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## AREAS OF SPECIALISATION/COMPETENCE

AOS: Ethics, Metaethics, Political Philosophy, Rationality

AOC: Philosophy of Mind, Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Technology

## EMPLOYMENT

University of Sheffield, Lecturer, 2019 - present

Harvard University, Faculty Fellow, Safra Center for Ethics, 2020-2021

Bowling Green State University, Assistant Professor, 2017-2019

## EDUCATION

Columbia University, PhD in Philosophy, 2011-2017 (MA 2013, MPhil 2014)

University of Cambridge [Trinity College], MPhil (Distinction) in Philosophy, 2010-2011

University of Cambridge [Trinity College], B. A. (Hons. 1st class) in Philosophy, 2007-2010

## BOOK PROJECTS

- *Yes We Can: A Philosophy of Social Change* – Routledge, contract signed

- *Terrestrial Ethics* – book proposal requested by Oxford University Press

## PAPERS

- “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” – *Noûs*, 2019 (online 2017)

- “Non-Naturalist Moral Realism and the Limits of Rational Reflection” – *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 2018 (online 2017)

- “Immoral Realism” – *Philosophical Studies*, 2019

- “Less of Me! More of Me! Reflexive Imperativism about Affective Phenomenal Character” (with Luca Barlassina) – *Mind*, 2019

- “Utility Cascades” – *Analysis*, 2020

- “Loopy regulations: The motivational profile of affective phenomenology” (with Luca Barlassina) – *Philosophical Topics*, 2020

- “Terrestrial Ethics and Celestial Aspirations” – *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society* (forthcoming)

- “Normative Authority” (with Caroline Arruda) – *Philosophy Compass* (commissioned)

## For a public audience

- “Can liberal values be absolute? Or is that a contradiction?” – *Aeon*, 2016

- “Philosophy vs Ethics” – *Times Literary Supplement*, 2017

- “Cummings is bringing us closer to a zero-trust society” – *politics.co.uk*, 2020

- “Why Bertrand Russell’s argument for idleness is more relevant than ever” – *New Statesman*, 2020

- “Eat, Drink and Be Merry! No, Really.” – *The Atlantic*, 2021

- “Does the rise of the Metaverse mean the decline of cities?” – *New Statesman*, 2022

## In Progress

- “Empathy for Avatars: Social Media, Political Dysfunction, and Empathic Cues” (*philosophy of technology, moral psychology, political philosophy*)

- “Yes We Can! Propaganda, Ideology, and the Rationality of Collectively Self-Rationalising Beliefs” (*political philosophy, political epistemology, collective rationality*)
- “Might Ecological Rationality be Rationality Enough?” (with Henry Schiller) (*rationality, epistemology, philosophy of psychology*)
- “What is a Utilitarian Account of Reasons?” (*utilitarianism, reasons, collective action*)
- “Does Utilitarianism Need a Criterion of Rightness?” (*utilitarianism, deontology*)
- “Team reasoning, Rationality and Act-Utilitarianism” (*utilitarianism, rationality, collective action*)
- “Objectivity and Progress: On Kitcher’s Pragmatist Metaethics” (*metaethics, pragmatism, naturalism*)
- “The Best Way to be a Metaethical Quietist” (*metaethics, quietisms, expressivism*)

**TALKS** [\* = *invited talk*]

2023-4

- “Terrestrial Ethics” – *The Aristotelian Society*, London

2022-3

- \* Faculty Mentor, Philosophy, AI and Society Doctoral Colloquium, University of Oxford
- \* “Yes We Can!” University of Bristol
- \* TBD, *Workshop on Moral Understanding*, University of Warwick
- \* “Yes We Can!” University of Glasgow
- \* “Affect and satisfaction: from the folk concept of happiness to happiness (and back)” (with Luca Barlassina), *Happiness: Emotion, Mood, or Character Trait*, Birkbeck, University of London
- \* “Yes We Can!” New York University
- \* “Objectivity and Progress: On Kitcher’s Pragmatist Metaethics” *Festschrift for Philip Kitcher*, Columbia University
- \* “Terrestrial Ethics” University of Texas, Austin
- “Yes We Can!” *Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society*, New Orleans
- “Empathy for Avatars: Social Media, Political Dysfunction, and Empathic Understanding” *Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society*, New Orleans
- \* “Yes We Can!” University of Stirling
- \* “Yes We Can!” *Centre for Ethics, Law and Public Affairs*, University of Warwick
- \* “Terrestrial Ethics” Trinity College, Dublin
- “Yes We Can!” *Truth and Politics*, University of Bamberg
- “Team Reasoning, Rationality & Utilitarianism” *Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & Mind Association*, St Andrew’s
- “Terrestrial Ethics” *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division (symposium)*
- \* “Team Reasoning, Rationality & Utilitarianism” University of York

