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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of San Diego

Professor of Philosophy and Affiliate Professor of Law, 2003 – Present

Director, USD Center for Ethics, Economics, and Public Policy

Co-Director, USD-Institute for Law and Philosophy

EDUCATION

University of Arizona

Ph.D., Philosophy, 2003 (Dissertation Chair: David Schmidtz)

AOS: Political Philosophy, Business Ethics, Environmental Ethics, History of Moral and Political Philosophy

AOC: Philosophy of Law, Ethical Theory

Santa Clara University

B.A., Philosophy, 1997

B.S., Political Science, 1997

STATEMENT OF RESEARCH INTERESTS

My work is in the intersection of politics, philosophy and economics. More specifically, I write about exploitation, libertarian political theory, and the idea of a Universal Basic Income.

PUBLICATIONS

Edited Anthologies

- Forthcoming, 2024. *Arguing About Political Philosophy*. 3rd edition. With Mario Juarez-Garcia. Routledge
- Forthcoming, 2024. *Exploitation: Perspectives from Philosophy, Politics, and Economics*. With Benjamin Ferguson. Oxford University Press.
- 2022. *The Routledge Companion to Libertarianism*. With Benjamin Ferguson. Routledge.

Monographs

- April 2023. *The Individualists: Radicals, Reactionaries, and the Struggle for the Soul of Libertarianism*. With John Tomasi. Princeton University Press.
- October 2023. *Universal Basic Income: What Everyone Needs to Know*. With Miranda Perry Fleischer. Oxford University Press.

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

- Forthcoming. "Libertarianism, Oversimplified," *The Independent Review*.
- 2022. "The Advantages of Markets," in Christopher Melenovsky, ed., *The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics*
- 2021. Foreword to Michael Huemer and Daniel Layman, *Is Political Authority an Illusion?* (Routledge)
- 2020. "Equal Pay: A Floor Not a Ceiling," in Anders Örténblad, ed., *Debating Equal Pay for All* (Palgrave)
- 2019. "A Hayekian Case for Free Markets and a Basic Income," in Michael Cholbi and Michael Weber, eds., *The Future of Work, Technology, and Basic Income* (Routledge)
- 2019. "A Critique of Ayn Rand's Theory of Rights: Response to Miller and Mossoff," in Gregory Salmieri and Robert Mayhew, eds., *Foundations of a Free Society: Reflections on Ayn Rand's Political Philosophy* (University of Pittsburgh Press)
- 2018. "Exploitation and Consent," in Peter Schaber and Andreas Müller, eds., *The Routledge Handbook of the Ethics of Consent* (Routledge)
- 2018. "Rights, Reasonableness, and Environmental Harms," *American Journal of Bioethics* 18(3): 46-48
- 2017. "Libertarianism and the Welfare State," in Jason Brennan, Bas van der Vossen, and David Schmidtz, eds., *The Routledge Handbook of Libertarianism* (Routledge)
- 2017. "Beyond the Difference Principle: Rawlsian Justice, Business Ethics, and the Morality of the Market," in Eugene Heath and Byron Kaldis, eds., *Wealth, Commerce, and Philosophy: Foundational Thinkers on Business Ethics* (University of Chicago Press)
- 2016. "The Libertarian Nonaggression Principle," *Social Philosophy and Policy* 32(2): 62-90
- 2016. "Exploitation," with Alan Wertheimer. *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
- 2016. "Exploitation and Freedom," in David Schmidtz and Carmen Pavel, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Freedom* (Oxford)
- 2015. "Social Darwinism and Social Justice: Herbert Spencer on Our Duties to the Poor," in Camilla Boisén and Matthew Murray, eds., *Distributive Justice Debates in Social and Political Thought: Perspectives on Finding a Fair Share* (Routledge)
- 2015. "A Libertarian Case for the Moral Limits of Markets," *Georgetown Journal of Law and Public Policy* 13(2): 275-290
- 2015. "Property Rights, Coercion, and the Welfare State: The Libertarian Case for a Basic Income for All," *The Independent Review* 19(4): 515-529
- 2015. "Virtue, Repugnance, and Deontology," with David Schmidtz, in Mark Timmons and Robert Johnson, eds., *Reason, Value, and Respect: Kantian Themes from the Philosophy of Thomas E. Hill, Jr.* (Oxford)
- 2014. "Libertarianism and Pollution," *Philosophy and Public Policy Quarterly* 32(4): 9-21
 - Also appears in Andrew Light and Benjamin Hale, eds., *The Routledge Companion to Environmental Ethics* (Routledge)
- 2014. "Liberalism," in Alex Michalos, ed., *Encyclopedia of Quality of Life Research* (Springer)
- 2013. "Are Usurious? Another New Argument for the Prohibition of High Interest Loans?" *Business Ethics Journal Review* 1(4): 22-27
- 2013. "Environmental Virtue Ethics: What it Is and What it Needs to Be," with David Schmidtz, in Daniel Russell, ed., *The Cambridge Companion to Virtue Ethics* (Cambridge)
- 2012. "The Ethical and Economic Case Against Sweatshop Labor: A Critical Assessment," with Benjamin Powell, *Journal of Business Ethics* 107(4): 449-472
 - Reprinted in Jonathan Anomaly, Geoffrey Brennan, Michael Munger, and Geoff Sayre-McCord, eds., *Philosophy, Politics & Economics: Essential Readings* (Oxford)
- 2012. "Structural Exploitation," *Social Philosophy and Policy* 29(1): 154-179
- 2011. "Classical Liberalism and the Basic Income," *Basic Income Studies* 6(2): 1-14
- 2011. "The States of Nature," *Journal of Value Inquiry* 45(1): 27-36

