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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Theoretical Ethics; Feminist Philosophy; Social and Political Philosophy.

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

History of Ethics; Applied Ethics; Philosophy of Law; Early 20th C. Continental Philosophy.

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. (Philosophy), Boston University, 2008 (Dissertation defended, May 2007).

Dissertation Title: "*The Nature and Limits of Forgiveness.*"

Supervisor: Daniel O. Dahlstrom. Committee: Charles Griswold, Allen Speight.

M.A. (Philosophy), Queen's University, 2002.

Thesis Title: "*Forgiveness and Paradox.*"

Supervisor: Deborah Knight. Committee: Christine Overall, Stephen Leighton.

B.A. Hon. (Philosophy), M.A. (Cantab) Cambridge University, 2000, 2004.

CURRENT POSITION:

Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Member of the Graduate Faculty,
Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University (Toronto, Canada).

GRANTS, HONOURS AND AWARDS:

Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Standard Research Grant, 2011-12.

Project: *Sorry Stories: Apologies in Personal and Political Contexts.*

President's University Wide Teaching Award for Full-Time Faculty, York University, 2011.

Nominee, Ian Greene Award for Teaching Excellence, LA&PS, York University, 2010.

Merit Award, LA&PS, York University, 2008, 2009, 2010.

SSHRC Conference Travel Grant, York University, 2008, 2011.

H.B. Earhart Fellowship, Earhart Foundation, 2006-7.

Junior Research Fellowship, Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna, 2006.

Dissertation Fellowship, Boston University, 2005.

Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Boston University, 2005.

SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship, 2004-6.

Presidential Fellowship, Boston University, 2002-6.

Graduate Fellowship, Queen's University, 2001-2.

Robinson College Philosophy Award, Cambridge University, 1998.

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Unreasonable Resentments." *Journal of Social Philosophy* 41:4 (Winter 2010) 422-441.

"Seeing Sympathy: Remarks on Sympathizing with the Enemy." *Review of International Affairs*
61:1138-1139 (Fall 2010) pp. 178-189.

"The State of 'Sorry': Official Apologies and their Absence." (refereed review essay) *Journal of
Human Rights* 9:3 (Fall 2010) pp. 373-385.

"Getting it: on Jokes and Art," co-authored with Steven Burns, *AE: Journal of the Canadian Society
of Aesthetics*, vol. 10, Fall 2004. http://www.uqtr.ca/AE/Vol_10/wittgenstein/burns.htm

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PUBLICATIONS, CONTINUED

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

- “The Philosophical Controversy over Political Forgiveness,” *Public Forgiveness in Post-Conflict Contexts*.
Ed. B.A.M. van Stokkom & Neelke Doorn (forthcoming, Intersentia Transitional Justice Series,
2011).
- “Resentment and Moral Judgment in Smith and Butler,” *Philosophy of Adam Smith: Essays
Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Theory of Moral Sentiments*. *Adam Smith Review* 5, ed. V.
Brown & S. Fleischacker, pp. 161-177. Routledge, 2010.
- “Practicing Imperfect Forgiveness,” *Feminist Ethics and Social and Political Philosophy: Theorizing the Non-
Ideal*. Ed. L. Tessman, pp. 185-204. Springer, 2009.
- “Moral Powers and Forgivable Evils,” *Evil, Political Violence and Forgiveness: Essays in Honour of
Claudia Card*. Ed. Kathryn Norlock & Andrea Veltman, pp. 135-158. Lexington, 2009.
- “Aliases, Alienation and Agency: The Physical Integrity of Sydney Bristow,”
Co-authored with D.P. Finding, *Secrets and Spies: Investigating Alias*, eds. Stacey Abbott and Simon
Brown, pp. 73-86. Palgrave MacMillan, 2007.

