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EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, *Occidental College* (2016-present)
Chair, Department of Philosophy (2016-present)
Assistant Professor, *Occidental College* (2010-2016)

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Ph.D. in Philosophy (2010)
M.A. in Philosophy (2006)
University of Michigan – Ann Arbor B.A., High Distinction & High Honors (2004)

AREA OF SPECIALIZATION Moral & Political Philosophy
AREAS OF CONCENTRATION Bioethics, Philosophy of Race and Gender

HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

Arnold L. and Lois S. Graves Award in the Humanities (2017-2019) {~\$10,000}
Linda and Tod White Teaching Prize, Occidental College (2017)
Bringing Theory to Practice Project, Campus Dialogue Grant, Co-Principal Investigator Rev. Dr. Susan Young (2017) {\$5000}
Caroline Miles Visiting Scholarship, Ethox Centre, Nuffield Department of Population Health, Medical Sciences Division, Oxford University (Summer 2015) {~£2000}
Occidental College MacArthur International Travel Grant (Summer 2014)
Occidental College's China-Environment Program, Henry Luce Foundation, Course Segment Development Grant (Summer 2014)
Occidental College Faculty Enrichment Pedagogical and Research Grants (2012-2013, 2014-2015, 2017-2018)
Scholars for Tomorrow Fellowship in Health Care Ethics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (September 2004 – April 2005)
Phi Beta Kappa, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor (2004)

PUBLICATIONS

C. Morrissey and R. L. Walker (2018) "The Ethics of General Population Preventive Genomic Sequencing: Rights and Social Justice," *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy* 43: 22-43.

A. Sherman and **C. Morrissey** (2017) "What is Art Good For?: The Socio-Epistemic Value of Art," *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience* 11: 411.

C. Morrissey (2016) "The Value of Dignity in and for Bioethics: Rethinking the Terms of the Debate," *Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics* 37(3): 173-192.

C. **Morrissey** and K. Palghat (2014) “Engaging Reading,” *Teaching Philosophy* 37(1): 37-55.

R. L. Walker and C. **Morrissey** (2014) “Bioethics Methods in the Ethical, Legal and Social Implications of the Human Genome Project Literature,” *Bioethics* 28(9): 481-490.

C. **Morrissey** and R. L. Walker (2012) “Funding and Forums for ELSI Research: Who (or What) Is Setting the Agenda?” *American Journal of Bioethics Primary Research* 3(3): 41-50.

R. L. Walker and C. **Morrissey** (2012) “Charting ELSI’s Future Course: Lessons from the Recent Past,” *Genetics in Medicine* 14(2): 259-267.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited:

“The Ethics of General Population Preventive Genomic Sequencing: Rights and Social Justice,” with Rebecca L. Walker, Center for Genomics and Society Seminar Series, UNC Chapel Hill School of Medicine (October 2016)

“Self-Respect and Prenatal Genetic Testing,” Ethox Centre, Nuffield Department of Population Health, Oxford University (June 2015)

“A “Human Dignity” Worth Having,” Hastings Center for Bioethics and Public Policy, Garrison, NY (February 2014)

“ELSI Capstone Session Workshop & Panel: E in ELSI,” with Rebecca L. Walker, ELSI Congress 2011, Chapel Hill, NC (April 2011)

Refereed:

“Philosophy in the Rainforest: Reflections on the Impact of Integrating Philosophy and Fieldwork,” Public Philosophy Network Conference, Boulder, CO (February 2018)

“A Feminist Account of the Nature and Importance of the Concept of “Dignity” for Bioethics”

- American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, Philosophy Affinity Group Meeting, Atlanta GA (October 2013)
- Feminist Approaches to Bioethics 2014 World Congress, Mexico City, Mexico (June 2014)

“The ‘E’ in ELSI,” with Rebecca L. Walker, *ELSI Congress 2011*, Chapel Hill, NC (April 2011)

“Mapping the ELSI Universe: Funding, Fields and Frameworks,” with Rebecca L. Walker, *ELSI Congress 2011*, Chapel Hill, NC (April 2011)

“Two Arguments from ‘Human Rights Violation’ to ‘Universal Jurisdiction’”, Pacific APA, Vancouver, BC (April 2009)

“The ‘Harm to Humanity’ Argument for Universal Jurisdiction” Central APA, Chicago, IL (February 2009)

“The Moral Importance of Supercrimes” Thinking (With)Out Borders: International Political Theory in the 21st Century, University of St. Andrews (June 2008)

“A (Practical) Paradox of Narrative Well-Being” North Carolina Philosophical Society and South Carolina Society for Philosophy Biennial Joint Meeting, Chapel Hill, NC (February 2008)

Comments:

On Tom Hanauer-Rehavia’s, “Blame, Moral Address, and Fictional Persons,” American Society for Aesthetics Pacific Meeting, Pacific Grove, CA (April 2018)

On Nicolas Delon’s “Urban Animals as Captives,” APA Pacific Division Meeting, San Diego, CA (March 2018)

On Hailey Huet’s “Rights, Moral Labor, and Moral Community,” APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, IL (February 2018)

Discussant, “Beyond Genetic Exceptionalism” Panel, American Society for Bioethics and Humanities,

