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EDUCATION

2015 Ph.D., Department of Government, Cornell University.
2012 M.A., Department of Government, Cornell University.
2008 B.A., Department of Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles.

EMPLOYMENT

2016-19 Georgetown University, Department of Government, Assistant Teaching Professor.
2014-16 Duke University, Program in American Values and Institutions, Postdoctoral Fellow/Manley Visiting Assistant Professor.
2012-13 Cornell University, Department of Government, Seminar instructor.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2019 *The Claims of Experience: Autobiography and American Democracy*. Book under contract at Oxford University Press, expected 2019.

Refereed Journal Articles

2018 “Unwillingness and Imagination in Frederick Douglass’s *The Heroic Slave*.” *The Review of Politics* (Forthcoming).
2017 “Emma Goldman and the Autobiography of the People.” *American Political Thought* 6:1.
2016 “To Narrate and Denounce Wrongs: Frederick Douglass and the Politics of Personal Narrative.” *Political Theory* 44:2 (April).

Manuscripts in Submission

2018 “A Political Companion to Frederick Douglass. Edited by Neil Roberts. University Press of Kentucky, 2018.” Book review commissioned by *Contemporary Political Theory*.

Manuscripts in Preparation

- 2018 “The Jail Industrial Complex.” Article co-authored with Mary Katzenstein, Cornell University.
2018 “The Black Revolutionary Mentality of George Jackson.”
2018 “After the Law: Life without Parole Sentences as Social Death.”

Book Reviews

- 2018 “Benjamin Franklin, Natural Right, and the Art of Virtue. By Kevin Slack. Rochester: University of Rochester Press, 2017.” *Perspectives on Politics* 16:1.

Other Publications

- 2018 “Frederick Douglass on Human Rights.” National Humanities Center website on human rights. Forthcoming.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018-19 Doyle Engaging Difference Program Faculty Fellowship, Georgetown University.
2018 Doyle Diversity grant, Georgetown University.
2013 LaFeber Prize for Teaching Excellence, Cornell University.
2012-13 Writing group through the Society for the Humanities, Cornell University.
2011-12 Reading group through the Institute for Comparative Modernities, Cornell University.
2008 Ahmanson Undergraduate Research Scholarship, University of California, Los Angeles.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Invited Talks

- 2018 “The Jail Industrial Complex,” with Mary Katzenstein at Georgetown University.
2018 “What is the Prison Industrial Complex?”, with Mary Katzenstein for course “World Politics” taught by Marc Howard at D.C. Central Treatment Facility, March 14.
2016 “What Does it Mean to Be an American?”, for course “World Politics” taught by Marc Howard at Jessup Correctional Facility, December 9.

Papers Presented

- 2018 “The Black Revolutionary Mentality of George Jackson,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 30-September 2.

- 2018 “After the Law: Life Sentences without Parole as Social Death,” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March 29-31.
- 2017 “After the Law: Life Sentences without Parole as Social Death,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 31-September 3.
- 2017 “Frederick Douglass and the Jury out of Doors,” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 12-15.
- 2016 “Frederick Douglass and the Jury out of Doors,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference, October 21.
- 2016 “Confessions of an Ex-Communist,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 1-4.
- 2016 “Whittaker Chambers and the Conservative Uses of Autobiography,” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March 24-26.
- 2016 “A Witness for Authority: The Political Theory of Whittaker Chambers,” Modern Language Association Annual Convention, January 7-10.
- 2015 “The Statesman and the Dynamo: Authority in *The Education of Henry Adams*,” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 4.
- 2014 “The Virgin, the Dynamo, and the Statesman: American Citizenship and Representation in *The Education of Henry Adams*,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference, October 17.
- 2014 “*Attentat* and Autobiography: The Political Action of Emma Goldman’s *Living My Life*,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 28.
- 2014 “*Attentat* and Autobiography: The Political Action of Emma Goldman’s *Living My Life*,” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 19.
- 2014 “On the Significance of Autobiography for Anarchism,” New School for Social Research Fourth Annual Radical Democracy Conference, March 15.
- 2013 “To Narrate and Denounce Wrongs: The Politics of Frederick Douglass’s Autobiographies,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference, October 12.
- 2013 “My Back, ‘The Living Parchment’: The Politics of Frederick Douglass’s *My Bondage and My Freedom*,” Western Political Science Association Annual Convention, March 30.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgetown University

- “Crime, Punishment, and the Ethics of Incarceration.” Seminar co-taught with Joshua Miller at D.C. Central Treatment Facility (Fall 2018).
- “Elements of Political Theory.” Undergraduate lecture (Fall 2018).
- “American Political Thought.” Graduate seminar (Spring 2018).
- “The Ethics of Incarceration.” Undergraduate seminar (Fall 2016, 2017, 2018).
- “Politics and Literature.” Undergraduate seminar (Spring 2017, 2018).
- “Autobiography and American Democracy.” Undergraduate seminar (Spring 2017).
- “American Political Thought.” Undergraduate seminar (Fall 2016, 2017).

Duke University

- “Political Thought in the United States.” Graduate seminar (Spring 2016).
- “Introduction to American Political Thought.” Undergraduate seminar (Fall 2015).
- “Politics and Literature.” Undergraduate seminar (Spring 2015).
- “Autobiography and American Democracy.” Undergraduate seminar (Spring 2015).

Cornell University

- “‘The Race of Life’: Citizenship in American Political Thought,” Undergraduate seminar (Fall 2013).
- “Introduction to Western Political Thought,” Teaching assistant for Isaac Kramnick (Summer 2013, Fall 2010).
- “Human Rights and Global Justice,” Teaching assistant for Anna-Marie Smith (Spring 2013, 2011).
- “The Politics of *Battlestar Galactica: Authority and Action*,” Undergraduate seminar (Spring 2012).
- “Prisons: Rights, Responsibility, and Race,” Teaching assistant for Mary Katzenstein (Fall 2012, Winter 2015, 2016, 2017, Summer 2015, 2016).
- “American Political Thought,” Teaching assistant for Isaac Kramnick (Fall 2011).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2014 Research Assistant, Cornell University. Bibliography and citation management of book manuscript for Alexander Livingston, February-March.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2018 *Routledge*, Manuscript review.
- 2015 *The University of Kentucky Press*, Manuscript review.
- 2014 *Political Theory*, Manuscript review.
- 2014-18 *Contemporary Political Theory*, Manuscript review.

DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2016-19 Georgetown University Political Theory Speaker Series, Co-organizer.
- 2013-14 Cornell University Political Theory Workshop, Organizer.
- 2012-13 Cornell University Political Theory Writing Colloquium, Co-organizer.
- 2010-11 First-year Graduate Student Colloquium, Coordinator, Cornell University.

COURSES PREPARED TO TEACH

“Introduction to Western Political Thought”
“American Political Thought”
“Introduction to American Government”
“The Ethics of Incarceration”
“Politics and Literature: Justice in the Political Imagination”
“Autobiography and American Democracy”
“Feminist Political Thought”
“Creation and Conflict in African-American Political Thought”
“The Politics of *Battlestar Galactica*: Authority and Action”

LANGUAGES

French. Fluent reader/writer, conversational speaker.
German. Beginner reader/writer/speaker.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Political Science Association
Association for Political Theory
Western Political Science Association
Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

2010 “Antigone in Context(s): Humanism and the Political Stakes of the Ethical Turn.”
Cornell University, School of Criticism and Theory. Six-week summer seminar
with Bonnie Honig.

REFERENCES

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