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**EDUCATION**

PhD, Philosophy, University of Southern California, (expected) December 2012  
BA, Philosophy, *summa cum laude*, University of California at Davis, September 2005

- Junior year abroad at University of London, King's College, 2004

**OTHER EDUCATION**

Chef's Degree: Natural Gourmet Institute for Food and Health, NYC, June 2006

- Concentration: pure vegetarian food preparation, disease prevention

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

My primary academic interests are in political philosophy, philosophy of law, philosophy of education, and the theory, practice, and history of anarchism; I am also interested in ethics, applied ethics, and philosophy of language.

**OTHER INTERESTS**

Some of my "non-academic" interests are in the visual arts (primarily oil and graphite), culinary arts, nutrition, print and visual media, and practicing Muay Thai.

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**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

Fellow, Center for Law, History and Culture, University of Southern California, 2009-10  
Graduate Professionalism Initiative Grant, University of Southern California, 2008  
International Travel Award, University of Southern California, 2008  
Departmental Fellowship, University of Southern California, 2006-present  
Highest Distinction in undergraduate major, UC Davis, 2005  
Departmental Citation for Excellence in Philosophy, UC Davis, 2005  
Band of America Art Achievement Scholarship, San Luis Obispo, 2001  
Monday Club Art Scholarship, San Luis Obispo, 2001

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**PUBLICATIONS**

1. 'Autonomy, Taxation and Ownership: An Anarchist Critique of Kant's Theory of Property.'  
Forthcoming in *Anarchism and Moral Philosophy*, edited by Benjamin Franks and Matt Wilson  
(Palgrave, United Kingdom)

### REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

5. 'Reasons of the Obligation Sort.' March 2010, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Society for Student Philosophers Panel, San Francisco, California.
4. 'Experiential Learning in Practice.' January 2010, Far West Philosophy of Education Society's 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Utah Valley University, Utah.
3. 'Reasons of the Obligation Sort.' November 2009, Midwest Regional Graduate Philosophy Conference, Northern Illinois University, Illinois.
2. 'Acting Deliberately: Reinterpreting Locke's Theory of Tacit Consent.' March 2009, Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy, University at Albany Political Association, SUNY, New York.
1. 'Autonomy, Taxation, and Ownership: An Anarchist Critique of Kant's Theory of Property.' September 2008, Anarchist Studies Network, Center for the Study of International Governance, Loughborough University, United Kingdom.

### TALKS

5. 'The Ethics of Eating.' (Invited panelist) USC Levan Institute for Humanities and Ethics, October 2009, University of Southern California.
4. 'The Meaning of Sex.' (Moderator), Panelists: Dallas Willard, Bruce Edwards, Julie Albright, April 2009, University of Southern California
3. 'Autonomy, Taxation, and Ownership: An Anarchist Critique of Kant's Theory of Property.' August 2008, Speculative Society, University of Southern California
2. 'The Mystique of Comparative Fairness.' April 2007, Undergraduate Philosophy Club, University of Southern California.
1. 'Guerilla Marketing for Health Promotion: Ethics and Strategy.' March 2007, Health Services Association of California Community Colleges, Annual Nurses Conference, Pasadena, California.

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### TEACHING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Teaching Assistant

- \*TA Mentor and Trainer, *University Teacher's Assistant Training*, Fall 2009
- USC Thematic Options (Honors) 104: *Political Philosophy: Change and the Future*, Fall 2009 (Prof. Edwin Mc Cann)
- USC Phil 335: *Theories of Leadership*, Spring 2009 (Prof. Sharon Lloyd)
- USC Phil 140: *Contemporary Moral Problems*, Fall 2008 (Prof. Andrei Marmor)
- USC Phil 232: *Mind and Self: An Introduction to Philosophy*, Spring 2008 (Prof. Jake Ross)

#### Instructor

- Introduction to Philosophy* (Summer 2009): Developed and taught a five week course for LAUSD high school students as part of a free-school organized by PAPEL (People's Assembly for Popular Education and Liberation).

#### Ethicist and Trainer

- Experiential Learning Center, Marshall School of Business** Fall 2008 –Present  
Develop interactive ethics modules and conduct multimedia driven experiential workshops for MBA and undergraduate business students at the Marshall School of Business, focusing on ethical deliberation, organizational communication, and group dynamics.

**Private Volunteer Tutor**

**School On Wheels**

January 2009 – Present

School On Wheels provides private tutors for homeless children in Los Angeles. I work on a recurring, weekly basis with individual homeless students in Los Angeles Unified School District, focusing on math, language, and critical thinking.

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**GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN**

- USC Phil 500: Introduction to Contemporary Philosophical Literature (Scott Soames, Jim Higginbotham)
- USC Phil 505: Pro-Seminar in Central Topics in Contemporary Philosophy (Scott Soames)
- USC Phil 530: Philosophy of Law: Equality (Andrei Marmor, Gideon Yaffe)
- USC Phil 537: Studies Social and Political Philosophy (Sharon Lloyd)
- USC Phil 501: Studies in Recent Philosophy: Epistemology (Jacob Ross)
- USC Phil 450: Intermediate Symbolic Logic (Zlatan Damjanovic)
- USC Law 599: Kant and the Philosophy of Law (Gregory Keating, Martin Stone (Cardozo Law School))
- USC Phil 530: Studies in Modern Philosophy: Practical Reason (Jacob Ross)
- USC Phil 590: Directed Research in Political Philosophy: Robert Nozick (Sharon Lloyd)
- USC Phil 520: Studies in Modern Philosophy: Thomas Reid (James Van Cleve)
- USC Phil 530: Philosophy of Law: The Nature of Law (Andrei Marmor)
- USC Phil 537: Studies in Political Philosophy: The Contractualists (Sharon Lloyd)
- USC Phil 590: Ancient Philosophy: Plato's Republic (Sean Kelsey, UCLA)
- USC Phil 590: Directed Research in Rational Choice Theory (Mathew McCubbins, UCSD)
- USC Phil 530: Language and Law (Scott Soames, Andrei Marmor)
- USC Phil 590: Directed Research in Political Philosophy: Locke, Rawls, and Scanlon (Gary Watson)

**REFERENCES**

- Sharon Lloyd. Professor of Philosophy, USC
- Gary Watson. Professor of Philosophy and Law, USC
- Gideon Yaffe. Associate Professor of Philosophy and Law, USC
- Andrei Marmor. Professor of Philosophy and Law, USC
- Gita Govahi. Director, Experiential Learning Center, Marshall School of Business, USC

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