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Curriculum Vitae

The University of Chicago
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APPOINTMENTS

- 2020 - present **The University of Chicago**, Department of Political Science and the College. Associate Professor (with tenure).
- 2015 - present **The University of Chicago**, Department of Political Science and the College. Assistant Professor.
*Fellow-in-residence at Edmond Safra Center for Ethics, **Harvard University**, 2017-2018.
- 2014 - 2015 **Princeton University**, University Center for Human Values. Visiting Assistant Professor and Visiting Research Scholar.
- 2012 - 2015 **University of Exeter**, Department of Politics. Lecturer (Tenure-Track Assistant Professor) in Political Theory.
- 2011-2013 **Stanford University**, Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society. Postdoctoral Scholar.
- 2008-2009 **University College London**, School of Public Policy. Teaching Assistant.

EDUCATION

- 2007-2011 **University College London**, School of Public Policy. PhD in Political Theory (funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council). Awarded on 28 July 2011. Dissertation's title: "The Institutional Division of Labor and the Duties of Private Agents." Advisors: Saladin Meckled-Gracia and Cecile Laborde.
***Library of Congress**, Washington DC. Doctoral Fellow, (funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council), 2009-2010.
- 2005-2006 **University College London**, School of Public Policy. MA in Human Rights (funded by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs). Distinction.
- 2003-2005 **University of Rome "La Sapienza,"** Department of Philosophy. MA (laurea specialistica) in Philosophy and Critical Studies. 110/110 *summa cum laude*.
- 2000-2003 **University of Rome "La Sapienza,"** Department of Philosophy. BA (laurea triennale) in Philosophy. 110/110 *summa cum laude* (GPA 29.9/30).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political and moral philosophy, public ethics, theories of distributive justice, egalitarianism, political legitimacy, private forms of public power, the ethics of assistance.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- Monograph: *The Privatized State* (Princeton University Press, 2020).
- Rob Reich, Chiara Cordelli, Lucy Bernholz (eds.) *Philanthropy in Democratic Societies*, (The University of Chicago Press, 2016).
*Reviewed in [the Wall Street Journal](#), *Perspectives on Politics, Economics and Philosophy*, *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, *La Vie des Idees*.

Peer-reviewed articles

- “Prospective Duties and the Demands of Beneficence,” *Ethics*, 2018.
- “Liberalism and Religion: The Plural Grounds of Separation,” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, 2018.
- “Democratizing Organized Religion,” *Journal of Politics*, 2017.
- “Cultural Proceduralism, Cultural Preservation, and Children’s Education,” *Political Theory*, 2017 (essay for symposium on Alan Patten’s *Equal Recognition*).
- “Neutrality of What?” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, 2017.
- “Justice Below the State: Civil Society as a Site of Justice,” *British Journal of Political Science*, 2016.
- “Justice as Fairness and Relational Resources,” *Journal of Political Philosophy*, 2015.
*Selected by the [Philosopher’s Annual](#) as one of the ten best articles published in all philosophy in 2015.
- “Distributive Justice and the Problem of Friendship,” *Political Studies*, 2015.
- “Democratic Justice and the Boundaries Problem,” *Political Studies Review*, 2015. (essay for symposium on Albert Weale’s *Democratic Justice and the Social Contract*).
- “How Privatization Threatens the Private,” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, 2013.

- “The Institutional Division of Labor and the Egalitarian Obligations of Nonprofits,” *Journal of Political Philosophy*, 2012.

Chapters

- “The Wrong of Privatization: A Kantian Account,” in *The Cambridge Handbook on Privatization*, Dorfman and Harel, eds. (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming).
- “Privatization Without Profit?” In Jack Knight and Melissa Schwartzberg (eds.), *Nomos LX: Privatization*, New York University Press, 2018.
- “Philanthropy and Intergenerational Justice” (with Rob Reich), in Axel Gosseries and Iñigo González-Ricoy (eds.), *Institutions for Future Generations*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017.
- “Reparative Justice and the Moral Limits of Discretionary Philanthropy,” in Reich, Cordelli, and Bernholz (eds.), *Philanthropy in Democratic Societies*, the University of Chicago Press, 2016.
*Winner of the Midwest Political Science Association's [Review of Politics Award](#) for best paper in normative political theory presented at MPSA annual conference in April 2016.
- “Philanthropy in Democratic Societies” (with Lucy Bernholz and Rob Reich) in Reich, Cordelli, and Bernholz (eds.), *Philanthropy in Democratic Societies*, 2016.

In Progress (draft available for circulation).

- “Financial Migration: The Ethics of Global Capital Movement” (with Jonathan Levy).
- “Failed Promises in the Privatization of War.”
- “Fair Equality of Opportunity, Social Relationships, and Epistemic Advantage.”

