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Academic Appointments

- Associate Professor of Philosophy and Political Science at Purdue University.
 - August 2024 to present.
- Assistant Professor of General Business at West Virginia University.
 - August 2022 to May 2024.
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the University of Maryland, College Park.
 - August 2017 to June 2022.

Other Roles

- Affiliated Fellow, F.A. Hayek Program for Advanced Studies in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics at the Mercatus Center at George Mason University.
 - August 2017 to present.
- Academic Director, Kendrick Center for an Ethical Economy at West Virginia University.
 - August 2022 to May 2024.
- Founder and Director, Philosophy, Politics, and Economics major at the University of Maryland, College Park.
 - August 2019 to June 2022.
- Faculty Affiliate, Ed Snider Center for Enterprise and Markets at the University of Maryland, College Park.
 - August 2017 to June 2022.

Education

- Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Arizona, June 2017.
- B.A., Philosophy and Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, December 2012.

Publications

Books

1. *Political Meritocracy in the 21st Century*. Under contract with Cambridge University Press (Cambridge Elements series).
2. *Secret Government: The Pathologies of Publicity*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021.

Journal Articles

1. "Formal Models in Normative Political Theory." *Journal of Theoretical Politics* (forthcoming). (with Hun Chung).
2. "Creative Destruction and the Autonomous Life." *Journal of Business Ethics* (forthcoming).
3. "The Moral Status of Pecuniary Externalities." *Journal of Business Ethics* (forthcoming). (with Jeffrey Carroll).
4. "There Is No Right to a Competent Electorate." *Inquiry* (forthcoming). (with Jeffrey Carroll).
5. "In Defense of Filibustering." *Social Theory and Practice* (forthcoming).
6. "The Demand and Supply of False Consciousness." *Social Philosophy & Policy* (forthcoming).
7. "In Defense of (Limited) Oligarchy." *Public Affairs Quarterly* 37 (2023): 352-370.
8. "In Defense of Knavish Constitutions." *Public Choice* 196 (2023): 141-156.
9. "Finding the Epistocrats." *Episteme* 20 (2023): 497-512.
10. "We Must Always Pursue Economic Growth." *Utilitas* 34 (2022): 478-492.
11. "Reparations to the Privileged?" *Journal of Applied Philosophy* 39 (2022): 441-455.

12. "Does Equality Persist? Evidence from the Homestead Act." *Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy* 3 (2022): 215-241. (with Bryan Leonard).
13. "Lockeans against Labor Mixing." *Politics, Philosophy & Economics* 20 (2021): 251-272.
14. "When Public Reason Falls Silent: Liberal Democratic Justification versus the Administrative State." *Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy* 7 (2021): 161-193. (with Stephen G.W. Stich).
15. "Secrecy and Transparency in Political Philosophy." *Philosophy Compass* 16 (2021): e12733.
16. "Diversity and Rights: a Social Choice-Theoretic Analysis of the Possibility of Public Reason." *Synthese* 197 (2020): 839-865. (with Hun Chung).
17. "Asymmetric Idealization and the Market Process." *Advances in Austrian Economics* 25 (2020): 85-110.
18. "The Future of Political Philosophy: Non-Ideal and West of Babel." *Review of Austrian Economics* 33 (2020): 237-252.
19. "Kant, Rawls, and the Possibility of Autonomy." *Social Theory and Practice* 45 (2019): 613-635.
20. "Rawlsian Originalism." *Jurisprudence* 10 (2019): 334-353. (with Alexander William Salter).
21. "Public Reason's Chaos Theorem." *Episteme* 16 (2019): 200-219.
22. "The Supreme Court as the Fountain of Public Reason." *Legal Theory* 24 (2018): 345-369.
23. "Moral Diversity and Moral Responsibility." *Journal of the American Philosophical Association* 4 (2018): 371-389. (with Robert H. Wallace).
24. "Enough and as Good: a Formal Model of Lockean First Appropriation." *American Journal of Political Science* 62 (2018): 682-694. (with Benjamin Ogden).
25. "What We Choose, What We Prefer." *Synthese* 195 (2018): 3321-3340.
26. "Justice, Diversity, and the Well-Ordered Society." *The Philosophical Quarterly* 67 (2017): 663-684.
27. "Aggregating Out of Indeterminacy: Social Choice Theory to the Rescue." *Politics, Philosophy & Economics* 16 (2017): 210-232.
28. "When Public Reason Fails Us: Convergence Discourse as Blood Oath." *American Political Science Review* 110 (2016): 717-730. (with Stephen G.W. Stich).

