

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Georgetown University

Ph.D., Philosophy, May 1999.

Dissertation: "Morality and Emotion"

M.A., Philosophy, 1994.

Brown University

B.A., Biomedical Ethics, with Honors, 1991.

Thesis: "Autonomy vs. Beneficence: Whose Concerns Override in a Pregnancy Complicated by Placenta Previa?"

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Bates College,
2008-present.

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Bates College, 1999-2008;
I shared the position with my spouse, Frank Chessa, 2001–2005.

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, University of California, Davis, 1998-1999.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics, Moral Psychology, Social Philosophy (Race and Gender especially).

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Ancient (primarily Greek) Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy, Feminist Bioethics.

PUBLICATIONS (peer-reviewed)

"Homebirth and the Maternity Outcomes Emergency: Attending to Race and Gender in Childbirth,"
[International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics](#), March, 2021.

Commentary on Kelly Arenson, "Some Doubts about the Moral Value of Pity," [Proceedings of the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy](#), volume XXXIV, 2019 (invited).

"Overcoming a Puzzle about Inclusion and Anti-Racism," [American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Feminism and Philosophy](#), Fall, 2016; newsletter published by the APA Committee on the Status of Women in philosophy.

“Ordinary Virtue,” Res Philosophica, October 2015

“Implicit Virtue.” Journal of Theoretical and Philosophical Psychology, September, 2014

“Virtue and the Value of Affective Transformation,” Sex, Love, and Friendship: Studies of the Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love 1993 – 2003, Value Inquiry Book Series, Volume II, Rodopi Press, 2011.

“Emotions and the Ontology of Moral Value,” The Journal of Value Inquiry, 2004.

“Taking Responsibility for Oppression: Affirmative Action and Racial Injustice,” Public Affairs Quarterly, July 2004.

“A Change of Heart: Moral Emotions, transformation and moral virtue,” Journal of Moral Philosophy, April 2004.

“Virtue and Emotion,” Nous, September 2001.

BOOK REVIEWS and PODCASTS

“Susan Stark on the Intersection of Gender and Race,” FAB Gab (a podcast of the *International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics*), Episode 7, April 15, 2021.

Review of Developing the Virtues, Julia Annas, Darcia Narvaez, Nancy Snow (eds), Oxford University Press, 2016, Notre Dame Philosophical Review, January 2017.

Review of Jaegwon Kim’s Mind in a Physical World, co-authored with Frank Chessa, Metapsychology Website, May, 2001.

ARTICLES CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW

“What Does it Mean to Make Reparations?” under review at *The Journal of Social Philosophy*.

Special Issue, “Reparations,” (editors) Christina Nick and Susan Stark, under review at *The Journal of Social Philosophy*.

“Reparation, Responsibility, and Collective Identity,” under review at *The Monist*, a special issue entitled, “Transgenerationality, Community and Justice.”

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Beyond Responsibility” (working title)

“Anger, Blame, and Moral Repair” (working title)

Being Responsible and Making Reparations; a monograph on reparations and responsibility.

“Intersectionality and Abortion: Social Justice and Social Transformation”

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

"Reparations and Collective Identity," Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association, Poster Session, (January 2022).

"Reparations and Identity," Social Ontology Conference, International Social Ontology Society, (August 2021).

Grand Rounds, Maine Medical Center, "Structural Racism and Sexism: A few thoughts on truth, repair, and transformation," (April, 2021).

"What Does it Mean to Make Reparations?" poster presentation at the *Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association* (April, 2021); also presented at Bates College, Investigating Ideas, Fall 2020.

"Reparations, COVID-19, and the Persistent Ideology of White Supremacy," MANCEPT conference, University of Manchester, Center for Political Theory, Manchester, UK, September, 2020.

"Being Responsible and Making Reparations," Northern New England Philosophy Association Meeting, The College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, November 9, 2019.

"Responsibility and Reparations for Racism," St. Anselm College Colloquium in Philosophy, Fall 2018.

Commentary on Kelly Arenson, "Some Doubts about the Moral Value of Pity," Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy, St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH, February, 2018

"Seeking Common Ground on Abortion," American Society of Bioethics and Humanities, Kansas City, MO, October, 2017.

"Some Stoic-inspired Questions about Love," Bates College, October 2016.

