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EMPLOYMENT

Health Ethics Center, The University of California, Los Angeles August 2021 -
 Senior Clinical Ethics Fellow (2022 - Present)
 Clinical Ethics Fellow (2021 – 2022)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. The Graduate Center, City University of New York September 2021
 Philosophy (M.Phil., 2017; M.A., 2016)
 Dissertation: *Informed Consent: Foundations and Applications*
 Committee: David Papineau (supervisor), Miranda Fricker,
 Jesse Prinz

B.A. Columbia College, Columbia University May 2009
 Philosophy (major), with departmental honors; Political Science (concentration)
 John Jay Scholar, Dean's List (Fall 2005 – Fall 2008), *magna cum laude*

RESEARCH INTERESTS

AOS Clinical Ethics, Bioethics, Ethics
AOC Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Psychiatry, Feminist Philosophy

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Seattle Children's Treuman Katz Center for Pediatric Bioethics Conference July 2022
Scholarship, 17th Annual Pediatric Bioethics Conference, Seattle, WA
Ethics Fellow, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (\$5,000 pa) 2019 - 2021
Associate Fellow, GE2P2 Global Foundation – Governance, Evidence, 2020 - 2021
 Ethics, Policy, Practice
CUNY BA Fellow, Baccalaureate for Unique and Individualized Spring 2019 - Summer 2020
 Studies, CUNY (\$27,128 pa)
Bioethics in Biopharma Fellow, GE2P2 Global Foundation (\$7,500) 2019 - 2020
Doctoral Student Research Grant, Office of Research and Sponsored 2019 - 2020
 Programs, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$1,000)
Visiting Fellow, Project Biouncertainty, Interdisciplinary Centre for Ethics, January 2020
 Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland (~\$1,300)
Conference Presentation Support, Office of the Vice President for Spring 2016, 2017
 Student Affairs, The Graduate Center, CUNY Fall 2018, 2019
Univie Summer School Stipend, USS Scientific World Conceptions Program Summer 2019
 on Philosophy and Psychiatry, Vienna Circle Society, Universität Wien
Travel Award Grant for Adjunct Faculty, CUNY Academy and the Central Spring 2018, 2019
 Office of Research
CEU Summer University Full Tuition Scholarship, Program on Moral Summer 2018
 Epistemology, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
Writing Across the Curriculum Fellow, Writing Center, Medgar Evers 2017 - 2018
 College, CUNY

Doctoral Student Research Grant , Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$1,450)	2017 - 2018
Graduate Center Fellow , The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$25,000 pa)	2013 - 2018
Provost's Pre-Dissertation Summer Research Award , Provost's Office, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$4,000)	Summer 2015
Humboldt-GC Summer School Funded Participant , Humboldt University, The Graduate Center, CUNY, Berlin, Germany (~\$2,000)	Summer 2015
Departmental Fellow , Center for Bioethics, NYU (~\$19,000)	2012
Critical Writing Fellow , Recess Art, New York, NY	2012
John Jay Scholar , John Jay National Scholars Program (~2% of students per graduating class), Columbia Undergraduate Scholars Program (~\$85,500)	2005 - 2009
IBM Thomas J. Watson Scholarship (~\$29,200)	2005 - 2009
FUBiS Language Stipend , Freie Universität Berlin internationale Sommerschule, Germanic Society of America and Max Kade Foundation (\$2,500)	Summer 2008
Luce Fellow and Archivist , Rare Books and Manuscripts Library, Columbia University	2007 - 2008
Herbert A. Deane Scholarship , Columbia College, Columbia University	2006 - 2007

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

UCLA HEALTH AND DAVID GEFFEN SCHOOL OF MEDICINE:

CLINICAL ETHICS CONSULTATIONS

Consults with Lead or Active Role: ~215

Tasks: 24/7 Pager coverage, Formal chart notes, Verbal advice, Patient/family meetings, Ethics committee review, Interdisciplinary team meetings, Informal written recommendations, Intakes, Clinical summaries, Chart review, Team follow-up, Outside referrals.

