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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, Northwestern University Thesis: <i>Sovereignty, Violence, and Critique: Foucault's Early Genealogies of Power</i> Committee: Penelope Deutscher (Chair), Cristina Lafont, José Medina, Peter E. Gordon (Harvard)	Dec. 2022
School of Criticism and Theory, Cornell University	2018
MA in Philosophy, The New School for Social Research	2016
BA in Philosophy (with Honors), Eugene Lang College, The New School	2015

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Lewis & Clark College	Fall 2022 -
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RESEARCH AREAS

Areas of Specialization

20th Century Continental Philosophy (esp. Foucault, Adorno, Benjamin); Critical Theory; Political Philosophy

Areas of Competence

19th Century Continental Philosophy (esp. Marx, Nietzsche); Philosophy of Race; History of Modern Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

- “Explanation and Evaluation in Foucault’s Genealogy of Morality,” forthcoming in *European Journal of Philosophy*, DOI: [10.1111/ejop.12809](https://doi.org/10.1111/ejop.12809).
- “Adorno, Marx, and abstract domination,” forthcoming in *Philosophy & Social Criticism*, DOI: [10.1177/01914537211059508](https://doi.org/10.1177/01914537211059508).
- 2022 “Sovereignty, Genealogy, and the Critique of State Violence,” *Constellations* 29, no. 2, 214-228, DOI: [10.1111/1467-8675.12577](https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-8675.12577).
- 2021 “Foucault’s Analytics of Sovereignty,” *Critical Horizons* 22, no. 3, 287-305, DOI:

[10.1080/14409917.2021.1953750](https://doi.org/10.1080/14409917.2021.1953750).

2020 “On the Ways of Writing the History of the State,” *Foucault Studies*, no. 28, 71-95, DOI: [10.22439/fs.v1i28.6074](https://doi.org/10.22439/fs.v1i28.6074).

Book Reviews

2020 “Deborah Cook, *Adorno, Foucault and the Critique of the West*,” *Graduate Faculty Philosophy Journal* 41, no. 1, 319-322.

Works in Progress

Partisan Genealogy: Foucault’s Critique of Penal Power, book manuscript

“Benjamin, Natural History, and Form”

“Toward a Genealogy of the Racial State”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Philosophy of Race (PHIL 217), Lewis & Clark College, Spring 2023

Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 102), Lewis & Clark College, Spring 2023

Ideology, Illusion, and Critical Theory (CORE 120), Lewis & Clark College, Spring 2023

Ideology, Illusion, and Critical Theory (CORE 120), Lewis & Clark College, Fall 2022

Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 110), Northwestern University, Fall 2018

Introduction to Critical Theory (PHIL 220), Northwestern University, Spring 2018

Kant’s *Critique* I (PHIL 313), Northwestern University, Winter 2018

Introduction to Pragmatism (PHIL 216), Northwestern University, Fall 2017

Executive Function and Student Success Workshop, Lewis & Clark College, May 2023

Teaching Certificate, Searle Center for Advancing Learning and Teaching, June 2022

- *Certificate awarded after completion of year-long pedagogical development course at Northwestern University*

INVITED TALKS

2023 “Genealogy and Political Struggles.” Lewis & Clark College Philosophy Colloquium Series, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, March 17, 2023.

2022 “On *Théories et institutions pénales*.” Causeries Critiques - Séminaire Doctoral, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris 3, Paris, April 1, 2022.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2022 “Foucault, Genealogy, and Normativity.” 73rd Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference,

