Gregory Conti

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Politics (with tenure), Princeton University, 2024-Assistant Professor of Politics, Princeton University, 2018-24

Laurance S. Rockefeller University Preceptor, 2022-25

Research Fellow, Jesus College, University of Cambridge: 2016-18

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Ph.D., Government, 2016; A.M., Government, 2012 Dissertation: "The Politics of Diversity in Nineteenth-Century Britain"

The University of Chicago, B.A., English Literature, 2009.

BOOKS

Monographs:

Parliament the Mirror of the Nation: Representation, Deliberation, and Democracy in Victorian Britain, Cambridge University Press (Ideas in Context series), 2019.

Edited Volumes:

John Stuart Mill: Writings on Representative Government and Parliamentary Reform, Hackett Publishing, in production

Albert Venn Dicey: Writings on Democracy and the Referendum, Cambridge University Press (Texts in the History of Political Thought series), 2023.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- "Charles Dupont-White: An Idiosyncratic Nineteenth-Century Theorist on Speech, State, and John Stuart Mill," *Global Intellectual History*, vol. 8, no. 1 (2023): 1-46.
- "James Fitzjames Stephen's Other Enemies: Catholicism and Positivism in *Liberty, Equality, Fraternity* and Beyond," *History of European Ideas*, vol. 47, no. 7 (2021): 1109-49.
- "L'âme générale d'une assemblée': A Neglected Parliamentarian and the Restoration Theory of Representation," *Global Intellectual History*, vol. 6, no. 6 (2021): 826-859.

- "John Stuart Mill and Modern Liberalism: A Study in Contrasts," *Constellations: An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*, vol. 28, no. 3 (2021): 379-402.
- "How to Read James Fitzjames Stephen: Technocracy and Pluralism in a Misunderstood Victorian," American Political Science Review, vol. 115, no. 3 (2021): 1034-1047.
- "Inegalitarian Inclusivity: A Reading of JS Mill's Mature Theory of Representation and Electoral Institutions in Context," *History of Political Thought*, vol. 42, no. 1 (2021): 98-130.
- "Ostrogorski Before and After: Three Critical Views of Parties and Elites," *Constellations: An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*, vol. 27, no. 2 (2020): 169-84.
- "Democracy Confronts Diversity: Descriptive Representation in Victorian Britain," *Political Theory*, vol. 47, no. 2 (2019): 230-57.
- "Representative Institutions and the Question of Lefortian Democracy," *The Tocqueville Review/La revue Tocqueville*, vol. 39, no. 2 (2018): 135-63.
- "The Other Side of Representation: The History and Theory of Representative Government in Pierre Rosanvallon," *Constellations: An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory*, vol. 23, no. 4 (2016): 548-62. Co-authored with Will Selinger.
- "Jean Barbeyrac, Supererogation, and the Search for a Safe Religion," *Modern Intellectual History*, vol. 13, no. 1 (2016): 1-31.
- "James Fitzjames Stephen, John Stuart Mill, and the Victorian Theory of Toleration," *History of European Ideas*, vol. 42, no. 3 (2016): 364-98.
- "What's Not in *On Liberty*: The Pacific Theory of Free Discussion in the Early Nineteenth Century," *Journal of British Studies*, vol. 55, no. 1 (2016): 57-75.
- "The Receptions of Élie Halévy's Formation du Radicalisme Philosophique in England and France," Modern Intellectual History, vol. 12, no. 1 (2015): 197-218. Co-authored with Cheryl Welch.
- "Reappraising Walter Bagehot's Liberalism: Discussion, Public Opinion, and the Meaning of Parliamentary Government," *History of European Ideas*, vol. 41, no. 2 (2015): 264-91. Co-authored with Will Selinger.
- "Lockean Toleration and the Victim's Perspective," *European Journal of Political Theory*, vol. 14, no. 1 (2015): 76-97.
- "Hume's Low Road to Toleration," History of Political Thought, vol. 36, no. 1 (2015): 165-91.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

