

# C U R R I C U L U M V I T A E

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## BASIC INFORMATION

Professor: Department of Philosophy (UIUC), home department  
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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Kant's practical philosophy; (the history of) legal-political philosophy (esp. Hobbes, Rousseau, Locke, Kant, Rawls, Arendt, and Nozick); (the history of) feminist philosophy (esp. Beauvoir); (the history of) social philosophy (race, sex, and gender); applied ethics; moral psychology; philosophical anthropology.

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Kant's theoretical philosophy, (the history of) practical philosophy.

## EDUCATION

2001-2006: University of Toronto, Canada. Ph.D. in philosophy.  
Thesis title: *The Liberal Ideal of Political Obligations: The Lockean Voluntarist vs. Kant's Non-Voluntarist Ideal of Political*

*Obligations*. Thesis director: Arthur Ripstein. Readers: Gopal Sreenivasan and Sergio Tenenbaum. External examiner: Daniel Weinstock. Internal examiner: Sophia Moreau.

1996-1999: University of Tromsø, Norway. MA in philosophy. Thesis title: *The Concept of the Citizen in John Rawls's Political Liberalism*. Thesis director: Ånund Haga.

1994-1996: University of Tromsø, Norway. Undergraduate studies in philosophy.

1994: Awarded the professional title of "siviløkonom" ("civil economist") by the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration (NHH).

1993-1994: London School of Economics and Political Science, UK. MSc in Industrial Relations and Personnel Management.

1990-1993: University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK. BA (Hons.) in Business Management.

## PUBLICATIONS

### a.) Books

1.) (in progress). *Transforming Our Social Contracts: A Kantian Theory of Justice with Applications*.

(Under contract with Oxford University Press, UK).

2.) 2024.

واردن، هلگا (۱۴۰۱). جستارهایی در اخلاق و فلسفه سیاسی کانت. ترجمه علی پیرحیاتی. نشر نقد فرهنگ

(Translation: Varden, Helga. *Essays on Kant's Ethics and Political Philosophy*. Transl. Ali Pirhayati. Naghd-e Farhang Publications. Publication of Cultural Criticism.)

3.) *Sex, Love, and Gender—A Kantian Theory*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020.  
(Paperback 2022.)

- Recipient of the North American Kant Society (NAKS) 2023 Senior Scholar Prize.
- Reviews:

- (i) (2023). Author Meets Critics Symposium, in special edition of *Estudos Kantianos* (“Intersubjectivity, Alterity, and Gender in Kant”), *vol. 11(1)*: 137-188, ed. Marita Rainsborough, Fernando Silva (CFUL, Portugal) and Paulo Jesus. Critics: Ann J. Cahill; Alice MacLachlan; Jordan Pascoe.
- (ii) (2022). Macarena Marey for *Studi Kantiani*, no. 35: 229-232.
- (iii) (2021) Author Meets Critics Symposium, *SGIR Review*, 4(1-2): 46-100. Critics: Janelle DeWitt; Carol Hay; Jennifer Lockhart
- (iv) (2021). Lina Papadeki for *Contextos Kantianos*, no. 14.
- (v) (2021). Melissa Seymour Fahmy for *Mind*. Printed copy in (2023) 132 (527): 890-898.
- (vi) (2020). J. A. Kegley for *Choice Reviews*.
- (vii) (2020.) Charlotte Sabourin for *Kantian Review*, 26(1):176-181.

## b.) Articles

\* (forthcoming.) “Connecting Arendt’s *Lectures* and Kant’s Legal and Political Philosophy,” for the De Gruyter series “Works of Philosophy and Their Reception” on Arendt’s Kant Lectures. Ed. Nicholas Dunn.

\* (forthcoming). “Nozick’s Kantian Roots.” In *Nozick’s Anarchy, State and Utopia at 50*, ed. Ralf Bader, Cambridge Philosophical Anniversaries/Cambridge University Press.

\* (forthcoming). “Kant and Property.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Kant*, ed. A. Gomes and A. Stephenson, Oxford University Press.

\* (2024). “Leaving the State of Nature: Strengths and Limits of Kant’s Transformation of ZPTh – Zeitschrift für Politische Theorie, pp. 1-24. <https://doi.org/10.3224/zpth.v15i1.03.of>

\* (2024). “Toward a Karendtian Theory of Political Evil: Connecting Kant and Arendt on Political Wrongdoing.” *Estudos Kantianos* (anniversary edition). 2024(12)(1): 61-96. (Open access available [here](#).)

\* (2024). “A Kantian Account of Intersectionality.” In *Dignity, Freedom and Justice*, ed. R. Gotoh, Springer, pp. 147-68. (Open access available book [here](#) and my chapter [here](#).)

