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Education

- (Fall 2020 –) **PhD**, Political Science (Specialization in Political Theory), University of Toronto.
Dissertation: “How Disability Exercises theories of Egalitarian Justice”
- (2018 – 2020) **MA**, Philosophy (Specialization in Biomedical Ethics), McGill University.
Thesis: “Disability, Equality of Opportunity, and Natural Inequality”
(Accepted as submitted)
- (2016 - 2018) **MA**, Philosophy, Concordia University.
MRP Title: “Disability and the Site of Justice” (Accepted as Submitted)
- (2011 - 2015) **BA**, Philosophy, Concordia University.
- (Fall 2015) San Francisco State University. Supervised directed reading with Professor Anita Silvers, “Human Rights and Justice for Persons with Disabilities”.

Research interests: Political, social, and moral philosophy, value theory, social epistemology, philosophy of disability, Rousseau, Kant, and Marx.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. “Luck Egalitarianism and Disability Elimination,” *Journal of Applied Philosophy*. (Forthcoming)
2. “The Dependency Challenge to (Dispositional) Theories of Domination,” *Social Theory and Practice*. (Forthcoming)
3. “Disability, Disadvantage, and Luck Egalitarianism,” *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review/Revue Canadienne De Philosophie*, 58(4), 711-720. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0012217319000155>

Work in Progress

“Rawls’s Theory of International Egalitarian Justice: A relational reading and critical reflections”

Other Publications

[“Beyond state visions of democracy: envisioning the family and workplace as democratic spheres”](#)
(with Alexander Agnello) The McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism Blog. (April 2021)

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- (2020) Domestic Graduate Entrance Award, Department of Political Science, University of Toronto. \$5,000 CAD
- (2020 – 2023) Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Joseph-Armand Bombardier Scholarship. \$105,000 CAD

- (2019 - 2020) I.M. Rabinowitch Fellowship Renewal, McGill University. \$11,115 CAD
- (2019 - 2020) Centre de Recherche en Éthique Graduate Scholarship. \$5,000 CAD
- (2019 - 2020) Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's Program. \$17,500 CAD
- (2019 - 2020) I.M. Rabinowitch Fellowship, McGill University. \$14,000 CAD
- (April 2019) Post-Graduate Students' Society Travel Award. \$1,000 CAD
- (April 2019) Thomas G. Henderson Award. \$300 CAD
- (2017 - 2018) Fellowship at Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire en Philosophie Politique (GRIPP). \$2,500 CAD
- (June 2017) Conference and Exposition Award, Concordia University. \$1,000 CAD
- (June 2017) Vladimir Zeman Award, Concordia University. \$300 CAD
- (2016 - 2017) Fellowship at Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire en Philosophie Politique (GRIPP). \$2,500 CAD
- (2016 - 2017) Faculty of Arts and Science Graduate Fellowship, Concordia University. \$7,000 CAD
- (Summer 2015) Concordia Undergraduate Research Award (Supervised by Pablo Gilabert). \$5,620 CAD

Graduate Presentations

- (March 2020) "Gene Editing, Egalitarian Justice, and Disability" guest lecture for Introduction to Neuroethics, McGill University.
- (February 2020) "Gene Editing, Equality of Opportunity, and Disability" invited to present at the Biomedical Ethics Unit Work-in-Progress Seminar. McGill University.
- (January 2020) "Equality of Opportunity, Natural Inequality, and Disability" at Centre de Recherche en Éthique Séminaire des boursier.e.s d'études supérieures. Université de Montréal.
- (November 2019) "Domination, Dependency, and Dignity" invited to present at Concordia Graduate Philosophy MRP Workshop. Montreal, QC.
- (June 2019) "Domination, Dependency, and Dignity" at 10th Braga Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, University of Minho, Portugal.
- (March 2019) "Domination, Dependency, and Dignity" at McGill's Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism's conference called "Disability: Dignity and Inclusion". McGill University, Montreal, QC.
- (June 2018) "Commentary on *A Conceptual Investigation of Justice*" at Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Congress, Montreal, QC.
- (April 2018) "Power, Trust, and Disability Justice" at the 11th Annual UAPA Graduate Conference, SUNY Albany, NY.
- (December 2017) "Disability and the Site of Justice" at GRIPP workshop. Université de Montréal, Quebec.
- (November 2017) "Disability and the Site of Justice" at Public Issues and Public Reason: A Conference of Applied Ethics and Critical Social Sciences at Carleton

- University, Canada.
- (June 2017) “Disability Human Rights, Duty, and the Site of Justice” at Reading Ethics and Political Philosophy (REAPP) Graduate/Early Careers Conference. University of Reading, UK.
- (June 2017) “Human Rights for Persons with Disabilities and the Site of Justice” at VIII Braga Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, University of Minho, Portugal.