"The Stoics on Virtue, Emotion, and Desire," Bates College, November, 2015.

"A (modest) Defense of Homebirth," NNEPA Annual Meeting, Lewiston, ME, September, 2015; American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, San Diego, CA, October 2014.

"Implicit Associations and the Practice of Medicine," Presentation to Tufts University Medical Students, May, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019.

"Ordinary Virtue," Pacific Division of the APA, San Diego, CA, April, 2014.

"The Practice of Virtue," Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Maine Medical Center, November, 2013.

Commentator for "Bioethics and Film" series for medical students, Maine Medical Center, April, 2013.

"Ordinary Virtue," University of Maine, Orono, Colloquium, November, 2012.

"On the Value of the Liberal Arts: the liberal arts will make you rich," Bates College, September 2012.

"The Ethics of Care," Maine Medical Center, Ethics Committee Retreat, September, 2011.

"White Privilege and Shame," Northern New England Philosophy Association, Bates College, October 2006.

"Commentary on Troy Jollimore's "Second-Order Desert and the Problem of Moral Luck," Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, March 2004.

"A Change of Heart: Moral Emotions, transformation and moral virtue," invited presentation at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, December 2003.

"A Change of Heart: Moral emotions, transformation, and moral virtue," Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, March, 2003.

"Emotions and Virtue," talk given at the Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship Retreat, October 2002.

"Emotions and Moral Motivation," Brown Bag Lunch, Bates College, November, 2001.

"Sympathy and Moral Worth," colloquium paper, Royal Institute of Philosophy Conference, July 2001; earlier version presented as a colloquium paper, Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association, April, 2000; invited paper, University of Southern Maine Colloquium, April, 2000.

"Virtue and Emotion," Maine Philosophical Institute meeting, Bowdoin College, April, 2000; invited paper, University of California, Davis Colloquium, December 1998.

"Breasts, Bodies, and Norms," invited paper, Dowling College, March, 2000; colloquium paper, Far West Popular and American Culture Association, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, February, 2000; invited paper, Nammour Symposium, California State University, Sacramento, April 1999.

"Why Equal Protection *Requires* Exclusionary Practices," invited paper, UNLV, Feb. 2000.

AWARDS

Enhanced Sabbatical, Bates College, 2017-2018

Enhanced Sabbatical, Bates College, 2010-2011.

Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship, 2002-2003.

Dissertation Fellowship Award, Philosophy Department, Georgetown University, 1995-1996.

Mensa Education and Research Foundation Scholarship, 1994-1995.

Philosophy Department Teaching and Research Fellowship, 1991-1994.

Fellow, Georgetown University, Writing Fellows Program, 1992.

Thomas J. Watson Memorial Scholarship, 1987-1991.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Co-organizer (with Lauren Ashwell), panel discussion "Decolonizing/Liberating Philosophy, Logic, Reasoning," Bates College, Martin Luther King Jr. Day observation (January 2022); panelists include: David

Livingstone Smith (UNE Faculty in Philosophy), Kayla Jackson '19 (Rutgers PhD program), John McClendon (MSU Faculty in Philosophy), Subrena Smith (UNH Faculty in Philosophy).

Panelist, on a panel on housing injustice, racism, reparations, homelessness, in concert with the performance of *Luck of the Irish*, October 2021; organized by Diana Zhou '22 and Elizabeth Phillips (Bates Faculty in Theater and Dance).

Participant, Bates College, "Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation," Workshops I, II and III.

Co-organizer (with Kayla Jackson) a panel discussion "Abolition," Bates College, Martin Luther King Jr. Day observation (January 2021); panelists include: Kayla Jackson '19 (Rutgers PhD program), Jerome Bennett '09, Michael Rocque (Bates faculty in Sociology).

Participant, Bates College, Commons Conversations on Equity and Inclusion, Summer 2020.

Participant, Philosophy department reading group on reparations Winter, 2020.

Participant, Racial Equity Institute, Groundwater Approach Workshop, September 28 and 29, 2019; and November 23 and 24, 2020.

Reviewer for MIT Press, 2019.

Participant, Faculty Development Seminar on Sara Ahmed's *On Being Included*, Fall 2018.

Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Journal of Philosophy of Emotion*, 2016 – present.

Member, Society for the Philosophy of Emotion, 2016 – present.