\* (2023). “Universality and Accommodating Differences: Religious, Racial, Sexual, Gendered.” In *The Kantian Mind*, ed. S. Baiasu and M. Timmons, Routledge, ch. 32.

\* (2022). “Kant and the Environment.” In “Kant and Environmental Ethics,” ed. Gabriele Gava, special issue, *Studi Kantiani* 35: 27-48.

\* (2022). “A Kantian Account of Trauma.” In “Radicalizing Kant,” ed. Charles Mills and Corey W. Dyck, special issue, *Kantian Review* 27(4): 1-19.

\* (2022). “Kant’s Four Political Conditions: Barbarism, Anarchy, Despotism, and Republic.” *Norsk Filosofisk Tidsskrift/Norwegian Journal of Philosophy*, pp. 194-207.

\* (2022). With Carol Hay. “On the Challenges of Good Sex and the Temptations of Bad Sex.” In *The Palgrave Handbook Sexual Ethics*, ed. D. Boonin, Palgrave, pp. 73-92.

\* (2021). “Towards a Kantian Theory of Philosophical Education and Human Wisdom—with the help of Arendt.” In “Kant on Education and Improvement: Themes and Problems,” ed. David Bakhurst and Martin Sticker, *Journal of the Philosophy of Education* 55(6): 1081–1096.

\* (2021). “Kant and Arendt on Barbaric and Totalitarian Evil.” *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society* 121(2): 221-248.

\* (2021). “Locke on Property.” In *The Lockean Mind*, ed. J. Gordon-Roth and S. Weinberg, Routledge, pp. 428-437.

\* (2020). “Kant and Privacy.” In *Dimensions of Normativity: Kant on Morality, Legality and Humanity*, ed. A. Lyssy and C. Yeomans, Palgrave, pp. 229-252.

\* (2020). “Kantian Care.” In *Caring for Liberalism: Dependency and Political Theory*, ed. Asha L. Bhandary and Amy Baehr, Routledge, pp. 50-74.

\* (2020). “Kant and Moral Responsibility for Animals.” In *Kant & Animals*, ed. Lucy Allais and John Callanan, Oxford University Press, pp. 157-175.

\* (2018). “Kant on Sex. Reconsidered: A Kantian Account of Sexuality: Sexual love, Sexual Identity, and Sexual Orientation.” *Feminist Philosophy Quarterly* 4(1): 1-33.

\* (2018). “Kant’s Moral Theory and Feminist Ethics: Women, Embodiment, Care Relations, and Systemic Injustice.” In *The Bloomsbury Companion to Analytic Feminism*, ed. Pieranna Garavaso, Bloomsbury Academic, pp. 459-482.

\* (2017). “Kant and Sexuality.” In *The Palgrave Kant Handbook*, ed. Matthew Altman, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 331-353.

\* (2017). “Kant and Women.” *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 98(4): 653-694. (Electronic publication, Oct. 24, 2015.) DOI:10.1111/papq.12103.

- Reprint forthcoming in *Feminist Theory: A Philosophical Anthology*, 2nd ed., ed. Robin Andreasen, Esa Díaz-León, and Ann Cudd, Blackwell Publishers.

\* (2016). "Self-Governance and Reform in Kant's Liberal Republicanism: Ideal and Non-Ideal Theory in Kant's Doctrine of Right." Special issue of *dois pontos*, ed. Daniel Peres, 13(2): 39-70.

\* (2016). "Rawls vs. Nozick vs. Kant on Domestic Economic Justice." In *Kant and Social Policies*, ed. Andrea Luisa Buccile Faggion, Nuria Sánchez Madrid, Alessandro Pinzani, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 93-123.

\* (2014). "The Terrorist Attacks in Norway, July 22nd 2011— Some Kantian Reflections." *Norsk Filosofisk Tidsskrift/Norwegian Journal of Philosophy* 49(3-4): 236-259.

\* (2012): "A Feminist, Kantian Conception of the Right to Bodily Integrity: The Cases of Abortion and Homosexuality." In *Out of the Shadows*, ed. Sharon L. Crasnow and Anita M. Superson, Oxford University Press, pp. 33-57.

- (2014). Reprinted in *The Right to Bodily Integrity*, ed. A. M. Viens, in the series International Library of Essays on Rights, Ashgate, pp. 153-177.

\* (2012). "A Kantian Critique of the Care Tradition: Family Law and Systemic Justice." *Kantian Review* 17(2): 327-356.

\* (2012). "The Lockean 'Enough-and-as-Good' Proviso - an Internal Critique." *Journal of Moral Philosophy* 9: 410-22.

