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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

PhD, Philosophy, August 2012

Dissertation: “Troubling Others and Tormenting Ourselves: the Nature and Moral Significance of Jealousy”

Committee: Stephen Gardiner (chair), Carole Lee, Jean Roberts, Ingra Schellenberg
MA, Philosophy, March 2009

REED COLLEGE

BA, Philosophy, May 2004

Thesis: “Trouble with Commitment: a Response to the Integrity Objection to Utilitarianism”

Advisor: Scott Jenkins

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Moral Psychology, Ethics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Feminist Philosophy, Environmental Ethics, Biomedical Ethics, Ancient Greek Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind

APPOINTMENTS

Ball State University, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies (2015 – present)

Colby-Sawyer College, Department of Humanities: Assistant Professor (2013–15)

Fort Lewis College, Department of Philosophy: Visiting Assistant Professor (2012–13)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“Courage as an Environmental Virtue” *Environmental Ethics* 36.3 (2014): 339–355 [view](#)

“Sagoff on Ecosystems as Self-Organizing Systems” *Ethics, Policy & Environment* 16.3 (2013): 258–261 [view](#)

INVITED PUBLICATION

Review of Christine Overall’s *Why Have Children? The Ethical Debate* (Cambridge, MA and London: The MIT Press, 2012) for *Hypatia Reviews Online* (2013) [view](#)

PRESENTATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED

A paper about exclusionary desires

Indiana Philosophical Association Conference, Earlham College (November 13, 2015)

A paper about whether and how we should use the concept of a daughter

Hypatia Conference, “Exploring Collaborative Contestations and Diversifying Philosophy,” Villanova University (May 29, 2015)

A paper about the emotion jealousy and its relation to self-respect

Inaugural Conference of the European Philosophical Society for the Study of Emotions, Lisbon, Portugal (2014)

Georgetown University Philosophy Conference (2014)

39th Conference on Value Inquiry, “Virtue, Vice, and Character,” Western Kentucky University (2013)

“Courage as an Environmental Virtue”

“Conservation, Restoration, and Sustainability: A Call for Stewardship,” Brigham Young University (2012)

“Jealousy: Foe to Caring Relationships”

63rd Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference (2011)

INVITED & OTHER

A paper about being morally responsible, not just for actions and attitudes, but also for concepts

Workshop on Gender and Philosophy at MIT (2015)

A paper about the emotion jealousy and its relation to self-respect

Colby-Sawyer College (2014)

Comments on “A Utilitarian Argument for the Non-Identity of Compassion and

Commiseration,” by Steve Bein at the 110th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association (2013)

“Courage as an Environmental Virtue”

Colby-Sawyer College (2013)

University of Calgary (2012)

Fort Lewis College (2012)

“Jealousy: Foe to Caring Relationships”

Bellevue College (2011)

Comments on “How the Doctrine of Double Effect Can Vindicate the Doctrine of Doing and Allowing” by Howard Nye at the 63rd Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference (2011)

Comments on “Owning and Creation of Individual Selves” by James Jeffries at the 62nd Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference (2010)

Comments on “Evaluation Without Hyper-Intellectualisation” by Avery Archer at the 5th

Biennial University of Washington Graduate Conference in Philosophy (2009)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Forthcoming participation, by invitation, in Philosophy in an Inclusive Key (PIKSI) workshop for mentors of underrepresented philosophy students (January 2016)

ASPiRE Program New Faculty Start Up Grant of \$3,000: Ball State University (November 2015)

Nominated for Jack Jensen Award for Excellence in Teaching: Colby-Sawyer College (2014)

Dissertation Writing Fellowship: UW Department of Philosophy (Winter 2012)

Graduate Student Teaching Award: UW Department of Philosophy (2010)

Lead Teaching Assistant: UW Department of Philosophy (2010–11, Assistant Lead TA 2009–10)
Joff Hanauer Fellowship for Excellence in Western Civilization: UW Graduate School (2009–10)

TEACHING

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

Ethics
Environmental Ethics

COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE

Introduction to Gender Studies
Logic and Critical Thinking
Environmental Philosophy
Ethics
Biomedical Ethics
Philosophy of Mind
Philosophy Internship
Philosophy Capstone: Senior Thesis

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE

Introduction to Philosophy
Moral Philosophy
Environmental Ethics
Senior Seminar: Moral Partiality, Special Relationships, & Special Obligations

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Contemporary Moral Problems
Introduction to Ethics
Philosophy of Mind
Graduate Seminar in Teaching Philosophy (co-taught with Dr. Ann Baker)

ADDITIONAL COURSES AS ASSISTANT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Introduction to Philosophy – Ann Baker, Michael Rosenthal, and Jon Peeters (separately)
Philosophical Issues in the Law – Ronald Moore
Philosophies of Feminism – Alison Wylie
Introduction to Medical Ethics – Ingra Schellenberg
Environmental Ethics – Andrew Light
Introduction to Philosophy of Religion – Kenneth Clatterbaugh (Honors and standard versions)

OTHER TEACHING AND RELEVANT VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl Coach: Regional and National Competitions (2007–08)
Volunteer ESL group conversation facilitator: Literacy Source (Winter 2009–Spring 2010)
ESL conversation partner: UW Business School (Summer 2006 & Summer 2010)
MCAT Verbal and LSAT instructor: The Princeton Review (Spring 2006–Winter 2009)
Tutor in ancient Greek: Reed College (Autumn 2002)

ADMINISTRATION & SERVICE

Philosophy Club Co-Advisor: Ball State University (2015–16)
Sexual Assault Education and Prevention Task Force: Colby-Sawyer College (2014–15)
Undergraduate Research Task Force: Colby-Sawyer College (2014–15)
Pre-law Advisor: Colby-Sawyer College (2014–15)
“Jealousy” Editor: PhilPapers (2014–present)
Philosophy Curriculum Conversion with Dr. Craig Greenman: Colby-Sawyer College (2013–14)
Referee: *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* (2015)
Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour (2014)
Oxford University Press (2012)
Editorial Assistant: *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* (2011–12)
Research Assistant: UW Program on Values in Society (2009–10)
Graduate Admissions Committee: UW Department of Philosophy (2009–10)
Curriculum Committee: UW Department of Philosophy (2008–09)

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Co-organizer, “Approaching Dementia: Creativity and Ethics in Caring” (April 2010)
Registration Manager, *Hypatia* 25th Anniversary Conference (October 2009)
Assistant, Program on Values Conference on Global Justice (April 2009)
Graduate Student Conference Planning Committee (2006–07)

DISSERTATION ABSTRACT

I refine and expand on existing descriptive accounts of jealousy the emotion, then explain its moral significance. In doing so, I emphasize the crucial role that relationships play in giving rise to jealousy. To explain its moral significance, I argue that in all cases, jealousy undermines the actual or potential moral value of the relationships between jealous subjects and the people who figure in their jealous desires; this provides a paradigmatic moral reason to criticize jealous subjects. Thus I unify moral criticisms of jealous subjects without just portraying them as selfish or insecure. I also criticize arguments that a person’s being jealous can be a moral reason to praise that person.

REFERENCES

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