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Curriculum vitae

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Current position

Candidate for PhD - Philosophy, McGill University (2012-present)

Dissertation title: *Minoritization and Vulnerability : New Foundations for a Non-Ideal Theory of Multiculturalism.* Expected date of defense: June 2019

Committee: Natalie Stoljar, Daniel Weinstock and Jacob Levy

Education

MA – Philosophy, Université de Montréal (2009-2012)

BA – Major : History, Culture and Society. Minor : Political Science. Université du Québec à Montréal (2005-2009)

Area of Specialization

Contemporary political philosophy, social and political philosophy, multiculturalism, vulnerability

Area of Competence

Ethics, distributive justice, philosophy of law, human rights, social philosophy, metaphysics of social objects

Publications

- Armstrong, Frédéric. "An Extrinsic Dispositional Account of Vulnerability." *Les ateliers de l'éthique/The Ethics Forum* 12, no. 2–3 (2017): 180–204. (peer-reviewed)
- Armstrong, Frédéric. "Will Kymlicka et les angles mort du libéralisme : vers une théorie non libérale du droit des minorités?", in J.-M. Counet (ed.), *La citoyenneté. Actes du XXIVème Congrès de l'Association des Sociétés de Philosophie de langue française (ASPLF)*. Peeters : Louvain-la-Neuve, 2015.

Grants, Fellowships and Awards

2018-2019

David Fate Norton and Mary J. Norton Fellowship in Philosophy, \$7,000

Doctoral Grant, Groupe de recherche interuniversitaire sur la normativité, \$2,500

2017-2018

Graduate student scholarship, Centre de recherche en éthique, \$5,000

2016-2017

MacDonald Chair Fellowship, \$13,413

Canadian Political Science Association Travel Grant

Graduate Excellence Fellowship (GEF)

2013-2016

Doctoral Scholarship, Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships Program, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), \$105,000

Bourse de recherche au doctorat, Fonds Québécois de Recherche sur la Société et la Culture (FQRSC), \$84,000 (Offer declined)

2011-2012

Bourse de recherche à la maîtrise, Fonds Québécois de Recherche sur la Société et la Culture (FQRSC), \$15,000

2011- 2018

Research fellowship at Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire en Philosophie Politique (GRIPP), \$7,000/year

2010-2011

Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships Program Master's Scholarships, SSHRC, \$17,500\$

2007-2008

Mobility grant, Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS), \$8,000

Refereed Conference Presentations

- “Can and Should Multiculturalism Include the “New Minority”?”, Conference of the North Eastern Political Science Association (NEPSA), Montréal, Canada, November 2018
- “Can and Should Multiculturalism Include the “New Minority”?”, Conference of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Boston, Mass., USA, September 2018
- “Responding to Group-Based Vulnerabilities - Intersectionality and Law”, with Natalie Stoljar, Annual Conference of the Canadian Philosophical Association/Association Canadienne de philosophie (CPA-ACP), Montréal, Canada, June 2018

- “What Concept of Vulnerability Do We Need for Political Theory?”, Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (APT), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA, October 2017
- “Should Minority Rights Include Protections from Hate Speech?”, Annual conference of the Canadian Political Science Association/Association Canadienne de Science Politique (CPSA-ACSP), Toronto, Canada, May 2017
- “Minoritization and Group-Based Injustice: Defending Cultural Pluralism Without Defending Cultures”, Annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association (WPSA), Vancouver, Canada, April 2017
- “Insufficient Sufficiency: Adding an Egalitarian Ceiling Over the Floor of Sufficiency”, Inaugural meeting of the PPE Society, New Orleans, USA, March 2017
- “Multiculturalism, Dynamics of Minoritization and Vulnerability”, Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Philadelphia, USA, September 2016
- “Will Kymlicka et les angles mort du libéralisme : vers une théorie non libérale du droit des minorités ?”, Congrès de l'Association des sociétés de philosophie de langue française, Louvain-la-Neuve et Bruxelles, August 2012