\* (2011). "A Kantian Conception of Global Justice." *Review of International Studies* 37(5): 2043-2057.

----- Reprint in Turkish: "Kantçı Bir Küresel Adalet Kavrayışı", *felsefelogos*, Year: 28, Issue: 82 (2024/1) "Immanuel Kant", pp. 41-55, ISSN: 1309-9175

\* (2010). "Kant and Lying to the Murderer at the Door... One more Time: Kant's Legal Philosophy and Lies to Murderers and Nazis." *The Journal of Social Philosophy* 41(4): 403-421.

\* (2010). "Lockean Freedom and the Proviso's Appeal to Scientific Knowledge." *Social Theory and Practice* 36(1): 1-20.

\* (2010). "A Kantian Conception of Free Speech." In *Free Speech in a Diverse World*, ed. Deirdre Golash, Springer, pp. 39-55.

\* (2010). "Kant's Non-Absolutist Conception of Political Legitimacy: How Public Right 'Concludes' Private Right in 'The Doctrine of Right.'" *Kant-Studien* 3: 331-351.

\* (2009). "Nozick's Reply to the Anarchist: What He Said and What He Should Have Said About Procedural Rights." *Law and Philosophy* 28(6): 585-616. (DOI: 10.1007/s10982-009-9046-1)

\* (2008). "Diversity and Unity. An Attempt at Drawing a Justifiable Line." *Archiv für Rechts- und Sozialphilosophie/Archives for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy* (ARSP) 94(1): 1-25.

\* (2008). "International and Cosmopolitan Political Obligations." In *Coercion and the State*, ed. David A. Reidy and Walter Riker, Springer, pp. 239-250.

\* (2008). "Kant's Non-Voluntarist Conception of Political Obligations: Why Justice is Impossible in the State of Nature." *Kantian Review* 13(2): 1-45.

\* (2007). "A Kantian Conception of Rightful Sexual Relations: Sex, (Gay) Marriage and Prostitution," *Social Philosophy Today* 22 ("Science, Technology and Social Justice"): 199-218.

\* (2006). "Locke's Waste Restriction and His Strong Voluntarism." *Locke Studies* 6: 127-141.

\* (2006). "Kant and Dependency Relations: Kant on the State's Right to Redistribute Resources to Protect the Rights of Dependents." *Dialogue – Canadian Philosophical Review* 45: 257-284.

\* (2001). "Politisk filosofi uten metafysikk?" *Norsk Filosofisk Tidsskrift*, Nr. 3. (Translation: "Political Philosophy without Metaphysics?" *Norwegian Journal of Philosophy*, No.3.)

\* (2000). "Dygd, lyst og lykke i Aristotles *Nicomachean Ethics*." *Kjellerdypet*, Vol. 3-4. (Translation: "Virtue, Lust and Happiness in Aristotle's *Nicomachean Ethics*", *Kjellerdypet*.)

### **c.) Critical Commentaries/Review Essays/Introductory Texts/ Replies to Critics/**

\* (2024). "Jordan Pascoe's *Kant's Theory of Labour*: A Kantian Engagement." *Kantian Review*, 1-8.

\* (2023). "Responding to Ann Cahill, Alice MacLachlan, and Jordan Pascoe." *Estudos Kantianos* 11(1): 175-188.

\* (2023). "Asha Bhandary's *Freedom to Care*—a Kantian Care Engagement," *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review*, (62): 247-260. (DOI: 10.1017/S0012217322000154)

\* (2021). Author Response to Critics [re: *Sex, Love, and Gender: A Kantian Theory*]. *SGIR Review* 4(1-2): 78-100.

\* (2015). "Immanuel Kant – frihetens politiske filosofi"/"Immanuel Kant – Justice as Freedom"

The Norwegian version (“Immanuel Kant – frihetens politiske filosofi”) appears in *Politisk filosofi. Fra Platon til Hannah Arendt*, ed. Jørgen Pedersen, Pax Forlag, pp. 472-98. (Norwegian anthology of essays on central figures in the history of political philosophy.) The English version (“Immanuel Kant – Justice as Freedom”) is published in *Philosophie de la justice/Philosophy of Justice*, Vol. 12 in the series Contemporary Philosophy, ed. Guttorm Fløistad, Springer, pp. 213-237.

\* (2015). “John Locke – anarkistisk libertarianisme”/“John Locke – Libertarian Anarchism”

The Norwegian version appears in *Politisk filosofi. Fra Platon til Hannah Arendt*, ed. Jørgen Pedersen, Pax Forlag, pp. 370-393. (Norwegian anthology of essays on central figures in the history of political philosophy.)

