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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Utah	2018—
Adjunct Professor, Center for Health, Ethics, Arts, and Humanities (CHeEtAH) Univ. of Utah	2019—
McDonnell Postdoctoral Scholar, Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology (PNP) Program, Washington University, Saint Louis	2015-2017

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, Purdue University <i>Dissertation committee: Daniel Kelly (chair), Edouard Machery, Daniel Smith, Dana Tulodzieki</i>	2015
B.A.h, Philosophy, University of Wisconsin—Madison	2010

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Mind/Cognitive Science, Moral Psychology,
Philosophy of Psychiatry

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of Psychology, Bioethics, Logic

PUBLICATIONS

IN PREPERATION

Washington, N. (*under review*) “Taxonomy is Taxidermy: Thinking Clearly About Diagnostic Kinds”

Petrozzo, K., and **Washington, N.** (*manuscript*) “Essentializing Atypicality: Insanity, Executive Dysfunction, and Synchronic Control”

Washington, N. (*in preparation*) “Square Pegs, Round Holes: The Problem of ‘Naturalized Norms’ in Accounts of Mental Health”

ARTICLES

- Washington, N.**, Leone, C., and Niemi L. (2022) “Neuroscience and Mental Illness” *Neuroscience and Philosophy*. W. Sinnott-Armstrong and F. De Brigard (eds.) Cambridge MA: MIT Press.
- Murphy, D., and **Washington, N.** (2022) “Mental Illness and Agency” *The Oxford Handbook of Moral Psychology*. J. Doris and M. Vargas (eds.). New York: Oxford Univ. Press.
- Tiberius, V., and **Washington, N.** (2020) “Practical Reason and Social Science Research” *Routledge Handbook of Practical Reason*. K. Sullivan and R. Chang (eds.). Routledge.
- Washington, N.** (2018) “Contextualism as a Solution to Paternalism in Psychiatric Practice” *Philosophy, Psychiatry, & Psychology*. (25)4: 235-243.
- Washington, N.** (2016). “Culturally Unbound: Cross-Cultural Cognitive Diversity and the Science of Psychopathology” *Philosophy, Psychiatry, & Psychology*. 23(2): 165-179.
- Washington, N.** and Morar, N. (2016). “Implicit Cognition and Gifts: How does social psychology help us think differently about medical practice?” *Hastings Center Report*. 46(3): 33-43.
- Washington, N.**, and Kelly, D. (2016). “Who’s Responsible for This? Moral Responsibility, Externalism, and Knowledge about Implicit Bias,” *Implicit Bias and Philosophy*, Eds. M. Brownstein and J. Saul. New York: Oxford Univ. Press.

REVIEWS AND COMMENTARIES

- Washington, N.** (2016). “I Don’t Want to Change Your Mind: A Reply to Sherman” *Social Epistemology Review and Reply Collective*, 5(3): 10-14.
- Washington, N.** (2015) “Do We Know How Stressed We Are?” commentary on Kalisch et al. “A Conceptual Framework for the Neurobiological Study of Resilience” *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 38 e127.
- Washington, N.**, and Kelly, D. (2014). “Should an Individual Composed of Selfish Goals be Held Responsible for Her Actions?” commentary on Julie Y. Huang and John A. Bargh “The Selfish Goal: Autonomously Operating Motivational Structures as the Proximate Cause of Human Judgment and Behavior,” *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 37(2): 158-159.

