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| Current Position | 2016- | Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, California State University, Sacramento |
| Previous Positions | 2015-2016 | Lecturer in Medical Ethics, Department of Philosophy, Boston University |
| | 2014-2016 | Adjunct Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Bentley University |
| | 2013-2014 | Visiting Lecturer in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, UMass Lowell |
| | 2012 | Faculty Fellow in Environmental Ethics, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University |
| Education | 2016 | PhD, Philosophy, Georgetown University Dissertation: "International Political Legitimacy and Procedural Justice" Committee: Mark Murphy (chair), Christopher Morris, Henry Richardson, and David Luban |
| | 2012 | MA, Philosophy and Bioethics, Georgetown University |
| | 2008 | MA, Philosophy of Religion and Ethics, Biola University |
| | 2008 | MA, Theology, Biola University |
| | 1998 | JD, University of California, Davis, King Hall School of Law |
| | 1995 | BA, Philosophy and Political Science, University of California, San Diego |
| Areas of Specialization | | Applied Ethics, Bioethics, Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Law |
| Areas of Competence | | Environmental Ethics, Philosophy of Religion |

Publications

- Book Review. Jing-Bao Nie, *Medical Ethics in China: A Transcultural Interpretation* (London and New York: Routledge, 2011), *Frontiers of Philosophy in China*, vol. 10, no., 2015.
- "Confronting Ethical Permissibility in Animal Research: Rejecting a Common Assumption and Extending a Principle of Justice," *Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics*, special issue, eds. Beauchamp, T., Gluck, J., and Ferdowsian, H. (invited article, April 2014).
- "Extending Human Research Protections to Nonhuman Animals: The Belmont Report and a Principled Approach" with Hope Ferdowsian, M.D., M.P.H., in *The Politics of Species*, eds. Lanjouw, A. and Corbey, R. (Cambridge University Press, September 2013).
- "Just International Normative Structure," *Public Reason*, vol. 4, nos. 1-2, December 2012.

Presentations

- "The Plausibility of Legitimacy as a Motivating Reason for Enforcing International Human Rights Law," Midwest Political Science Association 2016 Conference, April 2016
- "Universal Human Rights as a Limit on the Legitimate Exercise of Political Authority," 8th Global Conference: Multiculturalism, Conflict and Belonging, Mansfield College, Oxford, United Kingdom, September 2014.
- "An Analysis of Equality: Respecting Women and Respecting Cultural Diversity," 31st International Social Philosophy Conference, Southern Oregon University, Ashland, Oregon, July 2014.
- "Animal Rights and Animal Experimentation," Invited Guest Speaker, Center for Practical and Professional Ethics, California State University, Sacramento, California, October 2013.
- "Global Justice: Defending an International Right to Due Process," Invited Guest Speaker, Center for Practical and Professional Ethics, California State University, Sacramento, California, October 2013.

- “Taking the Right to Formal Equality Seriously,” *Oppression, Resistance, and Rights Conference*, Congress of the Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Victoria, Victoria, B.C., June 2013.
- “Justice without Violence: Analyzing Alternatives to Force,” Justice: Violence and Forgiveness Conference, International Political Science Association, Research Committee on Political Philosophy, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts, May 2013.
- “Just International Normative Structure and the Alternatives,” Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 2013 (poster).
- “Just International Normative Structure for Multinational Corporations,” *Human Enterprise and Corporate Personhood Conference*, Society of Philosophers in the Contemporary World, Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association, Atlanta, Georgia, December 2012.
- “Formal Equality: A Conceptual Framework for the Equal Protection of Minorities Across Cultures,” *Ethical Theories: East and West Conference*, Society of Indian Philosophy and Religion, Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association, Atlanta, Georgia, December 2012.
- “The Principle of Justice and Non-Human Animals,” *NSF Grant Project on the Ethical Considerations of the Use of Animals in Research Meeting*, Georgetown University Conference Center, Washington D.C., November 2012.
- “Is There Justification for Exposing Research Animals to Risks Deemed Too Dangerous For Humans,” *International Conference in Applied Ethics: Risks, Justice, and Liberty*, Center for Applied Ethics and Philosophy, Hokkaido University, Japan, October 2012.
- “Just International Normative Structure,” Poynter Center 40th Anniversary Symposium on Humanitarianism and Human Rights in the 21st Century, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, October 2012.
- “Just International Normative Structure,” *Global Norms and Limits Conference*, University of Bucharest, Romania, May 2012.
- “The Right to Due Process: An Underexplored Basis for Current and Future International Law,” *McMaster University Conference for Legal Theory*, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, May 2012.
- “Ethical Challenges Confronting Current Federal Rules, Policies, and Guidelines,” with Katalin Roth, M.D., J.D., *NSF Grant Project on the Ethical Considerations of the Use of Animals in Research Meeting*, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Washington D.C., May 2012.
- “The Law and Ethics of Organ Transplantation,” Bioethics Clinical Practicum, Georgetown University, Washington D.C., April 2012.
- “Formal Equality: A Conceptual Framework for the Equal Protection of Women Across Cultures,” *Women in Philosophy: Why Race and Gender Still Matter*, Eastern Division for the Society for Women in Philosophy, Notre Dame of Maryland, Baltimore, April 2012.
- “Due Process: An Underexplored Basis for Current and Future International Law,” *The Virtue of Justice Conference*, Society of Christian Philosophers, Hendrix College, Arkansas, March 2012.
- “Domestic and International Laws, Legal Debates, and Chimpanzees,” *NSF Grant Project on the Ethical Considerations of the Use of Animals in Research Meeting*, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Washington D.C., October 2011.
- “Reasonable Collaboration of Methods: A Reasonable Person Model of Applying Multiple Methods of Moral Deliberation in Bioethical Cases,” Writer’s Workshop, Georgetown University, November 2010.
- “Kantian Ethics,” “Principles Approach,” “Natural Law Theory,” and “Judith Jarvis Thomson on Abortion,” invited lecturer, Ethics and Bioethics, Georgetown University, Fall 2010.

