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AOS Ancient Philosophy

AOC History of Philosophy, Ethics

EDUCATION

- 2021 Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Arizona (UA), with a graduate minor in Classics
Dissertation: *Virtue of Character in Aristotle's Eudemean Ethics*, supervisor: Julia Annas
Committee: Friedemann Buddensiek, Mark Timmons, and Houston Smit
- 2019–20 Fulbright Fellow, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2018 M.A. in Philosophy, University of Arizona
- 2017 Visiting Postgraduate Student, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge
- 2016 Visiting Student, Philosophy Department, University of Pennsylvania
- 2014 The Greek Workshop, University of California, Berkeley (summer)
- 2012 Teaching Certificate, Delta State University
- 2012 B.A. in Philosophy and Mathematics, both “with distinction,” St. Olaf College
Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa member, Ringstad Prize for best philosophy essay
Rhodes Fellowship National Finalist as a graduating senior, in 2012

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2023– Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Lisbon
- 2023, Spr. University Lecturer, University of Bergen
- 2022, Fall University Lecturer, University of Oslo
- 2022, Spr. Private Tutor in Norwegian, Oslo
- 2021–22 Visiting Researcher, University of Oslo
- 2021, Sep. Invited Researcher, Jubilee Centre for Character & Virtue, University of Birmingham

PUBLICATIONS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

- Under rev. “Pleasure, Habit, and Virtue in the *Eudemean Ethics*” (title modified)
- In progress “Habit in the *Eudemean Ethics*: II.2, 1220a39–b7”
- In progress “A New Stylometric Analysis of the Problem of the Common Books”

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2019–20 Fulbright Fellowship, U.S. Student Program, at the Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
- 2014–20 Ancient Philosophy Research Fellowship, UA (\$20K per year with half-time teaching)
- 2015–19 Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies (\$7K per year for research)
- 2014–19 Conference Travel Grants, Department of Philosophy / Society for Classical Studies (UA)
- 2015 Research and Project Grant, UA Student Council (\$2K for German courses in Berlin)

TEACHING RECOGNITION

- 2020 Outstanding Graduate Teacher, College of Social & Behavioral Sciences, UA
2019 Julia Annas Graduate Teaching Award, Department of Philosophy, UA
2016, 2017 Green Leaf Award for holistic impact on a high school student's education

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Lisbon

2023, Fall Ancient and Medieval Philosophy *joint seminar leader*

University of Bergen: Universitetslektor (University Lecturer)

2023, Spr. History of Philosophy to the Enlightenment *seminar leader*
Examen Philosophicum (three sections) *seminar leader*

University of Oslo: Universitetslektor (University Lecturer)

2022, Fall Ancient Theories of Knowledge (MA-level) *course creator, instructor of record*
Examen Philosophicum *seminar leader*

Private Tutor

2022, Spr. Norwegian (A2–B1 level)

University of Arizona: Instructor of Record, also responsible for course creation

2020 Plato's *Timaeus* *online, upper-level course*
2019 Virtue and Knowledge in Plato and Aristotle *flipped classroom model*
2018 Ancient Ethics *team-based learning model*
2017 Environmental Ethics *online, upper-level course*

University of Arizona: Graduate Teaching Assistant

2015 The Philosophy of Happiness
2014 The Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation

Knox Central High School, Kentucky: High School Mathematics Teacher, 35 live hours per day

2012–14 Algebra II, Geometry, Algebra I, Pre-Algebra *responsible for textbook creation*

TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS

- 2023 Completed UPED600: Introduction to University Teaching and Course Design (24 hours) from the University of Bergen's Program for University Pedagogy (course in Norwegian)
2014–21 Graduate teacher training from the University of Arizona Philosophy Department and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Voluntary participation in Faculty Learning Communities during two semesters
2012 Provisional teaching certificate (for US secondary education), Delta State University
Summer program in pedagogy administered by Teach for America (Appalachia Region)

LANGUAGES

English	Native speaker
Norwegian	B2–C1, teaching proficiency (B2 certificate in speaking, writing, listening, and reading from Kompetanse Norge, April 2023)
German, French, and Spanish	B1, including academic reading proficiency
Ancient Greek	Advanced reading proficiency
Latin	Intermediate reading proficiency
Old Norse	Basic reading proficiency