- 2010. "Recent Work in Ethical Theory and its Implications for Business Ethics," with Denis Arnold and Robert Audi, *Business Ethics Quarterly* 20(4): 559-581
- 2010. "Price Gouging and Market Failure," in Christi Favor, Gerald Gaus, and Julian Lamont, eds., *Essays on Philosophy, Politics & Economics: Integration and Common Research Projects* (Stanford University Press)
- 2009. "Liberty," in John Shand, ed., *Central Issues in Philosophy* (Blackwell)
- 2009. "Price Gouging, Non-Worseness, and Distributive Justice," *Business Ethics Quarterly* 19(2): 295-306
 - Reprinted in Lisa Newton, Elaine Englehardt, and Michael Pritchard, eds., *Taking Sides: Clashing Views in Business Ethics*, 11th and 12th editions, (McGraw Hill)
 - Reprinted in Stephen Satris, ed., *Taking Sides: Clashing Views on Moral Issues*, 13th edition (McGraw Hill)
 - Reprinted in Jonathan Anomaly, Geoffrey Brennan, Michael Munger, and Geoff Sayre-McCord, eds., *Philosophy, Politics & Economics: Essential Readings* (Oxford)
- 2008. "The Ethics of Price Gouging," *Business Ethics Quarterly* 18(3): 347-378
 - Reprinted in David Schmidtz, ed., *Creating Wealth: Ethical and Economic Perspectives* (Cognella Academic Publishing)
 - Reprinted in A.M. Viens and Michael Selgeild, eds., *Emergency Ethics, Volume*
- 2008. "The Separateness of Persons and Liberal Theory," *The Journal of Value Inquiry* 42(2): 147-165
- 2008. "Libertarianism," *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
- 2007. "Respect for Persons and the Authority of Morality," *Reason Papers* 29: 71-82
- 2007. "Sweatshops, Choice, and Exploitation," *Business Ethics Quarterly* 17(4): 689-727
 - Reprinted in Laura Hartman and Joseph DesJardins, eds., *Business Ethics: Decision-Making for Personal Integrity and Social Responsibility*, 2nd edition (McGraw Hill)
 - Reprinted in Andrew Morriss, ed., *Global Labor and Employment Law for the Practicing Lawyer* (Kluwer)
 - Reprinted in David Schmidtz, ed., *Creating Wealth: Ethical and Economic Perspectives* (Cognella Academic Publishing)
 - Reprinted in Harriet Baber and Denise Dimon, eds., *Globalization and International Development: The Ethical Issues* (Broadview)
- 2006. "Why Not Regulate Private Discrimination?" *San Diego Law Review* 43(4): 1043-1061
- 2006. "Person-Neutrality and the Separateness of Persons," *Southwest Philosophical Studies* 25: 95-104
- 2006. "Sweatshops," in James Climent, ed., *Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia* (M.E. Sharpe)
 - Reprinted in Thomas Mappes and Jane Zembaty, eds., *Social Ethics: Morality and Social Policy*, 7th and 8th editions (McGraw Hill)
- 2005. "Natural Law and Evolutionary Conservatism," *San Diego Law Review* 42(3): 1143-1149