The English version (“John Locke – Libertarian Anarchism”) is published in *Philosophie de la justice/Philosophy of Justice*, Vol. 12 in the series Contemporary Philosophy, ed. Guttorm Fløistad, Springer, pp. 157-176.

\* (2014). “Patriotism, Poverty, and Global Justice—A Kantian Engagement with Pauline Kleingeld’s *Kant and Cosmopolitanism*.” *Kantian Review* 10(2): 251-266.

\* (2011). “Amartya Sen’s *The Idea of Justice* - Some Kantian Rejoinders.” *Social Philosophy Today* 27: 217-232.

\* (2011). “Coercion and the State.” A review of Sharon Byrd and Joachin Hruschka’s “Kant’s Doctrine of Right: A Commentary,” *Jurisprudence* 2(2): 547-559.

\* (2010). “Rescuing Justice and Equality – A Critical Engagement.” *Social Philosophy Today* 26: 175-189.

\* (2009). Critical Commentary on Ann Cudd’s *Analyzing Oppression*, OUP 2006. Contribution to web-based symposium on the web forum Symposia on Gender, Race, and Philosophy (SGRP), Volume 5(1). Web forum organized by Bob Gooding-Williams (Northwestern), Sally Haslanger (MIT), Ishani Maitra (Rutgers), Ron Sundstrom (USF), and Cynthia Willett (Emory).

#### d.) Encyclopedia/Lexicon Entries

\* (2022). “Kantian Autonomy.” In *Encyclopedia of the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy*, ed. M. Sellers and S. Kirste, Springer. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-94-007-6730-0\\_696-1](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-94-007-6730-0_696-1)

\* (2021). “On a Supposed Right to Lie from Philanthropy.” *The Cambridge Kant Lexicon*, ed. Julian Wuerth, Cambridge University Press, pp. 691-695.

\* (2015). "Robert Nozick." In *The Cambridge Rawls Lexicon*, ed. J. Mandle and D. Reidy, Cambridge University Press, pp. 561-564.

\* (2011). The following entries in the *Encyclopedia of Global Justice*, ed. Deen K. Chatterjee, Springer.

"Charity," pp. 117-119.

"Kant, Immanuel: Contemporary Kantian Responses to," pp. 610-613.

"Kant, Immanuel," pp. 609-610.

"Duties, Perfect and Imperfect," pp. 280-281.

"Duties, Positive and Negative," pp. 281-284.

"Nozick, Robert," 760-762.

New edition of this encyclopedia is in progress; editor. Joshua Kassner.

### e.) Reviews

\* (2023). Review of Barbara Herman, *The Moral Habitat* (Oxford University Press, 2022). *The Philosophical Review* 132(2): 313-316.

\* (2017). Review of Sidney Axinn, *Sacrifice and Value: A Kantian Interpretation* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2010). *Critique*. (2017.01.22.)

\* (2014). Review of Martha C. Nussbaum, *Political Emotions: Why Love Matters for Justice* (Harvard University Press, 2013). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*. (2014.03.34)

\* (2013). Review of Carol Hay, *Kantianism, Liberalism, Feminism: Resisting Oppression* (Palgrave, 2013). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2013.11.05).

\* (2012). Review of Elisabeth Ellis, ed., *Kant's Political Theory: Interpretations and Applications* (Penn State Press). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2013.01.31).

\* (2010). Review of Jan Narveson and James P. Sterba, *Are Liberty and Equality Compatible* (Cambridge University Press, 2010). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2010.08.16).

\* (2010). Review of Thomas E. Hill Jr., ed., *Blackwell Guide to Kant's Ethics* (Blackwell, 2009). *Ethics* 120(4): 860-864.

\* (2008). Review essay of Otfried Höffe, *Kant's Cosmopolitan Theory of Law and Peace*, transl. Alexandra Newton (Cambridge University Press, 2006). *Symposium: Canadian Journal of Continental Philosophy* 12(1): 168-174.

\* (2007). Review of Paul Guyer, *Kant* (Routledge, 2006). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2007.02.03).

\* (2007). Review of Paul Saurette, *The Kantian Imperative: Humiliation, Common Sense, Politics* (University of Toronto Press, 2005). In “Letters in Canada,” *University of Toronto Quarterly* 76(1): 305–307.