29. "The Irrelevance of the Impossibility of Pure Libertarianism." *Journal of Philosophy* 112 (2015): 211-222. (with Stephen G.W. Stich).
30. "Modeling the Individual for Constitutional Choice." *Constitutional Political Economy* 26 (2015): 455-474.

Book Chapters

1. "Political Epistemology." *The Routledge Companion to Social and Political Philosophy*, edited by Ryan Muldoon and Fred D'Agostino. New York: Routledge, forthcoming. (with Aylon Manor).
2. "Public Choice and Political Equality." *Wealth and Power: Philosophical Perspectives*, edited by Michael Bennett, Huub Brouwer, and Rutger Claassen: 67-84. London: Routledge, 2022.
3. "Justificatory Failures and Moral Entrepreneurs: a Hayekian Theory of Public Reason." *Exploring the Political Economy & Social Philosophy of F.A. Hayek*, edited by Peter J. Boettke, Jayme S. Lemke, and Virgil Henry Storr: 79-99. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2018.
4. "Buchanan and Arrow on Impossibility, Democracy, and Market." *Exploring the Political Economy & Social Philosophy of James M. Buchanan*, edited by Paul Aligica, Christopher J. Coyne, and Stefanie Haeffele: 123-141. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2018.
5. "Rawls, Buchanan, and the Search for a Better Social Contract." *Exploring the Political Economy & Social Philosophy of James M. Buchanan*, edited by Paul Aligica, Christopher J. Coyne, and Stefanie Haeffele: 17-38. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2018.
6. "Rational Choice Theory." *Research Methods in Analytic Political Theory*, edited by Adrian Blau: 217-242. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017. (with Gerald Gaus).

Edited Volumes

1. *Political Process: New Perspectives on the Virginia and Bloomington Schools*. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, forthcoming. (co-edited with Donald J. Boudreaux and Christopher J. Coyne).
2. *Exploring the Political Economy and Social Philosophy of Elinor and Vincent Ostrom*. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2020. (co-edited with Peter Boettke and Bobbi Herzberg).

Book Reviews

1. Adam Lovett, *Democratic Failures and the Ethics of Democracy*. Forthcoming in *Public Choice*.
2. Stuart Vyse, *The Uses of Delusion: Why It's Not Always Rational to be Rational*. Forthcoming in *The Independent Review*.
3. Nick Cowen, *Neoliberal Social Justice: Rawls Unveiled*. In *Review of Austrian Economics* 36: 493-496.
4. Eric Mack, *Libertarianism (Key Concepts in Political Theory)*. In *The Independent Review* 26 (Winter 2021/2022).
5. Katrina Forrester, *In the Shadow of Justice: Postwar Liberalism and the Remaking of Political Philosophy*. In *The New Rambler Reviewer*:
<https://newramblerreview.com/book-reviews/philosophy/political-philosophy-and-the-search-for-the-possible>.
6. Michael Moehler, *Minimal Morality: A Multilevel Social Contract Theory*. In *Economics & Philosophy* 35 (2019): 173-179.
7. Cristina Bicchieri, *Norms in the Wild: How to Diagnose, Measure, and Change Social Norms*. In *Review of Austrian Economics* 31 (2018): 387-390.
8. Christopher Freiman, *Unequivocal Justice*. In *Public Choice* 173 (2017): 373-376.

