

# JOANNA SMOLENSKI

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## EDUCATION

- 2013 – Present*     **The City University of New York**, Graduate Center | New York, NY  
Ph.D., Philosophy (in progress)  
En-route M.Phil., Philosophy (2017)  
En-route M.A., Philosophy (2016)
- 2011 – 2013*     **New York University**, Graduate School of Arts and Science | New York, NY  
Completed 24 credits toward M.A., Bioethics  
*Transferred to CUNY Ph.D. program*
- 2005 – 2009*     **Columbia University**, Columbia College | New York, NY  
B.A., Philosophy (Major), *with departmental honors*  
B.A., Political Science (Concentration)  
*Magna cum laude*
- THESIS: “Why I Am *Not* A Destiny: The Implications for Nietzschean Exceptionalism  
Within the Paradox of Fatalism and Self-Creation”  
Supervisor: Taylor Carman

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

\* Total award value included, when available and \$1,000+

- 2019 - Present*     CUNY BA Advising Fellow  
The City University of New York, Baccalaureate for Unique and Individualized  
Studies (CUNY BA)  
Total Award Value: \$27,128 per academic year
- 2019 - Present*     Ethics Fellow  
Mount Sinai, Icahn School of Medicine (ISMMS)  
Total Award Value: \$5,000 per academic year
- 2019 – 2020*     Bioethics in Biopharma Fellow  
GE2P2 Global Foundation – Governance, Evidence, Ethics, Policy, Practice  
Total Stipend Value: \$7,500
- 2019 – 2020*     Doctoral Student Research Grant  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Office of Research and  
Sponsored Programs  
Total Award Value: \$1,000
- Summer 2019*     2019 Univie Summer School / Scientific World Conceptions Program on Philosophy  
and Psychiatry Half Tuition Waiver Selected Participant  
Universität Wien, Vienna, Austria
- Spring 2019*     CUNY Academy Travel Award Grant for Adjunct Faculty  
The City University of New York Academy and the Central Office of Research

- Fall 2018* Conference Presentation Support for PhD Students  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs
- 2013 – 2018* Graduate Center Fellowship  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy  
Total Award Value: \$25,000 per academic year + tuition
- 2017 – 2018* Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Fellowship  
The City University of New York, Medgar Evers College, Writing Center
- 2017 – 2018* Doctoral Student Research Grant  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs  
Total Award Value: \$1,450
- Summer 2018* 2018 CEU Summer University (SUN) Program on Moral Epistemology Full Tuition Waiver Selected Participant  
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
- Spring 2018* Travel Award for Adjunct Faculty  
The City University of New York Academy and the Central Office of Research
- Spring 2017* Conference Presentation Support for PhD Students  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs
- Spring 2016* Conference Presentation Support for PhD Students  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs
- Summer 2015* Provost's Pre-Dissertation Summer Research Award  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Provost's Office  
Total Award Value: \$4,000
- Summer 2015* 2015 Graduate Center-Humboldt University Summer Seminar Selected Participant  
Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany
- Summer 2015* 2015 Brocher Summer Academy on Ethical, Legal and Social Issues in Assisted Reproductive Technologies Selected Participant  
Fondation Brocher, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2012* Departmental Fellowship  
New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Science, Center for Bioethics  
Total Award Value: \$19,000 (approx.)
- 2012* Critical Writing Fellowship  
Recess, New York, NY
- 2005 – 2009* John Jay Scholar  
Columbia University, Columbia Undergraduate Scholars Program
- 2005 – 2009* IBM Thomas J. Watson Scholarship Recipient  
Total Award Value: \$29,200
- 2005 – 2008* Dean's List  
Columbia University, Columbia College
- 2008* FUBiS International Summer and Winter University Language Stipend Recipient  
Freie Universität, Berlin, Germany  
Total Award Value: \$2,500
- 2007 – 2008* Luce Fellow and Archivist  
Columbia University, Rare Books and Manuscripts Library
- 2006 – 2007* Herbert A. Deane Scholarship Fund Recipient  
Columbia University, Columbia College