Undergraduate Presentations

- (February 2014) “Capitalism, Property-owning Democracy, and Marx”. Paper presented at *Philopolis*. University of Montreal.

Research and Teaching Assistant Experience

- (Winter 2021) “Contemporary Challenges to Democracy: Democracy in the Social Media Age” University of Toronto. Instructor: Ron Deibert
- (2020-2021) “International Law” University of Toronto. Instructor: David Quayat
- (Winter 2020) “Neuroethics” McGill University. Instructor: Armin Yazdani.
- (Fall 2019) Contracted to provide substantive review of Prof. Jonas Sébastien Beaudry’s Manuscript for Cambridge University Press.
- (Winter 2018) “Biomedical Ethics” Concordia University, Montreal. Instructor: Curtis Sommerlatte
- (Fall 2017) “Biomedical Ethics” Concordia University, Montreal. Instructor: Curtis Sommerlatte
- (Winter 2017) “Introduction to Ethics”. Concordia University. Instructor: Pablo Gilabert
- (Fall 2016) “Introduction to Ethics”. Concordia University. Instructor: Ulf Hlobil

Academic and University Service

- (2020) Co-Organizer for le Centre de Recherche en Éthique’s annual conference (a condition of my graduate scholarship from le CRE).
- (2020 -) Reviewer, *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review / Revue Canadienne De Philosophie*,
- (2016 - 2017) Reviewer, *Gnosis* (Graduate Journal of Philosophy), Concordia University.
- (2016 - 2017) Vice-President of Graduate Philosophy Students’ Association. Concordia University, Montreal
- (2014 - 2015) President of Students of Philosophy Association (SoPhiA). Concordia University, Montreal.
- (Fall 2015) Research intern at the Paul K. Longmore Institute on Disability at San Francisco State University.
- (2013 - 2015) Political theory/philosophy reviewer for *Political Affairs*: Undergraduate Journal of Political Science at Concordia University, Montreal.
- (2014 - 2015) Student Advisor for the Department Appraisal Committee in the department

- of Philosophy. Concordia University, Montreal.
- (September 2013) Co-organizer and chair “Why Should we Study Political Philosophy?: An Open Discussion on the Practical Application of Political Philosophy”, a discussion between Pablo Gilabert (Concordia University) and Travis Smith (Concordia University). Concordia University, Montreal.
- (2014 - 2015) Undergraduate Student Senator at Concordia University, Montreal.
- (2014 - 2015) Concordia Student Union Arts and Science Councillor. Concordia University, Montreal.
- (2014 - 2015) Concordia Student Union Council Policy Committee member. Concordia University, Montreal.
- (2014 - 2015) Arts and Science Federation of Associations Councillor. Concordia University, Montreal.
- (2011 - 2014) Vice-President of the Students of Philosophy Association. Concordia University, Montreal.

Memberships

Canadian Philosophical Association
 Society for Philosophy and Disability
 American Political Science Association

Graduate Coursework:

Concordia University:

Value Theory: “Ethics of Biotechnology” Instructor: Katharina Nieswandt. Fall 2016.
 Ancient Philosophy: “Plato and Aristotle on Pleasure” Instructor: Andrea Falcon. Fall 2016.
 Seminar in Political Philosophy: “Kantian Moral and Political Philosophy” Instructor: Pablo Gilabert. Winter 2017.
 Seminar in Value Theory: “Private Property” Instructor: Katharina Niewandt. Winter 2017.
 Seminar in Political Philosophy: “Conceptions of Power” Instructor: Pablo Gilabert. Fall 2017.
 Kant’s Epistemology. Instructor: Curtis Sommerlatte. Winter 2018. *Audited*.
 Selected Topics in Epistemology: “Gettier and Naturalism”. Instructor: Murray Clarke. Winter 2018.

McGill University:

Theoretical Approaches to Law: “The Rule of Law” (Graduate Law Seminar at McGill University, Faculty of Law) Instructor: Daniel Weinstock. Fall 2017.
 Seminar on Political Theory. Instructor: Kristin Voigt. Fall 2018.
 Proseminar: “Freedom”. Instructors: Hasana Sharp and Kristin Voigt. Fall 2018.
 Theories of Biomedical Ethics. Instructor: Carolyn Ells. Fall 2018.
 Clinical Research Ethics. Instructor: Jonathan Kimmelman. Winter 2019.
 Feminist Theory. Instructor: Natalie Stoljar. Winter 2019.

University of Toronto:

Ancient Political Thought to the Rise of Modernity. Instructors: Rebecca Kingston and Andy Sabl. Fall 2020.

Ethics and International Relations. Instructor: Nancy Bertoldi. Fall 2020.

Modern and Contemporary Political Thought. Instructors: Dale Turner and Andy Sabl. Winter 2021.

Philosophy of Law: "Equality and Discrimination." Instructor: Sophia Moreau. Winter 2021.

References

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