Popular Writings

1. "John Locke on Commercial Society." In *Liberty Matters*. Link: <https://oll.libertyfund.org/page/liberty-matters-john-locke-on-commercial-society-september-2021>.
2. "Excluding the Antidemocratic is Antidemocratic." In *Cato Unbound: A Journal of Debate*. Link: <https://www.cato-unbound.org/2020/12/16/brian-kogelmann/excluding-antidemocratic-antidemocratic>.
3. "Thinking Small about the Ideal Society." In the London School of Economics' *theForum*. Link: <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/theforum/thinking-small-ideal-society/>.
4. "Frank Underwood Gives the Ideal Society a Reality Check." *House of Cards and Philosophy*, edited by James Edward Hackett: 31-41. Hoboken: John Wiley & Sons, 2015.

Selected Awards

- Bradley Foundation Fellowship (2022-2023)

- Institute for Humane Studies Summer Research Fellowship (2017)
- William McMeekin Fellow at the Institute for Humane Studies (2015-2016, 2016-2017)
- Adam Smith Fellow at the Mercatus Center (2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017)
- Bernard Marcus Fellow at the Institute for Humane Studies (2013-2014, 2014-2015)
- CGK Fellow at the Arizona Freedom Center (2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017)
- Dorothy Grover Award for best undergraduate philosophy major (2012)

Selected Presentations

- “The Ethics of Zoning.”
 - Purdue Philosophy Department Colloquium in West Lafayette, Indiana, March 6, 2024.
- “Political Selection.”
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting in New Orleans, LA, November 1-3, 2023.
- “What (If Anything) Can Justify Zoning?”
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting in New Orleans, LA, November 1-3, 2023.
- “The Demand for Ideology.”
 - Social Philosophy & Policy Conference on Ideology in Tucson, AZ, December 1-4, 2022.
- “Formal Models in Normative Political Theory.”
 - Uses of Formal Theory Workshop at the Pearson Institute at the University of Chicago in Chicago, IL, October 27-28, 2022.
- “In Defense of Filibustering.”
 - Workshop in Heterodox Moral and Political Philosophy at the University of Colorado in Boulder, CO, April 9, 2022.
 - University of Virginia Philosophy Department Colloquium in Charlottesville, VA, January 28, 2022.
- “Public Choice and Political Equality.”

- Wealth and Power Workshop at Utrecht University in Utrecht, Netherlands, June 10-12, 2021.
- “Asymmetric Idealization and the Market Process.”
 - Philosophy, Politics, and Austrian Economics Workshop at Brown University in Providence, RI, June 27-29, 2019.
- “On Seeing Justice.”
 - The Future of Public Reason Workshop at the University of Arizona in Tucson, AZ, May 23-24, 2019.
 - University of North Carolina Philosophy Department Colloquium in Chapel Hill, NC, February 11, 2019.
- “Polycentric Public Reason.”
 - PPE Research Seminar at Brown University in Providence, RI, March 7, 2019.
 - Centre for the Study of Governance & Society at the King’s College in London, UK, December 4, 2018.
- “Non-Ideal Political Philosophy and the Future of PPE.”
 - The Austrian School of Economics Workshop at the Wirth Institute at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Canada, October 11-13, 2018.
- “Polarization and Deliberation with Probabilistic Preferences.”
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting in New Orleans, LA, March 15-17, 2018.
- “The Calculus of the Moral Community.”
 - Freedom Center Colloquium at the University of Arizona in Tucson, AZ, April 26, 2018.
 - Workshop in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA, April 19, 2018.
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting in New Orleans, LA, March 15-17, 2018.
- “Formal Models in Political Philosophy.”
 - Political Institutions and Political Behavior Workshop at Texas A&M University in College Station, TX, December 11, 2017.
- “The Backwards Social Contract.”

