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EMPLOYMENT

Australian Catholic University

School of Philosophy, Melbourne Campus
Lecturer

From February 2024

London School of Economics

Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method
Postdoctoral Fellow

September 2021 - Present

Awarded Excellence in Education Award for teaching in 2023

EDUCATION

New York University

Ph.D. in Philosophy

Dissertation: *How Democracies Fail*

Committee: Samuel Scheffler (chair), Anthony Appiah, Daniel Viehoff

August 2015 - July 2021

University of Oxford

B.Phil. in Philosophy

Dissertation: *What is Grounding?*

Advisor: Gonzalo Rodríguez-Pereyra

July 2013 - June 2015

Distinction

University of Oxford

B.A. in Politics, Philosophy and Economics

Awarded the Henry Wilde prize for best performance in philosophy

Dissertation: *Why should we be moral?*

Advisor: Krister Bykvist

July 2010 - June 2013

First Class

Areas of Specialization

Social and Political Philosophy, Ethics, Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Logic

BOOKS

Democratic Failures and the Ethics of Democracy. Philadelphia, PA: University of Pennsylvania Press. Spring 2024. [[Manuscript here](#)]

PAPERS

1. "Property and non-ideal theory". *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy*. 2023. [[Online here](#)]

2. “The Ethics of Asymmetric Politics”. *Politics, Philosophy & Economics*. 22 (1): 3–30. 2023. [[Online here](#)]
3. “Should Canada have oaths of allegiance?”. *Canadian Journal of Foreign Policy* 2023. [[Online here](#)]
4. Adam Lovett and Jake Zuehl. “The Possibility of Democratic Autonomy”. *Philosophy & Public Affairs*. 5 (4): 467–498. 2022. [[Online here](#)]
5. Adam Lovett and Daniel Sharp. “What Immigrants Owe”. *Ergo: an Open Access Journal in Philosophy*. 8 (36): 336–366. 2022. [[Online here](#)]
6. “The Loving State”. *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy*. 2022. [[Online here](#)]
7. “Voter Motivation”. *Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy* 22 (3): 299–328. 2022. [[Online here](#)]
8. Adam Lovett and Stefan Riedener. “Group Agents and Moral Status: What Can We Owe to Organizations?”. *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 51 (3): 221–238. 2021. [[Online here](#)]
9. “Must egalitarians condemn representative democracy?”. *Social Theory and Practice* 47 (1): 171–198. 2021. [[Online here](#)]
10. “Democratic Autonomy and the Shortcomings of Citizens”. *Journal of Moral Philosophy*. 18 (4): 363–386. 2021. [[Online here](#)]
11. Adam Lovett and Stefan Riedener. “On Keeping Things in Proportion”. *Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy* 16 (3): 229–258. 2019. [[Online here](#)]
12. “The puzzles of ground”. *Philosophical Studies* 177 (9): 2541–64. 2019. [[Online here](#)]
13. “A Simple Proof of Grounding Internality”. *Thought* 8 (3): 155–166. 2019. [[Online here](#)]
14. “The logic of ground”. *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 49: 13–49. 2019. [[Online here](#)]

BOOK REVIEWS

1. Review of *Wealth and Power: Philosophical Perspectives* by Michael Bennett, Huub Brouwer, and Rutger Claassen (eds). *Economics and Philosophy*. 2023 [[Online here](#)]

2. Review of *Ethical Autonomy: The Rise of Self-Rule* by Lucas Swaine. *Journal of Moral Philosophy*. 19 (5): 543-546. 2022 [[Online here](#)]

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“Discrimination and Historical Inequality”. *Conference on Discrimination and Relational Egalitarianism*. Aarhus University. August 2023.

“An Institutional Account of Autonomy”. *University of California, Berkeley*. May 2023.

“Democratic Autonomy and the Shortcomings of Citizens”.

- *University of St Andrews*. March 2023.
- *Utrecht University*. March 2023.

“Wealth, Power, and Equality”.

- *King’s College London*. July 2023.
- *University of California, San Diego*. February 2023.
- *The University of Sheffield*. January 2023.

“Deontology and Contact with Value”. *LSE Choice Group*. October 2022.

“A Relational Egalitarian Solution to the Boundary Problem”. *MANCEPT Workshops for Political Theory*. September 2022.