Teaching Experience

- Boston University Medical Ethics (Fall 2015)
Ethics (Spring 2016)
- Bentley University Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2014; Spring 2015; Fall 2015; Spring 2016)
International Business Ethics (Spring 2015)
Ethics (Fall 2014)
- UMass Lowell Introduction to Political Philosophy (Spring 2014)
Introduction to Ethics (Fall 2013)

Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2013; Spring 2014)

- Georgetown University Ethics (Summer 2013)
Ethics of International Law (Spring 2012; Spring 2013)
Bioethics (Summer 2012)
Rights (Fall 2011; Fall 2012)

Additional Professional Experience

- Research Assistant, NSF Grant on Animal Research Ethics, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, 2011-2013
- Referee, Georgetown University Philosophy Conference: Emotions and Emotionality, 2013, 2014
- Clinical Practicum in Bioethics, Georgetown University, 2012
- Organizer, Kennedy Institute of Ethics Environmental Justice Speaker Series, 2012
- Kennedy Institute of Ethics Editorial Team, 2011-2012
- Co-founder, Eastern Philosophy Reading Group, Georgetown University, 2011-2012
- NIH Joint Seminar in Bioethics, Washington D.C., 2009-2010 and 2010-2011
- Acting Managing Editor, *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal*, Spring 2011
- Senior Appellate Court Attorney, California Court of Appeal, 2006-2007 (Appellate Court Attorney, 1999-2006)
Drafted over 400 judicial opinions on complex criminal and civil cases.
- Law Clerk, Legislative Counsel of California, Summer 1997

Selected Published Opinions

- *Phillips v. St. Mary's Regional Medical Center* (2002) 96 Cal.App.4th 218 [116 Cal.Rptr. 2d 770] (recognizing the state constitution, FEHA, and Title VII as a source of public policy for plaintiff's common law cause of action of wrongful termination in violation of public policy).
- *People v. Dixon* (2007) 148 Cal.App.4th 414 [56 Cal.Rptr.3d 33] (resolving the First Amendment issue of whether Press-Enterprise had a right to videotape an involuntary commitment proceeding under the Sexually Violent Predators Act).
- *City of Redlands v. County of San Bernardino* (2002) 96 Cal.App.4th 398 [117 Cal.Rptr.2d 582] (finding a violation under California Environmental Quality Act when the County failed to provide an adequate description of the agency action and failed to consider foreseeable secondary environmental impacts of the County's general plan amendments).
- *Thomson v. Mercury Casualty Co.* (2000) 84 Cal.App.4th 90 [100 Cal.Rptr.2d 596] (determining the standard for exclusionary language concerning permissive user coverage in an insurance policy), quoted with approval in resolving a split among jurisdictions by the California Supreme Court in *Haynes v. Farmers Insurance Exchange* (2004) 32 Cal.4th 1198 [13 Cal.Rptr.3d 68]).
- *DMC, Inc. v. Downey Savings and Loan Assn.* (2002) 99 Cal.App.4th 190 [120 Cal.Rptr.2d 761] (resolving a novel issue in real estate law concerning lien priority of a new purchase-money lien over a revived junior lien, creating an exception to the "first in time, first in right" rule).
- *In re Marriage of Romero* (2002) 99 Cal.App.4th 1436 [122 Cal.Rptr.2d 220] (interpreting Family Code Section 4323, subdivision (b), to read that the trial court was required not to consider a new spouse's income directly or indirectly in modifying spousal support, which would have discouraged remarriage).

Honors and Fellowships

- Travel Grant, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Georgetown University, 2013
- Faculty Fellowship in Bioethics, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, 2012
- Travel Grant, Center for Applied Ethics and Philosophy, Hokkaido University, Japan, 2012
- Graduate Fellowship in Bioethics, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, 2011-2012
- Distinction, Ethics Comprehensive Exam, Georgetown University, 2010
- Graduate Fellowship and Scholarship, Georgetown University, 2009-present
- Talbot School of Theology Honor Society, Biola University, 2008

- Senior Appellate Court Attorney Merit Promotion, California Court of Appeal, 2005
- Outstanding Scholarship Award, California Court of Appeal, 1999 and 2000
- Law Review, UC Davis King Hall School of Law, 1997-1998
- Public Interest Law Foundation Grant, University of San Diego School of Law, 1996
- Graduate Scholarship, University of San Diego School of Law, 1995-1996
- Thurgood Marshall College Honors Program, UC San Diego, 1991-1995
- Provost Honors, UC San Diego, 1991-1995

Community Service

- Volunteer, Greater Boston Refugee Ministry, Boston, Massachusetts, 2016-present
- Volunteering with special needs children, Jill's House, Fairfax County, Virginia 2010-2012
- Serving Iraqi refugees, Global Partners in Peace and Development, Amman, Jordan, 2009
- Volunteering with the homeless, Boston Rescue Mission, Boston, Massachusetts, 2008-2009
- Volunteer, Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Boston, Massachusetts, 2009
- Mock Trial Scoring Judge, Riverside, California, 2004-2006
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, Davis and Sacramento, California, 1997-1998
- Immigration Clinic, UC Davis School of Law, California, 1998