- ELSI Affinity Group Meeting, Kansas City, MO (October 2017)
- On Derrick Gray's "Explaining Exploitation: Beneficence vs. Reciprocity," APA Pacific Division Meeting, Vancouver, Canada (April 2015)
- On Andrew I. Cohen's *Ethics, Philosophy, and Public Policy: An Introduction*, Author-Meets-Commentators Session, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Costa Mesa, CA (February 2015)
- On Melissa Kozma and Jeanine Weekes Schroer's "The Integrity Privilege: The Hows and Whys of Who Gets to be a Social Justice Hero" APA Central Division Meeting, Society for Analytical Feminism Group Session I, St. Louis, MO (February 2015)
- On Kathryn Lindeman's "Against Thresholds" Midsummer Philosophy Workshop, Cambridge, UK (July 2014)
- On David Lefkowitz's "On a Duty to Humanitarian Intervention" Pacific APA, San Francisco, CA (March 2010)
- On Andrew Pierce's "Oppression as Group Harm" Central APA, Chicago, IL (February 2010)
- On Christopher King's "Practical Reason, Commensurability and Political Legitimacy" Pacific APA, Pasadena, CA (March 2008)

COURSES TAUGHT AT OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE

Animal Ethics [CSP]
 Health and Humanity [8-unit CSP, with Brandon Lehr and Kristi Upson-Saia]
 Equality as a Social Ideal [CSP]
 Humor, Laughter, and a (Morally) Good Life [CSP]
 Introduction to Philosophy [Phil 101]
 Philosophy of Race [Phil 240]
 Bioethics [Phil 250]
 Environmental Ethics [Phil 255]
 Art: Form, Meaning, Value [Phil 290]
 Globalization and Justice [Phil 330]
 Philosophy of Law [Phil 340]
 Health and Social Justice [Phil 353]
 Senior Seminar [Phil 490]

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Scholarship:

Visiting Scholar, Hastings Center for Bioethics and Public Policy (January-February 2014)
 Mentee Participant, American Society for Bioethics and the Humanities Mentor-Pairing Workshop (October 2012)
 Presenter, Occidental's Faculty Research Working Group (October 2011)
 Mentee Participant, Pre-Tenure Women in Philosophy Mentorship Program (Summer 2011)
 Participant, Carolina Legal Philosophy Workshop (Summers 2009-2011)

Teaching:

Facilitator, Faculty Learning Community – Structuring Senior Comps (Fall 2017)
 Facilitator, Faculty Working Group – High Impact Practices in Philosophy, Cognitive Science, and Linguistics (Spring 2015, Fall 2015)
 Participant, Faculty Learning Community – Critical Reading (Fall 2014)
 Speaker, Oxy Mortar Board Last Lecture Series, "Truth, Justification, and a Good Life" (February 2013)
 Participant, Center for Teaching Excellence Teachers' Roundtable (Spring 2012)
 Participant, Faculty Learning Community – Teaching with the iPad (Spring 2012, Fall 2012)

Participant, Faculty Learning Community – Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (Fall 2012)
Research Ethics Training Speaker, Occidental’s URC Summer Research Program (Summers 2011-2016)
Presenter, Oxy’s Orientation Mini-Course for Family Members, “Why Truth Matters” (Fall 2011-2017)
Participant, Faculty Learning Community – The Teacher’s Body (Spring 2011)
Guest Instructor, CSP 7 (Fall 2015), CSP 19 (Fall 2011), CSP 50 (Spring 2015), CTSJ 395 (Spring 2012),
RELS 200 (Fall 2012), AMST 295 (Fall 2012), AMST 375 (Fall 2015, Fall 2016) UEP 304 (Fall
2012), BIO 224 (Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016), PSYC 436 (Fall 2016,
Fall 2017)

SERVICE

To Occidental College:

Elected Member, Advisory Council (2017-present)
Faculty Co-Chair, Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students Search Committee (2016)
Faculty Co-Chair, Student Affairs-Faculty Committee (2015-2017)
Faculty Representative, Board of Trustees Students Life and Enrollment Management Subcommittee
(Spring 2016-2017)
Member, Marianne Ruuth Comprehensive Prize Award Committee (Spring 2015, 2016, 2017)
Member, Merit Pay Faculty Taskforce (Spring 2015)
Member, National Awards and Fellowships Director Search Committee (Spring 2015)
Fulbright Program Advisor, National Awards and Fellowships Committee (2013-2016)
Member, Taskforce on Intellectual Culture and Academic Climate (2012-2013)
Area Coordinator, URC Summer Research Program (Summer 2012, 2013, 2017)
Head Area Coordinator, URC Summer Research Program (Summer 2014)
Vice President, Phi Beta Kappa (2011-2012)
Member, Human Subjects Research Review Board (2011-2012)
Mentor, Partners in Excellence (PIE) Program (Fall 2011)
Member, Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability Taskforce (Summer 2011)

To the Profession:

Trained Site Visitor, American Philosophical Association Committee on the Status of Women Site Visit
Program (2017-present)
Member, American Society for Bioethics & Humanities Mentoring Taskforce (Spring 2013)
Chair, Love and Partiality Colloquium, Pacific APA, Seattle, WA (April 2012); Ethics Colloquium,
Pacific APA, San Francisco, CA (April 2013); Race and Stereotypes Colloquium, Pacific APA,
San Diego, CA (April 2014)
Reviewer, *MIT Press*, *Oxford University Press*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*