Issues Addressed: Futility, Unilateral treatment limitations, Incapable and unrepresented patient care, Surrogate decision-making, Capacity, Consent, Involuntary treatment, Emergency treatment, Confidentiality and information disclosure, Complex goals of care, Inappropriate surrogate behavior, Discharge planning, Moral distress, Advance care planning, End of life care, Brain death, Decision-maker uncertainty, Challenging patients or surrogates, Medical holds, Organ donation.

Teams Advised: Medicine, Intensive Care, Geriatrics, Psychiatry, Pediatrics, Neuro Critical Care, Coronary Care, Cardiothoracic Surgery and Intensive Care, Transplant Intensivists, Neonatal and Pediatric Intensive Care, Surgical Intensive Care, Neurosurgery, Neurology, Neuro-Stroke, Liver Transplant, Advance Lung Disease, Trauma Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Head and Neck Surgery, Hematology Oncology, Radiation Oncology, Emergency Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Anesthesiology, Palliative Care, Social Work, Risk Management, Outpatient Teams, Primary Care Providers.

ACADEMIC LECTURES

“Capacity and Decision-Making” Doctorate of Nursing Practice Student Lecture	November 2022
“Consent and Capacity” MS 1 Skills Workshop - Scientific Foundations of Medicine (2x)	August 2022
“Introducing the Foundations of Capacity” MS 1 Capacity Seminar - Scientific Foundations of Medicine	July 2022
“Reproductive Medicine & the Physician's Conscience” MS 2 Block 8 Lecture - Ethical Foundations of Medicine	December 2021

CLINICAL LECTURES

“Professional Ethics” Ethics Didactics (3x) Nursing Residency Program, UCLA Center for Nursing Excellence	October 2022
“Decision-Making Capacity” Ethics Didactics (monthly, biweekly starting July 2022) Residency Program, UCLA Department of Medicine, Division of Geriatrics	February 2022 -
“Surrogate Decision Making for Unrepresented Patients” “Intersectionality in Clinical Medicine” “The Abusive Patient: Where Do You Draw the Line?” “Rethinking Disability: The Social Model of Disability and Chronic Disease” Ethics Center Journal Club (~bimonthly)	January 2022 -

COMMITTEE SERVICE

Ronald Reagan Medical Center Ethics Committee	August 2021 -
Santa Monica Hospital Ethics Committee	August 2021 -
Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital Ethics Committee	August 2021 -
Cardiothoracic Transplant Program – Pediatric Selection Committee* <i>*observational basis</i>	February 2022 -

COMMITTEE EDUCATION

Led the development of a comprehensive ethics training program for existing and incoming Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital Ethics Committee members. This effort included performing an assessment of educational needs, producing pedagogical materials on relevant ethical issues, and the establishment of a Psychiatric Ethics Journal Club.

POLICY WORK

REPORTS PREPARED

AMA Discharge Policy

Prepared a memorandum analyzing the proposed revisions to the Health System’s “Leaving the Hospital Against Medical Advice (AMA)” Policy, also referred to as the AMA discharge policy.

TOPICS OF POLICIES REVIEWED

Withdrawing or withholding medically inappropriate life-sustaining treatment, End of Life Options Act (EOLOA), Obtaining and documenting informed consent, Identifying surrogate decision-makers, Decision-making for incapable, unrepresented patients, Emergency treatment exception, Ethics consultation services and Ethics Committee protocols.