- "Introduction," to John Stuart Mill: Writings on Representative Government and Parliamentary Reform (Hackett Publishing, forthcoming): 5-102.
- "The Structure of Anti-Democratic Thought in Nineteenth-Century Britain," The Cambridge History of

- *Democracy*, vol. 3, eds. Christopher Meckstroth and Samuel Moyn (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming)
- "Introduction," to Albert Venn Dicey: Writings on Democracy and the Referendum, ed. Conti (Cambridge University Press, 2023): viii-l.
- "On the Nadir of Natural Rights Theory in Nineteenth-Century Britain," *The Cambridge History of Rights*, vol. 4, eds. Dan Edelstein and Jennifer Pitts (Cambridge University Press, 2025): 299-322.
- "Plural Voting and Popular Government in Victorian Britain," in *People Power: Popular Sovereignty from Machiavelli to Modernity*, eds. Chris Barker and Robert Ingram (Manchester University Press, 2022): 182-203.
- "Before and Beyond On Liberty: Samuel Bailey and the Nineteenth-Century Theory of Free Speech," in Freedom of Speech, 1500-1850, eds. Alex Barber, Robert Ingram, Jason Peacey (Manchester University Press, 2020): 211-35.
- "Democracy and the Press in Rosanvallon's Historiography," in *Pierre Rosanvallon's Political Thought: Interdisciplinary Approaches*, eds. Oliver Flügel-Martinsen, Franziska Martinsen, Stephen Sawyer, Daniel Schulz (Bielefeld/Columbia University Press, 2019), 133-57.

REVIEW ESSAYS

- "Liberalism and Equality," American Affairs, vol. 8, no. 3 (2024): 172-94.
- "In What Senses Should We See John Stuart Mill as a Socialist?," *History of European Ideas*, vol. 49, no. 1 (2023): 176-8.
- "A Response to the Roundtable: Politics, History, and JS Mill in *Parliament the Mirror of the Nation*," in *History of European Ideas*, vol. 49, no. 1 (2023): 169-73.
- "The English Utilitarians, Some Recent Reconsiderations," Review of Politics, vol. 84, no. 4 (2022): 613-29.
- "Some Quasi-Methodological Reflections," in *Tocqueville Review* Roundtable "Parliamentary Thinking," 4 Aug. 2021 https://tocqueville21.com/Blog/focus/parliamentary-thinking.
- "James Fitzjames Stephen and the Landscape of Victorian Political Thought," *Modern Intellectual History*, vol. 18, no. 1 (2021): 261-74.
- "Response," in H-Diplo Roundtable XXI-49, 3 July 2020 https://hdiplo.org/to/RT21-49: 21-9.
- "The Lost History of Political Liberalism," *History of European Ideas*, vol. 46, no. 3 (2020): 341-54. Co-authored with Will Selinger.

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

Books

Liberal Disaffection and the Rise of Democracy: The Political Thought of Albert Venn Dicey

Elites and Equality in Liberalism: Then and Now

Articles and Chapters

- "John Stuart Mill on Democracy and Parliamentary Government, 1830-40" (for *Democracy and Its Pathologies*, eds. Jeffrey Church and Alexander Duff)
- "Albert Venn Dicey on Democracy and the Historical Trajectory of the British Constitution" (for *Constitutionalism and Political Thought*, eds. Felix Waldmann and Samuel Zeitlin)

OTHER EDITORIAL WORK

- Edition of Sungho Kimlee, "Rousseau on Multiplying Partial Associations," *History of European Ideas*, vol. 49, no. 3 (2023): 589-606. Co-edited with Will Selinger.
- Translation of Claude Lefort, "Democracy and Representation" ("Démocratie et représentation"), in *The Constructivist Turn in Political Representation*, eds. Lisa Disch, Mathijs van de Sande, Nadia Urbinati (Edinburgh Univ Press, 2019): 104-17.
- Translation of Bernard Manin, "Political Deliberation and the Adversarial Principle" ("Délibération politique et principe du contradictoire"), *Daedalus*, vol. 146, no. 3 (2017): 39-50.