#### f.) Public Philosophy

\* (2024). “Rawls vs. Nozick: Justice or Freedom?” Published in *Institute for Arts & Ideas News*, June 6. <https://iai.tv/articles/rawls-vs-nozick-justice-or-freedom-auid-2854>

\* (2024). “A Conversation with Professor Helga Varden Traversing Philosophy, Sex, Love, and Social Contracts.” Interviewed by Daniela Andrade and Lucy Nicholls. MamaMuse April 19, 2024. <https://mamamuse.nyc/voices/a-conversation-with-professor-helga-varden-traversing-philosophy-sex-love-and-social-contracts>

\* (2024). “Traumatized Heroes: Living with Wrongdoing.” *Public Seminar* (2024.02.21)

\* (2023). “How to Move Beyond Our Endless Disagreements over Abortion Policies.” *Public Seminar* (2023.11.08)

\* (2023). PEA Soup blog on Herman’s *The Moral Habitat*. Link: <https://peasoupblog.com/2023/09/pea-soup-book-review-barbara-hermans-the-moral-habitat-review-from-sophia-moreau/>

\* (2023). “A love letter across the ocean to Esben Esther Pirelli Benestad.” *Blikk* (2023.03.29).

\* (2020). Podcast interview (“Immanuel Kant’s Racism and Sexism with Professors Lucy Allais and Helga Varden”) with Tanishq Khurana for *The Philosophy Junkie* (10.31.2020). (Link: <https://podcasts.google.com/feed/aHR0cHM6Ly9hbmNob3IuZm0vcy8xZjdZjNhMC9wb2RjYXN0L3Jzcv/episode/MWIyODI0MzYtYzE4Yi00YzJkLWJiZmMtNDRmMTUoMTBhYT1i?ep=14>)

\* (2018). Podcast interview (“Kant’s Theory of Sexuality”) with Ole Morten Moen and Aksel Braanen Sterri on *Moralistene/Moralizers* (Norwegian only). (Link: <https://soundcloud.com/user-928115755/episode-11-kants-teori-om-sex-intervju-med-helga-varden>)

\* (2016). ”[Retten til frihet – om fremmedgjøring og undertrykking i den norske offentligheten](#)” (*Salongen—Tidsskrift for filosofi og idehistorie*). (2016.11.15) (Norwegian only.)

\* (2016). ”[The Politics of Narcissism, Dehumanization, and Dispossession: From Norway to Orlando to Britain](#).” *Medium* (2016.06.27).

\* (2016). “[Niqab-forbud stenger folk ute](#)” (“Norwegian law against niqab excludes women from higher education”), with Hege Cathrine Finholt (U. of Oslo), *Vårt Land*. (2016.10.08) (Norwegian only.)

\* (2016). ”[Norsk filosofi—en liten runde til](#)” (Norwegian Philosophy—Another Quick Round”) [Salongen—Tidsskrift for filosofi og idehistorie](#) (2016.06.01). (Norwegian only.)

\* (2015). ”[Den fattige debatten](#)” (“The lack of informed public debate in Norway”). [Salongen – Tidsskrift for filosofi og idehistorie](#) (2015.11.25) (Norwegian only.)

\* (2015). ”[Norsk filosofi—et blikk utenfra](#)” (Norwegian Philosophy—A View from the Outside”). [Salongen—Tidsskrift for filosofi og idehistorie](#) (2015.07.31) (Norwegian only.)

#### **g.) Works-in-Progress**

\* “Kant and Political Obligations,” *The Oxford Handbook of Political Obligation*, ed. Georg Klosko. (Invited)

#### **RESEARCH PRIZES/FELLOWSHIPS/RECOGNITIONS**

AY 2024-25: The Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory’s Critical Book Lab.

Fall 2023: The North American Kant Society (NAKS) Senior Scholar Prize.

AY 2023-2024: The 2023/4 Murray Lecturer at the University of Saskatchewan.

Fall 2023/Spring 2024 & Fall 2024/Spring 2025:  
The OpEd Alumni Project, University of Illinois System.

Fall 2022/Spring 2023:  
Public Voices Fellow, The OpEd Project, University of Illinois System.

Fall 2021/Spring 2022:  
2021-2022 Distinguished Speaker, Department of Philosophy, Eastern Michigan University.

Fall 2021/Spring 2022:  
Associate appointment in the UIUC Center for Advanced Studies (CAS).

Spring 2020: The UIUC [2020](#) Campus Distinguished Promotion Award.

Spring 2018: The Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory's Annual Distinguished Faculty Lecture

Spring 2018: The Niebuhr Lecture, Elmhurst College, April 30, 2018.

Fall 2016: Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Chicago.

Fall 2015: The Grace Nelson Lecture, Indiana University.

Fall 2014/Spring 2015: Brady Distinguished Visiting Associate Professor in Ethics and Civic Life, Department of Philosophy, Northwestern University.

Spring 2014: Visiting fellow, the Centre for Ethics, Philosophy and Public Affairs, Department of Philosophy, University of St. Andrews.

