennessee, Knoxville 12/11
- [27] **Determinismus und die Möglichkeit praktischer Sollenssätze bei Kant** 6/11
Doktorandenkolloquium, Frankfurt am Main
- [28]** **Comments on Helen Robertson's "On the Relation between Appearances and Things in Themselves"** 5/11
Berkeley-London Conference, Berkeley
- [29-30]** **Character, Ethical Knowledge, and Practical Reasoning: An Aristotelian Perspective**
Townsend Center Working Group in Ancient Philosophy, Berkeley 3/11
Berkeley-London Conference, Berkeley 5/09

** Unpublished Oral Presentations

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Graduate/Advanced Undergraduate:

Kant's Practical Philosophy: Fall 2019, 2023
Kant's Theoretical Philosophy: Spring 2018, 2022
Nietzsche: Fall 2020, 2022

Graduate:

Dissertation Research Seminar
 With Sarah Stroud: Fall 2018
 With Tom Dougherty: Fall 2021
 With Matt Kotzen: Spring 2024
Proto-Seminar for First-Year Students (with Tom Dougherty): Fall 2020
Advanced Studies in Epistemology (with Ram Neta): Spring 2023

Undergraduate:

17th/18th Century Western Philosophy: Spring 2017, 2020, 2021; Fall 2019, 2023
First Year Seminar, Ethics (Theoretical and Practical): Fall 2017
Existential Philosophy: Fall 2017, 2018, 2020, 2022; Spring 2020, 2021

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Graduate/Advanced Undergraduate:

Kant's Critique of Aesthetic Judgment: Fall 2016
Kant and the Idea of A Priori Justification: Fall 2014
Skepticism and Naturalism in Hume: Fall 2013
Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: Spring 2013

Undergraduate:

17th/18th Century Philosophy: Spring 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017; Fall 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
19th/20th Century Philosophy: Spring 2016, 2017
Existentialism: Spring 2014

University of California, Berkeley

Introduction to Ethics and Political Philosophy: Summer 2010

Advising (at UNC)

Dissertation Advisory Committee Member for:

Delaney Thull (Chair)
Michaela Tiller (second reader); defended 4/20
Phil Bold (second reader); defended 11/22
Ben Schwartz (second reader until 6/22)
Z Quanbeck (second reader)

Dissertation Examination Committee Member for:

Jessica Addison; Min Tang; Alfredo Watkins; Karl Adam

MA Thesis Committee Member for:

Delaney Thull (Chair starting 7/2021); Frank Wu; Aurora Yu

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Director for:

Peter (Ike) Crickmore; defended 4/20

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Examination Committee Member for:

Ryan Kramer; Hunter Martin; Angus Ewington; Katie Leonard

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Director for:

Nathan Harrison (2020)

SERVICE (at UNC)

Departmental Service:

Director of Undergraduate Studies (2021-)
Chapel Hill Philosophy Colloquium Committee (2017, 2018)
Graduate Admissions Committee (2017-2018; 2018-2019; 2019-2020)
Search Committee for Junior Faculty Position (2020-2021)
Reviewing Committee for Grade Appeal (2019)
Dissertation Proposal Examination Committee (x4 in 2017, x4 in 2018, x2 in 2019, x2 in 2020, x1 in 2021, x1 in 2022)
Area Examination Committee for Ancient Philosophy (2018, 2021, 2022)
Area Examination Committee for Modern Philosophy (2023, Chair)
Philosophy in 15 Minutes Presentation (2017)

University Service:

Administrative Boards of the College of Arts & Sciences (Course Committee) (2022-)
Faculty Panel for *Getting Involved in Research* Workshop (2020)
Faculty Reviewer for SURF Applications (2021)

Conference Organizing

- *Workshop on Kant's Practical Philosophy* (External Speakers: Karl Ameriks, Anne Margaret Baxley, Stephen Engstrom), University of North Carolina (2019)
- *The Many Faces of Kantian Freedom* (External Speakers: Anne Margaret Baxley, Andrews Reath, Eric Watkins), University of Tennessee (2017)
- *Tennessee Values and Agency Conference* (2013, 2015)

Manuscript Refereeing

Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie (2), *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Kantian Review* (11), *Journal of Social Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *History of Philosophy Quarterly* (2), *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* (7), *Journal of the History of Philosophy* (7), *Ergo* (2), *Kant Yearbook* (7), *European Journal of Philosophy* (3), *Logical Analysis and the History of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (4), *Journal of the American Philosophical Association* (2), *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Journal of Modern Philosophy*, *Philosophical Review*, *Oxford University Press*, *Israel Science Foundation*

Conference Refereeing

SNAKS Study Group (2015); NAKS Biennial (2018); NAKS Biennial (2020)

Translation

“Kritik und Fortentwicklung der kantischen Theorie des Raums bei Gerold Prauss“ (from German to English) for Prof. Bernd Dörflinger (University of Trier)

Editorial Activities

Member of the Editorial Board for *Kant Yearbook* (since 2018)

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