PRESENTATIONS

Invited conference papers since 2016

- 2024 Colloquium paper on the *Eudemian Ethics*, Eastern APA, New York City, New York.
- 2023 “Is Phronêsis Merely Instrumental?,” Aretai Center Annual Conference, “Phronesis, Virtues, and Meta-Virtues.” Genoa.
“The Development of Character in the *Eudemian Ethics*,” “Themes in Aristotle’s *Eudemian Ethics*,” Renmin University of China Conference in Ancient Philosophy V, Beijing.
“Nature and Goodness in Aristotle’s Moral Psychology,” Bergen Ancient Philosophy Society annual conference, University of Bergen.
“Developmental continuity and criteria for virtue in Aristotle,” “Ancient & Contemporary Virtue Ethics” workshop, University of Agder.
“The Development of Character in the *Eudemian Ethics*,” Keeling Graduate and Early Career Conference, University College London.
- 2021 “Character in the *Eudemian Ethics*,” Jubilee Centre for Character and Virtue, University of Birmingham, England.
“The *Eudemian Ethics* on Becoming Virtuous,” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (SAGP) meeting at the Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association’s (APA), held online.
- 2020 “Separating the *NE* and the *EE*?,” Eastern APA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2019 “Stylometry and the Common Books,” Texas Ancient Philosophy Workshop.
- 2018 “Aristotelian Vice is Not a Conflicted State,” Pacific APA, San Diego, California.
- 2017 “The Punishment of the Soul in Plotinus’ *Enneads*,” Central APA, Kansas City, Missouri.
- 2016 “The Punishment of the Descending Soul in Plotinus’ *Enneads*,” 34th Annual Joint Meeting of the SAGP and the Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science, Fordham University, New York City.
“Two Forms of Stoic Cosmopolitanism,” Boston University Graduate Conference.

Internal seminar and workshop papers since 2016

- 2021 “Virtue of Character in Aristotle’s *Eudemian Ethics*,” Ancient Philosophy Workshop, University of Oslo.
“Care Ethics as Humanized Virtue Theory,” Practical Ethics Group, University of Oslo.
- 2018 “Aristotelian Vice is Not a Conflicted State,” Students Working at Presenting Graduate Student Colloquium, University of Arizona (UA).

- 2017 “*Prohairesis* in Aristotle’s Ethics,” Cambridge University Graduate Student Colloquium, Faculty of Classics, Cambridge University, England.
- 2016 “Character Formation and Empirical Psychology in Contemporary Virtue Ethics,” Ethics Breakfast Working Group at the University of Pennsylvania.
 “Two Forms of Stoic Cosmopolitanism,” Graduate Seminar Presentation, UA.
 “Aristotle and Aquinas on the Forms of Justice,” Taught Course Presentation, UA.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Philosophical Association
 Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy
 Phi Beta Kappa

PROJECT, CONFERENCE, AND JOURNAL ADMINISTRATION

- 2020 Deputy Editor, *Social Philosophy & Policy*
- 2014–20 Editorial Assistant, *Social Philosophy & Policy*, for journal issues and conferences:
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| 38:1 | <i>Administrative State</i> | 2019 conference in Tucson, Arizona |
| 37:2 | <i>Freedom of Thought</i> | 2019 conference in Park City, Utah |
| 37:1 | <i>Origins of Political Economy</i> | 2018 conference in Tucson, Arizona |
| 36:1 | <i>Moral Responsibility</i> | 2017 conference in Tucson, Arizona |
| 35:1 | <i>Norms</i> | 2016 conference in Tucson, Arizona |
| 34:2 | <i>Progress</i> | 2016 conference in Los Angeles, California |
| 33:1–2 | <i>Ideal Theory</i> (double issue) | 2015 conference in Tucson, Arizona |
| 32:2 | <i>The Morality of Aggression</i> | 2014 conference in Tucson, Arizona |

SERVICE

Subject specialist consultant (volunteer)

- 2022 Universitetsforlag, editing philosophical material in Norwegian for Exphil-site Kunne.net

Referee

- 2022 *Journal of Moral Education*
- 2020, 21 *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*
- 2019 *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*
- 2019 Feminist Philosophy Conference, University of Arizona

Conference session chair

- 2018 Conference on Aristotle’s *Eudemian* and *Nicomachean Ethics*, Dublin, Ireland
 American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division meeting, San Diego, California
- 2016 Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy annual meeting, New York City
 Ancient Philosophy Symposium, Pacific APA, San Francisco, California

TECHNICAL COMPETENCE

Online learning platforms	Canvas, D2L Brightspace, Moodle, OLAT, and Cambridge LMS
Web development	CSS, HTML, JavaScript, PHP, and SQL
Video recording software	Experience with lecture recording and editing (samples on website)
Software development	C++, C#, GNU Bash, Java, Perl, Python, and R
Mathematics and logic	B.A. in mathematics, with logic and computer science components
Digital humanities tools	Classical Language Toolkit, R's stylo package, general competence
Office tools (PC/Mac/cloud)	Extensive professional and personal use of a wide range of software

REFERENCES

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**Referanse om norskspråklig evne: disse er fakultetskontakter jeg har kommunisert jevnlig med på norsk da jeg var tilsatt ved Universitetet i Oslo og Universitetet i Bergen.*