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**Appointments**

2024 – Assistant Professor of Humanities

(tenure review in progress as of 12/23, start date 8/2024)

The Hamilton Center for Classical and Civic Education

University of Florida

2018 – 24 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

Associate of The John G. Tower Center for Public Policy & International Affairs

Southern Methodist University

2022 ­– 23 Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Economy (research)

Center for Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, Brown University

2016 – 18 Postdoctoral Research Associate, The Political Theory Project, Brown University

**Education**

2016 Ph.D., Government, Georgetown University

Dissertation defended with Distinction

Committee: Richard Boyd (chair), R. Bruce Douglass, Shannon Stimson, Cheryl Welch (Harvard)

2013 M.A., Government, Georgetown University

2010 M.A., Liberal Arts, St. John’s College Annapolis

2008B.A., Political Science, *summa cum laude*, Saint Vincent College

**Publications**

**Book**

*Democracy Tamed: French Liberalism and The Politics of Suffrage.* Oxford University Press, 2024.

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

“Georges Sorel’s Tocqueville” (with Richard Boyd), *History of Political Thought*, Forthcoming. Accepted January 2023.

“Democracy in America, America in France: Duvergier de Hauranne on Liberty and Unity,” *The Political Science Reviewer,* 47.2 (2024): 233–256.

“Tocqueville’s Politics of Grandeur,” *Political Theory,* 50.3 (2022): 477–503.

“‘Not More Democratic but More Moral’: Tocqueville on the Suffrage in America and France,”

*The Tocqueville Review/La revue Tocqueville,* 42.2 (2021): 105–20.

“Usurpation and ‘The Social’ in Benjamin Constant’s *Commentaire*,” *Modern Intellectual History,* 17.1 (2020): 55–84.

“‘The Idea of Rights’: Tocqueville on the Social Question,” *The Review of Politics,* 79.4 (2017): 649–74.

“Liberty and Industry: John Locke, John Stuart Mill, and the Economic Foundations of Political Membership,” *Polity,* 48.4 (2016): 551–79.

**Peer-Reviewed Book Chapter**

“Despotic or Dynamic? Hayek on Democracy and Expertise” in *Philosophy, Politics, and Austrian Economics,* eds. Daniel D’Amico and Adam Martin (London: Emerald, 2020), 67–83.

**Roundtable & Review Essays**

Introduction to Symposium on Alan Kahan’s *Freedom From Fear* in *The Review of Politics,* Forthcoming.

“The Politics of an Inclusive Parliament: On Gregory Conti’s *Parliament the Mirror of the Nation*,” *History of European Ideas,* 49.1 (2023): 157–9.

“Fénelon and the Political *Summum Malum* of Self-Love,” Symposium on *The Political Philosophy of Fénelon* by Ryan Hanley, *European Journal of Political Theory,* 20.3 (2021): 587–92.

On Annelien de Dijn’s *Freedom: An Unruly History*, H-Diplo Roundtable, April 2021 <https://hdiplo.org/to/RT22-35>.

“Weakness and Weaponized Flattery,” Symposium on *Flattery and the History of Political Thought* by Daniel Kapust, *The* *Political Science Reviewer,* 44.1 (2020): 229–34.

Introduction to Roundtable on Helena Rosenblatt’s *The Lost History of Liberalism,* H-Diplo, September 2019, <https://hdiplo.org/to/RT21-4>.

**Book Reviews**

*Tocqueville’s Dilemmas, and Ours* by Ewa Atanassow, *Perspectives on Politics*, 21.4 (2023): 1462–63.

*Learning One’s Native Tongue: Citizenship, Contestation, and Conflict in America* by Tracy B. Strong, *The Review of Politics,* 83:1 (2021): 115–7.

*Raymond Aron and Liberal Thought in the Twentieth Century* by Iain Stewart*, Perspectives on Politics,* 18.3 (2020): 932–33.

**Popular Writing**

“Isolation and Association: *The Penitentiary System*’s Democratic Lessons,” *Tocqueville 21,* March 2019, <https://tocqueville21.com/focus/isolation-and-association-the-penitentiary-systems-democratic-lessons/>

“French Liberals and the Capacity for Citizenship,” *J. History of Ideas Blog*, March 2017,

<https://jhiblog.org/2017/03/29/french-liberals-and-the-capacity-for-citizenship/>

**Under Review & In Progress**

*Tocqueville From The Left,* book manuscript in progress

“Hayek and Tocqueville’s ‘True Individualism’” (under review)

“Civilization versus Democracy and French Liberals’ Divide”

**Teaching**

**Southern Methodist University**

PLSC1360: Introduction to Political Theory, Fall & Spring semesters

PLSC3360: The Foundations of Political Thought, Ancient to Renaissance, Fall semesters

