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## Academic Positions

- 2008- Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Oregon.
- 2007-2008 Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton NJ.
- 2002-2008 Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Oregon.
- 2000-2002 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow and Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Grinnell College.

## Education

- Ph.D.** Department of Political Science, University of Washington, 2000.  
Dissertation: *Homelessness and the Public Sphere: The Politics of Displacement and the Domestication of Citizenship*. Dissertation Committee: Christine Di Stefano (chair), Michael McCann, Stuart Scheingold, Nancy Hartsock and Jamie Mayerfeld.
- M.A.** Department of Political Science, University of Washington, 1995.
- B.A.** Department of Political Science, Yale University, 1993.  
*Cum Laude*, Honors in Political Science

## Publications

### Book

- Citizens Without Shelter: Homelessness, Democracy, and Political Exclusion*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2004.  
Paperback edition, 2006.

### Refereed Articles

- “Judging Necessity: Democracy and Extra-legalism.” *Political Theory* 36:4 (August 2008), 550-577.
- “Schmitt, Locke, and the Boundaries of Liberalism.” *Konturen: Interdisciplinary Journal for German Cultural Analysis* (forthcoming).
- “Terminal Exceptions: Law and Sovereignty at the Airport Threshold.” *Law, Culture and the Humanities* 3:2 (June 2007), 320-344.
- “Redistribution, Recognition, and the State: The Irreducibly Political Dimension of Injustice.” *Political Theory* 30:3 (June 2002), 410-440.

“Political Judgment with a Difference: Agonistic Democracy and the Limits of ‘Enlarged Mentality.’” *Polity* 32:1 (Fall 1999), 1-24.

### Book Chapters

“Status Injustice: The Role of the State.” In *Adding Insult to Injury: Debating Redistribution, Recognition, and Representation*, edited by Kevin Olson. London: Verso, forthcoming (2008).

“The Citizen-Soldier as a Substitute Soldier: Militarism at the Intersection of Neoliberalism and Neoconservatism.” In *Security Disarmed: Critical Perspectives on Gender, Race, and Militarization*, edited by Barbara Sutton, Sandra Morgen, and Julie Novkov. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, forthcoming (2008).

### Book Reviews

Review of Kevin Olson, *Reflexive Democracy: Political Equality and the Welfare State*. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press, 2006. *Constellations* 15:1 (March 2008), 167-169.

Review of Sung Ho Kim, *Max Weber’s Politics of Civil Society*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004. *Perspectives on Political Science*, 34:1 (Winter 2005), 60-61.

Review of Ian Shapiro, *The State of Democratic Theory*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2003. *Perspectives on Politics* 2:2 (June 2004), 362-363.

Review of Alan Keenan, *Democracy in Question: Democratic Openness in a Time of Political Closure*. Stanford CA: Stanford University Press, 2003. *Perspectives on Political Science* 32:4 (Fall 2003), 245.

### **Works in Progress**

*Governed by Necessity*. Book Manuscript in progress.

“Competing Conceptions of Necessity in the Emergency Powers Debate.” Under revision for submission.

“Assuming Responsibility in a State of Necessity.” Under revision for publication in the edited volume, *Fashioning Responsible Subjects*.

### **Fellowships and Awards**

Membership, Institute for Advanced Study (Princeton NJ), School of Social Science, 2007-2008.

Oregon Humanities Center Research Fellowship, Fall 2006.

Colligan Award for Excellence in Teaching, Research and Service, Department of Political Science, University of Oregon, 2004.

New Faculty Award for Summer Research, University of Oregon, 2003.

Graduate Dissertation Fellowship. Department of Political Science, University of Washington, Spring 2000.

Overall Distinction at Ph. C general examinations. Department of Political Science, University of Washington, September 1997 (Fields: Political Theory, Public Law, and American Political Culture).

J. Allen Smith Fellowship. Department of Political Science, University of Washington, January-June 1994.

### **Conference Presentations**

“Pluralizing the State of Exception: The Claim of Necessity in ‘Normal’ Politics.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Diego CA, March 2008.

“Assuming Responsibility in a State of Necessity.” Paper presented at the conference, "Fashioning Responsible Subjects," Amherst College, Amherst MA, September 2007.

"The Claim of Necessity in Arendt and Agamben." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago IL, September 2007.

"Judging Necessity: Democracy and Extra-Legalism." Paper presented at the Conference, "London in a Time of Terror: The Politics of Response," Birkbeck College, London, England, December 2006, and at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV, March 2007.

"Schmitt, Locke, and the Boundaries of Liberalism." Paper presented at the University of Oregon German Studies Committee Conference, "Political Theology: The Border in Question," Eugene, OR, March 2007.

“Democracy, Necessity and Extra-legalism: The Lockean Flavor of the Contemporary Emergency Powers Debate.” Paper presented at the Critical Theory Roundtable, Windsor ON, October 2006.

“‘Anything We Do Is Within The Law’: Necessity, Extra-Legalism and the Torture Debate.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Baltimore, MD, July 2006.

“Terminal Exceptions: Law and Sovereignty at the Airport Threshold.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Albuquerque, NM, March 2006.

