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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

### **Associate Professor**

University of Denver, Department of Political Science, June 2013-present

### **Visiting Faculty Fellow**

Princeton University, The Center for Human Values, September 2013-June 2014

### **Assistant Professor**

University of Denver, Department of Political Science, September 2007-May 2013

### **Scholar in Residence**

The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, September 2011-May 2012

### **Postdoctoral Positions**

Postdoctoral Fellow in Political Philosophy, Policy, and Law; The University of Virginia. Half research, half teaching fellowship, September 2005 – June 2007

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center on Religion and Democracy, The University of Virginia. Research fellowship, September 2004 - June 2005

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Long-Term Fellowship, hosted by the Massachusetts Historical Society. Research fellowship, accepted half the award, May 2004 – September 2004

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, “Modeling Interdisciplinary Inquiry,” Washington University, St. Louis. Half research, half teaching. Sept 2002 - June 2004

## EDUCATION

### **Ph.D. The University of Chicago**

The Committee on Social Thought, January 2002

*Dissertation:* “Liberalism in the Shadow of Totalitarianism: the Problem of Authority and Values since World War Two”

**M.A. The University of Chicago**

The Committee on Social Thought, *with distinction*, June 1992

*M.A. Thesis*: “Commercial Society and its Critics”

**M.Sc. Edinburgh University**

History (Scottish Enlightenment), September 1991

*M.Sc. Thesis*: “Authority and Moral Philosophy: From the ‘Divine Corporation’ to a Scottish Science of Man”

**B.A. Princeton University**

Religion, *cum laude*, June 1989

*B.A. Thesis*: “Historicism, Social Criticism, and Religiosity”

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Books**

*Liberalism in the Shadow of Totalitarianism* (Harvard University Press, 2006). Press nominated for Pulitzer Prize.

**Peer Reviewed Journal Articles and Book Chapters**

“Authority,” *The Encyclopedia of Political Thought* (Wiley-Blackwell) (October 2014). 8200 wds. Double-blind review with two external reviewers plus editorial review.

“Neither Persons nor Associations: Against Constitutional Rights for Corporations,” *Journal of Law and Courts* 1 (2): 221-246 (September 2013).

“Dispersed Constituency Democracy: Deterritorializing Representation to Reduce Ethnic Conflict,” *Politics & Society* 41 (1): 133-160 (March 2013).

“Beyond Public and Private: Toward a Political Theory of the Corporation,” *American Political Science Review* 107 (1): 139-158 (February 2013). (Reprinted in French in a special issue of *Raisons Politiques*, forthcoming).

“The Thirties to the Fifties: Totalitarianism and the Second American Enlightenment” in Mathewes and Nichols (eds.) *Prophesies of Godlessness: Predictions of America's Imminent Secularization from the Puritans to the Present Day* (Oxford, 2008), 155-173.

“Authority in the Firm (and the Attempt to Theorize it Away),” *Critical Review* 16 (1): 81-115 (2004).

## **Law Review Articles**

“The Corporation is Always Already Government-Supported, and so is Bankruptcy,” *The Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy*, special issue on *The Ethics of Bailouts and Government Support of Corporations: Public Benefit or Crony Capitalism?*: 349-370 (Spring, 2013).

## **Unrefereed Journal Articles and Book Chapters**

“Why the State was Dropped in the First Place: A Prequel to Skocpol’s ‘Bringing the State Back In,’” *Critical Review* 14 (2-3) (2000).

“Democracy Despite Public Ignorance: A Weberian Reply to Somin and Friedman,” *Critical Review* 13 (1-2): 191-227 (1999). Reprinted in Jeffrey Friedman and Shterna Friedman (eds.) *Political Knowledge, Vol. IV, New Research Directions* (Routledge, 2013).

“Poverty, Identity, and Black Progressivism: a review article of the recent writings of Cornel West,” *CrossStreets* 2: 52-61 (1995).

“Of Bedroom Cities and Corporate Suburbs: Geographic mobility as an anti-poverty strategy for the 21st Century,” *CrossStreets* 1: 12-20 (1994).

## **Book Reviews and other short articles**

Review of Andrew Jewett: *Science, Democracy, and the American University: From the Civil War to the Cold War*, in *American Political Thought* (forthcoming)

“A Review of John Gray’s *Black Mass: Apocalyptic Religion and the Death of Utopia*, in *The Hedgehog Review: Critical Reflections on Contemporary Culture*, vol. 10, 1: 90-93 (Spring 2008).

