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ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

Associate Professor of Political Science, 2018-present
Assumption University, Worcester, MA

Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2012-18
Assumption University, Worcester, MA

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Politics, May 2012

The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

Dissertation: Hugo Grotius' Classical Conception of Justice (passed with honors)

Director: David Walsh

M. A., Political Studies, October 2003

University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada

Thesis: Just War Theory and Humanitarian Intervention

B. A., High Honours, Political Studies, May 2002

University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada

PUBLICATIONS:

MONOGRAPHS:

Hugo Grotius and the Modern Theory of Freedom: Transcending Natural Rights (New York: Routledge, 2017).

ARTICLES:

“Plato as Choirmaster: Cultivating Civic Friendship in the Modern Republic”, *Political Science Reviewer* (forthcoming).

“Right of (Northwest) Passage: Toward A Responsible Canadian Arctic Sovereignty”, *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 52, No. 3 (2019), 595-612.

“Too Subtle to Satisfy Many: Was Grotius’ Teleology of Punishment Predestined to Fail?”, *Grotiana* Vol. 38, No.1 (2017), 46-69.

“Beyond Strict Justice: Hugo Grotius on Punishment and Natural Right(s)”, *Review of Politics* Vol. 76, No. 4 (2014), 559-88.

BOOK CHAPTERS:

“A Pedagogy of Beauty: Teaching Plato’s *Republic* through Mathematics and Music”, in J. Scott Lee, Scott Ashmon, and Kerri Tom, eds., *The Arts and Sciences of a Core Text Education: What Are They and Why Do We Need Them?* (Irvine, CA: Association for Core Texts and Courses, forthcoming)

“Hugo Grotius’ Modern Civil Religion: Source of Europe’s Stoic Liberalism?”, in Ann Ward, ed., *Classical Rationalism and the Politics of Europe* (Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2018), 126-50.

“Natural Rights and History: Hugo Grotius’ Modern Translation of Aristotle”, in Steven F. McGuire and R. J. Snell, eds., *Concepts of Nature: Ancient and Modern* (New York: Lexington, 2016), 71-90.

REVIEW ESSAYS:

“Musical Harmony: A Missing Dimension of Democratic Citizenship? Review of *Polyphonic Minds: Music of the Hemispheres*, by Peter Pesic”, *Voegelin View*, 28 April 2019.

“Review: *Hugo Grotius and the Century of Revolution, 1613-1718*, by Marco Barducci”, *Grotiana*, Vol. 39, No. 1 (2018), 142-48.

“Saving Subjective Natural Rights from Subjectivism” *Humanitas* Vol. 30, No. 1-2 (2017), 159-64.

“Re-Discovering an Older Sovereignty: Review of *Sovereignty: Moral and Historical Perspectives*, by James Turner Johnson”. *Voegelin View*, 17 October 2016.

“Review: *The Just War Tradition: An Introduction*, by David D. Corey and J. Daryl Charles” *Society* Vol. 51, No. 2 (2014), 188-90.

REVIEWS:

“Review: *A Vindication of Politics: On the Common Good and Human Flourishing*, by Matthew D. Wright,” *Review of Politics* Vol. 82, No. 2 (2020), 337-39.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW:

“‘Aristocracy Without Aristocrats’: A Tocquevillian Lens on Loyalist Political Thought,” in *Canadian Political Thought in an Age of Globalization*, ed. Lee Trepanier and Rick Avramenko

“Indigenous Sovereignty and the (Expanded) Responsibility to Protect”, *American Review of Canadian Studies*

“Richard Hooker on Human Rights and the Imperfect Duty of Asylum,” *History of Political Thought*

WORKING PAPERS:

“A Duty or a Right? Catholic Social Thought and the Origins of the Minimum Wage”

“Pope Francis’ ‘Integral Ecology’ and Indigenous Support for a Universal Basic Income”

“Francisco Suarez and the Origins of Sovereign International Responsibility”

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES:

“Providing Asylum to Refugees: A Right or a Duty?”
University of Lethbridge, Jan. 2019

“Economistic and Humanistic Approaches to the Universal Basic Income”
Saskatchewan Ministry of Social Services, Income Assistance Branch, May 2018

“The Responsibility of Rights: Is Hugo Grotius Really an Early Modern Possessive Individualist?”
Medieval and Early Modern Studies Annual Lecture, Assumption University, March 2014

INVITED PUBLIC LECTURES:

“Is Musical Beauty in the Ear of the Beholder?”
The Twelve Apostates Philosophy Club, Abbotsford, BC, Canada, Jan. 2018

“Justin Trudeau’s Liberal Government: A Mid-Term Report Card”
Borden Lecture, Borden, SK, Canada, July 2017

“America’s Choice: Trump or Clinton”
Borden Lecture, Borden, SK, Canada, July 2016

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

“A Minimum Wage or a Living Wage? Catholic Social Thought on Economic Rights”
American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, September 2020

“Music as Civic Patriotism in Divided Societies”
American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, DC, August 2019

“Richard Hooker on Human Rights as Imperfect Duties of Asylum”
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Vancouver, BC, May 2019

Discussant and Chair for Panel on “Freedom of Thought and Expression”
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Vancouver, BC, May 2019

“The Trump Wall and the Paradox of Rights: Could Hooker Better Welcome Refugees?”
American Political Science Association Conference, Boston, MA, Aug. 2018

Discussant and Chair for Panel on “Why Voegelin Matters Today”
American Political Science Association Conference, Boston, MA, Aug. 2018

“Pope Francis’ “Integral Ecology” and Indigenous Support for Ontario’s Basic Minimum Income”
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Regina, SK, May 2018

Discussant and Chair for Panel on “Challenging and Extending Voegelin’s Account”
American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, Aug. 2017