Reports and media

- Recent Media Mentions: [The New York Times](#); [The Washington Post](#); [The Guardian](#); [The Associated Press](#); [ABC News](#); [Vox](#); [Newsy](#); [LA Review of Books](#); [The Baffler](#); [The Intercept](#); [New York Magazine](#); [The Chronicle of Philanthropy](#); [Inside Philanthropy](#); [Harvard Crimson](#); [The Conversation](#), [Stanford Social Innovation Review](#).
- “The Problem With Discretionary Philanthropy,” [HistPhil, 2016](#).
- “Democracy and Philanthropy” (with Rob Reich and Lucy Bernholz). [Stanford Social Innovation Review](#), 2013.
- Panel Discussion: [Democracy and Philanthropy](#), Stanford University.

- “How Should We Think About Impact Investment, Philanthropy, and the Social Economy?” (with Rob Reich and Lucy Bernholz). *Stanford Social Innovation Review*, 2012.
- “Good Fences: The Importance of Institutional Boundaries in the New Social Economy” (with Rob Reich and Lucy Bernholz). Report published by the Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, 2013. http://www.stanford.edu/group/pacs/cgi-bin/wordpress/?page_id=187
- “The Shifting Ground Beneath Us: Framing Nonprofit Policy for the Next Century” (with Rob Reich and Lucy Bernholz). Report published by the Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, 2013. http://www.stanford.edu/group/pacs/cgi-bin/wordpress/?page_id=187
- “The Emergence of Digital Civil Society.” (with Rob Reich and Lucy Bernholz). Report published by the Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, 2013. http://www.stanford.edu/group/pacs/cgi-bin/wordpress/?page_id=187

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019	Australian National University, Visiting Fellowship in Philosophy (declined).
2017	Harvard University, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics Residential Fellowship for the academic year 2017-18.
2017	Review of Politics Award for best paper in normative political theory presented at the Midwest Political Science Association's annual conference in April 2016. Paper: “Reparative Justice and the Limits of Discretionary Philanthropy.”
2016	Philosopher’s Annual . “Justice as Fairness and Relational Resources” selected by the Philosopher’s Annual as one of the ten best articles published in all philosophy in 2015.
2015-2016	Princeton University. Visiting Research Scholar Fellowship, University Center for Human Values.
2011-2013	Stanford University, Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, Postdoctoral Fellowship.
2012-2013	Stanford University, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Visiting Scholar.
2011-2012	Economic and Social Research Council (EHRC), Postdoctoral Fellowship, Essex University, UK (declined).
2009-2010	Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC), Library of Congress Visiting Fellowship, J. Kluge Center, Washington, DC.

- 2009-2010 Japanese Society for the Promotion of Arts and Science, Visiting Fellowship at Keio University, Japan (declined).
- 2008-2009 UCL, graduate students fellowship (awarded each year, on the basis of merit, to four graduate students in the department).
- 2007-2010 Arts and Humanities Research Council doctoral award.
- 2005-2006 UCL “Gay Clifford” Foundation award for women in the humanities.
- 2005-2006 Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs fellowship for graduate studies abroad.
- 2004 European Union, “Leonardo da Vinci” grant, Brussels.
- 2002 European Union, “Erasmus” scholarship, University of Barcelona, Spain.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited talks

- 2019 Northwestern University, Practical Philosophy Seminar.
- 2019 Columbia University, Political Theory Workshop (scheduled for December 11, 2019)
- 2019 University of Toronto, Law School (scheduled for November 22, 2019)
- 2019 Waseda University, Tokyo. Keynote speaker. “Financial Migration: the Ethics of Global Capital Movement”;
- 2019 University of Warwick, UK. Paper: “Fair Equality of Opportunity and Epistemic Advantage”;
- 2019 Tel Aviv University, Safran Center for Ethics. Paper: “Financial Migration: the Ethics of Global Capital Movement”;
- 2019 Dartmouth College, workshop in political economy. Paper: “Failed Promises in the Privatization of War”;
- 2018 Northwestern University, Global Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science. Paper: “Making the Law Together: Democratic Legitimacy in the Privatized State.”
- 2018 Harvard University, Center for History and Economics. Paper: “Delegated Agency in the Privatized State.”
- 2018 Arizona State University, Department of Philosophy. Paper: “Against Mercenarism: A Promissory Account.”