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED TALKS

Aesthetic Choices for Psychedelic Therapy

The Aesthetics of Psychedelics Conference at the University of Kent

2023

<i>Control and Character in Criminal Agency</i>	Epistemic Norms and Social Norms Workshop held at Washington Univ. in Saint Louis	2022
<i>Critiquing Values: Psychiatry and Well-Being</i>	Keynote talk at the Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology Conference	2022
<i>Insanity, Executive Dysfunction, and Synchronic Control</i>	Neuroethics Spring Series at the Ethics Center of Lake Forest College [with Kathryn Petrozzo]	2022
<i>Square Pegs, Round Holes: the problem of 'Naturalized Norms' in accounts of mental health</i>	Webinar Series in Philosophy of Psychiatry L'Université du Québec à Montréal (held remotely)	2021
<i>Problems with Cognitive Ontology: Neuroscience and Mental Illness</i>	Univ. of Utah Department of Neurobiology Faculty Seminar	2021
<i>The Problem of 'Naturalized Norms' in Accounts of Mental Health</i>	Univ. of Missouri Saint Louis Philosophy Department Colloquium	2021
<i>Taxonomy is Taxidermy: thinking clearly about diagnostic kinds</i>	Tanner Humanities Fellow's Works in Progress Series	2021
Keynote Speaker for Kansas University Undergraduate Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Conference—Canceled due to Covid-19		2020
<i>Agency in Mental Illness</i>	Department of Philosophy and Political Science Colloquium, Univ. of Idaho	2019
<i>Neuroscience and Mental Illness</i>	4 th Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy (SSNAP) Workshop Duke Institute for Brain Sciences [with Laura Niemi]	2019
<i>Square Pegs, Round Holes: the problem of 'Naturalized Norms' in accounts of well-being</i>	Conference on Philosophy of Medicine and Mental Health, Univ. of Nebraska—Omaha	2019
<i>Epistemic Injustice, Marginalization, and Stress: Applying Neuroscience to a Psychiatric Nosology</i>	Cognitive Neuroscience Brownbag Group at the Univ. of Utah	2019
<i>Square Pegs, Round Holes: the problem of 'Naturalized Norms' in accounts of well-being</i>	Philosophical Engagement in Public Life (PEiPL) Network Talk at La Trobe Univ. in Melbourne	2018
<i>Human Kinds and Diagnostic Categories</i>	Workshop on Culture and Psychiatry at the Univ. of Sydney	2018
<i>Stewardship of the Mind: Agency in (Mental) Illness</i>	Workshop on Responsibility and Mental Disorder at the Univ. of Birmingham Alabama	2018
<i>Diagnostic Kinds as Human Kinds</i>	Philosophy Department Colloquium at Rhodes College, Memphis TN	2018

<i>Culturally Unbound: Psychopathology, Diversity, and Human Nature</i> Univ. of Utah Philosophy Department Colloquium	2018
<i>Diagnostic Kinds as Human Kinds</i> Univ. of Cincinnati Philosophy Department Colloquium	2017
<i>On 'Cultural Concepts of Distress' in the DSM</i> ATLAS Week Lecture for the Philosophy Club at Saint Louis Univ.	2017
<i>Implicit Cognition and Practical Reason</i> Brandeis Univ, Department of Philosophy 6 th Annual Spring Conference: Implicit Bias and Social Justice	2017
<i>Square Pegs, Round Holes: The Problem of Naturalized Norms in Accounts of Well-Being</i> 2 nd Annual St. Louis Area Well-Being Workshop, Saint Louis Univ.	2017
<i>Culturally Unbound: Psychopathology, Diversity, and Human Nature</i> Washington Univ. in Saint Louis PNP Colloquium	2016
<i>Culturally Unbound: Rejecting Human Nature as a Guide for Psychiatric Diagnosis</i> Bates College Philosophy Department Colloquium	2016
<i>Bioethics Meets Moral Psychology: Dealing with the Cognitive Monster in the Mirror</i> The Hasting Center for Bioethics	2016
<i>Moral Technologies: Responsibility and Implicit Bias</i> Book Launch for <i>Moral Psychology: An Introduction</i> by Mark Alfano, Delft Univ. of Technology	2016
<i>What's a Diagnosis? The Value of the Individual in Scientific Psychiatry</i> Lecture for the Philosophy Neuroscience and Psychology Club at Washington Univ. in Saint Louis	2015
<i>Moral Technologies: Responsibility and Implicit Bias</i> George Washington Univ. Philosophy Department Brownbag Seminar	2015
<i>Culturally Unbound: Scientific Psychiatry, Norms, and Human Nature</i> George Washington Univ. Seminar in the History and Future of Mental Well-being	2015
<i>Responsibility from the Outside In: Shaping the Moral Ecology Around Implicit Bias</i> Philosophy Department Colloquium at Purdue Univ. [with Daniel Kelly]	2014
<i>Who's Responsible for This? Implicit Bias and Social Externalism about Moral Responsibility</i> Filosofiska Föreningen, Lund Univ. [with Daniel Kelly]	2013

