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Previous Positions:

- Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee (2018-21).
- Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee (2008-14).
- Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Trinity College, University of Dublin (2005-2008).
- Teaching Fellow, Stanford University, Introduction to the Humanities Program (2002-2005).

Education:

- Ph.D. University of Michigan Philosophy.
- M.Phil. University of Oxford Politics.
- B.A. University of Toronto Political Science (High Distinction).

Book: Public Reason and Political Autonomy (Routledge, forthcoming).

This book advances a novel justification for the idea of "public reason": citizens within diverse societies can realize the ideal of shared political autonomy, despite their adherence to different religious and philosophical views, by deciding fundamental political questions with "public reasons." Public reasons draw upon or are derived from ecumenical political ideas, such as toleration and equal citizenship, and mutually acceptable forms of reasoning, like those of the sciences. This book explains that if citizens share equal political autonomy—and thereby constitute "a civic people"—they will not suffer from alienation or domination and can enjoy relations of civic friendship. Moreover, it contends that the ideal of shared political autonomy cannot be realized by alternative accounts of public justification that eschew any necessary role for public reasons. In addition to explaining how the ideal of political autonomy justifies the idea of public reason, this book presents a new analysis of the relation between public reason and "ideal theory": by engaging in "public reasoning" citizens help create a just society that can secure the free compliance of all. It also explores the distinctive policy implications of the ideal of political autonomy for gender equality, families, children, and education.

Articles and Chapters (refereed unless otherwise indicated):

- "Political Liberalism, Autonomy, and Education," in *The Palgrave Handbook of Citizenship and Education*, A. Peterson, G. Stahl, H. Soong, eds. (Palgrave Macmillan, 2020), pp.1-17. [Invited.]
- "Shared Intentions, Public Reason, and Political Autonomy," Canadian Journal of Philosophy 49: 6 (2019), pp.776-804.
- "Political Liberal Citizenship Education and Non-Domination," in *Philosophical Perspectives on Moral and Civic Education:* Shaping Citizens and Their Schools, C. Macleod, and C. Tappolet, eds. (Routledge, 2019), pp.135-155. [Invited.]
- "The Kids are Alright': Political Liberalism, Leisure Time, and Childhood," *Philosophical Studies* 175: 5 (2018), pp.1057-1070.
- "The Tyranny—or the Democracy—of the Ideal?" co-authored with Lori Watson, special issue of *Cosmos + Taxis* 5:2 (2018), pp.47-61. [Invited.] [https://cosmosandtaxis.files.wordpress.com/2018/01/neufeld_watson_ct_vol5_iss2.pdf]
- "Freedom, Money, and Justice as Fairness," Politics, Philosophy & Economics 16:1 (2017), pp.70-92.
- "Why Public Reasoning Involves Ideal Theorizing," in *Political Utopias: Contemporary Debates*, M. Weber and K. Vallier, eds. (Oxford University Press, 2017), pp.73-93.
- "Political Liberalism, Ethos Justice, and Gender Equality," co-authored with Chad Van Schoelandt, *Law and Philosophy* 33:1 (2014), pp.75-104.
- "Political Liberalism and Citizenship Education," *Philosophy Compass* 8/9 (2013), pp.781-797.
- "Liberal Foreign Policy and the Ideal of Fair Social Cooperation," *Journal of Social Philosophy* 44:3 (2013), pp. 291-308.
- "Reciprocity and Liberal Legitimacy," *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* (June 2010), pp.1-7.
- "Civic Respect, Civic Education, and the Family," co-authored with Gordon F. Davis, *Educational Philosophy and Theory* (special issue on 'Toleration, Respect, and Recognition') 42:1 (February 2010), pp.94-111. [Invited.]

- "Coercion, the Basic Structure, and the Family," Journal of Social Philosophy 40:1 (Spring 2009), pp.37-54.
- "Political Liberalism, Civic Education, and Educational Choice," co-authored with Gordon F. Davis, Social Theory and Practice 43:1 (January 2007), pp.47-74.
- "Civic Respect, Political Liberalism, and Non-Liberal Societies," Politics, Philosophy & Economics 4:3 (October 2005), pp.275-299.

Encyclopaedia Chapters:

- "Public Reason," in The Cambridge Rawls Lexicon, J. Mandle and D. Reidy, eds. (Cambridge University Press, 2015), pp.666-672. "Aid to Burdened Societies," in *The Encyclopaedia of Global Justice*, D. K. Chatterjee, ed. (Springer, 2011), pp.26-29.
- "Disagreement, Reasonable," in The Encyclopaedia of Global Justice, D. K. Chatterjee, ed. (Springer, 2011), pp.260-62.
- "Okin, Susan," in The Encyclopaedia of Global Justice, D. K. Chatterjee, ed. (Springer, 2011), pp.780-783.
- "Wenar, Leif," in The Encyclopaedia of Global Justice, D. K. Chatterjee, ed. (Springer, 2011), pp.1154-56.

Book Reviews:

- Review of Kevin Vallier, Must Politics Be War? Restoring Our Trust in the Open Society (Oxford University Press, 2019), The Review of Politics [forthcoming].
- Review of Daniel Halliday, The Inheritance of Wealth: Justice, Equality, and the Right to Bequeath (Oxford University Press, 2018), Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (2021). [https://ndpr.nd.edu/news/the-inheritance-of-wealth-justice-equalityand-the-right-to-bequeath/]
- Review of Martin D. Carcieri, Applying Rawls in the Twenty-First Century (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015), Review of Politics 97 (2017), pp.324-326.
- Review of Anthony Laden, Reasoning: A Social Picture (Oxford University Press, 2012), Theory and Research in Education 13 (2015), pp. 243-246.
- Review of Shlomi Segall, Equality and Opportunity (Oxford University Press, 2013), Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (2015). [http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/56510-equality-and-opportunity/]
- Review of Paul Weithman, Why Political Liberalism? (Oxford University Press, 2010), Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (2011). [http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/27634-why-political-liberalism-on-john-rawls-s-political-turn/]
- Review of Christopher W. Morris (ed.), Amartya Sen (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2010), Analysis 71:2 (2011), pp. 402-404.
- Review of James R. Otteson, Actual Ethics (Cambridge University Press, 2006), Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (2007). [http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=10703]

Recent Academic and Teaching Honours (since 2010 only):

- Research and Creative Activities Support award, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee (2017).
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Faculty of Arts & Humanities Travel Award (2017).
- Office of Research/University of Wisconsin Milwaukee Foundation Research Award (2016).
- Global Studies Fellowship, The Center for International Education, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee (September 2016 - May 2017). [50% course reduction for 2016-17 academic year.]
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Faculty of Arts & Humanities Travel Award (2015).
- Visiting Fellow at the *Centre for Ethics*, University of Toronto (September 2014 August 2015).
- Fellow in the Center for Twenty-First Century Studies, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee (September 2012 May 2013). [50% course reduction for 2012-13 academic year.]
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Faculty of Arts and Humanities Travel Award (2012).
- Nominated by the Department of Philosophy, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, for the 2011-2012 UWM Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award (2012).
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Graduate School Research Committee Award (June August 2011).
- Research Grant from the Spencer Foundation's *Initiative on Philosophy in Educational Policy and Practice* (January 2011 June 2011). [Funded research leave during spring term 2011.]
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Faculty of Arts & Humanities Travel Award (2010) [declined].

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Full curriculum vitae available upon request.