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Areas of Specialization: Post-Kantian European Philosophy, Social & Political Philosophy

Areas of Competence: Ethics (including ethics of AI), Buddhist Philosophy, Ancient Greek Philosophy

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Visiting Assistant Professor, Pitzer College	2025–26
Philosophy Field Group	
Adjunct Instructor, Pitzer College	2023
Philosophy Field Group	

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of California, Los Angeles	2025
Dissertation: “Really Free Work”: <i>Labor, Freedom, and Self-Realization in Aristotle, Hegel, and Marx</i>	
Committee: Barbara Herman (co-chair), A.J. Julius (co-chair), Pamela Hieronymi, Gavin Lawrence, Daniela Dover	
Graduate Certificate in Writing Pedagogy	
M.A., Philosophy	2017
Northwestern University	
Graduate Certificate in Critical Theory	
B.A., Philosophy, Tufts University, magna cum laude	2013
Minor in English	

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Research Article

Unalienated Labor as Cooperative Self-Determination: Aristotle and Marx	2025
<i>European Journal of Philosophy</i> 33 (1), 29–55	

Book Review

Review of Bruno Leopold, <i>Citizen Marx: Republicanism and the Formation of Karl Marx’s Social and Political Thought</i>	forthcoming
<i>The Review of Politics</i> 88 (2), Spring 2026	

Public Writing

Unalienated Labor as Cooperative Self-Determination: Aristotle and Marx	2024
<i>New Work in Philosophy</i>	

In Preparation

Living to Work: Employer Domination Beyond the Workplace	under review
Care Under Capitalism	
With Oneself in Another: Hegel on Self-Sufficiency and Mutual Recognition	

TEACHING

Pitzer College (primary instructor)

Ethics and Artificial Intelligence	Fall 2025
Political Philosophy (x2)	Fall 2023, Fall 2025
Introduction to Philosophy	Fall 2023

University of California, Los Angeles (primary instructor)

Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy	Summer 2024
Teaching College Philosophy (graduate seminar)	Fall 2023
Philosophy of Work and Labor (writing intensive undergraduate seminar)	Spring 2023
Topics in Political Philosophy: Alienation and Estrangement	Fall 2022
Introduction to Ethical Theory	Summer 2022

University of California, Los Angeles (teaching fellow/assistant)

Topics in Ethical Theory: Metaethics	Spring 2024
Introduction to Political Philosophy (x3)	Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Spring 2021
Introduction to Ethical Theory (x2)	Winter 2020, Winter 2021
History of Modern Philosophy	Spring 2020

Northwestern University (teaching fellow/assistant)

Gender, Politics, and Philosophy	Spring 2016
Introduction to Philosophy of Art	Fall 2015

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

University of Iowa Care Lab Fellow

2025

Visiting philosopher at the Iowa Care Lab, a think-tank for research on care, social cooperation, and the bounds of personal freedom.

UCLA Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award

2024

Awarded to five graduate students across the University in recognition of extraordinary teaching; includes a \$20,000 fellowship.

UCLA Philosophy Departmental Teaching Award

2024

Awarded in recognition of excellent teaching by a graduate student.

UCLA Charles E. and Sue K. Young Graduate Student Fellowship

2024

Awarded to four graduate students across the University for outstanding scholarship, teaching, and University citizenship; includes a \$10,000 fellowship.

Fellowship, Collegium of University Teaching Fellows, UCLA

2022

University-wide fellowship to teach a unique, small writing-intensive seminar for undergraduates.

Radical Philosophy Association Iris Marion Young Award

2022

Awarded to the best graduate student paper at the 15th Biennial Conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, for “Alienated Labor and the Reproduction of Labor Power.”

Society of Business Ethics Founders' Award	2022
Awarded to promising Ph.D. students in the field of business ethics.	
UCLA Philosophy Department Robert M. Yost Prize	2021
Awarded for excellence in teaching.	
Graduate Summer Research Mentorship, UCLA	2021
Received a stipend for summer research with Seana V. Shiffrin on John Rawls.	
UCLA Philosophy Department Rudolf and Ina Carnap Prize	2020
Awarded for excellent philosophical writing, for "Hannah Arendt on World Alienation."	
Tufts University Philosophy Department Helen Morris Cartwright Memorial Prize	2013
Awarded to one graduating senior for excellence in the philosophy major.	