CONTRIBUTED AND REFEREED TALKS

<i>Critiquing Values in Psychiatry</i> Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry, affiliate meeting with the American Psychiatric Association, held in San Francisco	2023
<i>Critiquing Values: Problems with Conativism in Psychiatry</i> The Moral Psychology Research Group, Duke Univ.	2022

<i>Taxonomy is Taxidermy: Thinking Clearly About Diagnostic Kinds</i> Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry, affiliate meeting with the American Psychiatric Association, held in NOLA	2022
<i>Essentializing Atypicality: Synchronic and Diachronic Threats to Criminal Responsibility</i> Session on Neuroatypicality at the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, held in Mobile AL	2022
<i>Who counts as Mad?</i> Author Meets Critics Session for Mohammed Abouelleil Rashed's <i>Madness and the Demand for Recognition</i>	2022
<i>When and Why to Naturalize Dysfunction</i> Commentary on Kari Theurer "Disorder as Dysfunction: Adaptationism and Teleology in Psychiatry" Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology [held remotely due to Covid-19]	2020
<i>Taxonomy is Taxidermy: thinking clearly about diagnostic kinds</i> Moral Psychology Research Group at Washington Univ. in Saint Louis	2019
<i>The Experience of Being Taken at Your Word: A Multi-Method Investigation</i> Moral Psychology Research Group at Pennsylvania State Univ. [with Laura Niemi]	2017
<i>Taxonomizing Socially Constructed Kinds in Psychiatry</i> Cycorp Philosophy Brownbag Series, Austin TX	2017
<i>Square Pegs, Round Holes: The problem of Naturalized Norms</i> Moral Psychology Research Group at Duke Univ.	2017
<i>Ecological Control and the Maintenance of Mental Health</i> Session on Embedded and Extended Virtue at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting	2017
<i>Integration, Reduction, and Mechanisms: Lessons from Psychiatry</i> Commentary on Jacqueline Sullivan "Cognitive Ontologies and Coordinated Pluralism" PNP Cognitive Ontology Workshop, Washington Univ, in Saint Louis	2017
<i>Dealing with the Cognitive Monster in the Mirror</i> Bioethics Meets Moral Psychology panel at the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities annual conference	2016
<i>Square Pegs, Round Holes: Context, Normativity, and Mental Health</i> The Happiness and Well-Being Project Summer Development Project, Costa Rica	2016
<i>They Don't Know What Love Is: An Empirical Investigation of the Folk Concept</i> The Moral Psychology Research Group, Harvard Univ. [with Chapman Waters]	2016
<i>Why Well-Being? Some Puzzles about Normativity and Mental Health</i> Philosophy Neuroscience and Psychology Works in Progress Series, Washington Univ. in Saint Louis	2016