PLSC3361: Modern Political Thought, Spring semesters

PLSC3362: Twentieth Century Political Thought: Ideologies and -Isms, Prague Summer Abroad

**Brown University**

POLS1820S: Two Liberal Traditions: British & French, Fall 2017

POLS823E: Global Justice, Fall 2016

**Selected Conference Participation**

2023 “America After Tocqueville: Duvergier de Hauranne’s Democracy,” Early Career Women in Political Theory Conference, hosted by SPSA

2022 “Georges Sorel’s Tocqueville,” APSA

Discussant, Liberalism in Crisis, APSA

2021 Discussant, Seeking, Hearing, Speaking & Economies of Violence panels, APSA

2020 “Class and Empire in Tocqueville’s Politics of Grandeur,” APT

Discussant, Author Meets Critics: Ryan Hanley’s *Fénelon: Moral and Political Writings,* APSA

2019 “Political Capacity as a Language for Citizenship,” Association for Political Theory

Discussant, Author Meets Critics: Dan Kapust’s *Flattery and the History of Political Thought*, APSA

2018 “‘Strangers to Public Life’: Tocqueville and the Freedom of the Working Classes,” APSA

“Political Capacity: A Liberal Language for Citizenship,” MPSA & PPE Society

2017 “Constant’s *Commentaire* and French Liberalism’s ‘Social’ Beginnings,” PPE Society

“The Liberal Language of Political Capacity,” Brown Political Philosophy Workshop

“Economic Participation and Social Interest: Guizot on Evolving Political Capacity,” American Historical Association

2016 “François Guizot and the Capacity for Citizenship,” APT

“Tocqueville, Pauperism, and the Problem of Political Membership,” APSA

2015 “Tocqueville, Pauperism, and the Problem of Political Membership,” APT

2014 “Industry and Freedom: Economic Participation and Political Citizenship in Liberal Thought,” NEPSA

2013 “Thucydides and the Question of the Best Regime,” NEPSA

**Invited Lectures & Workshops**

2024 University of Houston Political Theory Workshop, March

2023 UVA Program on Constitutionalism & Democracy, November

Duke University Center for the History of Political Economy, Hayek Lecture Series, October

Universidad de los Andes, Santiago, Chile, June

George Mason University PPE Workshop, April

Wabash College PPE Program, March

UW-Madison PPE Roundtable, February

2022 Democracy & Partisanship: Historical Reflections & Future Possibilities, GU Tocqueville Forum, May

2020 Liberalism & Its History Conference, Brown University, October

2019 Philosophy, Politics, & Economics Roundtable, Brown University, June

2018 Georgetown Political Theory Workshop, May

2014 Summer Lecture Series, St. John’s College, Annapolis

**Awards & Fellowships**

2022 SMU Golden Mustang Award, awarded annually for excellence in teaching by a tenure-track faculty member

2020 Sam Taylor Research Fellowship, United Methodist General Board of Higher Education

2013–16 Political & Social Thought Fellowship, Georgetown SFS

2015 Georgetown Government Department Summer Research Award

Nominee, Georgetown Teaching Assistant Award

2014 Jack Miller Center Summer Institute Fellow

2013 Prestage-Cook Award to present at SPSA

2009 Nominee, St. John’s College Graduate Paper Prize

St. John’s College Graduate Institute Fellowship

**Professional & University Service**

APSA Co-Chair, Division 1: Political Thought and Philosophy, 2024 Annual Meeting

SMU Teaching Award/Golden Mustang Award Committee, 2023–4

PLSC Major Advisor, 40–60 students per semester

SMU Mayer Fellowship Co-Advisor to Princess Igwe-Icho, Spring 2024

Discussion Leader & Advisor, Brown University Undergraduate PPE Honors Society, 2022–23 Advisor to Derek Younkers, PLSC Distinction Thesis, 2022

Faculty Mentor to Azeez Abdul, SMU Engaged Learning Fellow, 2021–22

SMU PLSC Committee on Diversity & Inclusion

Dedman Representative, Admitted Students Meet and Greet (in-person and online)

Faculty Panelist, First-Year Academic Reality, SMU AARO

Manuscript Referee: *APSR*, *AJPS*, *JOP*, *Political Theory, The Review of Politics, Political Research Quarterly, Locke Studies, History of the Human Sciences, Humanities, New Political Science, Ethnicities, Journal of Social and Political Philosophy,* Palgrave MacMillan

Faculty Advisor & Referee, Brown Undergraduate Journal of PPE, 2017–18

Graduate Student Coordinator, Georgetown Political Theory Workshop, 2014–15