Fall 2013-Spring 2014: Fellow at Center for Advanced Studies, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Spring 2013: “Humanities Released Time” fellowship, Campus Research Board Programs, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Spring 2013: William and Flora Hewlett International Research Travel Grant (for 2012-13).

2006-present Scholar’s Travel Award, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research (OVCR), U. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. (19 awards)

August 2007: Internationale Vereinigung für Rechts- und Sozialphilosophie (IVR) Prize for Young Scholars. (Paper: “Diversity and Unity: An Attempt at Drawing a Justifiable Line”)

December 2005: George Paxton Young Memorial Prize 2005, co-winner. Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto.

July 2005: The North American Kant Society Markus Herz Award 2004. Awarded to the best graduate student paper submitted to any of the division meetings. (Paper: "Kant and Dependency Relations: Kant on the State's Right to Redistribute Resources to Protect the Rights of Dependents".)

May 2005: 1<sup>st</sup> prize Student Essay Competition at the Canadian Philosophical Association Congress 2005. (Paper: "Kant and Dependency Relations: Kant on the State's Right to Redistribute Resources to Protect the Rights of Dependents".)

Oct 2004: Graduate student travel stipend to the Midwest Study Group of the North American Kant Society Meeting. Awarded to the best graduate paper. (Paper: "Kant and Dependency Relations: Kant on the State's Right to Redistribute Resources to Protect the Rights of Dependents".)

2004-Sept. 2005: Full PhD scholarship from the Research Council of Norway.

2001-Dec. 2003: Stipend from the University of Toronto:  
A University of Toronto Open Fellowship.  
Tuition Grant.  
Teaching Assistantship.

2000: Awarded Fulbright Fellowship for graduate studies in the USA.

2000, January: Stipend from the Department of Research at the University of Tromsø (Norway) to prepare applications for doctoral studies ("overgangsstipend").

## TEACHING AWARDS

Summer 2020: Wengert Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award

Summer 2020: Department of Philosophy Faculty Teaching Award

Spring 2014: The LAS Dean's Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching.

Spring 2012: Moss Outstanding Leadership Coach Award  
(from the Illinois Leadership Center)

**On the “[List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students](#)” for the following courses:**

Spring 2023: PHIL 499 (Capstone Seminar for Philosophy Majors)

Fall 2022: PHIL 411 (19th Century Philosophy).

Fall 2021: PHIL 511 (Seminar Ethical Theory: “Freedom, Violence, Oppression.”)  
PHIL 414 (Major Recent Philosophers: “Marx, Freud, Cooper, Du Bois, Arendt, and Beauvoir”).

Spring 2021: PHIL 421 (“Ethical Theories”)  
PHIL 436 (“Philosophy of Law and State”)

(PHIL 436 was also on the list of courses/instructors ranked as “outstanding,” meaning top 10% campus wide.)

Fall 2020: PHIL 421 (“Ethical Theories”)

Spring 2020: PHIL 107 (“Introduction to Political Philosophy”)  
PHIL 511 (“Seminar Ethical Theory”)

Fall 2019: PHIL 250 (“Theories of Human Nature”)  
PHIL 436 (“Philosophy of Law and State”)

(PHIL 436 was also on the list of courses/instructors ranked as “outstanding,” meaning top 10% campus wide.)

Spring 2019: PHIL 107 (“Introduction to Political Philosophy”)  
PHIL 414 (“Recent Modern Philosophers—Hannah Arendt”)

Fall 2018: PHIL 436 “Philosophy of Law and State”

(This course was also on the list of courses ranked as “outstanding,” meaning top 10% campus wide.)

Spring 2018: PHIL 421 “Ethical Theories”

Fall 2017: PHIL 250 “Theories of Human Nature”  
PHIL 511 “Seminar Ethical Theory”

Spring 2016: PHIL 421 “Ethical Theories”  
PHIL 107 “Introduction to Political Philosophy”

(PHIL 421 was also on the list of courses/instructors ranked as “outstanding,” meaning top 10% campus wide).

Fall 2011: PHIL 422 “Recent Developments in Ethics”

Spring 2011: PHIL 521 “Seminar Contemporary Problems: ‘Kant’s Practical Philosophy’”  
PHIL 436 “Philosophy of Law and the State: ‘Modern Theories of Law and the State’”

Fall 2010: PHIL 421 “Ethical Theories”  
PHIL 530 “Dissertation Seminar”

Spring 2010: PHIL 436 “Philosophy of the Law and of the State – Global Justice”

Fall 2009: PHIL 530 “Dissertation Seminar”

Spring 2009: PHIL 421 “Ethical Theories”  
PHIL 511 “Seminar on Feminist Philosophy”

Spring 2008: PHIL 421 “Ethical Theories”

## UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

**\* TBD.**

XI Multilateral Kant Colloquium, Federal University of Santa Catarina, Florianópolis, Brazil, from September 29 to October 03, 2025.