PUBLIC WRITING

I write regularly for general audiences, usually regarding free speech, the history of liberalism, political ideologies past and present, and the state of universities. These can be found among other outlets in *Compact, City Journal, The Chronicle of Higher Education*, and *Persuasion*. My articles have frequently been selected by *Arts & Letters Daily*, *Real Clear Politics*, and other curators as examples of the best cultural and political writing online. Please contact me if you would like a list of public writings.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- "Albert Venn Dicey's Late Constitutionalism and the History of 'Reform"
 - o CRASSH, the Univ. of Cambridge, 6 June 2025
- "Navigating the Tenure Process in the Social Sciences"
 - o Princeton Univ. Dean of Faculty Panel, 25 Mar. 2025
- "Academic Freedom: Can the Argument be Stronger?" (with Oliver Traldi)
 - o FIRE Faculty Network Conference, Boston, 26 Oct. 2024
- "Conservatives, Professionalization, and the Academy"

- o Higher Education Critics and Defenders Conference, Johns Hopkins Univ., 27-29 May 2025
- o American Enterprise Institute, Forum on Conservatives and Political Science, 17 Dec. 2024
- o James Madison Program, Princeton Univ., 2 Oct. 2024
- "Victorian University Reform and the Limits of Academic Freedom"
 - o Forum for the History of Political Thought, Princeton Univ., 15 April 2024
- "The Right and the Future of Capitalism" (with Oren Cass and Samuel Gregg)
 - o James Madison Program, Princeton Univ., 10 April 2024
- "Private Thought and Public Speech" (with David Bromwich and Flora Champy)
 - o James Madison Program, Princeton Univ., 20 Feb. 2024
- "Liberal Elitism and Imperialism, Victorian-Style"
 - LeFrak Forum on Science, Reason, and Modern Democracy, Michigan State Univ., Nov. 15, 2023
- "What Motivates Us to Study the History of Modern Political Thought?"
 - o "History & Theory" Symposium, American University in Paris, July 7, 2023
- "The Structure of Anti-Democratic Thought in Nineteenth-Century Britain"
 - o History of Political Ideas series, Institute for Historical Research, London, 7 May 2025
 - o Association for the History of Political Thought, Univ. of Texas, Mar. 1, 2024
 - o Hamilton Center, Univ. of Florida, Jan. 19, 2024
 - o College of Social Studies, Wesleyan Univ., April 10, 2023
 - o History of Political Thought Speaker Series, Univ. of Oklahoma, Nov. 3, 2022
 - o Transformations of Democracy Workshop, Stanford University, May 27, 2022
- "Albert Venn Dicey on Democracy and the Referendum"
 - o Political Theory Workshop, Yale Univ., Oct. 25, 2022
 - o APSA Annual Meeting, Montréal, Sept. 15, 2022
 - o History of Political Thought Workshop, Stanford Univ., May 26, 2022
 - o Political Theory Workshop, New York Univ., Feb. 11, 2022
- "Current Free Speech Controversies: Interview with Nadine Strossen"
 - o Initiative on Freedom of Thought, Inquiry, and Discussion, Princeton Univ., Oct. 6, 2022
- "Max Weber on the Ideologically Neutral University"
 - o Mercer House Speakers Series, Princeton, NJ Oct. 8, 2021
 - o James Madison Program, Princeton Univ., Nov. 2/Nov. 9, 2021 (two-part symposium)
- "Parties before the Party System"
 - o Launch of Max Skjönsberg's Persistence of Party, Univ. of Liverpool, April 28, 2021
- "Auguste Comte and the Technocracy of the Right"
 - o Academia Tocqueville, Paris, France, July 3, 2023
 - o Zephyr Institute, Palo Alto, CA, May 23, 2022

- O Symposium on the French Right, Abigail Adams Institute, Cambridge, MA, Mar. 27, 2021
- "On the Nadir of Natural Rights Theory in Victorian Britain"
 - o Workshop on the History of Rights, Univ. of Chicago, Mar. 19, 2021