- 2005. “*Virtue Ethics and Repugnant Conclusions*,” with David Schmidtz, in Philip Cafaro and Ronald Sandler, eds., *Environmental Virtue Ethics* (Rowman and Littlefield)

Reviews

- 2020. Annie Lowrey, *Give People Money: How a Universal Basic Income Would End Poverty, Revolutionize Work, and Remake the World* (Crown, 2018), *Journal of Business Ethics* 162(1): 247-249.
- 2017. Philippe van Parijs and Yannick Vanderborght, *Basic Income: A Radical Proposal for a Free Society and a Sane Economy* (Harvard, 2017), *Ethics & International Affairs* 31(4)
- 2017. Loren Lomasky, *Rights Angles* (Oxford, 2016), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2017.03.10)
- 2012. Ralf Bader and John Meadowcroft, eds., *The Cambridge Companion to Nozick's Anarchy, State, and Utopia* (Cambridge, 2011), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2012.10.03)
- 2010. Gijs van Donselaar, *The Right to Exploit: Parasitism, Scarcity, Basic Income* (Oxford, 2009), *Ethics* 121(1): 228-232
- 2010. George Brenkert and Tom Beauchamp, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Business Ethics* (Oxford, 2009), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2010.06.32)
- 2009. Amartya Sen, *The Idea of Justice* (Harvard, 2009), *The Review of Metaphysics* LXIII(4): 45-47
- 2003. Dale Jamieson, ed., *A Companion to Environmental Philosophy* (Blackwell, 2001), with David Schmidtz, *Environmental Ethics* 25: 99-104.

PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Presentations

- “The Ethics of Exclusionary Zoning”
2023 February. University of Arizona, Department of Philosophy.
2023 November. Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Society
- “Sweatshops, Choice, and Exploitation”
2023 October. St. Andrews Stirling Joint Graduate Program (Virtual)
- Debate: Are Libertarians and Conservatives Allies?
2023 September. Institute for Liberal Studies (Virtual)
- Debate: Can Libertarians and Liberals Get Along?
2023 September. Pnyx (Virtual)
- “The Individualists: Radicals, Reactionaries, and the Struggle for the Soul of Libertarianism”
2023 July. University of Mississippi, Declaration of Independence Center for the Study of American Freedom (Virtual)
2023 September. Cornell University, Department of History (Virtual)
2023 April. Reason Speakeasy, NYC
- “Markets and Freedom”
2021 October. Ohio State COMPAS (Conversations on Morality, Politics, and Society) (Virtual)
- “The Libertarian Case for a Basic Income”
2021 March. Truman State University (Virtual)
2021 February. Emporia State University (Virtual)
- “Labor, Exploitation, and the Future of Work”
2021 February. PPE in a Time of Pandemic Series, UNC Chapel Hill (Virtual)

- Debate on the Universal Basic Income
2020 November, Institute for Liberal Studies (Virtual)
- "Exploitation and Unfair Pricing"
2019 March, PPE Society
- "Adam Smith's Argument for Free Trade"
2018 September, USD Center for Ethics, Economics, and Public Policy
- "John Stuart Mill on the Idea of Goodness"
2018 October, USD Humanities Center
- "Rights, Projects, and Lomasky's *Rights Angles*"
2018 March, PPE Society
- "A Hayekian Case for Free Markets and a Basic Income"
2017 April, keynote presentation at Bowling Green State University Conference on The Future of Work, Technology, and a Basic Income
- "Exploitation, Neglect, and the Psychology of Moral Judgment"
2015 April, University of Minnesota, Duluth
2015, April, Minnesota State University, Mankato
2016, February, Duke University
- "The Libertarian Non-Aggression Principle"
2014, December, Social Philosophy and Policy Center
- "A Libertarian Case for the Moral Limits of Markets"
2014, November, Georgetown University Institute for the Study of Markets and Ethics
- "The Origin and Nature of Libertarian Thought"
2014, November, George Mason University, Department of Economics
- "The Progressive Origins of Modern Libertarianism"
2014, October, Wellesley College
- "A Brief History of Libertarianism"
2014, April, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- "What Are the Moral Limits of Markets?"
2013, April, Debate with Debra Satz, McGill University Research Group on Constitutional Studies
- "Exploitation and Price Gouging"
2012, March, San Jose State University Department of Economics
2013, October, Georgia State University Department of Philosophy and Jean Beer Blumenfeld Center for Ethics
- "Toward a Theory of State Exploitation"
2011, April, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- "Structural Exploitation"
2010, November, Social Philosophy and Policy Center
- "Exploitation and Neglect"
2010, March, University of Arizona Department of Philosophy
2010, April, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- "The Ethics of Price Gouging"
2007, November, California State University at Long Beach Applied Ethics Center
2008, March, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- "Respect for Persons and the Authority of Morality"
2006, December, American Association for the Philosophic Study of Society, Eastern

- Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- “Good Folk Gone Bad: The Moral Psychology of Unethical Behavior at Work”
2006, November, California State University at Long Beach Applied Ethics Center
- “Why Not Regulate Private Discrimination?”
2006, March, University of San Diego Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Sweatshops, Choice, and Exploitation”
2006, January, University of Arizona Department of Philosophy
- “The Separateness of Persons as a Metaethical Argument”
2005, August, International Society for Utilitarian Studies
- “The Separateness of Persons and Liberal Theory”
2003, March, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- “Animals as Property”
2002, December, Society for the Study of Ethics and Animals, Eastern Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- “The Unity and Separateness of Persons”
2002, November, University of Arizona Philosophy Department Colloquium
2002, October, Northern Arizona University Philosophy Department Colloquium
- “Rawls and Nozick on the Separateness of Persons”
2002, April, University of Arizona / Arizona State University Colloquium in Political Theory
- “Person-Neutrality and the Separateness of Persons”
2002, April, New Mexico / West Texas Philosophical Society
- “On Knowing the Good and Not Caring Less”
2001, April, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- “Conventionalism, Fairness, and the Ideal of Protected Expectations”
1999, November, Institute for Civil Society

Comments

- Comments on Fred Miller and Adam Mossoff, “Ayn Rand’s Theory of Rights”
2014, April, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- Comments on A.J. Julius, “The Possibility of Exchange”
2011, May, University of Washington Conference on Fair Trade and Exploitation
- Comments on Stephen Morse, “Preventative Detention of Psychopaths and Dangerous Offenders”
2011, April, University of San Diego Institute for Law and Philosophy
- Comments on Jonathan Phillips, “Freedom: Morality and Folk Intuitions”
2009, February, Public Reason Spring Political Philosophy Podcast Symposium
- Comments on Fernando Teson, “Brain Drain”
2008, April, University of San Diego Institute for Law and Philosophy
- Comments on Helga Varden, “The Failure of Nozick’s Bilateral Voluntarism”
2007, April, Central Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association
- Comments on Janet Radcliffe-Richards, “Marriage and the Nature of Things”
2005, January, University of San Diego Institute for Law and Philosophy

- Comments on Richard T. DeGeorge, “*Jus in Bello*, Non-Combatant Immunity and Contemporary Warfare”

2004, November, AMINTAPHIL Annual Meeting

Invited/Organized Roundtable Discussions

- “Vilfredo Pareto and the Transformations of Democracy”
2023, October, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “Radicalism and Conservatism in the Thought of Herbert Spencer”
2022, April, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Director
- “Gerald Gaus: Reason, Diversity, and Classical Liberalism”
2021, November, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “Liberty, Growth, and Justice”
2020, January, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “Liberty Among Mass Men: The Political Thought of Albert Jay Nock”
2018, September, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “Liberty and Responsibility in Mary Shelly’s *Frankenstein*”
2018, June, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Lysander Spooner on Law, Liberty, and Revolution”
2018, January, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Director
- “Liberty and the Economics of Politics”
2017, April, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Character and Responsibility in Ancient China and Ancient Greece”
2016, November, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Morant Bay and the Eyre Controversy”
2015, December, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Revolution, Intervention, Secession”
2015, October, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “The Welfare State and Limited Government”
2015, August, *Liberty Fund / Cato Institute Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “The Fusion of Liberty and Tradition”
2015, March, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Gustave de Moinari: The Economics, Ethics, and Evolution of a Free Society”
2012, December, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Thomas Paine and Edmund Burke on the French Revolution of 1789”
2012, March, *Liberty Fund / Students for Liberty Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “Liberty and Responsibility in the Thought of Frederic Bastiat”
2012, March, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Director
- “Moral Foundations of a Free Society”
2011, February, *Liberty Fund / Institute for Humane Studies Colloquium*, Discussion Leader
- “Classical Liberalism and Contemporary Philosophy”
2011, January, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*, Director
- “Roundtable on Exploitation, Price-Gouging, and Blackmail”
2010, January, University of San Diego Institute for Law and Philosophy, Director
- “Immigration, Political Self-Determination, and Liberty”
2009, October, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Roundtable on Nozickian Libertarianism”
2009, April, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy, Co-director
- “Roundtable on the Rationality of Rule-Following”
2008, September, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy

- “Tort Law, Liberty, and Responsibility”
2008, September, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Conference on National Borders and Immigration”
2008, April, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Keynes, Hayek, and the Market System”
2008, February, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Roundtable on ‘the Reasonable’”
2007, November, Rutgers University Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Roundtable on Just War Theory and Terrorism”
2007, September, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Liberty, Social Cooperation and the Division of Labor”
2007, January, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Roundtable on the Duty to Rescue”
2006, October, USD Law and Philosophy, Director
- “Liberty and Responsibility in Constitutional Political Economy: The Mill-Macaulay Debate”
2006, May, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Roundtable on Analytical Jurisprudence”
2005, September/October, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Roundtable on Consent”
2004, November, University of Illinois Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Roundtable on the Legal Enforcement of Morality”
2004, October, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy, Director
- “Roundtable on ‘What is Legal Interpretation’”
2004, April, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Roundtable on Criminal Responsibility”
2004, March, USD Institute for Law and Philosophy
- “Public Finance and Public Choice: Two Contrasting Visions of the State”
2003, November, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Civil Society and Its Virtues”
2003, October, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Liberty and the Nature of Law”
2001, July, *Liberty Fund Seminar*
- “The Genetic Revolution”
2000, December, *Liberty Fund Colloquium*
- “Liberty and Responsibility in Adam Smith”
1999, August, *Liberty Fund Seminar*
- “Concepts of Freedom in the Classical Liberal Tradition”
1999, January, Liberty Fund Colloquium

COURSES TAUGHT

At the University of San Diego

- HNRS 332 - The Good Life (with Jennifer Zwolinski)
- PHIL 321 - Social Ethics
- PHIL 330 - Ethics
- PHIL 332 - Business Ethics
- PHIL 334 - Metaethics
- PHIL 342 - Engineering Ethics
- PHIL 461 - Philosophy of Law
- PHIL 462 - Political Philosophy
- PHIL 494 - Libertarianism
- PHIL 494 - Free Speech and Toleration
- PPE 101 – Morality Markets and Government
- PPE 495 – PPE Capstone

SERVICE to the UNIVERSITY and PROFESSION**To the University**

- Director, Undergraduate Minor in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (2018-Present)
- Co-Director, University of San Diego Institute for Law and Philosophy (2008-Present)
- ARRT Committee (2016-2018)
- President, USD Chapter of *Phi Beta Kappa* (2007-2009); Treasurer (2019-Present)
- Honors Committee (2005-2009, 2011-2013)
- Academic Affairs and Planning Committee (2005-2007, 2021-Present)

To the Profession

- External Program Reviewer:
 - Pomona College (Major in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics), February, 2019
 - University of Richmond (Major in Philosophy, Politics, Economics, and Law), March, 2020
- PhD Dissertation Committee:
 - Kevin Currie-Knight (University of Delaware, 2014)
 - Maura Priest (University of California, Irvine, 2016)
 - Åsbjørn Melkevik (Queens University, 2017)
 - Otto Lehto (King's College, London, 2022)
- Project Editor, *Social Philosophy and Policy* (2012-Present)
- Editorial Board: *Business Ethics Quarterly* (2008-2018), *Basic Income Studies* (2016-Present), *Business Ethics Journal Review* (2013-Present)
- Referee: *Analysis*; *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*; *Basic Income Studies*; *Business and Society*; *Business Ethics Quarterly*; *Economics and Philosophy*; *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics*; *Ethics*; *Journal of Business Ethics*; *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*; *Journal of Social Philosophy*; *Journal of Value Inquiry*; *Kennedy Institute Journal of Ethics*; *Law and Philosophy*; *Legal Theory*; *Philosophia*; *Philosophical Papers*; *Philosophical Studies*; *Philosophical Quarterly*; *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics*; *Public Affairs Quarterly*; *Reason Papers*; *The Independent Review*; *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*; *Utilitas*; *World Development*, Cambridge University Press; Continuum; Rowman and Littlefield; Blackwell; Routledge; Stanford University Press.