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Curriculum Vitae

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APPOINTMENTS

University of British Columbia, Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2018-present

Medical leave September 2019-December 2021

EDUCATION

Yale University, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Political Science, 2017

Dissertation: *Cosmopolitan Territories: Land, Jurisdiction, and International Law* (advisor: Seyla Benhabib)

Field Exams: Political Theory, Comparative Politics, Qualitative Methods

University of Pennsylvania, B.A., German Studies (highest honors) and Political Science, 2008

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

“Land Grabbing and the Perplexities of Territorial Sovereignty,” *Political Theory* (2022), Volume 50, Issue 1, pp. 32-58.

“Hannah Arendt Encounters Friedrich von Gentz: On Revolution, Preservation, and European Unity,” *Modern Intellectual History* (2022), 19(4), pp. 1134-1156.

“Democracy in contested territory: on the legitimacy of global legal pluralism,” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* (2022), Volume 25, Issue 2, pp. 187-210.

“Hannah Arendt reads Carl Schmitt’s *The Nomos of the Earth*: a dialogue on law and geopolitics from the margins,” *European Journal of Political Theory* (2017), 16 (13), pp. 345-366.

In translation: “Hannah Arendt liest Carl Schmitts *Der Nomos der Erde*: Ein Dialog über Gesetz und Geopolitik anhand ihrer Marginalien,” *HannahArendt.net Zeitschrift für politisches Denken*, April 2016, Ausgabe 1, Band 8.

Edited Volumes

Another Universalism: Seyla Benhabib and the Future of Critical Theory, eds. Anna Jurkevics, Stefan Eich, Nishin Nathwani, and Nica Siegel, New York: Columbia University Press, 2023.

Chapters

“Private Borders, Hidden Territories,” in *Lawless Zones, Rightless Subjects: Migration, Asylum, and Shifting Borders*, eds. Seyla Benhabib and Ayelet Shachar, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2024.

“Introduction: In Search of Another Universalism,” *Another Universalism: Seyla Benhabib and the Future of Critical Theory*, eds. Anna Jurkevics, Stefan Eich, Nishin Nathwani, and Nica Siegel, New York: Columbia University Press, 2023.

“Critical International Political Theory,” with Seyla Benhabib, *Oxford Handbook of International Political Theory*, eds. Chris Brown and Robyn Eckersley, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018, pp. 74-86.

“Seyla Benhabib,” *Habermas Lexicon*, eds. Amy Allen and Eduardo Mendieta, Cambridge University Press 2019, pp. 492-494.

Reviews and Critical Exchanges

Critical exchange with Annie Stilz, “Crises in Territorial Sovereignty: Critical Exchange on Anna Stilz’s *Territorial Sovereignty: A Philosophical Exploration*,” *Political Theory* (2021), Vol. 49 (5), pp. 856-863.

Review of *Territorial Sovereignty: A Philosophical Exploration*, by Anna Stilz in *Political Theory* (2021), Vol. 49 (5), pp. 864-893.

Review of *Rightlessness in an Age of Rights: Hannah Arendt and the Contemporary Struggles of Migrants*, by Ayten Gundogdu in *Political Theory* (2018) 46(2), pp. 303-307.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Contested Territory: A Critical Theory of Land and Democracy beyond Sovereign Bounds (forthcoming book manuscript, in production with Oxford University Press, proofs will be available by Dec/Jan).

Review of Natasha Wheatley’s *The Life and Death of States* (Princeton UP 2023) and David Temin’s *Remapping Sovereignty* (UChicago UP 2023) for *Political Theory*.

“The Object-Possession Trap: A Critique of Territorial Right,” article in preparation.

“Hannah Arendt on *Eigentum*: An anti-liberal account of property and private right,” article in preparation.

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, GRANTS

Best Paper Award for “Westphalia and the Hidden Tradition of Contested Territory,”
Foundations of Political Theory Section, American Political Science Association, 2022 Meeting.

Hampton New Faculty Grant, University of British Columbia, 2018-2020, 10K.

Nominee (Yale), APSA’s Leo Strauss Dissertation Award in Political Theory, 2018.

Bucerius Ph.D. Fellowship in Migration Studies, Zeit-Stiftung, 2012-2013.

Yale University Graduate Fellowship 2009-2016.

Visiting Scholar, Normative Orders Exzellenzcluster, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt am Main,
2012-2013.

Phi Beta Kappa, 2008.

Otto Springer Prize, best German Studies thesis, University of Pennsylvania, 2008 (“Taking
Sides for the Sake of the World: Hannah Arendt’s Lessing Address”).

INVITED TALKS

“Another Universalism,” Conference in honor of *Another Universalism: Seyla Benhabib and the
Future of Critical Theory* (Columbia UP 2023, ed Eich, Jurkevics, Nathwani, Siegel), Columbia
University, New York, April 2024.

“Westphalia and the Hidden Tradition of Contested Territory,” Yale University Political Theory
Workshop, October 2023.

“World-Building, Democracy, and the Limits of Sovereign Mastery,” Colloquium in Political,
Social and Legal Theory, University of Victoria, British Columbia, January 2023.

Keynote lecture, “World-Building, Democracy, and the Limits of Sovereign Mastery,”
Northwestern Graduate Student Conference, Evanston IL, November 2022.

“Private Borders, Hidden Territories,” Goethe University Frankfurt, conference on “Borders,
Territory and Rights: Changing Legal Cartographies of Migration and Mobility,” organized by
Seyla Benhabib and Ayelet Shachar, June 2022.

Seminar on Hannah Arendt’s *Vita Activa*, Bard College, NY, OSUN Hannah Arendt Humanities
Network Annual Text Seminar, June 2022.