- “The Substitute Soldier.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., September 2005.
- “Does Necessity Know No Law?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Research Committee on the Sociology of Law, Paris, France, July 2005.
- “Bare Life Hollywood-Style: Steven Spielberg’s State of Exception.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Las Vegas, NV, June 2005.
- “Exceptions to the Law: Constitutional Sovereignty and Its Representations.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Humanities Council, Richmond, VA, February 2005.
- “Violent Substitutions: Hobbes, Girard and Agamben on the Sacrifices of Politics.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, OR, March 2004.
- “Status Injustice: The Role of the State.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, August 2003.
- “The Home Ideal and Democratic Theory.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Denver, CO, March 2003.
- “The Politics of Bare Life: Emergency Shelters, Police Sweeps, and the Judicial Construction of Homelessness.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, September 2001.
- “Refugees, Homelessness, and the Predicament of ‘Bare Life.’” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Budapest, Hungary, July 2001.
- “Dwelling In Justice: Addressing the Economic, Cultural, and Political Injustices of Homelessness.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2001.
- “The Agonistic Critique of Deliberative Democracy: Political Not Metaphysical?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2001.
- “Two Versions of the Agonistic Critique of Deliberative Democracy.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Iowa Political Science Association, Grinnell College, October 2000.
- “Housing Diversity and Democratic Pluralism: Rethinking the Place of ‘Home’ in the Political Community.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., September 2000.
- “Homelessness and Bare Life: The Construction of Agents and Victims in Legal Landscapes of Displacement.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Miami, Florida, May 2000.

“The Displacement of Common Sense in Legal Landscapes of Homelessness.” Paper presented at the Seventh Annual American Studies Colloquium Conference of the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, May 1999.

“Political Judgment with a Difference: Taste, Enlarged Mentality, and Identity.” Paper presented at the Second Annual “Brave New World” Conference of the Manchester University Center for Political Thought, Manchester, England, June 1997.

“The Politics of Aesthetic Judgment: Gadamer, Arendt and Bourdieu.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Tucson, AZ, March 1997.

“Performativity and Public Life: Discourse, Theater, and the Production of Political Identities.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, March 1996.

### **Invited Presentations**

“Competing Conceptions of Necessity in the Emergency Powers Debate.” Invited talk presented to the Political Theory Colloquium, CUNY Graduate Center, February 2008 and Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut, April 2008.

“Judging Necessity: From the Constitutional to the Biopolitical.” Invited talk presented to the Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, October 2007.

“Democracy, Necessity, and Extra-legalism.” Work-in-progress presentation at the Oregon Humanities Center, Eugene, OR, November 2006.

Invited Commentator for Public Lecture: Iris Marion Young, “Structural Injustice and the Politics of Difference,” University of Oregon, March 2006.

“Moral Vacuums: The Soldier-Citizen and the State.” Presentation at the Gender, Race and Militarism Conference, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, October 2005.

“Violent Substitutions: Hobbes, Girard and Agamben on the Sacrifices of Politics.” Invited talk presented to the Department of Political Science, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, February 2004.

“The Changing Meaning of Homelessness.” Invited Guest Interview on *Odyssey: A Daily Talk Show of Ideas*, Chicago Public Radio, October 2003.

“Disputing and Legal Culture.” Invited talk presented to the Law, Society and Justice Workshop at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, September 1999.

## **Courses Taught**

Dilemmas of Democracy (undergraduate seminar on emergency powers). University of Oregon, Spring 2005, Spring 2007.

Modern and Contemporary Political Theory (“Modernity and Its Critics”). University of Oregon, Spring 2003-present.

Supervised College Teaching. Fall 2005-Spring 2006, Fall 2006-Spring 2007..

Contemporary Political Theory (graduate field seminar). University of Oregon, Winter 2004 (“Politics of Identity and Recognition”), Spring 2006 (“Theories of Freedom”).

Introduction to the Tradition of Political Theory. Fall 2005.

Early Modern Political Theory. University of Oregon, Winter 2004.

Ancient and Medieval Political Theory. University of Oregon, Fall 2002-present.

Political Ideologies. University of Oregon, Spring 2003-present.

Law, Violence and the Political (seminar). University of Oregon, Fall 2002

Contemporary Democratic Theory (seminar). Grinnell College, 2001.

Modern Political Theory (Hobbes to Nietzsche). Grinnell College, 2001.

Introduction to Political Science (Ideologies and Institutions). Grinnell College, 2000.

Law in Society. University of Washington, 1998-2000.

Introduction to American Political Culture. University of Washington, 1998.

## **Professional Activities**

Article Referee: *Political Theory*, *American Political Science Review*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Polity*, *Studies in Law, Politics and Society*, *Law and Social Inquiry*.

Book Proposal Reviewer: Routledge, CQ Press.

Book Manuscript Reviewer: Cambridge University Press, Penn State University Press.

Seminar Participant, "The Political Uses of Giorgio Agamben's Theory." Annual Meeting of the Cultural Studies Association, Portland OR, April 2007.

Invited Commentator for Public Lecture: Iris Marion Young, “Structural Injustice and the Politics of Difference,” University of Oregon, March 2006.

Panel Discussant, "Radical Democracy." Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas NV, March 2007.

Chair and Panel Discussant, "Recognition and Politics." Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago IL, September 2004.

Panel Discussant, "Theorizing After 9/11." Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Denver, CO, March 2003.

## **Service**

### University of Oregon

Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics Advisory Board, September 2006-2007.

Selection Committee, Wayne Morse Center Project Grants, 2007.

University Senate, 2004-2006.

### University of Oregon, Department of Political Science

Faculty Advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha, 2005-2007.

Political Theory Visiting Position Search Committee, 2007.

Gender and Politics Search Committee, 2006-2007.

Curriculum and Honors Committee, 2006-2007, 2002-2003

Head of Undergraduate Advising and Peer Advising Coordinator, 2004-2006.

Personnel Committee, 2004-2005

Course Adjustment Committee, 2004.

Awards and Admissions Committee, 2003-2004

American Politics Search Committee, 2003.

## **Professional Affiliations**

Western Political Science Association, 1996-Present.

American Political Science Association, 1998-Present.

Law and Society Association, 1999-2001, 2005-present