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## EMPLOYMENT

Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy (2021-Present)  
Department of Philosophy (Cross-Appointed with Human Rights Center)  
University of Dayton

John M. Meagher Human Rights Fellow (2019-2021)  
Human Rights Center  
University of Dayton

Guest Researcher (2018-2019)  
Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies  
Utrecht University

Postdoctoral Fellow (2014-2017)  
Program in Political Philosophy, Policy and Law  
University of Virginia

## EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University  
Ph.D. Philosophy; August 2014  
Dissertation: "Social Norms in the Theory of Mass Atrocity and Transitional Justice"

Miami University  
B.A. Philosophy, B.A. Economics (Honors Thesis); May 2008

## AREAS OF STUDY

AOS: Social and Political Philosophy; Philosophy of Law  
AOC: Ethics; Applied Ethics; Holocaust and Genocide Studies

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

2020 *Unconscionable Crimes: How Norms Explain and Constrain Mass Atrocities*.  
(Cambridge, MA: MIT Press).

- Review by Mark Berlin, *Perspectives on Politics* 19:3 (Sept. 2021), 965-67.
- Review by Roger Smith, *Holocaust and Genocide Studies* 35:3 (Winter 2021), 489-90.

2012 *Procedural Justice*. Co-edited with Larry May (Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishers).

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

2020 Identity-Directed Norm Transformations and Moral Progress, *Journal of Value Inquiry* 54:3, 493-509.

## **PUBLICATIONS (CONT.)**

- 2020 Naturalizing the Centennial: History, Memory, and the Limits of Human Lifespans *Memory Studies* (Online-first Publication) DOI 10.1177/1750698020927765
- 2018 A Theory of Atrocity Propaganda, *Humanity* 9:1 (Spring), 45-62.
- 2015 The Thesis of Norm Transformation in the Theory of Mass Atrocity, *Genocide Studies and Prevention* 9:1 (Spring), 66-82.
- 2014 Mass Atrocity and Manipulation of Social Norms, *Social Theory and Practice* 40:2 (April) 255-280.

### Book Chapters, Conference Proceedings, and Symposia

- 2023 Beyond Fantasies of Witnessing: Holocaust Education and Human Rights Advocacy on TikTok. *Jewish Film and New Media Studies* 10:1.
- 2020 The Meaning of Mass Atrocity Beyond *Our Moral Fate*. Contribution to Symposium on Allen Buchanan's *Our Moral Fate*, in *Analyse & Kritik* 42:2 (February), 467-484.
- 2018 Contingent Pacifism, in *Routledge Handbook of Pacifism and Nonviolence*, ed. Andrew Fiala (New York: Routledge), 142-153.
- 2016 Are Holocaust Museums Unique? *Royal Institute of Philosophy Supplement* 79 (October), 133–157.

### Advocacy Reports

- 2021 Submission from the University of Dayton Human Rights Center in response to Human Rights Council Resolution 45/13 regarding the human rights impacts of the civilian acquisition, possession and use of firearms by children and youth. September 2021
- 2021 Coming to Terms with the Legacy of the Vietnam War. Public Advocacy Report resulting from October 2020 Vietnam Legacies Symposium, University of Dayton.

### Public Scholarship

- 2022 “Whether in war-torn Ukraine, Laos or Spain, kids have felt compelled to pick up crayons and put their experiences to paper,” *The Conversation*, May 18, 2022.
- 2020 “Is it ethical to show Holocaust Images?” *The Conversation*, January 21, 2020.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

Seeing Atrocities: The Ethics of Visual Encounters with Intolerable Harms (*Book--In Progress*)

How Is Epistemic Seeing of Atrocities Possible? (*Journal Article--In Progress*)

Cameras Everywhere Among Perpetrators (*Conference Paper*)

Museums and Mass Violence: Perils and Potential (*Edited Volume--Under Review*)

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- 2018 Foundation for Jewish Culture Travel Grant, Association for Jewish Studies.
- 2017 Fellowship, Holocaust Education Foundation Summer Institute on the Holocaust and Jewish Civilization, Northwestern University.
- 2016 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Grant, University of Virginia.
- 2015 New Horizons Research Grant, University of Virginia.
- 2013 George J. Graham Jr. Fellow, Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities, Vanderbilt University.
- 2012 Raab Foundation Visiting Research Fellowship, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.
- 2012 Kendall Berry Dissertation Prospectus Prize, Vanderbilt University.

## **LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS**

- 2022 “Ethical Seeing,” Presentation to Political Philosophy Reading Group, Queen’s University
- 2022 “Digital Remnants: Lessons from the Reconstruction of Lost Museums of Mass Violence,” Symposium on Museums and Mass Violence, Yale University.
- 2022 “The First Peace Museum: Founder, Fixtures, Fate,” Peacebuilders Series Talk for Dayton International Peace Museum.
- 2022 “The War in Ukraine and Human Rights,” Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Ohio State University.
- 2021 “Counting the Costs of America’s War in Vietnam,” Costs and Consequences of War Conference, George Washington University.
- 2021 “Ethical Seeing of Atrocities,” Senior Seminar on Evil, St. Olaf College.
- 2020 “Seeing Atrocities: The Ethics and Epistemology of Viewing Intolerable Harms,” Colloquium Series, University of Dayton.
- 2019 “Seeing Atrocities: On the Ethical, Emotional, and Epistemic Significance of Viewing Intolerable Harms,” Ethics Institute Seminar Series, Utrecht University.
- 2019 “Categorization, Persecution, Denial: Legal Norms and the Etiology of Mass Atrocities,” MAP Workshop on Violence, Discrimination and Minorities, University of Glasgow.
- 2019 “Transitional Justice, Legalization, and Atrocity Prevention,” Dimensions of Transitional Justice Conference, Collegio Ghislieri, Pavia.
- 2018 “Are Holocaust Museums Unique?” Symposium on Holocaust Museums, Association for Jewish Studies Conference, Boston.