Participant, Reading group on the Stoics, Bates College, 2015 – 2017.

Participant, "The Art of Teaching Philosophy," Amherst College, June 2014.

Member, Writers Group, participating faculty from Bates, Bowdoin, and UNH.

Reviewed Tenure applications for junior faculty in philosophy at Washington State University and Connecticut College, 2012.

Participant: Faculty Learning Community, a year-long seminar on diversity, inclusion and education, 2011-2012.

Participant, Mellon Innovation Fund Lecture Series, 2008-2010.

Reviewer for *Hypatia*, *Mind*, *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal*, *Res Philosophica*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, *Journal of Ethics*, ongoing.

Session chair and organizer, Northern New England Philosophy Association Meeting, Bates College, October, 2006.

Chair of a Colloquium Session, Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association Meeting, March 2006.

Organized the Maine Philosophical Institute Meeting at Bates College, May 2001.

Member, Ethics and Political Philosophy Reading Group, participating faculty from Colby, Bates, Bowdoin, and USM, 1999-2005.

Member, American Philosophical Association.

Member, American Society for Bioethics and Humanities.

BATES COLLEGE TEACHING

Seminars: Reparation and Responsibility (fall 2021), Moral Realism and Irrealism; Virtue and Emotions; Moral Rules and/or Particulars.

200-level courses: Ancient Philosophy; Ancient Greek Philosophy; Moral Philosophy; Moral Luck; Philosophy and Feminism/Feminist Philosophy; Philosophy of Psychology; Intro to Philosophy; Contemporary Moral Disputes.

FYS: Luck and the Moral Life; Feminist Ethics.

Short Term: Philosophy Thesis Redesign; Teaching Philosophy; Moral Luck; Philosophy of Psychology; Concepts of Self; Ethics of Care.

BATES COLLEGE SERVICE

Current Service (2021-2022):

Member, advisory group for the Bates – Roux Institute collaboration, Spring, 2021.

Division chair for Humanities
Member, Academic Affairs Council.
Co-chair, Faculty Governance Review Committee, 2019-present.
Member, Space Advisory Committee, convened by VP for Finance, Geoff Swift 2016-present.
Member, Learning Associates Fund for Humanities and Social Sciences.

Past Service:

Standard Coordinator (Governance Standard) NEASC Review, 2018-2021.
Faculty Review Board, 2016-2021.
Member, Finances Team, an ad hoc committee convened by President Spencer to advise senior staff on financial implications of COVID-19.
Chair, Internal Review Committee for Program in Environmental Studies review, 2019-2022.
Co-chair, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Planning Committee, 2015 - 2020
Philosophy Department Chair, 2018-2019.
Philosophy Search Committee co-chair, 2018-2019.
Mentor to new faculty member, C3 consortium 2016-2018.
Co-chair, Committee on Faculty Governance, 2014-2015.
Member and Self-Study author (1 of 3), Philosophy Department enhanced review, 2014-2015.
Standard Coordinator and Team member, NEASC interim report, Faculty Standard (Coordinator) and Governance Standard (Team member), 2014-2015.
Member, Internal Review Committee for History Department review, Fall 2013.
Member, Philosophy search committee for Mellon Post-Doc, 2013.
Member, selection committee for the Student Commencement Speaker, 2013, 2014.
Member, Committee on Faculty Governance, 2011-2015.
Member, Professional Writing Tutor Search committee, Spring, 2010.
Facilitator, Organizer, two-day Faculty workshop on first year writing and assessment, June 2010.
Chair, First Year Seminar and Writing Committee, 2008-2010.
Member, Director of Writing Search Committee, 2008-2009.
Member, Philosophy Department Search Committee, 2008-2009.
Facilitator, two-day Faculty workshop on first year writing and assessment of writing, June, 2009.
Member of planning committee for the two-day Faculty workshop on first year writing and assessment of writing (along with Judy Head, Joanne Cole, Pat Hager, and Ellen Peters), 2008-2009.
Member, Davis Foundation Grant Application Committee, Spring and Summer 2007.
Member, Peer Writing Tutor Program Oversight Committee, 2007-2008.
Member, Registrar Search Committee, 2006-2008.
Member, Bates General Education Implementation Committee, 2006-2010.
Co-Chair First Year Seminar and Writing Committee, 2006-2008.
Member, Medical Studies Committee, Bates College 2005-2007.
Member, Teaching Development Committee, Bates College, 2004.
Member, Philosophy Department search committee, Bates College 2002-2003.
Member, Cognitive Psychology Search Committee, Bates College 2001-2002
Member, Committee on the Writing Workshop and First Year Seminars, Bates College, 2001-2002
Member, Committee on Academic Standing, Bates College, 2000 – 2002.
Member, Chaplain's Advisory Committee, Bates College, 2000 – 2002, 2003-2004.
Member, Committee on Eating Concerns, Bates College, 2000 – 2001.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Member and volunteer, Neighbors in Need, an all-volunteer organization that provides needed household (and other) items to asylees in the Portland area, 2018-present.

