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Areas of Specialization

Normative Ethics, Philosophy of Law

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Race, Political Philosophy, Buddhist Philosophy

Academic Employment

Post-Doctoral Fellow in Law and Philosophy

UCLA School of Law and Department of Philosophy

Education

Ph.D., University of Southern California (2022)

Dissertation: *Getting Out Act(s) Together: The Normativity of Diachronic Choice*

J.D., Stanford Law School (2009)

Public Interest Fellow

B.A., Columbia University (2004)

Magna cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Awards and Fellowships

Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship Alternate (Finalist)

Global Priorities Fellows (\$6600)

Internationally competitive fellowship administered by the Forethought Foundation

Manning Fellowship, USC. (\$28,000)

Competitive university fellowship for advanced graduate students.

Select Publications

Procedural Chances and the Equality of Claims (forthcoming). *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*.

The Case Against Unanimous Jury Requirements (forthcoming). *Journal of Political Philosophy*.

Here, There, or Delaware? How Corporate Threats Distort Democracy (2022) *Philosophy, Politics, and Economics*, with Athmeya Jayaram.

Statistical Evidence and Incentives in the Law (2021). *Philosophical Issues: A Supplement to Nous*, with John Hawthorne and Yoaav Isaacs.

The Wrong Understanding of Praise (2021) *Erkenntnis*. DOI 10.1007/s10670-021-00419-4.

Two Faces of Rationality (2020). *Synthese*. DOI 10.1007/s11229-020-02774-1.

When Manipulation Gets Personal (2016). *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, (3) pps. 464-478.

From Conscious Experience to a Conscious Self (2016). *Philosophical Psychology* 29 (3): pps. 419-431.

Selfless Ethics: The Equality of Non-Existence (2016): *Philosophy East and West* 66 (2): pps. 627-637.

Employment

Insight Center: Closing the Racial Wealth Gap Initiative Strategic Program Consultant	Oakland, CA 2014-2016
Global Asset Building Program Policy Analyst	Washington, DC 2011 - 2014
The Global Network for Public Interest Law Legal Associate	Beijing, China and New York, NY 2009 - 2011
Peace Corps Municipal Development Program Citizen Participation and Government Transparency	Santa Ana, El Salvador 2004 - 2006

Popular Press

Neither Bernie nor Hillary Truly Addressed Inequality. *TheNation.com*, 2016.

A Way to Move Past Implicit Bias. *Time.com*, 2015.

How Computerized Bureaucracy is Helping India Fight Corruption. *Slate*, 2012.

5 Ways Jim Yong Kim Can Save the World Bank. *ForeignPolicy.com*, 2012.

How technology helped spur a quiet revolution in emergency Aid. *CNN.com* 2011.

Teaching Experience

Primary Instructor

- Phil 122A: Reasoning and Argument (USC).
- Phil 122B: Logic and Probability (USC).
- Exploring Criminal Justice (USC Summer Program).
- Evaluating Criminal Justice Reform (USC Summer Program).

Intro to Ethics (Prison Education Project).
Philosophy of Mind (Prison Education Project).
Big Questions in Philosophy (Prison Education Project).
Law and the Legal Profession (Prison Education Project).
Teaching Assistant
Phil 254: Philosophy of Science (Instructor: Porter Williams)
Phil 168: The Meaning of Life (Instructor: Steve Finlay)
Phil 236: Issues in Space and Time (Instructor: Shieva Kleinschmidt)

USC Leadership Roles

Prison Education Project (PEP) Coordinator and Volunteer (2017-2021)
USC Graduate Student Worker Organizing Committee (2017-2021)
Philosophy Department Climate Committee Co-Chair (2018-2020)

Other Service

USC GPS Conference Coordinator and Volunteer (2018)
USC/UCLA Grad Conference Reviewer (2017-2020).
Reviewer for Journal of Consciousness Studies.

Languages

Spanish: Fluent.
Mandarin Chinese: Proficient, simplified and traditional characters.
Tamil: Basic reading, writing and communication skills.

References

John Hawthorne (co-chair)
Professor of Philosophy
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Jake Nebel (co-chair)
Assistant Professor of Philosophy
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