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Academic Employment

- 2019-2020 **University of Colorado Boulder**
Bradley Scholar in Residence, Benson Center for the Study of Western
Civilization/Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy
- 2015 **L’Institut des études politiques de Paris (Sciences Po)**
Visiting Seminar Instructor and Teaching Assistant

Education

- 2019 **University of Toronto**
Ph.D., Philosophy
- 2017 **Nuffield College, University of Oxford**
Junior Visiting Scholar
- 2015 **Centre de recherches internationales (CERI) – L’Institut des études
politiques de Paris**
Visiting scholar
- 2013 **Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne**
M2 (Research masters), Philosophy
- 2012 **Universities of St Andrews and Stirling**
MLitt, Philosophy
- 2011 **University of Ottawa**
Honours B.A., Ethics and society

Areas of Interest

Specialization: Ethics, Political Philosophy, Just war theory

Competence: Metaethics & Philosophy of Law

Publications

Journal articles

- September 2016 ‘A Tale of Two Moralities’, *The Journal of Philosophy*, Volume CXIII, Number 9, pp446-462
- In preparation ‘For whom we do and die: the psychological implausibility of Fabre’s cosmopolitan view of war’, special issue of *European Review of International Studies*, eds. R. Beardsworth, A. Colonomos, and M. Frost (Solicited by editors)

Encyclopaedia Entries

- April 2019 ‘Conquête’, *Passions sociales*, PUF, ed. by Gloria Origgi, (‘Conquest’ in Social Passions, University Press of France)
- April 2019 ‘Thumos’, *Passions sociales*, PUF, ed. by Gloria Origgi, (‘Thumos’ in Social Passions, University Press of France)

Work in Progress

Journal articles

- Myth and misunderstanding: Reassessing patriotism as a virtue, *Submitted*
- Collective flourishing and social identity
- What pacifists will and will not do

Scholarships and Awards

- 2015 Extracurricular scholastic achievement, University of Toronto
- 2015 Canada Graduate Scholarship: Foreign Study Supplement
- 2014-2017 CGS Doctoral Scholarship, National competition
- 2011-2013 Baxter & Alma Ricard Scholarship, National competition
- 2011 Faculty Plaque (Arts), University of Ottawa
- 2006-2010 President’s Scholarship, University of Ottawa
- 2006-2010 Queen Elizabeth II Scholarship, Province of Ontario
- 2006-2010 Dean’s Merit Scholarship, University of Ottawa
- 2006 Millennium Scholarship, Province of Ontario

Conferences and talks

Oct. 2019	'For whom we do or die', Center for Values and Social Policy, University of Colorado Boulder
Jun. 2018	Respondent, CPA Annual Congress, Montréal
Jan. 2017	'Giving without measure', Nuffield Political Theory Workshop, Oxford University
Jun. 2016	'On the Distinction between Treachery and Deception', Jubilee Center, Birmingham University
Jan. 2016	'Socratic Lawfulness and Obedience', Guest lecturer, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Jan. 2016	'Patriotism and Simulacra', Jerusalem Lecture Series in Political Thought and Intellectual History, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Dec. 2015	'Patriotism and Simulacra' Special presentation at the Doctoral School seminar, Sciences Po Paris
Oct. 2015	Respondent, Joint Doctoral School and CERI seminar, Sciences Po Paris
Feb. 2015	'Neither Fanaticism, Nor Folklore: An Admirable Patriotism', Israeli Philosophical Association, Open University of Israel
Sep. 2014	'A Tale of Two Moralities', Mancept Conference, University of Manchester
Sep. 2014	'A Tale of Two Moralities', ECPR Conference, University of Glasgow
May 2014	'Quel demos?', CPA Annual Congress, Brock University
Feb. 2014	'A Tale of Two Moralities', Israeli Philosophical Association, Tel Aviv University
Oct. 2013	'Witches and Unicorns: the case against human rights', Indiana Philosophical Association, Indiana University
Jun. 2013	'Why Care about Autonomy?', Sciences Po Paris Political Theory Graduate Conference

Dissertation abstract

My dissertation is a rehabilitation of patriotism as a virtue. The initial theory building corrects for the often vague or empirically unsupported characterizations of the phenomenon. More precisely, I draw on the field of nationalism studies and finding in economics and social psychology to produce an empirically grounded account. On my view, patriotism is not analogous to personal loyalty because it depends upon a common identity an intergenerational entity; it is a collective form of loyalty that engages with collective self-understanding. Moreover, I argue that patriotism is predominantly cultural rather than political as loyalty and identity predate and survive regime changes. My defence of patriotism is two-pronged. First, I show that Charles Taylor's argument that patriotism is necessary for a well-functioning democracy is best served by a cultural view of patriotism rather than a political version. The key problem is that a patriotism dependent upon a purely political social identity is unable to reliably sustain collective loyalty. Second, I argue that

patriotism can make a distinct contribution to human flourishing through what I call deindividuated flourishing. Building upon insight from social psychology, I argue that human flourishing should be understood in both personal and collective terms. The latter is characterized by collective self-understanding and collectivizing the parameters of success. Patriotism, by allowing us to engage in large-scale and intergenerational projects, allows for deindividuated flourishing.

Professional Experience

2013-2018	Research Assistant for various projects (Literature reviews, translation, etc.), University of Toronto
2007	Research Assistant for editing a French publication, University of Ottawa

Languages

Native speaker (written, read, and spoken): French and English

Referees

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