“Egalitarian Anarchism”.

- *The Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München*. June 2021.
- *The London School of Economics*. June 2021.
- *Pacific APA*. April 2021.

“The Loving State”.

- *The London School of Economics*. July 2021.
- *The Chinese University of Hong Kong*. March 2021.
- *Bilkent University*. March 2021.
- *NYU Center for Bioethics*. March 2021.
- *UNC–Chapel Hill*. February 2021.
- *The National University of Singapore*. January 2021.

“Time and democracy”. *Central APA*. February 2021.

“The logic of ground”. *Logic and Metaphysics Workshop*. CUNY Graduate Center. September 2018.

“What’s the matter with motivated reasoning?”. *Vienna Forum for Analytic Philosophy Graduate Conference*. June 2018.

“The far future and forecasting fallibility”. *Global Priorities Institute*. Oxford. May 2018.

Comments on Zachary A. Blaesi. “Grounding, physicalism, and the explanatory gap”. *NYU-Columbia Graduate Conference*. April 2017.

SERVICE

Journal Refereeing: *American Review of Political Science* (x3), *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*(x2), *British Journal of Political Science*, *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, *Economics and Philosophy*(x2), *Ergo*(x2), *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*(x4), *European Journal of Political Theory*, *Episteme*(x2), *Inquiry*(x2), *Journal of Applied Non-Classical Logics*(x2), *Journal of Ethics*, *Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy*(x2), *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophy*(x2), *Journal of Politics*(x2), *Journal of Social Philosophy* (x2), *Law and Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*(x2), *Philosophical Studies*, *Politics*, *Philosophy & Economics* (x3), *Res Publica*(x2), *Review of Symbolic Logic*, *Social Theory and Practice*(x4), *Synthese*(x9)

Conference Refereeing: NYU-Columbia Graduate Conference 2016–2021

Organizer of LSE Work-in-Progress Seminar, Summer 2022

Organizer of an economics/philosophy discussion group on Joseph Henrich’s *The WIERDest People in the World* with a Q&A from the author, Spring 2021

Organizer of a reading group on Niko Kolodny’s *The Pecking Order*, Spring 2020

NYU Graduate Representative to Faculty 2019–2020

NYU Climate Committee Member 2019

Organizer of NYU Department Colloquia 2017–2019

Organizer of Political Equality Workshop, New York, November 2017

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Coordinator of introductory philosophy course for the University of the Third Age (U3A)

TEACHING

As Supervisor (LSE)

Master’s Dissertations (x7)

Summer 2022 & 2023

Undergraduate Dissertations (x3)

Spring 2022

As Main Lecturer (LSE)

PPE Applications (Undergraduate)

Fall 2022 & Fall 2023

PPE Research Seminar (Undergraduate)	<i>Fall 2023</i>
As Guest Lecturer (LSE)	
PPE Applications (Undergraduate)	<i>Spring 2022</i>
Philosophy and Public Policy (Undergraduate)	<i>Fall 2021</i>
Philosophy and Public Policy (Masters)	<i>Fall 2021</i>
As Class Teacher (LSE)	
Philosophy and Public Policy (Undergraduate)	<i>Fall 2021 & Spring 2022</i>
Philosophy and Public Policy (Masters)	<i>Spring 2022</i>
PPE Research Seminar (Undergraduate)	<i>Fall 2021</i>
Democratic Theory (Ph.D. Seminar)	<i>Fall 2021</i>
As Teaching Assistant (NYU)	
Ethics and Society (Undergraduate)	<i>Spring 2019</i>
Epistemology (Undergraduate)	<i>Fall 2018</i>
Central Problems in Philosophy (Undergraduate)	<i>Spring 2018</i>
The Nature of Values (Undergraduate)	<i>Fall 2017</i>

GRANTS

MacCracken Fellowship (full tuition and cost of living for the NYU Ph.D.)	<i>2015–2021</i>
Clarendon Scholarship (full tuition and cost of living for Oxford B.Phil.)	<i>2013–2015</i>

REFERENCES

Samuel Scheffler Professor of Philosophy New York University samuel.scheffler@nyu.edu	Anthony Appiah Professor of Philosophy New York University anthony.appiah@nyu.edu	Daniel Viehoff Asst. Prof. of Philosophy New York University daniel.viehoff@nyu.edu
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