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## Philosophical Interests

AOS: Moral and Political Philosophy  
AOC: PPE, Philosophy of Economics

## Academic Employment

- 2020 – present      Lecturer in Political Philosophy (fixed term), King's College London.
- 2023 – present      Postdoctoral Research Associate (*Solidarity in Europe* project), King's College London.
- 2017 - 2020        Postdoctoral Fellow in the Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) Program, Department of Philosophy, Virginia Tech.

## Education

- 2013 – 2017        PhD in Philosophy, London School of Economics; Department of Philosophy, Logic, and Scientific Method.
- 2011 – 2012        MA in Political Theory, University of Sheffield; Department of Philosophy.
- 2008 – 2011        BA in Politics, Philosophy and Economics (First Class Honours), University of Manchester.

## Publications

- 2024                “Lotteries, Queues, and Bottlenecks”, *Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy Vol. 10* (with Gil Hersch)
- 2022                “Everett, Fairness and Lotteries”, *Thought*, Vol. 11, pp. 59-63 (with David Papineau)
- 2021                “Can a Risk of Harm Itself be a Harm?”, *Analysis*, Vol. 81, pp. 694-701
- 2020                “An Analysis and Evaluation of Methods Currently Used to Quantify Existential Hazards”, *Futures*, Vol. 115 (with Simon Beard and James Fox)
- 2019                “Risk and the Unfairness of Some Being Better Off at the Expense of Others”, *Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy*, Vol. 16, pp. 44-66
- 2018                “Egalitarianism under Severe Uncertainty”, *Philosophy & Public Affairs*, Vol. 46, pp. 239-268 (with Alex Voorhoeve)

## Manuscripts under Review and in Progress

*Under Review*      “Competition and Scarcity”  
“Fairness and Weighted Lotteries”

*In Progress*      “Allocative Fairness” (with Gil Hersch), commissioned by *Philosophy Compass*  
“What’s Wrong with Imposing Risk of Harm?”  
“Intervening Agency and Enabling Evil”

## Teaching

### *Awards*

2017      Highly Commended Class Teacher Award, from the Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method  
2016      ‘Nominee’ for an LSE Student-led Teaching Excellence Award  
2015      ‘Nominee’ for an LSE Student-led Teaching Excellence Award  
2014      ‘Commended Nominee’ for an LSE Student-led Teaching Excellence Award

### *Qualifications*

2016      Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education (Full Award), London School of Economics

### *Modules*

#### *King’s College London* (as instructor)

2024 Spring      Political Philosophy IIB: History of Political Philosophy  
2023 Spring      Political Philosophy IIB: History of Political Philosophy  
2022 Fall      Political Philosophy IIA: Topics in Political Philosophy  
2022 Spring      Political Philosophy IIA: Topics in Political Philosophy  
2021 Fall      Political and Economic Philosophy  
2021 Fall      General Philosophy (Political Philosophy) (PG students)  
2021 Fall      Political Philosophy IIB: History of Political Philosophy  
2021 Spring      Morality and Convention  
2020 Fall      Political Philosophy IIB: History of Political Philosophy

#### *Virginia Tech* (as instructor)

2020 Spring Introduction to Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
2019 Fall Advanced Topics in Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
2019 Spring Advanced Topics in Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
2018 Fall Introduction to Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
2018 Spring Introduction to Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
2017 Fall Morality and Justice

*LSE* (as Guest Teacher)

2023 Spring Philosophy of Economics (5 weeks of classes)

*LSE* (as Graduate Teaching Assistant)

2016 – 2017 Reason, Knowledge and Values

2015 – 2016 Reason, Knowledge and Values

2014 – 2015 Philosophy & Public Policy

2013 – 2014 Philosophy, Morals and Politics

## **Grants and Awards**

Global Priorities Fellow 2021

Early Career Conference Programme 2020 (selected to participate by the Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford)

Policy Strategic Growth Area Grant, Virginia Tech, 2017/18, \$2500

AHRC ‘Managing Severe Uncertainty’ doctoral scholarship, 2013/16

LSE Postgraduate Travel Fund, 2014/15; 2015/16

LSE Philosophy Department Funding 2016/17

## **Selected Presentations**

Competition and Scarcity

European PPE Network Conference, University of Warwick, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Zicklin Workshop in Normative Business Ethics, University of Pennsylvania, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

What’s Wrong with Imposing Risk of Harm?

