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Academic Employment

Oct 2022 - July 2023 Postdoctoral Fellow in Political Philosophy
Justitia Center for Advanced Studies
Goethe University Frankfurt

Education

2018 - present PhD in Political Science
London School of Economics and Political Science
 Thesis: *Justice & Class Consciousness: A Theory of Political Transition*
 Supervisor: Lea Ypi. Advisor: Paul Apostolidis
 Examiners: Stuart White & Anne Phillips
 (viva scheduled for: 06-10-22)

Nov - Dec 2021 Visiting Research Student
Department of Philosophy
Harvard University
 Sponsor: Lucas Stanczyk

2018 MRes in Political Science (Distinction)
London School of Economics and Political Science

2016 MA in Politics (Distinction)
University of Leeds

2015 BA in History and Politics (First-Class Honours)
Goldsmiths, University of London

Academic Awards

2019 Baroness Birk Scholarship, awarded by the Department of Government at LSE (joint second prize)

2017 Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) 3+1 doctoral award (full fee scholarship and maintenance stipend)

2015 Arts and Humanities Research Council research preparation masters award (full fee scholarship and maintenance stipend)

Allan Little Prize, awarded by the Department of Politics at Goldsmiths to the final year student with the highest overall mark

- 2014 Peter Galloway Prize, awarded by Goldsmiths's Department of History to the second-year student with the highest average mark
- 2013 Peter Galloway Prize, awarded by Goldsmiths's Department of History to the first-year student with the highest average mark

Publications

Peer-reviewed articles:

- 2022 "Murray Bookchin and the Value of Democratic Municipalism," *European Journal of Political Theory* (forthcoming: accepted).
- 2021 "Activist-led Education and Egalitarian Social Change," *Journal of Political Philosophy* 29(4): 456-479. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/jopp.12247>

Book reviews:

- 2020 "Two new socialist manifestos," *Renewal: A Journal of Social Democracy* 28(1): 91-95 [on Aaron Bastani's *Fully Automated Luxury Communism* & Bhaskar Sunkara's *The Socialist Manifesto*].
- 2019 "Capitalism, Human Rights, and Critical Theory," *Global Justice: Theory, Practice, Rhetoric* 12(1): 129-133. [on David Ingram's *World Crisis and Underdevelopment*]. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.21248/gjn.12.01.226>

Public writing:

- 2021 "Ten years on, what's stopping England's youth from rioting again?" *LSE GovBlog*, August 31: <http://tiny.cc/r7iuz>

Articles in progress:

- on the various methodological approaches available for theorising questions of transition
- on the idea of non-manipulative consciousness-raising
- on the conceptual distinctiveness of the capitalist class as a class
- on the plausibility of 'non-ideal' defences of left populist rhetoric

(drafts available on request)

Conference Presentations

- 2023 [*scheduled*] ‘Socialist Activism and the Concept of Class’, *Association for Political Thought Conference*, University of Oxford, 5th January.
- 2022 ‘Organising Conversations and Activist Virtue’, *Association for Social and Political Philosophy Conference*, Durham, 13th July.
- ‘What is Egalitarian Class Consciousness?’, *Philosophy, Law & Politics Online Graduate Forum*, 9th March.
- 2021 ‘Climate Change and Contemptuous Ownership’, *Why Private Property? II*, University of Oxford, 19th May.
- ‘The Value of Organizing Conversations,’ *4th London Graduate Workshop on Moral and Political Philosophy*, 15th April.
- 2020 ‘The Transitional Value of Community Solidarity’, *Brave New World Conference*, University of Manchester, 22nd June.
- ‘Just Work, Self-Respect, and Trade Unionism’, *Geneva Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy*, Geneva, 13th February.
- 2019 ‘Honneth’s Recent Political Turn and its Limits’, *Critical Theory in (a Time of) Crisis*, University of Sussex, 5th November.
- ‘Municipal Assembly-Building and Transition’, *Egalitarian Futures panel at MANCEPT*, Manchester, 12th September.
- ‘Autonomy and Activist-Led Education’, *Association for Social and Political Philosophy Conference*, Newcastle, 25th June.
- 2018 ‘The Politics of Property-Owning Democracy’, *Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy*, Pavia, 19th September.
- ‘The Liberal Critique of Marketization and its Limits’, *Markets and Morality panel at MANCEPT*, Manchester, 10th September.
- ‘Thomas’s Republic of Equals and Political Orientation’, *9th Braga Summer School in Ethics and Public Policy*, Braga, 3rd July.
- ‘Do Political Theorists Pay Sufficient Attention to Political Economy?’, *Nottingham Postgraduate Conference*, 21st June.
- 2016 ‘Against the “Community of Character” Defence of Closed Borders’, *POLIS Postgraduate Conference*, Leeds, 9th June.
- 2015 ‘George Osborne and the Effectiveness of Neoliberal Rhetoric’, *PSA Undergraduate Conference*, Manchester, 30th April.

Teaching Experience

- Jan-Apr 2022 *Political Theory Public Research Project*, LSE. TA for Paul Apostolidis.
- Led group discussions, held office hours, and provided feedback and guidance on interview analysis documents and public blogs for 2nd and 3rd year undergraduates undertaking an optional experiential learning activity (some of the student research that I helped supervise was eventually published [here](#)).
- 2019-20 *Introduction to Political Theory*, LSE. TA for Katrin Flikschuh.
- Led 20 hours of seminars for 1st year undergraduates on a number of canonical figures in the history of political thought, from Plato to Fanon. 1 formative and 1 summative essay marked.
- 2018-19 *Contemporary Political Theory*, LSE. TA for Laura Valentini.
- Led 20 hours of seminars for 2nd and 3rd year undergraduates on important normative concepts (liberty, equality, rights, etc) and their bearing on various political issues, such as civil disobedience and climate change. 2 formative and 2 summative essays marked.
- 2019 Awarded **PGCertHE (full fellowship)** by the Higher Education Academy and LSE Teaching and Learning Centre. Modules taken: *Teaching in our Disciplines*, *Student Learning* and *Course Design*.

Organisational Experience & Professional Service

Co-organizer of the 6th LSE Political Theory Graduate Conference (12th-13th March 2020) & co-convenor of the 'Uses of Solidarity' (2021) and 'Realising Egalitarian Futures' (2019) panels at the MANCEPT Workshops in Political Theory, University of Manchester.

Assistant to the Isaac and Tamara Deutscher Memorial Prize Committee (May 2019-Oct 2022). Duties included: compiling lists of prospective books, arranging delivery of books to committee members, scheduling meetings, minute-taking, updating the Prize website and Twitter account, and organising, editing and uploading podcast interviews with shortlisted authors (available [here](#)).

Referee for *Journal of Political Philosophy* (x2) and *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*.

Member of: *Political Studies Association*, *Association for Social and Political Philosophy*, *American Political Science Association*, *Association for Political Theory* & *American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy*.

References

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Professor Laura Valentini (Former dissertation advisor & teaching reference)

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