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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

Ethics, Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Emotion, Environmental Ethics

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Feminist Philosophy, Bioethics, Philosophy of Mind

## APPOINTMENTS

Ball State University, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies: Assistant Professor (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

“Moral Responsibility for Concepts, Continued: Concepts as Abstract Objects,” *European Journal of Philosophy* (published via Early View on June 18, 2020)

“[The Creeps as a Moral Emotion](#),” *Ergo* 7.6 (2020)

Co-authored, equally, with Dr. Jeremy Fischer of the University of Alabama in Huntsville

“Moral Responsibility for Concepts,” *European Journal of Philosophy* 26.4 (2018): 1381–1397

“When Wanting the Best Is Bad,” *Social Theory and Practice* 44.1 (2018): 95–119

“Can Emotions Have Abstract Objects? The Example of Awe” *Philosophia* 46.3 (2018): 733–746

“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 & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“[Moral Agency and the Creeps](#)” on *PEASoup.us* (October 31, 2019)

Co-authored, equally, with Dr. Jeremy Fischer of the University of Alabama in Huntsville

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)

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PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

- “CLIMATE LEGACY: A New(ish) Concept for the Climate Crisis”  
Benjamin V. Cohen Peace Conference, Muncie, IN (postponed indefinitely due to COVID-19)  
International Society for Environmental Ethics, Chicago, IL (February 28, 2020)  
Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Atlanta, GA (February 21, 2020)
- “Moral Responsibility for Concepts”  
American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, Baltimore, MD (January 5, 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)  
39<sup>th</sup> 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 PRESENTATIONS

- “If Concepts Are Abstract Objects, Can We Be Morally Responsible for Our Relations to Them?”  
The Philip L. Dulmage Memorial Workshop on Responsibility and Blame, Wayne State University  
(April 5, 2019)
- Comments on “Self and Identity: Navigating Transformative Decisions with Our Commitments and Personal Projects,” by Katherine Cheng, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division, Vancouver BC  
(April 17, 2019)
- “Awe In (and Out of) the Classroom”  
David Owsley Museum of Art Alliance, Ball State University (February 14, 2018)
- 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)

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

### GRANTS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- \$1,200 BSU College of Sciences and Humanities Immersive Learning Micro Grant for “Simulating Poverty, Advancing Justice” (January 2018)  
Invited, funded participant: Philosophy in an Inclusive Key (PIKSI) workshop for mentors of underrepresented philosophy students (January 2016)  
\$3,000 BSU ASPiRE New Faculty Start Up Grant (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  
Bioethics  
Environmental Ethics  
Emotions, Character, & Moral Responsibility  
Justice

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

- Volunteer: Second Harvest Food Bank’s Forward STEPS poverty alleviation initiative (Summer 2015–present)  
Leader of Forward STEPS Sustainability Challenge (Fall 2019)  
Volunteer ESL group conversation facilitator: Literacy Source (Winter 2009–Spring 2010)  
Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl Coach: Regional and National Competitions (2007–08)  
MCAT Verbal and LSAT instructor: The Princeton Review (Spring 2006–Winter 2009)

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Tutor in ancient Greek: Reed College (Autumn 2002)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

PROFESSION AT LARGE

Editorial Board: *Journal of Philosophy of Emotion* (2016–present)

“Jealousy” Editor: *PhilPapers.org* (2014–present)

Referee: Palgrave MacMillan (2020)

*Journal of Philosophy of Emotion* (2019 x 2)

*Philosophia* (2019)

*Journal of Social Philosophy* (2017 & 2018)

*European Journal of Philosophy* (2016)

*Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* (2015)

*Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour* (2014)

Oxford University Press (2012)

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

Chair Election Committee: Philosophy & Religious Studies Dept. (Fall 2019)

Dean’s Faculty Advisory Council: College of Sciences and Humanities (2019–present)

Advisory Board: Office of Institutional Diversity (2018–2019)

Career Discovery Event Series Organizer: Philosophy & Religious Studies Dept. (2017–present)

Philosophy Club Co-Advisor, with Dr. Sarah Vitale (2015–2019)

Student Awards & Activities Committee: Philosophy & Religious Studies Dept. (2015–2019)

Salary Committee: Philosophy & Religious Studies Dept. (2016–17)

COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE

Sexual Assault Education and Prevention Task Force (2014–15)

Undergraduate Research Task Force (2014–15)

Pre-law Advisor (2014–15)

Philosophy Curriculum Conversion with Dr. Craig Greenman (2013–14)

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Editorial Assistant: *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* (2011–12)

Conference Co-organizer: “Approaching Dementia: Creativity and Ethics in Caring” (April 2010)

Research Assistant: Program on Values in Society (2009–10)

Graduate Admissions Committee: Department of Philosophy (2009–10)

Registration Manager: *Hypatia* 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference (October 2009)

Assistant: Program on Values Conference on Global Justice (April 2009)

Curriculum Committee: Department of Philosophy (2008–09)

Graduate Student Conference Planning Committee: Department of Philosophy (2006–07)