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GRANT-FUNDED RESEARCH

“Establishing a Masters Program in Research Ethics at the University of Belgrade School of Medicine” PI: Rosamond Rhodes, Ivanka Markovic Fogarty International Center, NIH	2020-2021
“Establishing a Masters Program in Research Ethics and Methodology in Cluj-Napoca, Romania” PI: Rosamond Rhodes, Horatiu Alexandru Colosi Fogarty International Center, NIH	2020-2021

TEACHING ASSISTANCE

Surgery-Anesthesiology

Psychiatry

Ambulatory Care-Geriatrics

Emergency Medicine

InFocus 7

The Art and Science of Medicine (ASM) Years 1 and 2

Clerkship Didactics – Ethics Sessions

August 2019 – May 2021

Practicum and Capstone Assessment

BIE Intensive Courses

June 2020, May 2021

TRAINING

Clinical Ethics Practicum

June 2019

RESEARCH

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- [7] “Gene Drives and Genome Modification in Non-Human Animals: A Concern for Informed Consent?” *Cambridge Quarterly of Healthcare Ethics* (2019) 28(1), 93-99. doi: 10.1017/S0963180118000427 (invited contribution)
- [6] “CRISPR/Cas9 and Germline Modification: New Difficulties in Obtaining Informed Consent” *The American Journal of Bioethics* (2015) 15:12, 35-37. doi: 10.1080/15265161.2015.1103816 (invited contribution)
- [5] “Don’t Edit the Human Germ Line” *Nature* (2015) 519: 410-411. Co-authors: Edward Lanphier, Fyodor Urnov, Sarah Ehlen Haecker, and Michael Werner.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND RESOURCES

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

WEB-BASED PUBLICATIONS

- [2] “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).
- [1] “Handicapped Spaces: Disability, Identity Politics, and Embodiment in Collaborative Artwork” *Recess Sessions* (December 2012). Written in Parallel with Artists Yve Laris Cohen and Park McArthur.

IN PROGRESS

ARTICLES

- “Germline Gene Editing and the Limits of Informed Consent”
- “Indirect Consent and Jehovah’s Witnesses”
- “Informed Consent and Bodily Self-Sovereignty”
- “Psychiatric Care and Epistemic Injustice”
- “ECMO and Medical Futility”
- “Invincible Indecision and Decisional Capacity”

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- “The Comparative Effectiveness of Synchronous and Asynchronous Online Bioethics Lecture Delivery on Student Learning in Discussion Board Posts”
(with Jenny Schiff, Michael Greer, Ryan Felder, Julia Kolak, Kyle Ferguson, Paul Cummins & Rosamond Rhodes)
Fogarty Reunion Retreat July 2022
University of Belgrade, Serbia
- “The Abusive Patient”
Translational Endocrinology Conference June 2022
Division of Endocrinology, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
- “Future Perfect? CRISPR and its Discontents”
The Future of Humanity Panel, World Philosophy Day (Zoom) November 2021
Mercy College, Dobbs Ferry, NY
- Bioethics Club and Philosophy Colloquium Talk April 2019
William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ
- “The Conceptual Underpinnings of Informed Consent”
Talk cancelled, due to COVID-19 March 2020
Center for Biomedical Ethics and Law, University of Tokyo
- “Germline Gene Editing and the Limits of Informed Consent”
Ethics Research Seminar January 2020
Interdisciplinary Centre for Ethics, Jagiellonian University
- “Informed Consent and Psychiatric Disorder”
Medical Practice and Epistemic Injustice Workshop October 2019
The Graduate Center, CUNY
- “Problem Statement – Access/Equity/Affordability”
Gene Therapies – Bioethics Challenges and Solutions Closed Workshop October 2019
The New York Academy of Sciences, New York, NY
- “CRISPR/Cas9 – Novel Ethical Issues in Germline Modification”
Philosophy Club Lecture April 2017
Nassau Community College, Garden City, NY
- Molecular Coevolution: Lessons from Pathogen-Immune System Interactions Workshop April 2016
Princeton Center for Theoretical Sciences, Princeton University
- “Panel V: Editing the Human Germline – The Promise and the Peril” Panelist
Advancing Ethical Research (AER) Annual Conference November 2015
Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R) and Boston
University School of Medicine
- “Dimensions of Moral Identity and Social Inequality: An International and Interdisciplinary Perspective”
Early Research and Scholarship Conference September 2015
The Graduate Center, CUNY
- “From Descartes to Derrida: The Changing Ontological Status of the Animal, from Bête-Machine to Animot”
Human Worlds/Animal Worlds Graduate Student Conference December 2008
Center for Archaeology, Columbia University