BOOK REVIEWS AND COMMENTARIES

- “Relating after Wrongdoing: Review of K. Norlock, *Forgiveness from a Feminist Perspective* and L.
Radzik, *Making Amends: Atonement in Law, Morality and Politics*” (forthcoming in *Hypatia* Fall
2011).
- Review of E. M. Dadlez, *Mirrors to One Another: Emotion and Value in Jane Austen and David
Hume*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, Feb. 6 2010. <http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=18828>
- “The Object of Repair: Commentary on Margaret Urban Walker’s ‘Restorative Justice and
Reparations,’” *Symposia on Race, Gender and Philosophy*, Vol. 3, No. 2, 2007.
<https://wikis.mit.edu/confluence/display/SGRP/May+2007+Symposium+%28Walker%29>

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- “Forgiveness and Moral Solidarity,” *Forgiveness: Probing the Boundaries*. Oxford: Inter-
Disciplinary Press, 2008, pp. 3-16.
- “An Ethic of Plurality: Reconciling Politics and Morality in Hannah Arendt,” *History and Judgment*.
Vienna: IWM Junior Visiting Fellows Conference Vol. XXI, 2006.
- “History and Judgment: Editors’ Introduction,” with I. Torsen, *History and Judgment*. Vienna: IWM
JVF Conference Vol. XXI, 2006.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Forgiveness and Mercy,” Online Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics (Elsevier, forthcoming, 2011)
- “Drafting Peer Support: The Promise and Perils of an Online Draft Exchange,” *APA Newsletter on
Feminism and Philosophy* 9:1, Fall 2009.
- “Vergebung als Kategorie der politischen Aussöhnung,” [Forgiveness as a Category of Political
Reconciliation] Guest Contribution to *ORF [Österreichischer Rundfunk] on Science*, 2006.

IN PREPARATION

- “Government Apologies to Indigenous Peoples” for *Justice, Responsibility and Reconciliation in the Wake of
Conflict*, volume co-edited with C. A. Speight (under contract with Springer Press, 2011).
Practicing Forgiveness, book manuscript currently in progress.
- “Forgiveness and the Retributive Emotions: Does One Require the Other?”
- “In Defense of Third Party Forgiveness”
- “Closets and Stage-Lights: On the Goods of Out”
- “Authoritative Norms and Ideal Cases: The Normativity of a Moral Practice”

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REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “The Uses of Apology.”
International Political Science Association, Sao Paulo Brazil, February 2011.
Atlantic Regional Philosophers Association, Halifax Canada, October 2010.
- “What’s Next? Responding to Apologies and Gestures of Forgiveness.”
Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Guelph Canada, October 2009.
- “Unreasonable Resentments.”
Feminist Ethics and Social Theory, Clearwater Beach USA, September 2009.
- “The Good of Out.”
Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love, Urbana-Champaign USA, April 2009.
- “Injustice, Entitlement and Smithian Resentment.”
The Philosophy of Adam Smith: Conference to Commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Theory of Moral Sentiments (1759), Oxford UK, January 2009.
- “The Character of the Closet: Revisiting the Ethics of ‘Out’.”
Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Windsor Canada, October 2008.
- “Third Party Forgiveness and Political Solidarity.”
Forgiveness: Probing the Boundaries (1st Global Conference), Salzburg Austria, March 2008.
Feminist Ethics and Social Theory, Clearwater Beach USA, September 2007.
- “Risk and Reconciliation: Hannah Arendt and Public Apologies.”
Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Peterborough Canada, October 2006.
- “Forgiveness, Gender and Self-Respect.”
Society for Women in Philosophy U.K, London UK, April 2006.
- “Forgiveness and the Diversity of Women’s Experience.”
Society for Women and Philosophy, Tallahassee Florida, April 2005.
- “Forgiveness and Paradox.”
Canadian Philosophical Association, Halifax Canada, May 2003.

INVITED TALKS AND KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

- “Authoritative Norms and Internal Goods: The Normativity of a Moral Practice.”
Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, University of Connecticut, February 2011.
Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, Trent University, January 2011.
- “The Uses of Apology”
Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, SUNY Binghamton, May 2011 (forthcoming).
Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, McMaster University, November 2010.
- “The Philosophical Controversy over Political Forgiveness”
Invited Pearl Lecturer, Philosophy & Public Affairs, Suffolk University, March 2010.
Invited Speaker, “Public Forgiveness in Post-Conflict Contexts” Conference, Radboud University (Nijmegen, Netherlands), March 2010.
- “Sexuality, Oppression and Virtue Ethics.”
Keynote Address, *Diotima* Feminist Graduate Conference, London Ontario, September 2009.
- “Accepting Apologies.”
Faculty Keynote Address, *Acceptance*, York Philosophy Graduate Student Association Conference, June 2009.
- “The End of a Sad Chapter? Government Apologies to Indigenous Peoples.”
Invited Speaker, Institute for Philosophy and Religion Focal Conference on Reconciliation, Boston University, March 2009.
- “Unreasonable Resentments.”
Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, Boston University, March 2009.
Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, Florida International University, Feb. 2009.