**\* TBD.**

NYU-Princeton Workshop on “Kant, Animals, and the Environment” (NYUPWKAE), New York University, May 10-11, 2025.

\* Commentary on “Kant on Intending to Deceive Oneself,” Central APA (virtual conference), February 20–22 and February 27–March 1, 2025.

**\* TBD.**

Department of Philosophy’s Seminar Series, University of Konstanz, Germany, Dec. 19, 2024.

**\* TBD.**

Tricentennial Kant Conference, University of Rome, Italy, Dec 13–14, 2024.

**\* TBD.**

Department of Philosophy, UNED, Spain. (zoom). Nov. 14, 2024.

**\* TBD.**

MexNAKS, UNAM, Mexico City, Mexico. November 4-8, 2024.

## UNIVERSITY/DEPARTMENT SERVICE

### 1. University Service

Graduate College's Fellowship Board (2023-present)  
Graduate College Executive Committee (2022-present)  
Search Committee for Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and Provost (2022-2023)  
University of Illinois University Senates Conference (2020-2023)  
UIUC Public Humanities Post-Doc Selection Committee (2022-2023)  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee (2020-2021, 2021-2022)  
Faculty Senate (2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022)  
The LAS Honors Council (2019-2021)  
The Humanities Council Scholarship and Honors Committee at the UIUC (2007- 2009)

### 2. Departmental Service/Administration

Alumni Outreach Cmte (2023-24, chair)  
Colloquium Committee (2022-2023, chair)  
Website/Social Media committee (2022-2023, chair)  
Prizes & Awards (2021-2023, chair)  
Graduate Program Committee (2021-2022, 2022-2023)  
Undergraduate Program Committee (2022-2023)  
Senate Representative for the Department of Philosophy (FA 2019-FA 2022)  
Placement Director (FA 2019-FA 2021)  
Director of Graduate Studies (Fall 2011-Fall 2013, Fall 2015-Fall 2016)  
TA Orientation and Oversight Committee (chair Fall 2016-FA 2019, Fall 2006-Spring 2012, chair Fall 2008-Fall 2011)  
Grievance Committee (2015-16, 2018-resent)  
Graduate Admissions Committee (chair, 2015-16)  
Law and Philosophy Liaison (2008-14)  
Executive Committee (Fall 2008-Fall 2013)  
Graduate Program Committee (Fall 2011-Fall 2013 (chair), Fall 2015-16 (chair), 2018-19)  
Search Committees (2012/13, chair 2013/14 (diversity advocate on two searches 2013/14))  
Colloquium Committee (2006-08, 09-10, 11-12)  
Workshop in ethics (2006-2010, together with Prof. Sussman)  
Graduate Admissions Committee (2006-09, 2015-16)  
Committee to develop proposal for minor in philosophy (ad hoc, Fall 08)  
Courses/Curricula (2006-08)

Caton Graduate Prize (2007-08)

Search committee for visiting lecturer position (ad hoc cmte, Spring 08, Summer 2016, Spring 2020, Spring 2021)

Graduate guidelines (ad hoc cmte, Fall 07)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Summer 2024-present. Central Division Representative to the Board of Officers of the American Philosophical Association (APA).
- Spring 2024-present. Founder and organizer of *Workshop in Political Theory*. (Online)
- Fall 2023-present: President of the [American Association of Legal and Social Philosophy](#) (AMINTAPHIL; the American Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy).
- Fall 2023-present: Co-Founder and on the Steering Cmte of *Midwest and Southern Workshop on Political Philosophy*.
- Summer 2022-present: On the Editorial Board for *Journal of Social Philosophy*.
- Summer 2022-Summer 2025: American Philosophical Association's Committee on the Status and Future of the Profession.
- Spring 2022-present: Founder and co-organizer of Kant Reading Group. (Online.)
- Summer 2021-present: Co-founder and organizer of *The Pariah Workshop*. (Online.)
- Spring 2020-present: Executive Officer on the [Editorial Board](#) for *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*.
- Spring 2021-present: On the Board for Norsk Forening for Rettsfilosofi (The Norwegian Association for the Philosophy of Law/the Norwegian Section of the IVR).
- Spring 2021-present: On the Board of Advisors for NAKS Women Scholars Network
- Spring 2021-present: On the editorial board of *Kant Çalışmaları* ("Kant Studies," Journal of the Turkish Kant Society)
- Fall 2013-present: On the [editorial board](#) of *The Journal of Value Inquiry*.
- Fall 2010-present: Co-organizer of the New Voices in Legal Theory workshop.
- Fall 2024: Philosophy Academic Program Review
- Fall 2013-2020: On the Early Career Committee of the American Association of Legal and Political Philosophy (AMINTAPHIL; the American Section of the International Association for the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy).
- Spring 2016-2020: On the Executive Committee of the American Association of Legal and Political Philosophy (AMINTAPHIL; the American Section of the International Association for the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy).
- Spring 2017-2020: Treasurer for the American Association of Legal and Political Philosophy (AMINTAPHIL; the American Section of the International Association for the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy).
- Summer 2017-present: Co-organizer (with Rob Kar) of "Law and Philosophy Lecture Series" at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Summer 2015-summer 2019: Treasurer of the [International Association for the Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy](#) (IVR).