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talk

Care Under Capitalism

- Applied Ethics Forum, California State University Long Beach 2024

Refereed Conference Presentations

Care Under Capitalism

- Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Society Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA 2025
- Society for Women in Philosophy, Pacific Division Conference, Los Angeles, CA 2024

Idleness as Resistance

- The "Future of the Lumpenproletariat" Conference, UC Santa Barbara 2024

Alienation and the Reasons Care Requires

- Marx & Philosophy Association, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association 2024

Two Species of Alienated Labor

- Society of Business Ethics, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association 2023

Two Ideals of Necessary Labor in Marx

- Radical Philosophy Association, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association 2023
- Marx and Philosophy Society Annual Conference, University College London 2022

Alienated Labor and the Reproduction of Labor Power

- Wharton School Zicklin Center for Normative Business Ethics Workshop, University of Pennsylvania 2023
- 15th Biennial Conference of the Radical Philosophy Association, delivered online 2022
- Society of Business Ethics Annual Conference, Seattle, WA 2022

Playing Games and Giving Gifts: The Significance, and Limits, of Aristotle's Distinction Between *Praxis* and *Poiesis*

- Symposium Session at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association 2022

Nonideal Theory as Ideology

- Minorities and Philosophy Graduate Conference, Georgetown University 2018
- UC Berkeley-Stanford-UC Davis Graduate Philosophy Conference, Stanford University 2018

Commentaries

Comments on Kangyu Wang's "What is the Point of Relational Equality?"

- USC-UCLA Philosophy Graduate Conference, University of Southern California 2023

Comments on Maeve Cooke's "Theses on Needs in an Age of Anthropogenic Ecological Disaster"

- International Summer School in Critical Theory, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin 2022

Comments on Danielle Petherbridge's "Between Interdependency and Power: What's Critical About Vulnerability?"

- Gender and Vulnerabilities Conference, Northwestern University 2015

Comments on Wendy Brown's *Undoing the Demos: Neoliberalism's Stealth Revolution*

- Critical Theory in Critical Times Conference, Northwestern University 2015

SERVICE

To the Profession

Chapter Director, Los Angeles Chapter of Corrupt the Youth

2022–25

Lead organizer for the local chapter of [Corrupt the Youth](#), a nonprofit outreach program that brings philosophy to high school students from backgrounds that have been historically excluded from the discipline.

American Philosophical Association Graduate Student Council, Member

2018–20

Elected by APA graduate student members to serve on Council, tasked with addressing matters of concern to graduate students in the discipline.

To the University

UCLA Graduate Student Association, Director of Organizing & Community Partnerships

2020–21

Appointed by UCLA Graduate Student Association Vice President of Internal Affairs, to address matters of concern to the University community.

Graduate Fellow, Jones Residential College, Northwestern University

2015–16

Advising undergraduate students on preparing for graduate school and academic work.

To the Department

Teaching Assistant Coordinator, UCLA Department of Philosophy

2023–24

Elected by the graduate students (and approved by the faculty) to facilitate the development and training of new teaching assistants in the Department.

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Climate Committee, Graduate Student Representative, UCLA Department of Philosophy

2021–22

Elected by the graduate students (and approved by the faculty) to assist in promoting the Department's equity, diversity, and inclusion goals.

UAW 2865 Department Steward, UCLA Department of Philosophy

2019–22

Elected by the graduate students to coordinate union organizing activities for graduate workers in the Department.

Graduate Student Representative, UCLA Department of Philosophy

2020–21

Elected by the graduate students (and approved by the faculty) to liaise between Department graduate students and faculty and address matters of concern to graduate students.