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INVITED TALKS AND KEYNOTE ADDRESSES, CONTINUED

“Resentment, Entitlement and Injustice.”

Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, Dalhousie University, December 2008.

Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, University of Western Ontario, Nov. 2008.

“If You Wrong Her, Shall I Not Forgive?”

Invited Speaker, Department of Philosophy, Queen’s University, November 2007.

COMMENTARIES AND RESPONSES

Commentary, Todd Calder’s “The Components of Evil,”

Canadian Philosophical Association, Fredericton Canada, May 2011 (forthcoming).

Author Meets Critics Session: Jill Scott’s *A Poetics of Forgiveness: Cultural Responses to Loss and Wrongdoing*.

Canadian Comparative Literature Association, Fredericton Canada, May 2011 (forthcoming).

Respondent, Claudia Card, “Surviving Long-Term Mass Atrocities: U-Boats, Catchers, and Ravens,”

Nathanson Centre Legal Philosophy Seminar Series, York University, April 2011.

Respondent, Raul Rao, “Postcolonial Cosmopolitanism: Making Place for Nationalism,”

Nathanson Centre Legal Philosophy Seminar Series, York University, November 2010.

Commentary, Victor Kumar’s “Does the Evidence from Psychopathy Support Internalism?”

Canadian Philosophical Association, Montreal Québec, May 2010.

Commentary, Melany Banks’ “Distributive Justice and Reparations.”

Canadian Philosophical Association, Ottawa Ontario, May 2009.

Commentary on Jeannette Bicknell’s “Love, Beauty, and ‘Anne Gregory’.”

Canadian Philosophical Association, Ottawa Ontario, May 2009.

Respondent, Dwight Newman “The Supercession of Historical Injustices.”

Nathanson Centre Legal Philosophy Seminar Series, January 2009.

Commentary, Ingra Schellenberg’s “Depression as Moral Mood.”

Canadian Philosophical Association, Toronto, May 2006.

Commentary, Sheldon Krinsky’s “Ethics of Biodiversity and the Transgenic Respeciation of the Biosphere.”

Karbank Environmental Symposium, Boston, April 2004.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

“Open Concept: Forgiveness.”

Technoscience Salon Open Concept Series, University of Toronto, October 2010.

“Giving People What They Want: Dolls, Desire and Danger.”

Panelist, “Vision of the Dolls: Theorizing Technology, Identity and Agency in Joss Whedon’s Dollhouse,” International Association of Women in Philosophy, London Canada, June 2010.

“The Ethicist’s Fables.”

Panelist, “The Limits of Narrative,” Canadian Philosophical Association, Vancouver, June 2008.

“Strategizing Changes in the Culture and Ideology of Philosophy.”

Panelist, Committee on the Status of Women, APA Pacific Division, Pasadena, March 2008.

“If You Wrong Her, Shall I Not Revenge?”

Atlantic Canadian Philosophical Association, Halifax Canada, October 2007.

“Reconciling Politics and Morality in Hannah Arendt.”

Panelist, “Ethics and Politics in a Post-Metaphysical World,” Canadian Philosophical Association, Toronto, May 2006.

“Practicing Forgiveness: A Feminist Approach.”

Boston Area Workshop on Gender and Philosophy, Cambridge MA, December 2005.

“Forgiveness and Philosophy: How Responsive Can Theory Be?”

Panelist, “Feminism and Philosophy,” New England Women’s Studies Association, Storrs Connecticut, April 2004.

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE SUPERVISION

Current PhD Supervisory Committee Memberships in the Philosophy Graduate Programme:

Jason Breen, "The Poverty of Distribution: A Political Theory of Cosmopolitanism."

Bernard Ennis, "The Grounding of Morality in a Posthumanist Ontology."

Nadia Halim, "Freedom Beyond Reason."

Andy Hryhorowych, "Evil in Ethics."

Tristain Laing, *Title TBA*.

Hilary Martin, *Title TBA*.

Ivana Nesovic, "What Naturalistic Approaches Tell Us About Morality."

Adam Rawlings, "How Reasons Explain Actions."

Matthew Schaeffer, "Persons and Prisons."