## PUBLICATIONS

### ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

6. Smolenski, Joanna. "Gene Drives and Genome Modification in Non-Human Animals: A Concern for Informed Consent?" *Cambridge Quarterly of Healthcare Ethics* 2019 Jan; 28(1):93-99. doi: 10.1017/S0963180118000427. (invited contribution)
5. Smolenski, Joanna. "CRISPR/Cas9 and Germline Modification: New Difficulties in Obtaining Informed Consent." *The American Journal of Bioethics* 15:12 (2015): 35-37. DOI: 10.1080/15265161.2015.1103816. (invited contribution)
4. Lanphier, Edward, Fyodor Urnov, Sarah Ehlen Haecker, Michael Werner, and **Joanna Smolenski**. "Don't Edit the Human Germ Line." *Nature* 519 (2015): 410-11. Macmillan Publishers. Web. 12 Mar. 2015.

### BOOK CHAPTERS AND RESOURCES

3. Wrote ancillary resources and test bank questions for *An Introduction to Moral Philosophy*, written by Jonathan Wolff (2017).
2. Assisted the editors (John D. Arras, Elizabeth Fenton, and Rebecca Kukla) of the *Routledge Companion to Bioethics* in composing introductions that provide readers with a roadmap of the issues and papers in each major section (2015).

### WEB-BASED PUBLICATIONS

1. "Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the fairest of them all?: Erzsébet Báthory and the curative power of blood in medieval Europe." *Hektoen International: A Journal of Medical Humanities* 5:3 (Summer 2013).

### INVITED TALKS

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| 4/2019  | "Future Perfect? CRISPR and its Discontents"<br>Bioethics Club/Philosophy Colloquium Talk<br>William Paterson University<br>Wayne, NJ<br>April 9, 2019   |
| 4/2017  | "CRISPR/CAS9 – Novel ethical issues in germline modification"<br>Nassau Community College, Philosophy Club<br>Garden City, NY<br>April 18, 2017  |
| 4/2016  | Molecular Coevolution: Lessons from Pathogen-Immune System Interactions<br>Workshop<br>Princeton University, Princeton Center for Theoretical Sciences (PCTS)<br>Princeton, NJ<br>April 11-12, 2016  |
| 11/2015 | "Panel V: Editing the Human Germline ~ The Promise and the Peril" Panelist<br>2015 Advancing Ethical Research (AER) Conference<br>Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R) and Boston<br>University School of Medicine<br>Boston, MA<br>November 14, 2015 |

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### PAPERS PRESENTED

- “Gene Drives and Genome Modification in Non-Human Animals: A Concern for Informed Consent?”
- 10/2018 Irish Philosophical Society Annual Conference  
UCD Centre for Ethics in Public Life  
Dublin, Ireland  
November 8-10, 2018
- 6/2018 International Bioethics Retreat  
Columbia University Global Centers-Europe  
Paris, France  
June 27-29, 2018
- 4/2018 Bioethics & Applied Philosophy: York University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
April 12-13, 2018
- 8/2017 Genome Editing: Biomedical and Ethical Perspectives International Conference  
The Center for the Study of Bioethics, The Division of Medical Ethics in NYU School of Medicine’s Department of Population Health and The Hastings Center  
Belgrade, Serbia  
August 20-21, 2017
- “The Moralizing Effect: Self-Directed Emotions and Responsibility Attributions”  
“Are Guilt and Shame Moral or Moralizing Emotions?”  
(with Elisabetta Sirgiovanni, Ben Abelson, and Taylor Webb)
- 8/2017 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP)  
Hertfordshire, UK  
August 14-17, 2017
- 3/2017 2017 Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP) Annual Meeting  
Savannah, GA  
March 22-24, 2017
- 1/2017 2017 Hawaii University International Conferences on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education  
Honolulu, HI  
January 3-6, 2017
- “The Blame Game: Multiple Perspectives on Moral Judgment” Symposium Panelist  
(with Elisabetta Sirgiovanni, Ben Abelson, and Taylor Webb)
- 5/2017 29<sup>th</sup> Association for Psychological Science (APS) Annual Convention  
Boston, MA  
May 25-28, 2017
- “Are Contaminated Intuitions Bad Intuitions?”
- 1/2017 2017 Hawaii University International Conferences on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education  
Honolulu, HI  
January 3-6, 2017