- 2017 King's College London, The Dickson Poon School of Law. Paper: "Prospective Duties and the Demands of Beneficence."
- 2017 Dartmouth College, Economic Justice Workshop. Paper: "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2017 UC Berkeley, Workshop in Law, Philosophy and Politics. Paper: "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2017 University College London, Institute of Law, Politics, and Philosophy. Paper: "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2017 University of Chicago, Philosophy Department. "Prospective Duties and the Demands of Beneficence."
- 2017 University of Chicago, The Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society, "From the New Liberalism to Neo-Liberalism" conference. Paper: "The Problem with Privatization: a Normative Framework."
- 2017 Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, seminar of the Mexican Society for Applied Philosophy (SOMEFA), Mexico City. "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2017 University of Pavia, Practical Philosophy Seminar, Collegio Giasone del Maino. "Prospective Duties and the Demands of Beneficence."
- 2016 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Political Science. Paper: "Democratizing Organized Religion."
- 2016 The University of Oxford, Britain and Ireland Association for Political Thought Annual Conference (plenary speaker). Talk: "Preventative Duties and Demands of Beneficence."
- 2015 Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Buenos Aires. "Preventative Duties and Demands of Beneficence."
- 2015 University College London, Religion and Political Theory Center. Paper: "Beyond States and Before Firms: Democratizing Organized Religion."
- 2015 Princeton University, Political Philosophy Colloquium: Paper: "The Worth of Relationships: Distributive Justice and Sociability."
- 2014 Aarhus University, Philosophy Department. Paper: "Past Moral Failure and the Present Demands of Beneficence."
- 2014 The University of Glasgow, Philosophy Department. Paper: "Justice as Fairness and Relational Resources."

- 2014 Essex University, Department of Government. Paper: "Justice as Fairness and Relational Resources."
- 2014 The University of Warwick, Center for Ethics, Law and Public Affairs. Paper: "Distributive Justice and the Problem of Friendship."
- 2013 Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL), Department of Economic, Social and Political Sciences. Paper: "The Scope of Justice and the Division of Labor Between the State and Civil Society."
- 2013 Stanford University, Department of Political Science, Political Theory Workshop. Paper: "Relational Distributive Justice."
- 2013 Stanford Business School. Public Talk: "Philanthropy and Democracy."
- 2009 Keio University, Tokyo, Center on Governance and Civil Society. Paper: "Private Groups Acting Publicly: the Limits of Religious Associations' Right to Exclude."

Selected conferences and in-residence presentations

- 2018 American Political Science Association, Boston. "Making the Law Together: Democratic Legitimacy in the Privatized State."
- 2018 Association for Social and Political Philosophy, Rome. "Making the Law Together: Democratic Legitimacy in the Privatized State."
- 2018 Ethics in Economics Network Annual Meeting, Paris. "Making the Law Together: Democratic Legitimacy in the Privatized State."
- 2018 Harvard University, Safra Center for Ethics. "Privatization as the Collective Alienation of Self-rule."
- 2017 Association for Social and Political Philosophy Annual Conference, Sterling. "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2017 Ethics in Economics Network Annual Meeting, The Institute for Futures Studies, Stockholm. "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2017 University of Chicago, Political Theory Workshop. "The Intrinsic Wrong of Privatization."
- 2016 Mid-Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago. Paper: "Reparative Justice and the Moral Limits of Discretionary Philanthropy."
- 2015 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco. Paper: "Neutrality of What?" (roundtable on Alan Patten's *Equal Recognition*)
- 2014 Ethics in Economics Network Meeting, University Goethe-Universität of Frankfurt, Germany. Paper: "Justice Below the State."

- 2013 Association for Legal and Social Philosophy Annual Conference, University of Sterling. Paper “Justice below the State.”
- 2013 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco. Paper: “Justice Below the State.”
- 2013 Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University. Paper: “Distributive Justice and Relational Resources.”
- 2103 Politics Seminar Series, Exeter University. Presented paper: “Distributive Justice, Associations, and the State.”
- 2012 Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, Stanford University. Presented paper: “Between Friendship and Equality: the Role of Civil Society as a Mediator.”
- 2011 Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Warwick University. Presented Paper: “The Ethics of Giving in Non-ideal Theory.”
- 2010 Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Princeton University. Presented paper: “How Privatization Threatens the Private.”
- 2010 Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Manchester University. Presented paper: “The Egalitarian Obligations of Nonprofits.”
- 2010 Interdisciplinary Workshop, the Library of Congress. Washington DC. Presented paper: “Friendship and the Bounds of Equality.”
- 2007 European Consortium for Political Research Annual Conference, Pisa. Presented Paper: “Re-conceptualizing the Liberal Public/Private Distinction.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago

- 2018-19 Undergraduate seminar: *Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights* (Vienna).
- 2018-19 Graduate seminar (co-taught with Jim Wilson): *Freedom, Justice, and Legitimacy*.
- 2018-19 Undergraduate seminar: *Global Justice and the Ethics of Immigration*.
- 2016-17 Graduate seminar: *Contemporary Theories of International Justice*.
- 2016-17 Undergraduate seminar (Core sequence): *Classics of Social and Political Thought*. (Winter quarter).