“Sovereignty and the (Expanded) Responsibility to Protect”
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Toronto, ON, May 2017

“The Physics of Order: A Modern Defense of Plato’s Musical Education”
American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, Aug. 2016

Discussant for Panel on “Issues in Just War Theory”
Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, Apr. 2016

Discussant for Panel on “The Spirit and Reality of Politics”
American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, Sept. 2015

“The Freedom of the (Northwest) Sea and the Surprising Possibilities of a Grotian Foreign Policy”
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Ottawa ON, Canada, May 2015

Discussant and Chair for Panel on “Religion and Comparative Foreign Policy”
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, Ottawa ON, Canada, May 2015

“Natural Rights and History: Hugo Grotius’ Modern Translation of Aristotle”
Nature: Ancient and Modern, Agora Institute, Philadelphia, PA, Apr. 2015

“A Pedagogy of Beauty: Teaching Plato’s *Republic* Through Mathematics and Music”
Association for Core Texts and Courses Conference, Plymouth MA, Apr. 2015

“When Satisfaction is Unsatisfying: The limits of Kant’s Theory of Punishment”
Northeastern Political Science Association Conference, Boston, MA, Nov. 2014

“‘In Harmony With Nature’: Hugo Grotius on Transcending Rights”
American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, DC, Aug. 2014

“Hugo Grotius’ Theology of Political Prudence”
Ciceronian Society Conference, Emmitsburg, MD, March 2014

Discussant for Panel on “Civil Religion and Human Scale”
Ciceronian Society Conference, Emmitsburg, MD, March 2014

“Hugo Grotius on Secular Religion and the Boundaries of Tolerance”
American Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, Aug. 2013

“Natural Justice and Theological Virtue: Hugo Grotius’ Politics of the Atonement”
American Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, Sept. 2012

Discussant for Panel on “Agrarianism, Localism, and Economics,”
Ciceronian Society Conference, Charlottesville, VA, March 2012

Discussant for Panel on “Agrarianism, Place, and Economics,”
Ciceronian Society Conference, Charlottesville, VA, March 2011

“The (Relaxed) Punishments of God and Country as a Clue to Grotius’ Classical Roots”
American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, DC, Sept. 2010

“Prudence, Charity, and the Common Good: Is Grotius a Modern Natural Rights Thinker?”
Northeastern Political Science Association Conference, Boston, MA, Nov. 2008

“To the Past or the Future? Technology and Politics in Gadamer and Arendt”
Northeastern Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, Nov. 2007

“Contemporary Security Threats and the Value of Sovereignty”
War and Security Conference, Society for Military and Strategic Studies, Calgary, AB, February 2003

PEER REVIEWER FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS:

- American Political Science Review
- Faith and Philosophy

UNIVERSITY TEACHING HISTORY:

Assumption University

- POL 409: Political Technology and Democratic Citizenship (2X), Fall 2020, Fall 2016
- POL 377: The Politics of Just Wars (4X), Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Spring 2015, Spring 2013
- POL 375: The Study of International Relations (2X), Spring 2016, Spring 2014
- POL 322: Political Economy, (2X) Spring 2017 (Rome Campus), Fall 2014
- POL 321: Public Policy (2X), Spring 2020, Spring 2018
- POL 359: Medieval Political Philosophy, Fall 2015
- POL 400: Criminal Punishment and Political Order (Internship), Spring 2016

- POL 203: Modern States (7X), Spring 2017 (Rome Campus), Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Spring 2014, Fall 2013, Spring 2013, Fall 2012
- POL 207: Peace and War (4X), Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015

- POL 110: The Quest for Justice (8X), Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2012
- POL 150: Art and Politics I (3X), Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013
- POL 151: Art and Politics II (3X), Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013

George Washington University

- POL 1001: Introduction to Comparative Politics, Spring 2012

The Catholic University of America

- The Art of the Interview (2X), Spring 2011, Spring 2012 (Teaching Assistant (TA))
- Constitutional Law, Fall 2010 (TA)
- Modern Political Thought, Spring 2010 (TA; frequent lecturer)
- Introduction to Political Thought, Fall 2009 (TA; occasional lecturer)
- Comparative World Media, Spring 2009 (TA)
- Politics of the 1960s, Spring 2008 (TA)
- Introduction to American Politics (2X), Fall 2007, Fall 2008 (TA)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics, Spring 2007 (TA)
- Interest Groups in American Politics, Fall 2006 (TA)

University of Saskatchewan

- Introduction to International Relations, University of Saskatchewan, Spring 2003 (TA)

HONORS:

Assumption University Faculty Development Grant (2018-19)

Assumption University Faculty Development Grant (2016-17)

Assumption University Faculty Development Grant (2014-15)

Nominee for American Political Science Association Leo Strauss Award (Best Dissertation in Political Theory) (January 2014)

Catholic University of America Teaching Assistantship (Fall 2006-Spring 2012)

Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation Fellowship (Fall 2006-Spring 2011)

University of Saskatchewan Graduate Fellowship (2002-2003)

Rhodes Scholarship Interviewee (Fall 2002)

Phebe Winifred Rowles Memorial Scholarship (Fall 2002)

Dr. Norman Ward Memorial Scholarship (Fall 2002)

LANGUAGES:

- French (oral and written)
- Latin (written)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Budget Analyst, August 2005 – June 2006 (Full-time), 2007-2009 (Term – Summer only)

Treasury Board Branch

Saskatchewan Department of Finance, Regina, SK, Canada

English Language Instructor, January 2005 – April 2005

International English Language Institute, Peshawar, Pakistan

Legislative Assistant, September 2003 – June 2004

Parliamentary Internship Programme

Canadian Political Science Association, Ottawa, ON, Canada