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

- “Epistemic Injustice and Informed Consent in Psychiatry”
Diversity and Bioethics - 34th Conference of the European Society for Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care (ESPMH) August 2022
Warsaw, Poland

International Association of Bioethics World Congress of Bioethics (WCB) Virtual presentation, due to COVID-19	June 2020
Oxford-Mount Sinai Consortium on Bioethics 29 th Annual Meeting Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, NY Conference cancelled, due to COVID-19	April 2020
Experts in Mental Health – 21 st Annual Conference of the International Network for Philosophy and Psychiatry (INPP) Warsaw, Poland	October 2019
“The Comparative Effectiveness of Synchronous and Asynchronous Online Bioethics Lecture Delivery on Student Learning in Discussion Board Posts” (with Jenny Schiff, Michael Greer, Ryan Felder, Julia Kolak, Kyle Ferguson, Paul Cummins & Rosamond Rhodes)	
37 th Annual Conference of the European Association of Centres of Medical Ethics (EACME) (Zoom) Iuliu Hatieganu University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania	September 2021
“Development of an Innovative Rubric to Evaluate Student Learning in Discussion Board Posts within a Study Comparing Synchronous and Asynchronous Online Bioethics Lecture Delivery” (with Jenny Schiff, Michael Greer, Ryan Felder, Julia Kolak, Kyle Ferguson, Paul Cummins & Rosamond Rhodes)	
Asian Pacific Bioethics Education Network (APBEN) (Zoom) Deakin University, Australia	May 2021
“Gene Drives and Genome Modification in Non-Human Animals: A Concern for Informed Consent?” Irish Philosophical Society Annual Conference Centre for Ethics in Public Life, University College Dublin	
International Bioethics Retreat Columbia University Global Centers-Europe, Paris, France	June 2018
Bioethics & Applied Philosophy: York University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada	April 2018
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, The Hastings Center, Belgrade, Serbia	August 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)	
25 th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP) Hertfordshire, UK	August 2017
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP) Annual Meeting Savannah, GA	March 2017
Hawaii University International Conferences on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education Honolulu, HI	January 2017
“The Blame Game: Multiple Perspectives on Moral Judgment” Symposium Panelist (with Elisabetta Sirgiovanni, Ben Abelson, and Taylor Webb)	
29 th Association for Psychological Science (APS) Annual Convention Boston, MA	May 2017
“Are Contaminated Intuitions Bad Intuitions?” Hawaii University International Conferences on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education Honolulu, HI	

“The Non-Identity Problem and Historical Injustice: A Non-Problem for Reparations”
Social and Political Philosophy (SPP) Workshop
The Graduate Center, CUNY
October 2016

CHAIRED SESSIONS

“Session 3.2: Sex and Gender” (invited)
Diversity and Bioethics - 34th Conference of the European Society for
Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care (ESPMH)
Warsaw, Poland
August 2022

COMMENTARIES

On Eleonore Neufeld and Junhyo Lee’s “Pornography, Discourse, and Desires”
American Philosophical Association (APA) Eastern Division meeting
Virtual presentation, due to COVID-19
January 2021

On Sara Kolmes’s “Ego Depletion and Organ Donation”
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP) Annual Meeting
New Orleans, LA
April 2015

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

“Are Contaminated Intuitions Bad Intuitions?”
25th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP)
Hertfordshire, UK
August 2017

AS RESEARCHER / RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Be Better, Together – Japanese Studies Curriculum Development
and Building Bridges Across CUNY Project
Research Foundation CUNY
September 2020 - February 2021

Professor William Ruddick
Philosophy Department, Center for Bioethics, NYU
Summer 2013; July 2014 - July 2016

Sarah A. Haecker, Chief Scientific Officer
Adjuvant Partners, Towson, MD
January 2015 - March 2015