<i>Stewardship of the Mind: Mental Health and Ecological Control</i>	Organized session on Ecological Control at the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology	2016
<i>On Knowing Our Own Emotions</i>	Commentary on Daniel Shargel “The Function of Emotions”, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting	2016
<i>Individualism as a Solution to Paternalism in Psychiatric Practice</i>	Organized session, New Dimensions in the Philosophy of Psychiatry at ISHPSSB in Montreal, Canada	2015
<i>Agential Technologies and Implicitly Biased Behaviors</i>	organized session, The Ethical Dimensions of Philosophy of Race at ISHPSSB in Montreal, Canada	2015
<i>Individualism as a Solution to Paternalism in Psychiatric Practice</i>	Poster presentation at the Early Career Scholars Philosophy of Psychiatry Conference at the University of Pittsburgh	2014
<i>Engineering Agency and the Technology of Mental Health</i>	The Moral Psychology Research Group, Tulane Univ.	2014
<i>Racism and Criminality in The New Jim Crow</i>	Panel at Philosophy Born of Struggle, Paine College [with Pierre Buhlmann]	2014
<i>Implicit Bias and Responsibility: From the Outside In</i>	Partner University Fund workshop, Univ. of Paris Nanterre	2014
<i>Culturally Unbound: Scientific Psychiatry and Cross-Cultural Cognitive Diversity</i>	Session on Mental States at the Society for Philosophy and Psychology	2014
<i>Culturally Unbound’ Cross-Cultural perspectives on Moral Psychology</i>	Poster presentation at Korea Univ., Seoul, South Korea	2014
<i>Culturally Unbound: Scientific Psychiatry and Cross-Cultural Cognitive Diversity</i>	Panel on the Ethical Problems of Diagnosis at The Univ. of Memphis Graduate Student Conference on Mental Illness and Power	2014
<i>Culturally Unbound: Scientific Psychiatry and Cross-Cultural Cognitive Diversity</i>	Session on the Philosophy of Psychology at Philologica III, Univ. de los Andes in Bogota, Colombia	2014
<i>Culturally Unbound: Scientific Psychiatry and Cross-Cultural Cognitive Diversity</i>	Session on the Philosophy of Psychology at the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology	2014
<i>Culturally Unbound: Scientific Psychiatry and Cross-Cultural Cognitive Diversity</i>	The Moral Psychology Research Group, Washington Univ. in St. Louis	2013
<i>Who’s Responsible for This? Moral Responsibility, Externalism, and Knowledge about Implicit Bias</i>	Symposium on Implicit Bias at the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology [with Daniel Kelly]	2013
<i>Who’s Responsible for This? Implicit Bias and Social Externalism about Moral Responsibility</i>	The Moral Psychology Research Group, Ohio State Univ.	2012

<i>Implicit Bias and the Epistemology of Moral Responsibility</i> Second Implicit Bias and Philosophy Workshop, Univ. of Sheffield [with Daniel Kelly]	2012
<i>Who's Responsible for This? Implicit Bias and Moral Responsibility</i> Spring Brownbag Lecture Series, Purdue Univ. Psychology Department [with Daniel Kelly]	2011

DIGITAL MEDIA

Featured Author for October 2015, Flickers of Freedom Blog (http://philosophycommons.typepad.com/flickers_of_freedom/)	2015
<i>Responsibility for Implicit Bias</i> Invited contribution to the Imperfect Cognitions Blog, posted July 31 st 2013 (http://imperfectcognitions.blogspot.com)	2013

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Daniels Fund Leadership in Ethics Education Award	2023
Rising Star in the Humanities Award	2022
University of Utah Black Cultural Center Malcom X Award for Social Justice	2022
Virgil C. Aldrich Faculty Fellow, Tanner Humanities Center,	2020-2021
Duke Institute for Brain Sciences (DIBS) SSNAP sub-grant for “Epistemic injustice and trauma: The neural substrates involved in having one’s credibility repeatedly undermined”, [with Laura Niemi and Cliff Workman]	2017-2018
Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy (SSNAP) Fellowship	2017
The Happiness and Well-Being Project’s Interdisciplinary Development Workshop on Well-Being, Junior Fellow	2016
McDonnell Postdoctoral Fellowship	2015-2017
Partner University Fund Scholarship for the “Theoretical Toolkit Summer School” exchange program (Purdue Univ. and Univ. of Paris Nanterre)	2014
Networking and Mentoring Workshop for Graduate Student Women in Philosophy at Princeton University, Fellow	2014
Purdue Graduate Fellowship in Philosophy for Diversity and Inclusion,	2014-2015
Purdue University Teaching Academy Graduate Teaching Award	2013-2014
McBride Graduate Student International Travel Grant,	2013 2014
Purdue Doctoral Fellowship, Purdue Univ. Graduate School	2010-2012