98<sup>th</sup> Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society, University of Birmingham, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Guest Lecture for OZSW Philosophy of Risk PhD Course, Eindhoven University of Technology, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

#### Artificial Agents and Risk Imposition

Leibniz Workshop on Digital Ethics, Leibniz University Hannover, 7-8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### Lotteries, Queues and Bottlenecks (with Gil Hersch)

APA Eastern Division, Montreal, 4-7<sup>th</sup> January 2023

10<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop for Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy, University of Arizona, 20-22<sup>nd</sup> October 2022

2021-22 Zicklin Workshop in Normative Business Ethics, The Carol and Lawrence Zicklin Center for Business Ethics Research, University of Pennsylvania, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

#### Intervening Agency and Enabling Evil

Work in Progress Seminar, The Yeoh Tiong Lay Centre for Politics, Philosophy and Law, King's College London, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

#### Fairness and Weighted Lotteries

Virginia Normative Ethics Workshop, Lake Anna, 13-15<sup>th</sup> March, 2020

Koç University, Turkey, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Third PPE Society Meeting or the Philosophy, Politics & Economics Society, New Orleans, 28<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Joint Session, University of Oxford, 6-8<sup>th</sup> July 2018

IX Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, University of Minho (Braga), Portugal, 11-12<sup>th</sup> June 2018

REAPP Graduate/Early Careers Conference in Moral and Political Philosophy, University of Reading, 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June 2017

London Moral and Political Philosophy Workshop, University College London, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017

#### Aiding, Complicity, and Blameworthiness

REAPP Graduate/Early Careers Conference in Moral and Political Philosophy, University of Reading, 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Junior Scholars Workshop, Stanford University, 7-9<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Brave New World, University of Manchester (MANCEPT), 20-21<sup>st</sup> June 2016

Probabilities, Methodologies, and the Evidence Base in Existential Risk Assessments

Centre for the Study of Existential Risk Research Seminar, University of Cambridge,  
July 2017 (invited)

Egalitarianism under Severe Uncertainty

14<sup>th</sup> Pavia Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy, University of Pavia, 13-14<sup>th</sup>  
September 2016

Workshop on Ethics of Social Risk, University of Montreal, September 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 2015

Society of Applied Philosophy Annual Conference, University of Edinburgh, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>  
July 2015

VI Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, University of Minho (Braga),  
Portugal, 8-9<sup>th</sup> June, 2015

Warwick Graduate Conference in Political and Legal Theory, 21<sup>st</sup> February 2015

When is it Permissible to Impose a Risk of Harm?

VII Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, University of Minho (Braga),  
Portugal, June 15-16<sup>th</sup> 2016

Risk and the Unfairness of Some Being Better Off at the Expense of Others

Warwick Graduate Conference in Political and Legal Theory, February 13<sup>th</sup> 2016

Brave New World, University of Manchester (MANCEPT), 25-26<sup>th</sup> June, 2015

A Constructivist Account of Just Limits to Market Transactions

MANCEPT Workshops in Political Theory: ‘Justice and the Market’ workshop,  
Eighth Annual Conference: August 31<sup>st</sup> - September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2011

## **Organisation**

Co-convenor, ‘Imposing Risk’ workshop at MANCEPT Workshops in Political Theory, 7-9<sup>th</sup>  
September, 2022

Co-convenor, ‘Risk and Uncertainty’ workshop at MANCEPT Workshops in Political  
Theory, Thirteenth Annual Conference, 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Co-organiser, ‘Decisions, Games and Logic’, London School of Economics, 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> June  
2015

Co-convenor, ‘Justice and Democracy’ workshop at MANCEPT Workshops in Political  
Theory, Ninth Annual Conference: 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> September 2012

## **Journal Refereeing**

*Journal of Medical Ethics; Philosophy; Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics; Analysis; Economics & Philosophy; Synthese; Utilitas; International Journal of Philosophical Studies; Public Affairs Quarterly; Philosophical Quarterly; Les Ateliers de l'éthique/The Ethics Forum; Journal of Applied Philosophy; Politics, Philosophy & Economics; Philosophia; Oxford University Press*

## **Administration**

*King's College London*

Early Career Representative

Philosophy Liaison for the Philosophy, Politics and Law undergraduate degree

Philosophy Liaison for the Philosophy, Politics and Economics undergraduate degree

Study Abroad Representative for incoming and outgoing Philosophy study abroad students

Department Visiting Speaker Organiser: 15 visiting speakers

Co-founder and co-organiser of KCL Legal, Political and Social Philosophy Reading Group  
2022