Ryan Tonkens, "The Virtues and Vices of Rigging the Natural Lottery."

GRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

PHIL 6150 History of Continental Philosophy: Hannah Arendt, Fall 2010.

PHIL 5802/3 Core Practical Philosophy, with M. Giudice, Fall 2010; with R. Myers, Fall 2009.

PHIL 6200 Theoretical Ethics: Contemporary Virtue Ethics, Fall 2008.

PHIL 6000 Directed Reading Course: Moral Sentimentalism, Summer 2009 (3 students)

PHIL 6000 Directed Reading Course: Contemporary Moral Theory, Winter 2008 (1 student).

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

PHIL 1000 Introduction to Philosophy, 2007-8, 2008-9.

PHIL 2070 Introduction to Ethics, Winter 2011.

PHIL 3510 Feminist Approaches to Ethics and Politics, Winter 2009, 2011.

PHIL 3195 Punishment and Responsibility, Fall 2009.

PHIL 4802 Core Practical Philosophy, with M. Giudice, Fall 2010; with R. Myers, Fall 2009.

PHIL 4900 Philosophy Honours Seminar (Topic: Retribution and Reconciliation), 2007-8.

PHIL 4000 Directed Reading Course: End of Life Issues (1 student).

PHIL 4000 Directed Reading Course: Jean Hampton's Retributivism (1 student).

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Placement Workshops (8-12 meetings), co-taught with K. Andrews, 2009, 2010.

Philosophy Department Graduate Teaching Development Workshop:

"Diversity and Difficult Conversations in the Classroom," November 2009.

Boston University Educational Resource Centre, Writing and ESL Tutor, 2002-3.

ACADEMIC SERVICE TO YORK UNIVERSITY

Chair, LA&PS Petitions Committee, 2011-12; Petitions Committee Member, 2008-11.

Coordinator: Certificate of Practical Ethics, 2009-11; Certificate of Professional Ethics 2010-11.

Board member, York Centre for Practical Ethics, 2008-10.

Committee Member, SexGen York University, 2007-9.

Philosophy Representative, Faculty of Arts Council, 2007-8.

Service to the York Philosophy Department and Graduate Programme:

Placement Officer, 2009-12; Scholarships Committee, 2009-10; Thesis Proposal Committee, 2007-9; Speaker Series Committee, 2007-11; Library and Bookstore Committee, 2008-11.

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ACADEMIC SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Chair of International Committee, Feminist Ethics & Social Theory (FEAST) Steering Committee 2011-13.
Vice President, Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy (C-SWIP), 2010-11.

Note: in October 2011 I will become President of C-SWIP for 2011-12.

Coordinator, C-SWIP at the Canadian Philosophical Association, 2008-10.

Founder and Moderator, Online Feminist Philosophy Draft Exchange, 2007 (ongoing).

Referee: *Hypatia, Social Theory and Practice, Social Philosophy Today*, Oxford University Press,
Routledge, Polity Press, Palgrave MacMillan, Canadian Philosophical Association, Canadian Society
for Women in Philosophy.

PRESS COVERAGE

“Denouncing Past Wrongs Gives Society a Way Forward” *Globe and Mail* June 16 2010.

“Correcting Canada’s Narrative” *Al Jazeera* in English, June 21, 2010

“Dealing with the Past” *Calcutta Telegraph*, June 23, 2010

“Government Inquiries and Apologies,” Guest Interview on *Take Five* on CIUT FM, June 2010.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Panelist, “Violence, Morality, Narrative and Queerness in Sarah Kane’s *Blasted*”
Buddies in Bad Times Theatre, October 3, 2010.

Community Lecture “Gender, Revenge and David Slade’s ‘Hard Candy’”

TALKIES, a film and idea series hosted by Basement Arts (www.basementarts.com) Toronto,
November 2009.

Guest Interview, “Kids Learn the Classics of Philosophy,” *Go* on CBC Radio One, February 2008.

Judge, York University Ethics Bowl, February 2008.

Colloquium Participant, multiple Liberty Fund Academic Colloquia (2008-2010).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Philosophical Association

Canadian Philosophical Association

Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy

Feminist Ethics and Social Theory

Society for Women in Philosophy, Eastern Division

Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love

LANGUAGES

French, Reading knowledge of Latin, Basic German

REFERENCES

Academic or professional references available upon request.