Guest lecturer in philosophy, North Yarmouth Academy (2020), Maine Coast Waldorf High School, (2020), Maine Girls Academy (2018).

Volunteer at Maine Coast Waldorf School (formerly Merriconeag WS), Freeport, ME, including:

- President, Board of Trustees, 2016-2020.

MCWS is a +/- 300 student, 50+ faculty independent school in Freeport, ME. The school has an annual operating budget of \$4.5M. During my term, I have overseen a \$6.3M capital campaign to fund a 12,000sf new high school building (\$3.8M) that is the first US high school to be “net zero” and to have the “Passive House” certification, one of the highest green energy certifications in the US; capital campaign also funded \$2.5M of capital improvements/additions to other buildings. I have overseen an overhaul of the administrative structure of the school, bringing school in line with best practices of independent Waldorf schools of its size, including hiring a Business Director, a position new to the school. With faculty and administration, I facilitate collaborative decision-making at all levels: at the Board, on committees, and among the faculty and administration. With the Board, I hold responsibility for the budget, health, safety, sustainability of the school. I coordinated all health and safety related decision-making relative to the schools COVID-19 response, February 2020 - June 2020. I am centrally involved in bringing conversations, workshops, and faculty development on equity and inclusion to the school for the past 3 years.

- Co-chair and co-founder, Committee on Equity and Inclusion, 2016-present.
- Member, Strategic Planning Committee, 2018-present.
- Secretary, Board of Trustees, 2014 – 2016.
- Volunteer Teacher, MCWS, New Gloucester and Freeport, ME.
 - Guest lecturer in philosophy at MCWS High School, Winter 2020.
 - Taught a fall term elective, “Ethics,” to 12 high school students, fall 2012.
 - Taught “Introduction to Speech and Debate,” to middle school students, Spring 2016, Spring, 2014 and Fall 2014.
 - Brought students from Bates to MCWS as part of “Teaching Philosophy” short term, May 2016.
- Volunteer at Merriconeag Waldorf School, Freeport, Maine: Class Parent, assist with events, development, and fundraising, including the annual tuition assistance auction, 2009-present.

Facilitated conversation on Epictetus (Greek Stoic, ~100 CE) with the Rotary, Lewiston/Auburn, Maine, 2010.

Volunteer for Ballard House, Maine’s only freestanding birth center. Do mailings, lead tour and information night, help coordinate mother’s lunch, 2002-2004.

Volunteer at children’s tennis league, Falmouth high school courts, summers 2011- 2014.

Volunteer available to the Maine Humanities Council to lead a discussion on the events of 9/11, October, 2001.

“An Introduction to Philosophical Thinking,” a lecture given with Frank Chessa to high school students, Pine Bush High School, Pine Bush, New York, November 2001.

“The Problem of Moral Luck,” a lecture given with Frank Chessa to high school students, Highland High School, New Paltz, New York, November 2000.

OTHER TEACHING

University of California, Davis:

Graduate Seminar: Partial Morality.

Undergraduate Courses: Ethical Theories; Problems of Normative Ethics; Introduction to Philosophy; History of Ethics; Ethical and Social Problems in Contemporary Society.

Georgetown University (full responsibility for course design, content, lectures, grading):

Undergraduate Courses: Luck and the Moral Life; Introduction to Logic; Ethics and Public Policy; Ethics; Introduction to Philosophy.

Medical School: Bioethics (Georgetown College of Medicine).

Non-credit adult education courses: Feminist Philosophy; Bioethics.

REFERENCES

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