## **POSTERS PRESENTED**

- 8/2017 “Are Contaminated Intuitions Bad Intuitions?”  
25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology  
(ESPP)  
Hertfordshire, UK  
August 14-17, 2017

## **DISCUSSANT**

- 4/2015 Commentary on Sara Kolmes, “Ego Depletion and Organ Donation”  
2015 Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP) Annual Meeting  
New Orleans, LA  
April 3, 2015

## **CAMPUS TALKS**

- 10/2016 “The Non-Identity Problem and Historical Injustice: A Non-Problem for Reparations”  
Social and Political Philosophy (SPP) Workshop  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center  
October 17, 2016
- 9/2015 “Dimensions of Moral Identity and Social Inequality: An International and  
Interdisciplinary Perspective”  
Early Research and Scholarship Conference  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center  
September 25, 2015
- 12/2008 “From Descartes to Derrida: The Changing Ontological Status of the Animal, from  
Bête-Machine to Animot”  
“Human Worlds/Animal Worlds” Graduate Student Conference  
Columbia University, Center for Archaeology  
December 5, 2008

## **PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY TALKS**

- 2/2019 “Future Perfect? CRISPR and its Discontents”  
A Night of Philosophy and Ideas  
Brooklyn Public Library and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy  
Brooklyn, NY  
February 2-3, 2019
- 2/2019 “The Dilemma Series – Duty to Report”  
A Night of Philosophy and Ideas  
Brooklyn Public Library and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy  
Brooklyn, NY  
February 2-3, 2019
- 4/2018 “Editing the Genome--How CRISPR/CAS9 is Changing the Game”  
Philosophy in the Library: The Ethics of Emerging Technologies  
Brooklyn Public Library  
Brooklyn, NY  
April 19, 2018

1/2018 “The Dilemma Series – Drawing the Line”  
A Night of Philosophy and Ideas  
Brooklyn Public Library and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy  
Brooklyn, NY  
January 27-28, 2018

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **INSTRUCTOR**

*Fall 2016 – Spring 2017* Ethics and Information Technology  
The City University of New York, John Jay College, Department of Philosophy

*Fall 2014 – Spring 2016; Spring 2017* Business & Moral Issues  
The City University of New York, Brooklyn College, Department of Philosophy

*Fall 2016* Ethics & Society  
The City University of New York, Brooklyn College, Department of Philosophy

### **TEACHING ASSISTANT**

*Fall 2019* Texts and Ideas (Sharon Street)  
New York University, The Core Curriculum of the College of Arts and Science

*Spring 2019* Central Problems in Philosophy (Ian Grubb)  
New York University, College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy

*Fall 2018* Ethics and the Environment (Dale Jamieson)  
New York University, College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Environmental Studies

*Fall 2018; Fall 2017* Introduction to Philosophy (Justin Garson)  
The City University of New York, Hunter College, Department of Philosophy

*Spring 2018* Introduction to Philosophy (Frank Kirkland)  
The City University of New York, Hunter College, Department of Philosophy

*Fall 2015* Moral Indeterminacy (S. Matthew Liao)  
New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy / Center for Bioethics

*Spring 2015* Topics in Ethics: Memory, Commemoration, and Justice (William Ruddick and Jeffrey Blustein)  
New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy / Center for Bioethics; The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy

*Spring 2015* Advanced Introduction to Environmental Ethics (David Frank)  
New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy / Center for Bioethics

*Fall 2014* Neuroethics (S. Matthew Liao)  
New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy / Center for Bioethics

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### EDITORIAL WORK

- 2/2018 – 6/2019     Managing Editor, “The Journal of Critical Care”  
The Journal of Critical Care is a peer-reviewed medical journal which covers intensive care medicine. It is the official journal of the World Federation of Societies of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine and the Society for Complex Acute Illness.
- 2/2018 – 3/2018     Provide feedback and editing services for *How God Became Good: The Spirituality of the English and American Deists*, written by Joseph Waligore.

### CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

- 4/2015     “Normativity and the Human Sciences” - The 18th Annual CUNY Graduate Student Philosophy Conference (co-organizer)  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy  
April 24-25, 2015

### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- 2019 - 2020;  
2017 – 2018     Student & Alumni Affairs Committee  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 7/2014 – 7/2016  
6/2013 – 8/2013     William Ruddick, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, Bioethics; Founding Director,  
Center for Bioethics  
New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy,  
Center for Bioethics  
Research Assistant
- 1/2015 – 3/2015     Sarah A. Haecker, Chief Scientific Officer  
Adjuvant Partners, Towson, MD  
Research Consultant
- 8/2013 - 6/2014     Iakovos Vasiliou, Executive Officer  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy  
Research Assistant
- 1/2013 - 5/2013     Lee M. Silver, Founder and Chief Science Advisor, and Anne Morriss, Founder and  
Chief Executive Officer  
GenePeeks, Inc., New York, NY  
Research Assistant and Bioethics Intern
- 8/2012 – 12/2012     Arthur L. Caplan, Drs. William F. and Virginia Connolly Mitty Chair; Director,  
Division of Medical Ethics  
New York University Langone Medical Center, Center for Bioethics  
Research Assistant

## GRADUATE COURSEWORK \*\* denotes audited course

<i>Fall 2015</i>	Logic	Lisa Warenski (CUNY)
<i>Spring 2015</i>	History of Philosophy (Plato)	Sarah Broadie (NYU)
<i>Spring 2015</i>	Aesthetic Psychology**	Jesse Prinz (CUNY)
<i>Fall 2014</i>	American Pragmatism	Peter Godfrey-Smith (CUNY)
<i>Fall 2014</i>	Justice, Memory, and Forgiveness	Jeffrey Blustein (CUNY)
<i>Spring 2014</i>	Feminist Epistemologies and Metaphysics	Linda Martin Alcoff (CUNY)
<i>Spring 2014</i>	The Philosophy of Karl Marx	Carol Gould (CUNY)
<i>Spring 2014</i>	Moral Psychology	Jesse Prinz (CUNY)
<i>Fall 2013</i>	Metaphysics	Barbara Gail Montero (CUNY)
<i>Fall 2013</i>	Proseminar	Jesse Prinz and Iakovos Vasiliou (CUNY)
<i>Fall 2013</i>	Ethics	Steven Ross (CUNY)
<i>Spring 2013</i>	Life and Death - Memory	William Ruddick (NYU)
<i>Fall 2012</i>	Moral Intuitions	S. Matthew Liao (NYU)
<i>Summer 2012</i>	Justice in Health and Healthcare	Collin O'Neil (NYU)
<i>Spring 2012</i>	Independent Study	Dale Jamieson (NYU)
<i>Spring 2012</i>	Research Ethics	Collin O'Neil (NYU)
<i>Fall 2011</i>	Life and Death	William Ruddick and Dale Jamieson (NYU)
<i>Spring 2009</i>	Wittgenstein	Katalin Makkai (Columbia)
<i>Spring 2009</i>	Modal Logic	Haim Gaifman (Columbia)
<i>Spring 2009</i>	Nietzsche	Harro Müller (Columbia)
<i>Spring 2009</i>	Preemptive Apocalyptic Thought	Michael Taussig (Columbia)
<i>Fall 2008</i>	Evolution, Altruism, and Morality	Philip Kitcher (Columbia)
<i>Fall 2008</i>	Critical Perspectives on Human-Animal Relations	Brian Boyd (Columbia)

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Polish (fluent)

German (conversational, 2 years study)

French (conversational, 8 years study)



## REFERENCES

1. Jesse Prinz - [jesse@subcortex.com](mailto:jesse@subcortex.com)  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy
2. William Ruddick - [wr2@nyu.edu](mailto:wr2@nyu.edu)  
New York University, Department of Philosophy, Center for Bioethics
3. Gary Ostertag - [gostertag@gc.cuny.edu](mailto:gostertag@gc.cuny.edu)  
The City University of New York, Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy