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EMPLOYMENT

Visiting Research Fellow (2024-Present)
School of Philosophy
University College Dublin

Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy (2021-2024)
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; Ethics; Holocaust and Genocide Studies
AOC: Philosophy of Law; Applied Ethics

PUBLICATIONS

Single-Authored Books

- 2025 *Seeing Atrocities: Ethics for Visual Encounters with Intolerable Harms*
(New York: Oxford University Press). In Production.
- 2020 *Unconscionable Crimes: How Norms Explain and Constrain Mass Atrocities*.
(Cambridge, MA: MIT Press).

Edited Books

- 2024 *Museums and Mass Violence*. Lead editor, with Amy Sodaro and Leora Kahn. (London: Routledge).
- 2012 *Procedural Justice*. Co-edited with Larry May (Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishers).

Journal Special Issues

- 2024 Limits of Legal Responses to Genocide, special issue of *Genocide Studies and Prevention*, 18:2 (December 2024). Lead editor, with Shelley Inglis.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2021 Naturalizing the Centennial: History, Memory, and the Limits of Human Lifespans *Memory Studies* 14:2 (April) 316-332.
- 2020 Identity-Directed Norm Transformations and Moral Progress, *Journal of Value Inquiry* 54:3, 493-509.
- 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

- 2024 From War Materiel to Peace Pathways: Changing Visions for Global Peace Museums, in Morrow, Kahn, and Sodaro (eds.), *Museums and Mass Violence* (London: Routledge).
- 2022 Beyond Fantasies of Witnessing: Holocaust Education and Human Rights Advocacy on TikTok. *Jewish Film and New Media Studies* 10:2, 218-230.
- 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.

Public Scholarship

- 2023 "How to deal with visual misinformation circulating around the Israel-Hamas war and other conflicts," *The Conversation*, October 27, 2023.
- 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.

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.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Trials of Testimony (*Research Project Proposal*)

Simulating Atrocities (*Journal Article—In Progress*)

Cameras Everywhere Among Perpetrators (*Journal Article—In Progress*)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2025- NOMIS Visiting Research Fellowship, eikones center, University of Basel. (\$116,000)
2026

2023- Co-Principal Investigator, *PREVENTS-OH*, Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention
2024 Grant, U.S. Department of Homeland Security. (\$352,110)

2018 Foundation for Jewish Culture Travel Grant, Association for Jewish Studies. (\$2000)

2017 Fellowship, Holocaust Education Foundation Summer Institute on the Holocaust and Jewish Civilization, Northwestern University. (\$2000)

2016 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Grant, University of Virginia. (\$1500)

2015 New Horizons Research Grant, University of Virginia. (\$1000)

2013 George J. Graham Jr. Fellow, Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities, Vanderbilt University. (\$30,000)

2012 Raab Foundation Visiting Research Fellowship, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. (\$20,000)

LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

2025 “Digital Simulations and Sites of Destruction,” Cambridge University/DAAD Workshop Materiality and Precarity at Holocaust Memorial Sites, Cambridge, UK.

2025 “Seeing Atrocities: Visualizing Violence in International Criminal Law,” Dublin International Law Working Group, National University of Ireland.

- 2024 “Preventing Violent Extremism in Post-January 6th America: Lessons from the PREVENTS-OH Project,” Workshop on Doing Effective Public Engagement on Violence, University College Dublin.
- 2023 “Cameras Everywhere Among Perpetrators: Weighing Video Evidence of Contemporary Atrocity Crimes,” Children’s Fights Conference, Washington & Lee University Law School.
- 2023 “Impressions Suitable to Serve the Cause of Peace: Visual Arguments at the World’s First Peace Museum,” International Conference of Museums for Peace, Uppsala.
- 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.

TEACHING

University College Dublin

- 2025 History and Philosophy of Nazi Germany

University of Dayton

- 2024 Genocide and Justice

- 2023 Genocide and Justice

Medical Ethics

- 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

- 2024 Co-organizer, Summit on Prevention of Domestic Violent Extremism, Dayton, OH
- 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
- 2021 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.

MUSEUM EXHIBITS AND DESIGN PROJECTS

- 2023 “UXO: The Secret War in Laos,” Dayton International Peace Museum (Aug.-Oct)
- 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

DIALOGUES AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

- 2023-24 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, and Peace

REFERENCES

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