Professor Iakovos Vasiliou, Executive Officer
Philosophy Department, The Graduate Center, CUNY
August 2013 - June 2014

Dr. Lee M. Silver, Founder and Chief Science Advisor, and Anne
Morriss, Founder and CEO
GenePeeks, Inc., New York, NY
January 2013 - May 2013

Professor Arthur L. Caplan, Drs. William F. and Virginia Connolly
Mitty Professor of Bioethics, Department of Population Health
Division of Medical Ethics, NYU Grossman School of Medicine
August 2012 - December 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

AS LEAD INSTRUCTOR

JOHN JAY COLLEGE, CUNY
Ethics and Law
Ethics and Information Technology
Spring 2021
Fall 2016 - Spring 2017

BROOKLYN COLLEGE, CUNY
Business and Moral Issues
Ethics and Society
Fall 2014 - Spring 2016; Spring 2017
Fall 2016

AS TEACHING ASSISTANT

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE, NYU

Environment and Society (David Kanter)

Spring 2021

Texts and Ideas (Sharon Street)

Fall 2019

Central Problems in Philosophy (Ian Grubb)

Spring 2019

Ethics and the Environment (Dale Jamieson)

Fall 2018

HUNTER COLLEGE, CUNY

Introduction to Philosophy (Justin Garson)

Fall 2017, 2018, 2020

Introduction to Philosophy (Frank Kirkland)

Spring 2018

SOPHIE DAVIS BIOMEDICAL SCHOOL, SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, CUNY

Introduction to Biomedical Ethics (Katherine Mendis)

Summer 2020; Fall 2020

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCE, NYU

Moral Indeterminacy (S. Matthew Liao)

Fall 2015

Topics in Ethics: Memory, Commemoration, and Justice (William Ruddick and
and Jeffrey Blustein, The Graduate Center, CUNY)

Spring 2015

Advanced Introduction to Environmental Ethics (David Frank)

Spring 2015

Neuroethics (S. Matthew Liao)

Fall 2014

PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY

“Future Perfect? CRISPR and its Discontents”

“The Dilemma Series – Duty to Report”

A Night of Philosophy and Ideas

February 2019

Brooklyn Public Library and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy

“Editing the Genome – How CRISPR/Cas9 is Changing the Game”

Philosophy in the Library: The Ethics of Emerging Technologies

April 2018

Brooklyn Public Library

“The Dilemma Series – Drawing the Line”

A Night of Philosophy and Ideas

January 2018

Brooklyn Public Library and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

Effective Practices for Hybrid Education Workshop

June 2021

Department of Online Education and Support, John Jay College, CUNY

Microcredential in Promoting Active Learning Online

April 2021

Association of College and University Educators (ACUE)

ePortfolio Faculty Development Program

Fall 2016

Teaching & Learning Center, John Jay College, CUNY

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

EDITORIAL WORK

Managing Editor: *Journal of Critical Care*

February 2018 - June 2019

Feedback and Editing Services: *How God Became Good: The Spirituality of the
English and American Deists* (Joseph Waligore)

February - March 2018

Journal Referee: *Episteme*

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Student and Alumni Affairs Committee Member, Philosophy Program, 2017 - 2018; 2019 - 2021
The Graduate Center, CUNY
Normativity and the Human Sciences – 18th Annual CUNY Graduate Student April 2015
Philosophy Conference (co-organizer)

LANGUAGES

Polish (Fluent); German (conversational, 2 years study); French (conversational, 8 years study)

REFERENCES

James A. Hynds, LL.B., M.Th., Ph.D. (fellowship director)
Interim Associate Director
Senior Clinical Ethicist
UCLA Health Ethics Center
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David Papineau, Ph.D. (dissertation supervisor)
Professor of Philosophy of Science
King's College London
Visiting Presidential Professor of Philosophy
The Graduate Center, CUNY
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Clinical Ethicist, Ethics Center
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Clinical Instructor, Department of Pediatrics
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TEACHING REFERENCE

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