Symposia on Parliament the Mirror of the Nation

- O Centre for Political Thought, Cambridge Univ., Jan. 28, 2021 (discussants: Tejas Parasher, Mira Siegelberg). In conjunction with Will Selinger's *Parliamentarism*.
- o Political Theory Speaker Series, Georgetown Univ., Nov. 13, 2020. In conjunction with Will Selinger's *Parliamentarism*.
- Whitney Humanities Program and the Center for the Study of Representative Institutions, Yale Univ., Feb. 21, 2020 (discussants: Isaac Nakhimovsky, Giulia Oskian, Noah Rosenblum). In conjunction with Will Selinger's *Parliamentarism*.
- UCHV & Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., Oct. 4, 2019 (discussants: Richard Bourke, Bryan Garsten, Bernard Manin, Helena Rosenblatt)
- o APSA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, Aug 29, 2019 (as "Author Meets Critics" Panel; discussants: Giulia Oskian, Jennifer Pitts, Lucia Rubinelli, Shannon Stimson)

"How to Think about Mill's On Liberty Like an Historian of Political Thought"

- o Wesleyan Community Lecture, Wesleyan Univ., April 10, 2023
- o Stanford Univ., Feb. 23, 2023
- o Contemporary Civilization Course Colloquium, Columbia Univ., Feb. 18, 2020

"L'âme générale d'une assemblée': Pierre-François Flaugergues's Political Theory"

- o Political Theory Workshop, Columbia Univ., Oct. 15, 2019
- Visitors' Seminar, Libera Università Internazionale degli Studi Sociali (LUISS), Rome, June 27, 2019
- o Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, Univ. of Chicago, May 13, 2019
- Workshop on Liberalism in the History of Political Thought, Univ. of Cambridge, Jan. 23, 2019

"Lessons on Publishing in Political Theory"

o Half-Baked Workshop Series, Politics Department, Princeton Univ., Mar. 28, 2019

"Plural Voting and Popular Sovereignty in Victorian Britain"

o Conference on Popular Sovereignty and Populism, Ohio Univ., Mar. 15-16, 2019

"Fake News in Nineteenth-Century France"

- Conference on Free Speech in Troubled Times, Princeton-Humboldt Universität, Berlin, June 14-15, 2019
- o Mercer House Speakers Series, Princeton, NJ, Nov. 30, 2018
- o Human Values Form, Princeton Univ., Oct. 15, 2018

"Ostrogorski Before and After: Three Moments in Anti-Partyism and 'Elite Theory"

o Political Theory Research Seminar, Princeton Univ., Sept. 25, 2018

- o APSA Annual Meeting, Boston, Aug. 30, 2018
- o Conference on Elites and Democracy in Modern Political Thought, CRASSH, University of Cambridge, Dec. 7, 2017 (as "Three Moments in Thinking about Parties and Elites")

"James Fitzjames Stephen and the '-Isms' of Victorian Political Thought"

 Conference on the History of Political Thought in the Age of Ideologies, Queen Mary University of London, May 31-June 1, 2018

"Before On Liberty: Samuel Bailey and the Nineteenth-Century Theory of Free Speech"

- o Political Thought Seminar, Oxford Univ., Oct. 13, 2017
- Princeton-Universitat Pompeu Fabra Political Theory Conference, Barcelona, Nov. 2-3, 2017
- o Conference on Freedom of Speech, 1550-1850, Ohio Univ., April 7-8, 2017

"What Is Democracy? A Few Different Ideas"

o POLIS Sutton Trust Summer School, Univ. of Cambridge, Aug. 16, 2017

"Did the Nineteenth Century Believe that Parliaments Had Minds and Wills of Their Own?"