- 2018 “Social Punishment and the Enforcement of Social Norms,” Descartes Lectures Workshop, Tilburg University.
- 2018 “Social Norms and Gender-Based Patterns of Violence During Genocide,” Conference on Gender Violence and the Ethics of Shame, Utrecht University.
- 2017 “*Jus Post Bellum*, Non-State Actors, and Economic Rebuilding,” Minnesota Journal of International Law Symposium, University of Minnesota.
- 2017 “In the Matter of Testimony: Philosophical Reflections on Contemporary Holocaust Historiography,” Conference on the Future of Holocaust Testimonies, University of Virginia.
- 2016 “Norm Transformation During the Holocaust? The Testimonial Evidence,” Conference on The Future of Holocaust Testimonies, Western Galilee College, Akko, Israel.
- 2014 “Atrocity Propaganda and the Moral Justification of Humanitarian War,” Reading Retreat for Young Scholars, Stockholm Centre for the Ethics of War and Peace.
- 2014 “Teaching Mass Atrocity Through Philosophy: Approaches from Meta-Ethics, Normative Ethics, and Philosophy of Law,” Panel Organized for Conference on Understanding Atrocities, Mount Royal University, Calgary.
- 2013 “Responsibility, Resistance, and the Limits of Praiseworthiness,” Resisting the Path to Genocide Conference, University of Southern California.
- 2013 “Are Holocaust Museums Unique?” Royal Institute of Philosophy Conference, Glasgow.
- 2012 “Mass Atrocity and Manipulation of Social Norms,” Fairness and Norms Workshop, Center for Logic and Philosophy of Science, Tilburg University.
- 2012 “Varieties of Norm Transformation in the Theory of Transitional Justice,” North American Society for Social Philosophy Conference, Boston.
- 2012 “Responsibility to Enforce Social Norms: A Critique of Margaret Gilbert,” Graduate Conference on Freedom and Responsibility, New School for Social Research, New York.
- 2010 “Critique of Patriarchy as Counterhistory: Foucault and Pateman on *Leviathan*,” Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Memphis.
- 2009 “Deeming Translation Literary: Bourdieu on Translation as a Field of Cultural Production,” Graduate Conference on Philosophy and Literature, University of Warwick.

#### Departmental Workshops

- 2016 “Moral Norms and the Explanation of Mass Atrocities,” PPL Workshop, UVA.
- 2014 “Atrocity Propaganda and the Justification of Humanitarian War,” PPL Workshop, UVA.
- 2014 “Social Norms in the Theory of Genocide and Mass Atrocity, Public Lecture, Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities, Vanderbilt University.

## TEACHING

### University of Dayton

- 2023 Genocide and Justice
- 2022 Medical Ethics Introduction to Philosophy  
Business Ethics
- 2021 Medical Ethics Introduction to Philosophy
- 2020 Anti-Racism Mini-Course Philosophy of Human Rights

### University of Virginia

- 2017 Thesis Workshop for PPL Students
- 2016 Philosophy and Politics of Memory Thesis Workshop for PPL Students
- 2015 Theories of Moral Progress Thesis Workshop for PPL Students
- 2014 War, Genocide, and Justice

### Vanderbilt University

- 2013 Ethics in an Age of Genocide and Mass Atrocity (Seminar)
- 2011 General Logic
- 2010 Introduction to Philosophy (Two Sections)
- 2009 Introduction to Ethics (TA)

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

- 2023 Co-organizer, Workshop on Limits of Legal Responses to Mass Atrocity, *Genocide Studies and Prevention*, University of Dayton
- 2022 Co-organizer, Symposium on Museums and Mass Violence, Yale University
- 2021 Co-organizer, Workshop on Visualizing Advocacy, University of Dayton  
Organizer, Afghanistan Legacies Roundtable, University of Dayton
- 2020 Organizer, Vietnam Legacies Symposium, University of Dayton.
- 2016 Co-organizer, Conference on “Consent and Coercion in the Sexual Sphere,” UVa.
- 2015 Co-organizer, Conference on “Responsibility Beyond the State,” UVa.

## EXHIBITS

- 2023 “The [Dis]Information Age,” Dayton International Peace Museum (March-May)
- 2021 “Protests Between Peril and Potential,” Social Practice of Human Rights Conference, University of Dayton (December).
- 2020 “Vietnam Legacies on Campus,” University of Dayton Human Rights Center (Virtual Exhibit)

## DIALOGUES AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

- 2023 Organized series of dialogues on domestic violent extremism, University of Dayton.
- 2022 Co-Designed “Peace Pathways” educator enrichment institute, Dayton Peace Museum.
- 2022 Organized teach-in on Russia’s invasion of Ukraine at University of Dayton.
- 2021-22 Organized Dialogues on Advocacy, Antisemitism, Reproductive Justice, Peace, and Violent Extremism.
- 2020-21 Directed year-long series of dialogues for students, colleagues, and community members in Dayton (topics: Hate, Elections, Racism as a Public Health Crisis).
- 2020-21 Invited to provide dialogue training for Ohio Peace and Conflict Studies Network and Jewish Federation of Greater Dayton.
- 2020 Organized community forum on gun violence in featuring Dayton’s mayor, police chief, local NAACP, YWCA, and survivors of August 2019 mass shooting.
- 2018-19 Organized multiple dialogues and dialogue trainings as volunteer at Utrecht in Dialogo (Dutch civil society organization).

## REFERENCES

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