2021

- \* “Team Reasoning, Rationality & Utilitarianism” University of Toronto
- \* “Team Reasoning, Rationality & Utilitarianism” Harvard University, Safra Center for Ethics
- \* “Terrestrial Ethics” Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich
- “Utility Cascades” *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, (symposium)*
- \* “The Morality of Moral Realism” King’s College London
- “How to be an Ethical Anti-Objectivist” *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division*
- \* Keynote: “Rationality, Cooperation and Trust” *University of London Undergraduate Philosophy Conference*
- \* Keynote: “Terrestrial Ethics” *Understanding Value X*, University of Sheffield

2020

- \* “Objective Morality? Who Cares!” *Glasgow University Philosophy Society*
- “How to be an Ethical Anti-Objectivist” *Rocky Mountains Ethics Congress*
- “How to be an Ethical Anti-Objectivist” *PEAsoup.com online symposium*
- \* “Coronavirus and Moral Dilemmas” *PPE in a Time of Pandemic*, UNC Chapel Hill
- “Utility Cascades” *Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society*, New Orleans
- \* “Terrestrial Ethics” Central European University
- \* “How to be an Ethical Anti-Objectivist” University of Vienna
- \* “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” University of Edinburgh
- “The Priority of the Good and the Contingency of the Right” *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division*, Philadelphia

#### 2019

- \* “Terrestrial Ethics” University of Leeds
- “The Priority of the Good and the Contingency of the Right” *Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & Mind Association*, Durham

#### 2018

- \* “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” University of Sheffield
- \* “The Priority of the Good and the Contingency of the Right” *Ohio Normativity Workshop*, Ohio State University
- “The Priority of the Good and the Contingency of the Right” *The Future of Normativity*, University of Kent
- “Immoral Realism” *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (symposium)* San Diego
- “Sentimentalist Rationality and the Contingency of Intrapersonal Norms” *Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society*, New Orleans
- \* “Immoral Realism” University of Leeds
- \* “Immoral Realism” McGill University

#### 2017

- \* “Rethink: A Philosophy Community Outreach Program” *New York Council for the Humanities*, New York
- \* “Immoral Realism” University College London
- “Immoral Realism” *Foundations of Normativity*, University of Edinburgh
- \* “Future Tuesday Indifference” *Workshop on Wellbeing, Time and Prudence*, University of Tampere
- \* “Immoral Realism” Temple University
- \* “Immoral Realism” Bowling Green State University

#### 2016

- “How to be an Expressivist about Practical Rationality” *New Directions for Expressivism*, Sheffield,
- “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” *British Society for Ethical Theory*, Cardiff
- “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” *Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & Mind Association*, Cardiff
- “Highest Order Consequentialism” (with R. Kubala), *International Society for Utilitarian Studies*, Lille
- \* “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” *Humean Readings*, Rome
- “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” *Emotions, Normativity and Social Life*, Milan
- \* “Humanism and the ethics of Ethics” *Philosophy and Engagement*, Philadelphia
- “Drifting to Bermuda: On the Limits of Rational Reflection in Ethics” *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division*, San Francisco
- “Hume, Smith and Practical Reason” *Dutch Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy*, Rotterdam

- \* “Practical Reason, Sympathy and Reactive Attitudes” *Serious Metaphysics Group*, Cambridge
- \* “Pain and Valenced Feelings” *New Directions in the Philosophy of Mind*, Cambridge