## **Manuscripts under review**

“The Corporate Roots of Modern Constitutionalism, and its Consequences for Corporate Power.” *American Political Science Review*.

## **Book Manuscript in progress**

*Our Corporate Civilization and its Neoliberal Crisis*. Four chapters complete.

## **EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

### **Research**

Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Faculty Fellowship in The Center for Human Values, Princeton University, September 2013-June 2014

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute, “Empires and Interactions Across the Early Modern World, 1400-1800,” St. Louis University, June 1-30, 2013.

Wilson Center Fellowship, Fall 2011 - Spring 2012. Academic year fellowship at the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars, Washington, D.C

Postdoctoral Fellow in Political Philosophy, Policy, and Law; The University of Virginia. Half research, half teaching fellowship, September 2005 – June 2007

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American Philosophical Society. Short-term research grant. April 2002

John N. Brown Center, Brown University. Short-term research grant. May - June 2002

Gilder Lehrman Institute (New York City) short-term research grant. July - August 2002

Newcombe Dissertation Fellowship, The Woodrow Wilson Foundation. September 1996 - June 1997

Josephine de Karman Fellowship, Josephine de Karman Foundation. September 1996 - June 1997

Claude Lambe Fellowship, The Institute for Humane Studies. September 1995 – June 1996

DAAD Language Study Grant, Federal Republic of Germany. June-July 1991

NSF Fellowship, National Science Foundation. September 1990 – June 1992.

Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education. September 1989 –June 1990

The University of Chicago, Century Fellowship. Top graduate student stipend, awarded for four years. Funding only used one year due to outside fellowships. September 1989 – June 1993

## **Awards**

*Liberalism in the Shadow of Totalitarianism* nominated by Harvard University Press for a Pulitzer Prize, Spring 2007

*Liberalism in the Shadow of Totalitarianism*, finalist for the President’s Book Award, Social Science History Association, 2007

“Fund for the Study of Spontaneous Order \$10,000 Prize,” from the Atlas Foundation, 2005

## **INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

### **Research**

University of Denver, Rosenberry, Spring 2011  
University of Denver, PROF grant, Spring 2010  
University of Denver, Rosenberry, Spring 2009.

### **Teaching**

University of Denver, CCESL Service Learning Scholar, Spring 2009  
University of Denver, CORE travel grant, Spring 2009  
Invited and hosted a Marsico Visiting Lecturer, James Block, February 2008  
Invitee of student awarded the Certificate of Achievement in the Writing Program, April, 2010

### **Awards**

First annual recipient of the Green Pioneer award (for developing the DU Permaculture Garden), DU Sustainability Council, Spring 2010

## **INVITED LECTURES**

Smithsonian Institution, “Beyond Public and Private: The Corporation as Governance Institution,” March, 2012  
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, “Beyond Public and Private: The Corporation as Governance Institution,” February, 2012  
Fukuoka University, Fukuoka, Japan, “The Emergence of a ‘New Liberalism’ between WWI and the Cold War,” March, 2011  
Okayama University, Okayama, Japan, “The Industrialization of American Agriculture,” March, 2011  
Yokohama National University, Yokohama, Japan, “The Political Dimension of the Progressive Era,” March, 2011  
Yokohama National University, Japan, “The New Deal, Totalitarianism, and the End of Progressivism,” September 2009  
UC Berkeley, “Liberal Theory and the Corporation,” December 2006  
The New School, “Liberal Theory Before and After Totalitarianism,” September 2006  
Harvard University, “Liberalism Before and After Totalitarianism,” December 2005

Washington University in St. Louis, “Liberalism and the Intellectuals, After God and Hitler,” April 2004

## **INVITED TALKS**

Cornell Law School, Faculty Workshop, January 15, 2015.

Brown University, Political Theory Workshop, May 6, 2014.

Columbia University, Political Theory Workshop, February 26, 2014.

Princeton University, Center for Human Values, November 4, 2013.

Yale University, Political Theory Workshop, October 30, 2013.

The University of Virginia, Conference on Realism and Utopianism in Modern Economics, “Modern Economics and the Corporation,” April 12, 2013.

Georgetown University, Colloquium on The Ethics of Bailouts and Government Support of Corporations: Public Benefit or Crony Capitalism?, “The Corporation is Always Already Government-Supported, and so is Bankruptcy,” November 2012.