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Utah Philosophy of Psychiatry Lab	2022—
Founder/Director	
Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry	2014—
Executive Committee Member	2023—
Moral Psychology Research Group	2013—
American Philosophical Association	2013—
Coalition for Racial Diversity in Philosophy	2014-2016
Minorities and Philosophy Graduate Mentor	2014-2015

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH SERVICE

Co-director of Ethics in Mental Health (CHeEtAH)	2022—
Philosophy Department RPT Committee	2022
College Faculty Awards Committee	2022—
College of Humanities Diversity Committee	2022
Member of Hiring Committee for position in Research Ethics [[Joyce Havstad Hired]	2019-2020
Philosophy Department Graduate Committee member	2019-2020, 2023
Philosophy Department Placement Director, Utah	2019-2022
Philosophy Department Diversity Committee member, Utah,	2018-2020
Philosophy Department Undergraduate Committee member, Utah	2018-2019

CONFERENCE ORGANIZING

34 th Meeting of the Moral Psychology Research Group (coinciding with Utah Philosophy annual department conference), co-organized with Jesse Graham	Fall 2019
Washington University in Saint Louis, History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine (HPSM) series, co-organized with Carl Craver	Fall 2016
Washington University in Saint Louis PNP Works in Progress Lectures	Spring 2016
Purdue Philosophy Department Diversity and Inclusion Workshop and Colloquium Organizer	2014-2015

REFEREE WORK

Philosophy of Science Association

Referee of articles for *Philosophy of Science*; *Review of Philosophy and Psychology*; *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*; *Public Affairs Quarterly*; *Philosophical Quarterly*; *Res Philosophica*; *Philosophy, Psychiatry, & Psychology*; *Synthese*; *Philosophical Psychology*; *Consciousness and Cognition*

Referee of book proposal for Rowman & Littlefield International

TEACHING

DISSERTATION DIRECTOR

Bennett Knox, PhD (expected 2025)
“The Place of Pluralism in Psychiatry”

Kathryn Petrozzo, PhD (expected 2024)
“Mental Illness as a Life Sentence: The (Mis)treatment of Psychiatric Disorders in the Courtroom and Beyond”

COMMITTEE MEMBER

Spencer Ivy, PhD (2023)
“Getting Creative with Style in the Flow of Expert Action”

Liam Perri-Reichert, MA (2022)
“Toward and Anti-Constitutivism: Moral Revolution as a Problem for Rational Agency”

Ryan Nelson, PhD (2019)
“Understanding Autism: Disorder, Disability, and Difference”

Nicholas Harrison, PhD (2019)
“Understanding Addiction Biomedically: Implications for Attitudes and Interventions”

COURSES TAUGHT

At the University of Utah

Graduate Seminar in Philosophy of Mind (Ethics and Psychology of Psychedelics)

Deductive Logic

African American Philosophy

Graduate Seminar in Philosophy of Science (Moral Psychology)

Foundations of Medicine (co-taught for PMEH)

Philosophy of Cognitive Science

Graduate Seminar in Philosophy of Mind
Graduate Seminar in Advanced Deductive Logic
Research Ethics
Graduate Seminar in Philosophy of Science (Theories of Psychiatric Classification)
Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Accreditation

At Washington University in Saint Louis

Graduate PNP Seminar (Externalism and Ecological Action)
Graduate PNP Seminar (Theories of Psychiatric Classification)
Introduction to the Cognitive Sciences
Inquiry in the Cognitive Sciences

At Purdue University

Principles of Logic
Critical Thinking