2015

- “Prudence as Social” *International Hume Workshop*, Oxford
- “Grounding practical rationality in Empathy” *Empathy in Moral Theory & Moral Psychology*, Oxford
- “How can we Account for the Badness of Pain?” *The Science of Consciousness*, Helsinki

2014

- \* “Philosophy and Public Education” *Columbia University Seminar for Ethics & Society*, New York
- \* “Philosophy as a Public Humanity” *Heyman Center for the Humanities*, New York

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Sheffield:
  - Ethics: Theoretical & Practical (2<sup>nd</sup> year UG ethics survey)
  - Self & Society (1<sup>st</sup> year UG intro to political philosophy)
  - Moral Theory & Moral Psychology (UG & MA course)
- Bowling Green State University:
  - Moral Theory & Moral Psychology (*graduate course*)
  - Proseminar (*graduate course*)
  - Pain & Pleasure (*graduate independent study*)
  - Existentialism
  - Introduction to Ethics
- Columbia University:
  - As **Instructor** (Philosophy Department):
    - Experimentation and Discovery in Ethical Theory
    - Epistemology: Investigation, Experimentation and Value
  - As **Instructor** (Center for Teaching and Learning)
    - Reflective Teaching Seminar
    - Columbia International: Cultural Diversity Among Teachers & Students
  - As **Teaching Assistant** (Philosophy Department)
    - Methods & Problems in Philosophy; Philosophy of Science; Epistemology; Ethics; Logic
- University of Cambridge:
  - As **Supervisor**
    - Part Ia Metaphysics, Part Ia Ethics, Part II Philosophy of Mind, Part II Ethics

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

- American Philosophical Association Public Philosophy Op-Ed prize, 2022
- Safra Centre for Ethics Fellow-in-Residence, Harvard University, 2021-22
- Vienna Circle Institute Fellowship, University of Vienna, Summer 2021 (*postponed due to covid*)
- Principle Investigator, British Academy grant to hire postdoctoral researcher, 2021-24
- Principle Investigator, Leverhulme Trust grant to hire postdoctoral researcher, 2021-24
- Faculty Research Fellowship, University of Sheffield, Autumn Semester 2020
- Collaborative Visiting Fellowship, Institute of Philosophy, London, Summer 2019
- Mellon Humanities International Travel Fellowship 2016
- Columbia University (Senior) Lead Teaching Fellow 2014-2015; 2016-2017
- American Philosophical Association Prize for Excellence & Innovation in Philosophy Programs for *Rethink* (see service) 2015

- London School of Economics-Columbia Partnership for Doctoral Mobility Grant 2015
- Columbia University GSAS Teaching Scholar 2014; 2015-2016
- New York Council for the Humanities Public Humanities Fellow 2013-14
- Columbia University, Benjamin Wollstein Fellowship in Ethics, 2011-12 and 2013-14
- Matthew Buncombe Prize (for best overall results in the Cambridge Philosophy MPhil), 2011
- Trinity College, Cambridge: Styring Graduate Studentship, 2010, Research Scholarship, 2010, Senior Scholarship, 2010, Junior Scholarship, 2008

## **SERVICE**

- Editor, *Analysis Reviews*
- Associate Editor, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*
- Referee: *Oxford University Press*, *Mind*, *Noûs*, *Ergo*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Analysis*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Ethical Theory & Moral Practice*, *Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Utilitas*, *Philosophical Studies*
- Widening Participation Coordinator, University of Sheffield 2022 -
- Undergraduate Admissions Assistant Coordinator, University of Sheffield 2022 –
- Organiser, Women in the History of Philosophy Lecture, Expanding the Canon Lecture, University of Sheffield 2020 -
- Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Sheffield 2019 -
- Departmental Seminar Organiser, University of Sheffield 2020 -
- Colloquium Committee, Bowling Green State University, 2017-2019
- Chapter Co-Founder/Director, *Columbia Minorities and Philosophy (MAP)*, 2013
- Co-Founder/Director, *Rethink: A Philosophy Community Outreach Project* 2013-2015
- Organiser, Columbia/NYU Graduate Student Conference 2012

## **REFERENCES**

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