Georgetown University, Political Theory Speaker’s Series, “Beyond Public and Private: The Corporation as Governance Institution,” April 2012

The University of Virginia, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, “Corporate Theory and Corporate Constitutional Rights,” May 2010

The University of Virginia, Political Philosophy, Policy, and Law Colloquium, “Corporate Theory and Corporate Constitutional Rights,” May 2010

The University of Virginia, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, “Reductionism in Economics,” November 2007

The University of Virginia, Miller Center, “From New Deal to Cold War: The Rise and Fall and Rise of Economic Planning,” February 2007 (also webcast)

The University of Virginia, Political Theory Workshop, “Political Theory and the Corporation,” April 2007

The University of Chicago, “Economistic Liberalism,” Visiting Committee Presentation, November 1999

The University of Chicago, “The Supreme Court, Totalitarianism, and the Neutrality Ideal,” University of Chicago Political Theory Workshop, Spring 1997

The Institute for Humane Studies, Fairfax, VA, “The Liberal Revolt Against Liberal Individualism,” Spring 1995

## **TELEVISION INTERVIEWS**

“Dialogue TV and Radio” program, “Corporations in the Law.” Half hour solo television and radio interview, March 2012. “Dialogue” is a nationally syndicated weekly public affairs program

### **RELATED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Member of the legal advisory committee of Free Speech for People, an organization dedicated to overturning *Citizens United v. FEC* (2010) and to restricting corporate speech rights more generally.

### **MULTI-DAY WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION**

“Realism and Utopianism in Modern Economics,” The University of Virginia, April 12-13, 2013.

“The Ethics of Bailouts and Government Support of Corporations: Public Benefit or Crony Capitalism?”, convened at Georgetown University, November 29-30, 2012.

“Early Modern/Post Modern: Political Theology, Secularism, Literature,” The School of Criticism and Theory at Cornell, June 19 – July 28, 2011

“The Transformation of Liberalism and the New Scheme of Social Integration: The Organic View from the Interwar Period to the Postwar Period Examined,” convened at Yokohama National University Yokohama Japan, March 9-10, 2011

“The Transformation of Liberalism and the New Scheme of Social Integration: The Organic View from fin de siècle to the Interwar Period Examined,” convened at Yokohama National University, Yokohama, Japan, September 26-27, 2009

“Working Group on Political Rhetoric,” convened at the Tobin Project, Cambridge, MA, August 28-29, 2009

Selected readings and participants for “An Appraisal of the Modern Firm,” convened by the Atlas Foundation, George Mason Law School, Virginia, January 18-20, 2006

### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

“The Rise of the Neoliberal Corporation,” panel presentation at the Western Political Science Association meeting, April 2014

“A New Feudalism on the Farm?” panel presentation at the American Studies Association meeting, Washington, D.C., November 2013.

“Cooperatives, Corporations, and the Utopian Economy,” panel presentation at the Society for Utopian Studies, Charleston, S.C., October 2013.

“The Rise of the Neoliberal Corporation,” panel presentation at the American Political Science Association meeting, Chicago, August 2013.

- “Progressives and the Corporation, Then and Now,” panel presentation at the Society for Utopian Studies, Toronto, Canada, October, 2012.
- “Bringing the Corporation Back In,” panel presentation at the Western Political Science Association Meeting, San Antonio, TX, April, 2011
- “Urban eating,” panel presentation at the Rocky Mountain Sustainability Summit, Denver, CO, February, 2011
- “Sustainability and Service Learning,” panel presentation at the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, Denver, CO, October, 2010
- “The Local Food Movement and Community Building,” presented at the Conference of the Society for Communal Studies, New Harmony, IN, September, 2010
- “Making the Corporation Private,” presented at the Conference on Policy History, Columbus, OH, June 2010
- “Bringing the Corporation Back In,” presented at the Association for Political Theory Conference, College Station, TX, October 2009
- “American Political Romanticism,” presented at the Western Political Science Association Meeting, Vancouver, March 2009
- Discussant for the Panel: “The Corporation, Politics and Political Theory,” Western Political Science Association meeting, Vancouver, March 2009
- “The Inadequacies of Liberalism in a Corporate Age,” American Political Science Association Meeting, Boston, August 2008
- “From New Deal to Cold War: The Rise and Fall and Rise of Economic Planning,” presented at the Policy History Conference, St. Louis, May 2008
- Organizer and Chair of the Panel: “Crisis of the Liberal Center,” and presented a paper, “The Inadequacy of Liberalism in an Organizational Age,” American Political Science Association Meeting, Boston, August 2007
- Organizer of Panel: “The Organizational Challenge and the Reemergence of Liberal Individualism,” and presented a paper, “Totalitarian Nightmares and the Retreat to Liberal Individualism,” Policy History Conference, Spring 2007
- Discussant for the Panel: Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL, Spring 2004
- “Social Sciences and the New World Order,” presented at the Social Science History Association, St. Louis, Missouri, Fall 2002
- “Liberalism after Totalitarianism,” Poster Session at the Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL, Spring 2000