Conference Organizer, USC-UCLA Graduate Student Conference in Philosophy Appointed by graduate student representatives to organize the annual Graduate Student Philosophy Conference; tasks included recruiting and organizing conference speakers and securing university funding.	2020
Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Climate Committee, Graduate Student Representative, Northwestern Department of Philosophy Elected by the graduate students (and approved by the faculty) to assist in promoting the Department's equity, diversity, and inclusion goals.	2015-16

ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Participant, Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Workshop, Chapman University	2024
Participant, International Summer School in Critical Theory, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin	2022
Research Assistant, Professor Stephen Munzer, UCLA Law School	2020
Research Assistant, Professor Margaret Gilbert, UC Irvine Department of Philosophy	2017
6 th Grade English Language Arts and Social Studies Teacher, California Collegiate Charter School, Los Angeles, CA	2016-17

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

* indicates audit

Social & Political Philosophy

Rationality and Action: Action, Affordance, Attribution (A.J. Julius, UCLA)*	Spring 2023
Political Equality, Freedom, and Hierarchy (Pamela Hieronymi, UCLA)*	Winter 2023
State & Revolution (A.J. Julius, UCLA)	Spring 2020
Kant's Political Philosophy (Barbara Herman, UCLA)	Winter 2018
History of Political Philosophy: Rousseau to Marx (A.J. Julius, UCLA)	Fall 2018
The Future of Democracy (Cristina Lafont, Northwestern)	Winter 2016
The Social Contract Tradition (Stephen White, Northwestern)	Fall 2015

Ethics

Scanlon's Contractualism (Pamela Hieronymi, UCLA)*	Spring 2020
Ethics Proseminar (Pamela Hieronymi, UCLA)	Spring 2019
Neo-Aristotelianism (Gavin Lawrence, UCLA)	Spring 2019
Seminar in Ethical Theory: The Limits of Articulacy (Kyla Ebbels-Duggan, Northwestern)	Spring 2016
Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics (Richard Kraut, Northwestern)	Fall 2015
Plato's Ethics (Richard Kraut, Northwestern)	Spring 2015

Kant and Post-Kantian European Philosophy

Marx and Marxism (A.J. Julius, UCLA)	Winter 2022
Marx (A.J. Julius, UCLA)	Winter 2020
Hegel's <i>Phenomenology of Spirit</i> (A.J. Julius, UCLA)	Fall 2018
Independent Study: Hegel's Social Theory (Mark Alznauer, Northwestern)	Spring 2016
Marx and Marxism (Charles Mills, Northwestern)	Winter 2016
Seminar in German Philosophy: Aesthetics, 1735 to 1935 (Peter Fenves, Northwestern)	Winter 2016
Kierkegaard and Indirect Communication (Mark Alznauer, Northwestern)	Spring 2015
Hegel's Philosophy of Spirit (Mark Alznauer, Northwestern)	Winter 2015
Kant's Critique of Judgment (Rachel Zuckert, Northwestern)	Fall 2015

20th Century European Philosophy

Sartre's <i>Critique of Dialectical Reason</i> (A.J. Julius, UCLA)*	Winter 2024
Left Existentialism: Beauvoir, Fanon, Thao, Foucault (Daniela Dover, UCLA)*	Winter 2022
Hannah Arendt (Daniela Dover, UCLA)	Winter 2019
The Idea of the Human (Daniela Dover, UCLA)	Spring 2018
Foucault (Penelope Deutscher, Northwestern)	Spring 2015
Deconstruction and Feminism (Penelope Deutscher, Northwestern)	Winter 2015

Pedagogy

Independent Study in Writing Pedagogy (Jeremy Kelley, UCLA)	Spring 2022
Diversity and Student-Centered Pedagogy (Nedda Mehdizadeh, UCLA)	Fall 2021
Writing in the Disciplines (Maja Manojlovic, UCLA)	Fall 2020
Current Issues in University Writing Pedagogy (Laurel Westrup, UCLA)	Fall 2019

Metaphysics, Epistemology, and Mind

Evidence and Individuals (Sherrilyn Roush, UCLA)	Spring 2019
Seminar in Philosophy of Mind: Cognitive Variation (Josh Armstrong, UCLA)	Winter 2019
Metaphysics & Epistemology Proseminar (Andrew Hsu, UCLA)	Winter 2019
Classics of Analytic Philosophy Proseminar (Sandford Goldberg, Northwestern)	Fall 2014

Language and Logic

Metalogic (Sean Walsh, UCLA)	Winter 2019
Philosophy of Language Proseminar (David Kaplan, UCLA)	Fall 2018
Elementary Logic II (Michael Glanzberg, Northwestern)	Winter 2016

REFERENCES

Barbara Herman

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 Department of Philosophy, UCLA
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