- Fall 2019-present: On the Text Advisory Board for “[Wisdom’s Edge](#),” organization aimed at bringing philosophical inquiry and discussion to the edges of society: homeless shelters, prisons, children’s centers and assisted living centers.
- Fall 2018-present: On the expert panel for [Simply Charly](#).
- Fall 2022-2023: Vice-President of [AMINTAPHIL](#) (American Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy).
- Fall 2018-2019: APA Central Nominating Committee.
- Fall 2008- summer 2018: Co-president of Society for [The Philosophy of Sex and Love](#) (SPSL).
- Summer 2014-summer 2017: Vice-President for the [North American Kant Society](#) (NAKS).
- Summer 2015-spring 2017: Chair of the 2017 APA Program Committee for the Central Division.
- Spring 2013-fall 2015: On the committee to select the De Gruyter Lecturer for the APA, on behalf of the De Gruyter Stiftung.
- Spring 2010-FA 2016: On the Editorial Board of [Kant Studies Online](#).
- 2015-16: APA Central Division Nominating Committee.
- May 14, 2015: External examiner for Nat Baldino’s undergraduate honor’s thesis (“Making Oneself Flesh,” at Knox College.
- June 14-16, 2015: Mentor at the 3rd Biennial Mentoring Workshop for Early Career Women in Philosophy, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, host: Louis Antony.
- Spring 2015: AMINTAPHIL Early Career Scholar Award Committee.
- 2010-14: NASSP representative to the Central Division of the APA.
- Fall 2012-fall 2014: Member of program committee of the Midwest NAKS (North American Kant) Society.
- Summer/Fall 2014: Program Committee for AMINTAPHIL conference 2014.
- Summer 2014: Nominating committee for Society for Analytical Feminism (SAF).
- Spring 2014: Host for New Voices in Legal Theory workshop (March 3-4, St. Andrews, Scotland).
- February 2013: External examiner for Øystein Lundestad, Ph.D. philosophy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology.
- The Program Committee for the 2014 Central APA Meeting.
- December 2012: External examiner for Kjartan Koch Mikalsen, Ph.D. philosophy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU).
- Spring 2011: Hosted the first biannual conference of the North American Kant Society (NAKS) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Hosted the SPSL’s “Sexual Selves” conference at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, May 1-3, 2009.
- Program Committee for the 2011 Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory (FEAST) Conference, September 22-25, The Illinois Beach Resort, Zion, IL.

- Fall 2009: Hosted the Illinois Philosophical Association's (IPA) annual meeting, at the Department of Philosophy at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Co-hosts: Profs. Korman and Weinberg.
- The 2009, 2010 Book Award Committee for the North American Society for Social Philosophy
- The Program Committee for the 2009 APA Central Division meeting, February 19-21, 2009, Chicago
- The Program Committee for the 2008 [AMINTAPHIL](#) (the American Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy) conference "Free Speech in a Diverse World", Sept. 25 - 28, 2008, at Villanova University
- Referee for *American Political Science Review*, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *British Journal of Political Science*, Cambridge University Press, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, *Con-Textos Kantianos*, EM (Edwin Mellen) Press, *Ergo*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *Ethics*, *European Journal of Political Theory*, *Hypatia*, *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*, *Journal of Applied Philosophy*, *Journal of Ethics*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *Journal of History of Philosophy*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, *Kantian Review*, *Kantian Studies Online*, *Kritik—Journal of Philosophy, Law and Philosophy*, *Manuscrito*, *Norsk Filosofisk Tidsskrift (Norwegian Journal of Philosophy)*, Northwestern University Press, Oxford University Press (Oxford and New York), Palgrave Macmillan, *Philosophical Papers*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Public Reason*, *Res Publica*, *Roczniki Filozoficzne*, Routledge, *Social Philosophy Today*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Studi Kantiani*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Synthese*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Philosophia*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Political Theory*, *Transnational Legal Theory*, *The Journal of Value Inquiry*.