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

### **University of Denver**

PLSC 2630 “American Political Thought”



PLSC 2615 (also PLSC 2700) “The Crisis of Authority and Values”  
PLSC 2650 (also PLSC 2702) “Democracy and the Corporation”  
PLSC 2702 “Topics in Political Science: Non-Western Political Theory: China and Islam”  
PLSC 3290 “Advanced Seminar: The New Deal”  
SOCS 1610 “An Introduction to Politics: Power and Justice”  
ASEM 2485 “Sustainable Living”  
CORE 2479 “American Utopias: On Paper and In Practice”  
FSEM 1111 “Off-Grid Living: Philosophies, Politics, and Practices”  
FSEM 1111 “Food Fights; Food Solutions”

**The University of Virginia** Fall 2005 - Spring 2007

“Political Philosophy, Policy, and Law--Capstone Seminar, Honors Thesis Prep”  
“Democracy and the Corporation”  
“World Order and American Foreign Policy”

**Washington University in St. Louis** Fall 2002 - Spring 2004

Graduate: “Modeling Interdisciplinary Inquiry: Weber and Foucault”

Undergraduate:

“World Order and American Foreign Policy”  
“An Introduction to Comparative Civilizational Analysis: U.S., China, Japan”  
“The ‘Culture Wars’: Origins, Anatomy, and Implications”

**The University of Chicago, Lecturer** (responsible for all instruction and grading)

“Classics of Political and Social Theory” Winter 1999, Spring 2000, and Fall 2001

“Wealth, Power, and Virtue” Fall of 1994, 1998; Spring of 1995, 1998, 2001

**Honors Theses, Independent Study**

Honors Theses: 27 (including 25 at the University of Virginia, a principal responsibility of mine)

Independent Study, Carly Schlotterer, “Response of the Progressives to the Rise of Corporations,” Spring 2010.

**EDITORSHIPS**

Co-founder and co-editor of *CrossStreets*, a nationally distributed urban affairs magazine dedicated to the revitalization of America’s cities. 1994 – 1996.

## **SERVICE**

### **Departmental**

- Hiring Committee, November 2012 – January 2013
- Hiring Committee, November 2009 - January 2010
- Revised (with one other colleague) the department's by-laws, Spring 2009
- Represented the department on a panel at a Campus-Wide Symposium entitled "How do College Students Develop and Transfer Writing Abilities?", October 2008
- Revised (with one other colleague) the text of the department's website and the department's learning outcomes statement, Spring 2007
- With chair, undertook review of department's practices of assigning writing, Fall 2007 (with Writing Center)

### **Divisional**

- Sustainability Minor Faculty Oversight Committee, 2010-2011, 2012-present
- Tenure and Promotion Committee, Winter 2010.

### **University**

- DU Permaculture Garden, founder and manager, Winter 2009 – Winter 2014
- DU Garden Club faculty adviser, Fall 2010 – Spring 2012
- Service Learning Partner for the Environmental Sustainability Living and Learning Community, overseeing 5 students, Fall 2012 – Spring 2013
- Mentor for CCESL Community Scholars: Erin Hough, Ben Waldman, Fall 2009-Spring 2010
- Presentation to Penrose Library Liaison Advisory Group (LLAG), May 6, 2010
- Sustainability Council, *ex officio* member, allotted time on every agenda, Spring 2009

### **General Training**

- Cooperative Learning Teacher Training (with Julanna Gilbert)
- Universal Design Training
- CCESL Service Learning Training
- First-Year Seminar writing (Writing Center)
- Advanced Seminar ("Writing Intensive Core") workshop (Writing Center)
- Effectively Responding to Student Writing (Writing Center)

Defensive Driving class and certification to drive university vehicles (used for field trips).

## **LANGUAGES**

Reading and basic speaking knowledge of German; basic reading knowledge of French; elementary Latin