- 2016-17 Graduate seminar: *John Rawls' Theory of Justice*.
- 2016-17 Undergraduate seminar: *Global Ethics*.
- 2015-16 Graduate seminar: *Contemporary Egalitarianism*.
- 2015-16 Undergraduate seminar (Core sequence): *Classics of Social Political Thought*. (Spring quarter).
- 2015-16 Graduate seminar: *John Rawls' Theory of Justice* (co-taught with James Wilson).
- 2015-16 Undergraduate seminar: *Global Justice*.
- 2015-present Graduate students' dissertation committees: Gordon Arlen; Ram Sabaratnam, Agatha Slupek
- 2015-present MA thesis supervision
- 2015-present BA thesis supervision
- 2018 External reviewer for PhD dissertation, Department of Political Science, University of Milan.

Princeton University

- 2014-15 Undergraduate seminar: *Ethical Dilemmas in a Global Society*.
- 2014-15 Freshman seminar: *Friends, Families and Groups: The Ethics of Association*.

University of Exeter

- 2013-2014 Lecture course: *Global Justice*.
- 2013-2014 Undergraduate seminar: *Justice, Democracy and Civil Society*.
- 2013-2014 Lecture course: *Global Justice and Transnational Democracy*.
- 2013-2014 Undergraduate seminar: *Dissertation Writing* (co-taught with Dario Castiglione, Nicole Bolleyer and Amy McKay).
- 2013-2014 Political theory reading group for graduate students.
- 2013-2014 MA thesis supervision.
- 2013-2014 BA thesis supervision
- 2013-2014 Personal Tutor for 1st year undergraduate students.

Stanford University

- 2012-2013 Undergraduate seminar: *Friends, Families and Groups: The Ethics of Association*.
- 2012-2013 Senior Honor Thesis supervision. Center for Ethics in Society, Stanford University.
- May 2012 Guest lecturer, undergraduate seminar: *Theories of Civil Society, Philanthropy, and the Nonprofit Sector*. Department of Political Science, Stanford University.

University College London

- 2008-2009 Teaching Assistant, Master's Seminar, *Theoretical Foundations of Human Rights*. School of Public Policy.
- 2008-2009 Teaching Assistant, Master's Seminar, *International Justice and Human Rights*. School of Public Policy.

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWS

Oxford University Press, American Political Science Review, Journal of Political Philosophy, Perspectives on Politics, European Journal of Political Theory, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, Critical Review of Social and Political Philosophy, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, Philosophy, Politics and Economics, Polity, Contemporary Political Theory.

AFFILIATIONS IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Member of the American Political Science Association.

Member of the Mid-Western Political Science Association.

Member of Britain and Ireland Association for Political Thought.

Member of Association for Social and Political Philosophy (ASPP)

Member of the "Economic Ethics Network" – invitation-only network of political philosophers interested in normative evaluation of economic institutions.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Chair of the Equity and Inclusion Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago.

Faculty Board Member, The Pozen Family Center for Human Rights, University of Chicago.

Faculty Board Member, The Parrhesia Program in Public Speaking, University of Chicago.

Core Faculty Member of the Committee on International Relations, University of Chicago.

2018 Faculty Chair (Fall), Political Theory Workshop, University of Chicago

2018 Chair of the Equality and Inclusion Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago.

2018 Conference organizer, “Ethics in Economics,” University of Chicago Paris Center

2017 Committee on graduate admissions, University of Chicago, Political Science.

2017 Committee on graduate fellowships, University of Chicago, Pozen Center.

2019 – present Associate Editor, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*

2019 – present Associate Editor, *Review of Social Economy*

2016 - present Associate Editor, *Res Publica* (Springer).

2018- present Editorial Board Member, *Critical Review of Social and Political Philosophy* (Taylor & Francis).

2017 Workshop organizer, “Economic Justice and Political Legitimacy,” Edmond Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University.

2015-2017 Organizer of the moral and political philosophy reading group, University of Chicago.

2017 Faculty Chair (Winter), Political Theory Workshop, University of Chicago.

2013-2014 Organizer and chair of the “Politics Seminars Series,” University of Exeter.

2013-2014 Undergraduate Dissertations Coordinator, University of Exeter.

2013-2014 Organizer and co-editor (with Dario Castiglione) of a symposium on Albert Weale’s *Democratic Justice and the Social Contract*.

2012-2013 Co-organizer of the “Philanthropy in Democratic Societies Workshop,” Stanford University.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2009 Research Assistant, the European Commission, Policy Section, London.
- 2008 Research Intern and Translator, Amnesty International, West Africa Team, London
- 2007 Project Manager, The Social Mobility Foundation, London.
- 2006 Research Intern, the Constitution Unit, Public Policy Think Tank, London.
- 2004 Research Intern, The European Association for the Education of Adults, Brussels.

LANGUAGES

Italian	Mother tongue
English	Fluent
Spanish	Proficient
French	Intermediate