

Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

AOS: metaphysics, social philosophy, feminist philosophy

AOC: political philosophy, gender and race, philosophy of social science, PPE

Teaching competence: ethics, aesthetics, philosophy of science, logic

EMPLOYMENT

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 2020–
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy; Core Faculty in PPE

Dartmouth College 2017–20
Lecturer, Department of Philosophy

New York University 2016–17
Lecturer, Department of Philosophy

EDUCATION

PhD Philosophy, New York University 2010–16

BPhil Philosophy, Oxford University (supported by Rhodes scholarship) 2008–10

BA Political Economy, Slavic Languages and Literature, UC Berkeley 2003–07

PUBLICATIONS

“Social Objects, Response-Dependence, and Realism,” *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, 2020: 1–13, <https://doi.org/10.1017/apa.2019.51>

“Social Entities,” *Routledge Handbook of Metaphysical Grounding*, Michael J. Raven (ed.), New York: Routledge, 2020: 510–520

“Finean Feminist Metaphysics,” *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy*, 2019: 1–18, doi: 10.1080/0020174X.2019.1669984

“Daniel Z. Korman, *Objects: Nothing Out of the Ordinary*,” *Philosophical Review* 128, 2019: 241–245

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Norm and Object: A Normative Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects,” under R&R at *Philosophers’ Imprint*

“Social Essentialism,” commissioned for the 20th annual Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference/Metaphysics on the Mountain 3

“Is Bitcoin Money?,” under review for a special issue on money at *Journal of Social Ontology*

“Money as both Commodity and Credit,” in preparation for *The Philosophy of Money and Finance*, under contract with Oxford University Press, edited by Joakim Sandberg and Lisa Warenski (expected publication Summer 2022)

“Collective Acceptance and Attitudes,” in preparation for *Oxford Handbook of Social Ontology*, edited by Stephanie Collins, Brian Epstein, Sally Haslanger, and Hans Bernhard Schmid (expected publication December 2021)

“Artworks, Artifacts, and Other Social Kinds,” in preparation for *Routledge Handbook of Essence*, edited by Kathrin Koslicki and Michael J. Raven

Social Objects (monograph)

TALKS & COMMENTS

“Artworks, Artifacts, and Other Social Kinds”

- Routledge Handbook of Essence Workshop, University of Neuchatel, July 2021

“Social Essentialism”

- Re-Evaluating Social Essences Workshop, University of Victoria, April 2021
- Early Career Social Metaphysics Workshop, Online, Sponsored by North Carolina State University and UNC Chapel Hill, July 2020
- 2020 Social Ontology Conference, Online, Sponsored by the University of Neuchatel, July 2020 (as “An Essentialist Framework for Social Ontology”)
- 20th Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference/Metaphysics on the Mountain 3, Online, Sponsored by Boise State University, July 2020

“Norm and Object: A Normative Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects”

- UCLA Legal Theory Workshop, UCLA, March 2021
- Chapel Hill PPE Workshop, Online, Sponsored by UNC Chapel Hill, August 2020
- Early Career Metaphysics Workshop, Lehigh University, April 2019
- Work in Progress Seminar, Dartmouth College, April 2019
- Metaphysics Reading Group, Rutgers University, October 2018
- 2018 Social Ontology Conference, Tufts University, August 2018 (as “A Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects”)
- 2017 Hylomorphism Conference, Banff Centre, May 2017 (as “A Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects”)

Comments on Scott Altman, “Selling Silence: The Morality of Sexual Harassment NDAs”

- Legal Philosophy Workshop, Online, Sponsored by University of Southern California, June 2020

“Is Bitcoin Money?”