- Institute for Humane Studies Summer Research Fellowship Conference in Arlington, VA, August 18-20, 2017.
- “Enough and as Good: a Formal Model of Lockean First Appropriation.”
 - Institute for Humane Studies Summer Research Fellowship Conference in Arlington, VA, May 19-21, 2017.
- “Democracy in Search of Truth: a Formal Model of Strategic Communication and Public Reasoning.”
 - Midwestern Political Science Annual Conference in Chicago, IL, April 6-9, 2017.
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting in New Orleans, LA, March 16-19, 2017.
- “What We Choose, What We Prefer.”
 - University of Maryland Philosophy Department Colloquium in College Park, MD, February 10, 2017.
- “Impossibility and Market.”
 - Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., November 19-21, 2016.
- “The Priority of the Market.”
 - Association for Political Theory Annual Meeting in Columbus, OH, October 20-22, 2016.
 - Institute for Human Studies Summer Graduate Research Colloquium at Towson University in Towson, MD, July 7-10, 2016.
- “The Possibility of the Reason of a Democratic People: Towards an Epistemic Political Liberalism.”
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of Liberty Workshop hosted by the Mercatus Center at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA, June 5-10, 2016.
- “Public Reason’s Chaos Theorem.”
 - Publishing Workshop for Young Scholars at Public Choice Annual Meeting in Fort Lauderdale, FL, March 10-12, 2016.
- “Diversity and Rights: The Possibility of Public Reason.”
 - Public Choice Society Annual Meeting in Fort Lauderdale, FL, March 10-12, 2016.
- “When Public Reason Fails Us: Convergence Discourse as Blood Oath.”

- MANCEPT Theories of Public Reason Workshop at the University of Manchester in Manchester, UK, September 1-3, 2015.
- “Aggregating Out of Indeterminacy: Social Choice Theory to the Rescue.”
 - Freedom and Wellbeing Workshop hosted by the Georgetown Institute for the Study of Markets and Ethics at Georgetown University in Washington, DC, June 19-21, 2015.
 - The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of Liberty Workshop hosted by the Mercatus Center at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA, June 7-12, 2015.
- “Modeling the Individual for Constitutional Choice.”
 - Public Choice Society Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX, March 12-15, 2015.
- “Modus Vivendi Liberalism, Courts, and Bargaining.”
 - Yale Law School Doctoral Scholarship Conference at Yale Law School in New Haven, CT, November 14-15, 2014.
- “Justice and Action-Guidance.”
 - Harvard Graduate Political Theory Conference at Harvard University in Cambridge, MA, October 31 to November 1, 2014.
- “Risk Aversion in the Constitutional Convention.”
 - Ontario Legal Philosophy Partnership at McMaster University in Burlington, Canada, May 28-29, 2014.

Teaching

- SCLA101B: Transformative Texts for Business, Fall 2024.
- BETH289: Foundations of Economic Growth, Spring 2024.
- ORGL310: Leadership and Ethical Decision-Making Skills, Fall 2023.
- MIST357: Information Ethics, Spring 2023.
- ECON521: History of Political Economy, Spring 2023, Spring 2024.
- DBA793: Diversity, Ethics, and Inclusion for Business, Winter 2022/2023.
- PHPE408/PHIL408: Theories of Democracy, Fall 2021.
- PHIL808: Democratic Theory, Spring 2021.
- PHIL808: Democracy and Expertise, Fall 2019.

- PHPE401/GVPT449: Social Philosophy and Political Economy, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022.
- HONR298: Hate Speech and Religious Toleration, Fall 2019.
- PHIL445: Contemporary Political Philosophy, Spring 2019, Fall 2020.
- PHIL808: Contractarianism, Spring 2018.
- PHIL261: Philosophy of the Environment, Spring 2018, Spring 2019.
- PHIL245: Political and Social Philosophy I, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2020.

Professional Service

Editorial Board: *Public Affairs Quarterly*; *Social Theory and Practice*; *Markets & Society*.