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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

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

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

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

INVITED PUBLICATIONS

[Review](#) of Adrienne Martin’s *How We Hope: A Moral Psychology* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2014) in *Mind* 125.499 (July 2016)

[Review](#) of *Love and Its Objects: What Can We Care For?* Edited by Christina Maurer, Tony Milligan, and Kamila Pacovská (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014) for *Hypatia Reviews Online* (June 2016)

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

PRESENTATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED

“Moral Responsibility for Concepts”

American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, Baltimore, MD (January 2017)

Poster presentation, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, Boulder, CO (August 12, 2016)

“Emotions about Abstract Objects”

European Philosophical Society for the Study of Emotions, Athens, Greece (June 15, 2016)

“Exclusionary Desires”

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

“(How) Should We Use the Concept DAUGHTER?”

Hypatia Conference, “Exploring Collaborative Contestations and Diversifying Philosophy,”

Villanova University (May 29, 2015)

“Jealousy and Self-Respect”

European Philosophical Society for the Study of Emotions, Lisbon, Portugal (July 20, 2014)

Georgetown University Philosophy Conference (April 12, 2014)

39th Conference on Value Inquiry, “Virtue, Vice, and Character,” Western Kentucky

University (April 12, 2013)

“Courage as an Environmental Virtue”

“Conservation, Restoration, and Sustainability: A Call for Stewardship,” Brigham Young

University (November 9, 2012)

“Jealousy: Foe to Caring Relationships”

Northwest Philosophy Conference (November 5, 2011)

INVITED & OTHER

Comments on “Hypocrisy and the Standing to Blame,” by Coleen Macnamara, Northwestern

University Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics (May 19, 2016)

“When Wanting the Best is Bad”

The Mentoring Project Workshop for Pre-Tenure Women in Philosophy, U Mass Amherst

(June 15, 2015)

“Moral Responsibility for Concepts”

Workshop on Gender and Philosophy, MIT (April 9, 2015)

“Jealousy and Self-Respect”

Colby-Sawyer College (September 25, 2014)

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

by Steve Bein, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division (December 28, 2013)

“Courage as an Environmental Virtue”

Colby-Sawyer College (October 9, 2013)

University of Calgary (November 23, 2012)

Fort Lewis College (October 29, 2012)

“Jealousy: Foe to Caring Relationships”

Bellevue College (October 17, 2011)

Comments on “How the Doctrine of Double Effect Can Vindicate the Doctrine of Doing and

Allowing,” by Howard Nye, Northwest Philosophy Conference (November 5, 2011)

Comments on “Owning and Creation of Individual Selves,” by James Jeffries, Northwest

Philosophy Conference (October 10, 2010)

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Comments on “Evaluation Without Hyper-Intellectualisation,” by Avery Archer, University of Washington Graduate Conference in Philosophy (November 14, 2009)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Invited participant, Philosophy in an Inclusive Key (PIKSI) workshop for mentors of underrepresented philosophy students (January 2016)
ASPiRE 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
Introduction to Philosophy
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)

AS TEACHING ASSISTANT AT UW
Introduction to Philosophy
Ann Baker, Michael Rosenthal, & 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)

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

PROFESSION AT LARGE

Referee: *European Journal of Philosophy* (2016)
Ethical Theory and Moral Practice (2015)
Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour (2014)
Oxford University Press (2012)
“Jealousy” Editor: PhilPapers (2014–present)

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

Philosophy Club Co-Advisor: Ball State University (2015–16)

COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE

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)
Philosophy Curriculum Conversion with Dr. Craig Greenman: Colby-Sawyer College (2013–14)

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Editorial Assistant: *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* (2011–12)
Co-organizer, “Approaching Dementia: Creativity and Ethics in Caring” (April 2010)
Research Assistant: UW Program on Values in Society (2009–10)
Graduate Admissions Committee: UW Department of Philosophy (2009–10)
Registration Manager, *Hypatia* 25th Anniversary Conference (October 2009)
Assistant, Program on Values Conference on Global Justice (April 2009)
Curriculum Committee: UW Department of Philosophy (2008–09)
Graduate Student Conference Planning Committee (2006–07)

DISSERTATION ABSTRACT

I refine and expand on existing descriptive accounts of jealousy the emotion, emphasizing the crucial role that relationships play in giving rise to it. Then, to explain jealousy’s moral significance, I argue that in all cases, it 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 someone’s being jealous can be a moral reason to praise that person.

REFERENCES

Stephen Gardiner, Professor of Philosophy & Ben Rabinowitz Endowed Professor of the Human Dimensions of the Environment, University of Washington
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970 247 7349 | jpmcbrayer@fortlewis.edu
Thomas Kealy, Associate Professor of English, Colby-Sawyer College
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