 Conference on the History of Thinking about Artificial Intelligence and Agency, Center for the Future of Intelligence, Univ. of Cambridge, Mar. 20, 2017

"Interpreting Trump's Victory"

o Panel on the 2016 Election, Jesus College, Univ. of Cambridge, Jan. 20, 2017

"Democracy Confronts Diversity: Deliberation and Representation in Victorian Britain"

- o Political Thought and Intellectual History Seminar, Univ. of Cambridge, Oct. 17, 2016
- o Princeton Univ. Politics Department, Nov. 12, 2015

"Representative Institutions and the Character of Lefortian Theory"

o APSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Sept. 1, 2016

"Victorian Democratic Theory and the Problem of Representation"

- o Political Theory Workshop, Harvard Univ., Sept. 16, 2015
- Fellows Workshop, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard Univ., Jan. 29, 2015 (as "Democracy, Diversity, and Contestability: Democracy against the Variety of Suffrages")

"John Stuart Mill and the Pacific Theory of Toleration"

- o APSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, Sept. 3, 2015
- Sciences Po Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Paris, June 19, 2014 (as "What's Not in On Liberty: A Forgotten Nineteenth-Century Argument for Freedom of Discussion")

"Diversity without Democracy: The Theory of the Variety of Suffrages"

o Fellows Workshop, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard Univ., Apr. 2, 2015

"James Fitzjames Stephen and the Victorian Theory of Toleration"

o Political Theory Workshop, Harvard Univ., Feb. 11, 2015

"Walter Bagehot, Liberalism, and Parliamentary Government"

 Center for European Studies Workshop, Harvard Univ., Nov. 14, 2014. Presentation with Will Selinger

"Jean Barbeyrac, Supererogation, and the Search for a Safe Religion"

o Political Theory Workshop, Harvard Univ., Sept. 10, 2014

"Lockean Toleration and the Victim's Perspective"

o Political Theory Workshop, Harvard Univ., Feb. 26, 2014

"Hume's Low Road to Toleration"

- o Political Theory Workshop, Univ. of Chicago, Jan. 15, 2014
- o MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 12, 2013
- o Princeton Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Princeton Univ., April 5, 2013

"What Exactly Mill and Tocqueville Thought about Diversity of Opinion"

o NEPSA Annual Meeting, Portland, ME, May 3, 2013

"Diversity of Opinion: A History"

o Political Theory Workshop, Harvard Univ., Nov. 14, 2012

Selected Invited Colloquium Participation

- Commentary on Peter Wirzbicki's "A Nation without Sovereignty: A Genealogy of Anti-Slavery Democratic Thought," Laurence S. Rockefeller seminar, Univ. Center for Human Values, Sept. 17, 2024
- o Workshop on university governance, American Enterprise Institute, Aug. 1-2, 2024
- Workshop on Tejas Parasher, Radical Democracy in Modern Indian Political Thought, Politics Department, Princeton, Feb. 2, 2024
- o Manuscript Workshop on my Liberal Disaffection and the Rise of Democracy: The Political Thought of Albert Venn Dicey, Politics Department, Princeton Univ., May 12, 2023
- o "Institutional Rights and Obligations" panel leader, Princeton Principles of Academic Freedom Symposium, Princeton Univ. Mar. 17-18, 2023
- Manuscript Workshop on Hugo Drochon's Elites and Dynamic Democracy, History of Political Thought Project, Princeton Univ., Dec. 9, 2022
- Commentary on Darrin McMahon's Equality: The History of an Elusive Idea, Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton Univ., Apr. 8, 2022
- Commentary on Bryan Garsten and Kevin Duong, Center for the Study of Political Thought, Conference on Democratic Representation, Cornell Univ., May 15, 2021
- o "Liberalism and Its Critics" Colloquium, IHS, Washington D.C., Apr 8-10, 2022
- Symposium on Arthur Ghins's Public Opinion vs. Popular Sovereignty, Brown Univ., April 16, 2021
- Manuscript Workshop on Jacob Eisler's Election Law and the Crisis of Mass Democracy, Southampton Univ. Law School, July 11, 2019

 Manuscript Workshop on Stefan Eich's Currency of Politics, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, Princeton Univ., April 5, 2019

Selected Interviews

- o On Universities and the Administrative State: Right Ideas, June 25, 2024
- On AV Dicey and the Referendum: Cambridge Texts in the History of Political Thought
 Webinars, June 23, 2023
 Institute of Intellectual History, June 13, 2023
- On Parliament the Mirror of the Nation: New Books Network, Oct. 3, 2022

Institute of Intellectual History, May 21, 2020

TEACHING

Princeton University

- Political Representation and Political Theory. Fall 2023, Fall 2024. Seminar for juniors in the Politics department with a focus on preparing them for independent research.
- The French Revolution: Politics, Philosophy, Culture. Summer 2022, Summer 2025. Special undergraduate interdisciplinary course in Paris. Co-taught with Flora Champy.