Keynote lecture, “World-Building, Democracy, and the Limits of Sovereign Mastery,” CSPT
Graduate Conference, University of Victoria, May 7-8, 2022.

“World-Building, Democracy, and the Limits of Sovereign Mastery,” Brown Political Theory
Workshop, November 2021.

“Hannah Arendt on Friedrich von Gentz: Preservation, Emancipation, and the Magnificent Old World,” Barnard College, Columbia University, New York, NY, May 2019.

“Land Grabbing and the Contradictions of Territorial Sovereignty,” *Justitia Amplificata*, Demarcating the Demos conference, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, July 2018.

Speaker for screening of Margarete von Trotta’s *Hannah Arendt* with Roger Berkowitz, Anne O’Byrne, and Morris Kaplan, SUNY Purchase, Purchase, NY, February 2014.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“The Object Possession Trap: A Critique of Territorial Right,” American Political Science Association, 2024.

Roundtable for Sam Bagg’s *The Dispersion of Power* (OUP 2023), Western Political Science Association, March 2024.

Roundtable for Cara Nine’s *Sharing Territories* (OUP 2022), American Philosophical Association, April 2023.

Presentation, “Reclaiming Westphalia,” American Political Science Association, September 2022.

Presentation, “Reclaiming Westphalia,” Canadian Political Science Association, June 2019.

Presentation, “Land Grabbing and the Contradictions of Territorial Sovereignty,” Canadian Political Science Association, June 2019.

Presentation, “Reclaiming Westphalia,” Western Political Science Association, April 2019.

“Hannah Arendt on Friedrich von Gentz: Preservation, Emancipation, and the ‘Magnificent Old World’,” APSA annual meeting, September 2018.

Roundtable on Seyla Benhabib’s *Exile, Statelessness, and Migration* (Princeton, 2018), APSA annual meeting, September 2018.

“Land Grabbing and the Contradictions of Territorial Sovereignty,” Political Theory Workshop, University of British Columbia, March 2018.

“Land Grabbing and the Contradictions of Territorial Sovereignty,” Social Theory Workshop, University of Chicago, October 2017.

“Land Grabbing and the Contradictions of Territorial Sovereignty,” APSA annual meeting, September 2017.

“Global Legal Pluralism and the Territorial Principle,” University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, May 2017.

“Arendt and Hegel on Place-Making and the Chaos of Things,” APSA annual meeting, September 2016.

Roundtable, The Challenge of the Other: European Identity and the Refugee Crisis, APSA, September 2016.

“Global Legal Pluralism and the Territorial Principle,” 2016 Princeton Graduate Conference in Political Theory, April 2016.

“The Importance of Place: An Account of Freedom and World-Building,” Yale Political Theory Workshop, New Haven, CT, April 2015.

“Global Legal Pluralism and the Territorial Principle”, Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Duke University, Durham, NC, February 2015.

“Law in the Age of Cosmopolitan Territories: A Defense of Legal Pluralism”, 22nd Annual Critical Theory Roundtable, Dartmouth University, Hanover, NH, September 2014.

“The Possibility of an Arendtian Geopolitics: Hannah Arendt Reads Carl Schmitt’s The Nomos of the Earth”, Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, April 2014.

Guest Lecture, “Hannah Arendt’s *Human Condition*: Restoring the Dignity of the Political,” European Political Thought from Weber to Derrida (Instructor: Seyla Benhabib), Yale University, November 2011.

TEACHING

University of British Columbia, 2018-

- Lecture Course: Poli 240, Currents of Political Thought (intro to western political thought).
- Seminar (grad/undergrad): Poli 449/521 Contested Territory (political theories of land and territory)
- Seminar (graduate): Poli 540 Graduate Core Seminar in Political Theory

Teaching Fellow, Yale University, 2011-2014

- Courses: Moral Foundations of Politics, Religion and Politics, 20th Century European Political Thought.

Lead Instructor, Yale Young Global Scholars, 2014-2015

- Seminars: Modern Evil, International Human Rights Law, Democracy and Discourse, Migration and Citizenship, Borders and Security, Foundations of Classical Realism.

Writing Instructor and ESL Tutor, Undergraduate Writing Center, 2013-2015

Teaching Assistant, Moral Foundations of Politics (Ian Shapiro), Coursera online course (MOOC), Spring 2015

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

UBC Political Science Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) committee, 2023-present.

Professional Memberships: American Political Science Association, Canadian Political Science Association, Association for Political Theory.

Referee: *Journal of Politics*, *AJPS*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *APSR*, *Political Theory*, *Contemporary Political Theory*, *Migration Studies*, *European Journal of Political Theory*, *Political Studies*, *Leiden Journal of International Law*.

Organizer (with Stefan Eich, Nishin Nathwani, and Nica Siegel), “In Search of the Concrete Universal: A Conference in Honor of Seyla Benhabib,” Yale University, December 11, 2020.

Organizer (with Seyla Benhabib), 23rd Annual Critical Theory Roundtable, Yale University, October 1-3, 2015.

Organizer and Founder, Yale Writing Colloquium for Women in Political Theory, Yale University, 2014-2016.

Graduate organizer (with Paulina Ochoa-Espejo), “Walls and Fences: The Ethics and Politics of Border Barriers,” Yale University, April 12-14, 2012.

Research Assistant to Seyla Benhabib, 2009-2011, for *Dignity in Adversity: Human Rights in Troubled Times* (Polity, 2011) and *Politics in Dark Times: Encounters with Hannah Arendt*, (Cambridge University Press, 2010).

LANGUAGES

English (native), German (fluent), Latin (reading).