- Panel on “Cryptocurrency: Metaphysical and Normative Issues,” 2020 Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting, New Orleans, March 2020 [cancelled]
- Conference on “Money: What Is It? How Should It Function?” University of Groningen, November 2019
- 2019 Social Ontology Conference, Tampere University, August 2019

“Money as Metaphysically Reflexive”

- Panel on “The Metaphysics of Money,” 2019 Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting, New Orleans, March 2019

“Finean Feminist Metaphysics”

- Workshop on Gender and Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, January 2019

Comments on Louis de Rosset, “The Nonreductivist’s Trouble with Explanation”

- Dartmouth/UVM Workshop, University of Vermont, November 2018

“Social Objects, Response-Dependence, and Realism”

- Language and Essence Conference, University of Victoria, October 2018
- Work in Progress Seminar, Dartmouth College, September 2017
- Logic and Metaphysics Workshop, City University of New York, May 2016 (as “A Response-Dependent Theory of Social Objects”)

“Social Entities”

- Workshop on Metaphysical Grounding, Hamburg, May 2018

Comments on Nurbay Irmak, “The Problem of Abstract Artifacts”

- Colloquium on “Social Ontology,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, March 2018

“The Ontology of Borders”

- The Thought Project, Dartmouth College, February 2018

Comments on Jessica Wilson, “The Metaphysical Emergence of Material Artifacts”

- Symposium on “Metaphysics of Artifacts,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, April 2016

“Norm and Object: A Normative Theory of Social Objects”

- Departmental Talk, Franklin and Marshall College, February 2016
- Graduate Student Conference on “Normativity and the Human Sciences,” City University of New York, April 2015
- Colloquium on “Objects,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, April 2015
- Workshop on “Artifacts and Artifact Talk: Cognitive and Semantic Aspects,” University of Padua, June 2014
- Eidos Metaphysics Seminar, University of Neuchatel, May 2014

“The Creation and Destruction of Social Objects”

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, Humboldt University, June 2015
- Graduate Student Conference on “Social Structures: Social Ontology & Feminist Metaphysics and Epistemology,” Princeton University, April 2015

“The Metaphysics of Social Objects”

- Workshop for Women in Metaphysics, Rochester, May 2013
- Doc’in Nicod Seminar, Institut Jean Nicod, May 2013
- Eidos Metaphysics Seminar, University of Geneva, April 2013

“Economics and Social Ontology”

- Collective Intentionality VI, University of California, Berkeley, July 2008

TEACHING

At UNC Chapel Hill:

Justice, Rights, and the Common Good: Philosophical Perspectives on Social and Economic Issues	Spring 2021
Gateway to Philosophy, Politics, and Economics	Fall 2020

At Dartmouth College:

Philosophy and Economics	Spring: 2018, 2019, 2020
Philosophy and Gender	Winter 2019
The Social World	Fall 2018
Philosophy of Race, Gender, Sexuality	Winter 2018
Ethics of Freedom, Paternalism, Intervention	Fall 2017

At New York University:

Logic	Fall 2016, Spring 2017
Aesthetics	Summer 2013, Spring 2017
Philosophy of Science	Summer 2014
Ancient Philosophy (teaching assistant)	Fall 2013

SELECTED HONORS

2015 Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, NYU
2014 Frankel Fellowship, NYU
2014 Provost’s Global Research Initiative Fellowship, NYU
2010 MacCracken Fellowship, NYU
2008 Rhodes Scholarship, Oxford
2005 Alumni Leadership Scholarship, UC Berkeley

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Refereeing: *Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Philosophy Association Congress, Dialectica, Hypatia, Journal of Social Philosophy, Journal of the American Philosophical Association, Metaphysics (x2), Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophers' Imprint, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Review; Conference on Essentialism and Anti-Essentialism*

Conference Organizing and Participation:

- Michael Bratman Book Manuscript Workshop, participant, held online, sponsored by Yale University Law School (2020)
- Early Career Social Metaphysics Workshop, co-organizer, held online, sponsored by North Carolina State University and UNC Chapel Hill (2020)
- Philosophical Methodology and Meta-Metaphysics Workshop, session chair, Dartmouth College (2019)
- Sapientia Departmental Talk, organizer, Dartmouth (x2) (2017–19)
- Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, session chair, Western Washington University (2014)
- California Metaphysics Conference, assistant organizer, USC (2014)
- Diversity in Philosophy Conference, participant, University of Dayton (2013)
- NYU/Columbia Graduate Student Conference, co-organizer, New York University (2011)

LANGUAGES

Fluent Russian