 This course received special funding from the James Madison Program, the Politics department, the French & Italian department, and the Rockefeller Center for Human Values, as well as several grants for innovation in teaching.
- Graduate Research Seminar in Political Theory. Convener, 2021-22. Yearlong symposium for discussion of works in progress.
- John Stuart Mill's Politics: Ideas and Context. Spring 2021, Spring 2024. Seminar for graduate students and advanced undergraduates.
- Political Theory of the French Revolution. Spring 2020, Spring 2022, Fall 2024. Seminar for graduate students and advanced undergraduates.
- Representation and Representative Institutions in Political Theory. Fall 2019, Fall 2021. Workshop for junior concentrators in Politics, in preparation for their required research projects.
- Alexis de Tocqueville and John Stuart Mill: Liberalism, Democracy, Revolution, Empire. Spring 2019. Seminar for graduate students and advanced undergraduates.
- Modern Political Theory. Fall 2018, Spring 2020, Spring 2022, Spring 2024, Spring 2025. Survey lecture course for undergraduates.

Special graduate reading courses: Progress and Civilization in Nineteenth-Century Political Theory (Spring 2019); Max Weber on Politics and Social Science (Fall 2021); Modern Political Theory (Spring 2022)

University of Cambridge

B.A. Tutorial in Politics, Supervisor, Easter 2017.

MPhil in Political Thought and Intellectual History, Supervisor for MPhil Paper, Lent 2017; Examiner for

MPhil Papers, Michelmas 2017-Lent 2018

Miscellaneous

Founding the Modern Constitutional Republic: Successes and Warnings, The Buckley Institute, New Haven, CT, Aug. 23, Aug. 24. Special summer course for advanced undergraduates.

Advising

I have advised many PhD dissertations, as well as undergraduate theses. Please contact me for a list of my advisees.

SELECTED AFFILIATIONS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Fellow, Moynihan Public Scholars Program, City College of New York, 2025-26

Senior Fellow, Manhattan Institute, 2024-

Faculty Associate, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, 2024-

Laurance S. Rockefeller University Preceptor, Princeton Univ. three-year honorific fellowship for junior faculty, 2022-25

Editor-at-large, Compact magazine, 2024-

Fellow, Royal Historical Society, 2023-

Award for Law-Related Programmatic Activities at Princeton Univ., jointly from University Center for Human Values and the School of Public and International Affairs, Spring 2023

Visiting Scholar, New York Univ., Political Science Department, 2021-22

Grants, from the 250th Anniversary Fund for Innovation in Undergraduate Education, Magic Project, Learning Across Borders Fund, to plan and carry out a new course on the French Revolution to be held in Paris (joint with Flora Champy)

Fellow, Remarque Institute, New York Univ., Spring 2021 [postponed], Fall 2022

Visiting Fellow, Institute for Advanced Legal Studies, Univ. of London, Summer/Fall 2020

Research Grants, University Committee on Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Princeton Univ., 2024, 2022, 2020, 2019

Grant, Institute for Humane Studies, for research, 2022, 2020, 2017 ... for teaching, 2024

Associated Faculty, University Center for Human Values, Princeton Univ., 2018-

Charles Sumner Dissertation Prize, Harvard Univ. 2016

Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard Univ., 2015-16

Graduate Seed Grant, Center for American Political Studies, 2015 Harvard Univ.

