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Areas of Specialization

Ethics, Moral Psychology

Areas of Competence

Bioethics, Social & Political Philosophy, Metaethics, Philosophy of Religion

Appointments

Faculty Fellow/Assistant Professor, NYU Center for Bioethics, since fall 2022.
Lise Meitner Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Graz, 2020 – 2022.

Education

University of California San Diego, Ph.D. Philosophy, 2020.
Brandeis University, M.A., Philosophy, 2013.
Wheaton College, B.A., 2002.

Publications

1. “Unfinished Business.” *Philosophers’ Imprint* 23(1): 4, 2023.
2. “Menschenbilder und existenzielles Risiko.” In *Handbuch Menschenbilder*, edited by Michael Zichy, Springer, 2022.
3. “Deference and Ideals of Practical Agency.” *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 51(1): 17-32, 2021.
4. “The Trouble with Formal Views of Autonomy.” *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 18(2), 2020.
5. “Intuitive Probabilities and the Limitation of Moral Imagination.” (with Ryazanov, Rickless, Christenfeld, Nelkin) *Cognitive Science* 42(1): 38-68, 2018.

Selected Works in Progress

1. “Let the Future be Long: A Puzzle About Asymmetric Evaluative Attitudes” (under review)
2. “The Problem of Difference-Making in an Infinite Universe” (under review)
3. “How Thoughts about Imminent Extinction Affect Life and Activity Evaluation” (under review)
4. “Valuable Futures and the Future of Value”
5. “Autonomy: The One and the Many”

Conference Presentations

“Autonomy Pluralism.” American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, Baltimore, October 2023.

“Meaning in Humanity’s Future.” Joint Sessions of the Aristotelian Society & Mind Association, University of St. Andrews, July 2022.

“Tribalism and Moral Progress.” Society for Philosophy and Psychology & European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Milan, July 2022.

“Meaning in Life and the Future of Humanity.” Conference on the Meaning in Life, University of Haifa, June 2019.

“The Value of Autonomy.” Freedom and Autonomy Conference, Birkbeck College UL, June 2019.

“Comments on Jeremy Davis’ ‘Grief and Acceptance.’” American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division), April 2019.

“Deference, Ideals, and Moral Risk” (Symposium Paper). American Philosophical Association (Central Division), February 2018.

Fellowships, Awards, and Grants

Lise Meitner Fellow, Austrian Science Foundation, 2020 – 2022.

Summer Graduate Teaching Scholar, UC San Diego, 2018.

Frontiers of Innovation Scholars Program Fellowship, UC San Diego, 2016.

Service

Refereed for: *Philosophers’ Imprint*, *Analysis*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Explorations*, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada*.

Co-organizer, 3rd annual Philosophical Bioethics Conference, NYU Center for Bioethics.

Graduate Student Volunteer, Summer Program for Women in Philosophy, University of California, San Diego.

Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, San Diego, Department of Philosophy.

Teaching

NYU Center for Bioethics

- Ethics of Reproduction, fall 2023.
- Human Rights, fall 2023.
- Justice in Health and Healthcare (M.A. course), fall 2022.
- Medical Ethics, fall 2022.

University of Graz

- Moral Progress (in English), spring 2022.
- Existential Risk and the Future of Humanity (in German), fall 2021.

UC San Diego

- Moral Psychology, summer 2020.
- Bioethics, summer 2018, 2019.

References

New York University: Daniel Fogal: daniel.fogal@nyu.edu; Matthew Liao: matthew.liao@nyu.edu

University of Graz: Lukas Meyer: lukas.meyer@uni-graz.at

UC San Diego: David Brink: dbrink@ucsd.edu; Dana Nelkin: dnelkin@ucsd.edu; Richard Arneson: rarneson@ucsd.edu.