- Lewis & Clark College, Portland, October 29, 2022.
- 2022 “Benjamin and the Counter-History of Sovereignty.” 14th International Critical Theory Conference of Rome, Rome Center of Loyola University Chicago, Rome, May 18, 2022.
- 2022 “Arendt, Hobbes, and the Concept of Sovereignty.” 15th Annual Meeting of the Hannah Arendt Circle, Loyola University, Chicago, March 26, 2022.
- 2021 “Sovereignty as Claim.” Frankfurt-Northwestern Dissertation Workshop, Northwestern University, Evanston, April 30, 2021.
- 2020 “Foucault’s Analytics of Sovereignty.” Dissertation Research Seminar, Northwestern University, Evanston, May 18, 2020.
- 2020 “Logics of Violence in Adorno and Agamben.” 13th International Critical Theory Conference of Rome, Rome Center of Loyola University Chicago, Rome, May 2020. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 “Foucault and the State: A Genealogy of Political Modernity.” The 58th Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy,” Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2019.
- 2019 “Genealogy, the Genetic Fallacy, and Foucault’s Critique of Class Justice.” 27th Critical Theory Roundtable, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Oct. 3-5, 2019.
- 2019 “Integration and Expulsion: Two Logics of Social Death.” UNM Philosophy Graduate Conference, “The Liberal Subject: Decay, Demise, & Deliverance,” University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, May 17-18, 2019.
- 2019 “Two Answers to the Aporia of Disciplinary Society.” Dissertation Research Seminar, Northwestern University, Evanston, Apr. 1, 2019.
- 2019 "Foucault’s Nominalist Analytics of the State." LSE Political Theory Graduate Conference, London School of Economics, London, Mar. 14-15, 2019.
- 2017 “Suffering Resistance and the Critique of Capital in Adorno.” 2017 Graduate Student Conference, “Resistance, Radicalisms, and Aesthetics,” Department of French and Italian, Northwestern University, Evanston, Jun. 1-2, 2017.
- 2017 “Adorno’s (Natural-historical) Critique of Labor.” Historical Materialism New York 2017, “Historical Materialism: Research in Critical Marxist Theory,” New York University, New York, Apr. 21-23, 2017.
- 2015 “The Althusserian whole: Towards a totality of difference.” Coloquio Internacional, “Un mundo sin fundaciones: Política, sociedad e historia en el pensamiento post-fundacional,” Universidad de Diego Portales, Santiago de Chile, Sept. 23-24, 2015.
- 2015 “Utopia as truth: Class formation and the everyday.” 10th Annual International

Interdisciplinary Conference, “Utopias,” Centre for Applied Philosophy, Politics and Ethics, University of Brighton, UK, Sept. 2-4, 2015.

- 2015 “Grids of Intelligibility, Neoliberal Selves: Subject Production in The Birth of Biopolitics.” The 22nd Annual DePaul University Graduate Student Conference, “Affective Encounters: Philosophy, History, Politics,” DePaul University, Chicago, Mar. 13-14, 2015.

COMMENTS

- 2022 Comment on Albert R. Spencer, “The Vampire Foucault,” 73rd Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, October 29, 2022.
- 2021 Comment on Christoph Menke, *Critique of Rights*. “Workshop on *Critique of Rights*,” Northwestern University, Evanston, Sep. 20, 2021.
- 2018 Comment on Thomas Cantone, “Language and the Logic of Literary Form in Adorno's *Notes to Literature*.” “Critical Theories Workshop: Adorno and Foucault,” DePaul University, Chicago, Apr. 20-1, 2018.
- 2017 Comment on Christoph Menke, *Law and Violence*. “Benjamin’s *Critique of Violence*: A German and Latin American Critical Theory Cooperation Event,” Northwestern University, Evanston, Nov. 8, 2017.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2020-21 Fellow, Paris Program in Critical Theory, Northwestern University
- 2018 Tuition grant, School of Criticism and Theory at Cornell University
- 2015-16 Provost’s Scholarship, New School for Social Research
- 2015 Conference travel grant, Universidad de Diego Portales, Chile

SERVICE

Referee

Acta Academica: Critical views on society, culture and politics
The Philosophical Forum

Event organizer or co-organizer

- 2019-21 After-Life of Phenomenology Workshop, Northwestern University.
- 2020 Northwestern University Graduate Critical Theory Conference (Keynotes: Cinzia Arruzza and Daniel Loick), Northwestern University, Apr. 24-25, 2020. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 Northwestern University Graduate Critical Theory Conference (Keynote: Alia Al-Saji), Northwestern University, Feb. 16, 2019.
- 2017-19 Graduate Adorno discussion group, Northwestern University.

- 2018 Neoliberal Coloniality Workshop (Rocío Zambrana), Northwestern University, May 3, 2018.
- 2017 “Adorno’s *Aesthetic Theory*” (Christoph Menke in dialogue with graduate students), Northwestern University, Nov. 9, 2017.
- 2017 “Christoph Menke: Benjamin’s ‘Critique of Violence’” (Christoph Menke in dialogue with María del Rosario Acosta, Ronald Mendoza-de Jesús, Rocío Zambrana, and graduate students), Northwestern University, Nov. 8, 2017.
- 2017 “Revisiting Adorno and Black Expression” (Fumi Okiji in dialogue with Anna Parkinson and Alex Weheliye), Northwestern University, Feb. 7, 2017.
- 2016 Graduate discussion group on *Critique of Hegel’s ‘Philosophy of Right’*, Northwestern University.
- 2014-16 Graduate Marx discussion group, New School for Social Research.

LANGUAGES

French: advanced in reading and speaking

Spanish: advanced in reading and speaking

German: intermediate in reading and speaking

Hindi and Urdu: intermediate in speaking, beginner in reading

Italian: beginner in reading

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Philosophical Association

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy

REFERENCES

Penelope Deutscher

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