Graduate Fellow, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard Univ., 2014-15

Recipient of the Harvard Univ. Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Spring 2013 and Spring 2014

PhD Student Affiliate, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard Univ., 2013-6

GSAS Summer Pre-Dissertation Fellowship (grant for travel and language acquisition), Harvard Univ., 2012

Jens Aubry Westengard Scholarship (grant for travel and language acquisition), Harvard Univ., 2012

GSAS Summer School Tuition Fellowship, Harvard Univ., 2011

Judith Nisse Shklar Fellow in the Government Department, Harvard Univ., 2010-2011

Napier Wilt Prize for Outstanding Thesis in English Literature, Univ. of Chicago, 2009

Honors from the College, Univ. of Chicago, 2009

Honors from the Department of English Literature, 2009

Phi Beta Kappa, Univ. of Chicago, 2008 (early induction)

National Merit Scholarship, 2005

Robert Byrd Scholarship, 2005

CONFERENCE ADMINISTRATION

Co-organizer: "Celebrating Richard Tuck," April 12-14, 2024, UCHV, Princeton University

Co-Organizer. "History & Theory" Symposium, American University in Paris, July 7-8, 2023

- Organizer: "How to Read Rousseau," discussion between Flora Champy and Michael Sonenscher, for the Project in the History of Political Thought, Princeton University, May 2, 2023
- Organizer. book launch and panel discussion of my edition, Albert Venn Dicey's Writings on Democracy and the Referendum, UCHV, Princeton University, April 14, 2023
- Organizer and Chair: "On Marcel Gauchet's Robespierre," for the Project in the History of Political Thought, Princeton University, Apr. 15, 2022
- Faculty sponsor: "Socialism and Democracy," for the Project in the History of Political Thought, Princeton University, Mar. 25-6, 2022
- Organizer and Chair: "Thomas Paine on the French Revolution: History and Theory," for the Project in the History of Political Thought, Princeton University, Feb. 28, 2020
- Organizer: "Caesarism: Historical and Normative Perspectives," for the Project in the History of Political Thought, Princeton University, Nov. 15-16, 2019
- Organizer and Chair: "Thomas Paine and the Terror: Exploring a Discovery," for the APSA Annual Meeting, Boston, Sept. 1, 2018
- Co-Organizer: "Elites and Democracy in Modern Political Thought" for CRASSH, University of Cambridge, Dec. 7, 2017
- Organizer and Chair: "Modern French Liberalism," for the APSA Annual Meeting, Sept. 1, 2016

PROFESSIONAL and UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Member, Graduate Prize Fellowship Committee, University Center for Human Values, Princeton Univ., 2025

Parliamentarian, Office of the Dean of Faculty, Princeton Univ., 2024-

Member, Executive Committee, University Center for Human Values, Princeton Univ., 2024-

Member, Executive Committee, Program in Values and Public Life, UCHV Princeton Univ., 2024-

Acting Director, Political Philosophy Program, Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., 2024-25

Co-Director, Free Speech Initiative, James Madison Program, Princeton Univ., 2023-

Member, University Committee on the Course of Study, Princeton Univ., 2022-25

Member, Chair's Advisory Committee, Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., 2019-20, 2023-25 (elected by departmental colleagues)

Political Theory Subfield Coordinator, Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., 2019-20, 2023-24

Member, Senior Thesis Prize Committee, Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., 2020, 2025

Graduate Committee and Admissions Committee, Representative for Political Theory, Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., 2019-20, 2023-4, 2024-

Member, Executive Committee of the James Madison Program, Princeton Univ., 2019-

Senior Thesis Poster Session Committee, Politics Dept., Princeton Univ., Spring 2019

Faculty Fellow of First College, Princeton Univ., 2019-22 ... of Forbes College, 22-

Member of the Jesus College Council, and College Trustee, 2017-18

Reviewer:

Journals: American Political Science Review, European Journal of Political Theory, Eighteenth-Century Studies, Global Intellectual History, History of European Ideas, History of Political Thought, Journal of the History of Economic Thought, Journal of the History of Ideas, Journal of Politics, Modern Intellectual History, Perspectives on Politics, Political Studies, Political Theory, Review of Politics

Book Manuscripts: Cambridge UP, Hackett, Harvard UP, Norton, Oxford UP