Conference Organization

- Symposium on “Conceptual Issues on Vulnerability” with, Christine Straehle, Ryoa Chung and Naïma Hamrouni, CPA-ACP, Montréal, Québec May 2018

Local Conferences

- “What's the Point of Multiculturalism?”, Annual Philosophy Retreat, McGill University, October 2015
- “Personal Identity *is* What Matters”, Philosophy department colloquium: *Dimensions of the Self*, McGill University, September 2011
- “Gauche et Droite au regard de la philosophie”, in collaboration with Pierre-Yves Néron, Martin Gibert et Martin Leblanc, *Philopolis*, March 2011.

Discussant/Commentor

May 2018

Session: Social and Political Philosophy 4, Association Canadienne de philosophie – Canadian Philosophical Association, Montréal:

Jeremy Butler (Queen's University): "Political Instrumentalism and Equality of Political Power"

May 2017

Session: Migrants, Annual conference of the Canadian Political Science Association/Association Canadienne de Science Politique, Toronto:

Kevin K. W. Ip (The Chinese University of Hong Kong): "What, If Anything, is Wrong with Highly-Skilled Migrant Programs?"

Michael Sullivan (St. Mary's University): "Caring as a Civic Service"

Invited Conference Presentations

- "Multiculturalisme et Vulnérabilité", Université du Québec à Rimouski, October 2016

Workshops

- "Multiculturalism and Vulnerable Groups: Toward a Vulnerability-based Justification for Multicultural Policies, *Vulnerability in Healthcare*, Institute for Social Health and Policies (IHSP and Centre de recherche en éthique, McGill University), August 2016
- "Understanding, Assessing, and Addressing the Claims for Justice of Minoritized Groups: Toward a Vulnerability-based Approach to Multiculturalism and Multicultural Policy", McGill Philosophy Workshop Series March 2016
- "Minorisation, minorisation et minorisés : revoir la conceptualisation des relations intergroupes", Graduate Workshop, Centre d'étude ethniques des universités montréalaises (CEETUM), March 2014
- "Do we need a non-liberal theory of minority rights?", *The Status of Minorities in Philosophy*, McGill and Concordia, April 2012
- "Démocratie délibérative et cosmopolitanisme : deux perspectives sur le paternalisme", Political philosophy workshop: « Démocratie et Contestation », Université de Montréal, April 2011

Summer Schools

June 2013

"The Challenge of Complex Diversity: Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives from Europe and Canada", International Summer Institute, Diversity and Democracy, CREQC, CRIDAQ, CSSD, RECODE, and Trudeau Foundation.

Teaching Experience

Course Instructor

McGill University

Political Philosophy 1 (Fall 2017)

Research Assistance

2016-2017

Research assistance, Philosophy and law. Supervisor: Natalie Stoljar

Teaching Assistance

McGill University

Political Philosophy 1 (Winter 2017)

Philosophy of Law (Winter 2014, Winter 2016)

Université de Montréal

Fundamental notions of ethics, medical school (Winter 2012)

Fundamental notions of ethics, biomedical science (Winter 2012)

Philosophie of Science (Summer 2011)

Pensée politique (Winter 2011)

Community Involvement

2015-16

Committee member, PGSS's Equity Committee, McGill

2014-16

President, Postgraduate Philosophy Student Association, McGill

Council Member, Postgraduate Student Society of McGill

2013-14

Chairperson, *Possibles Éditions*, Montréal

2010 –2011

Member of the Board of Association des Étudiants en Philosophie de l'Université de Montréal (ADÉPUM), student union

Service to Profession

2011 – 2013

Secretary-treasurer of *Société philosophie Ithaque*

2009 – 2013

Member of the editorial committee of *Ithaque*

2011

Critical revision for the manuscript, Landry, Normand (2012), « SLAPP! Poursuites-bâillon et intimidation judiciaire », Éditions Écosociété

Languages

French (native)

English (fluent)

References :

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