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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science	2022-Present
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI LSA Collegiate Fellow, Department of Political Science	2020-2022

EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL Ph.D., Political Science Dissertation: Disability: A Democratic Dilemma Committee: Linda Zerilli (chair), Patchen Markell, Demetra Kasimis, Susan Schweik (English, UC Berkeley) Fields: Political Theory, American Politics	2020
M.A., Social Sciences (Political Theory)	2012
Harvard University, Cambridge, MA A.B., Social Studies	2009

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

Provost's Disability Scholarship Initiative, Catalyst Grant, 2025-2027 (\$163,540)
Dissertation Fellowship, Pozen Family Center for Human Rights, University of Chicago, 2019-2020
Dissertation Fellow, Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, University of Chicago, 2018-2019
Division of the Social Sciences Mellon Dissertation-Year Fellowship, University of Chicago, 2018-2019 (declined)
Grodzins Prize Lectureship, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago, 2018-2019
Pozen Research Grant, Pozen Family Center for Human Rights, University of Chicago, 2014-2015, 2018-2019
Inclusive Pedagogy Grant, Inclusive Course Redesign of Classics of Social and Political Thought II, Chicago Center for Teaching, 2018-2019 (with Joseph Lampert and Alex Haskins)
Residential Fellow, Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, University of Chicago, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2019-2020
Hydoski Summer Research Award, University of Chicago, 2015
Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality/Social Sciences Division Pre-Dissertation Research Grant for Gender/Sexuality Studies, University of Chicago, 2013, 2015
Social Sciences Fellowship, University of Chicago, 2013-2018

ARTICLES

"Disability and Political Science," *Annual Review of Political Science* 27 (2024): 317-335.
"They Attend Strictly to Their Own Business": Disability as Industrial Asset," in press, *American Political Science Review*.

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of *The Virtues of Vulnerability: Humility, Autonomy, and Citizen-Subjectivity*, by Sarah Rushing, *Political Theory* 50, no. 5 (October 2022): 825-830.

Review of *Disability and Political Theory*, edited by Barbara Arneil and Nancy Hirschmann, *Contemporary Political Theory* 20, no. 2 (June 2022): 76-79.

“The New Asylums—and the Old,” review of *From Asylum to Prison: Deinstitutionalization and the Rise of Mass Incarceration After 1945*, by Anne E. Parsons, *The New Rambler*, March 12, 2020, <https://newramblerreview.com/book-reviews/history/the-new-asylums-and-the-old> (co-authored with Karen Tani).

SELECTED CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

“Conditions of Citizenship: Disability at the End of the Social Contract,” American Political Science Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, September 7, 2024.

Co-Organizer, Disability and Political Science Mini-Conference (5 panels), American Political Science Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, August 31-September 1, 2023.

“Bodies in Resistance: Disability and the Rhetoric of Rights”

- Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, QC, September 15-18, 2022.
- Presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, April 6-9, 2023.

“Theorizing Prevention: Disability Justice in the Wake of the Flint Water Crisis”

- Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., August 29-September 1, 2019.
- Presented at the Association for Political Theory Annual Meeting, University of California, Irvine, October 24-26, 2019.

“‘They Attend Strictly to Their Own Business’: Disability as Industrial Asset”

- Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, August 30-September 2, 2018.
- Presented at the Cambridge Political Thought and Intellectual History Graduate Conference, “The Body and Politics,” March 18, 2019.
- Presented at the Western Political Science Association Meeting, San Diego, April 2019.

“Debating the New Eugenics: Prenatal Selection and the Conservation of Disability”

- Presented at the Western Political Science Association Meeting, San Francisco, March 30, 2018.
- Presented at the Association for Political Theory Annual Meeting, Ann Arbor, October 12-14, 2017.
- Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, August 31-September 3, 2017.

“Disability, Tragedy, and the Imagination of Possible Futures.” Presented at the Western Political Science Association Meeting, San Diego, March 24-26, 2016.

“The Worth of Disability and the Question of Disabled Citizenship.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, September 3-6, 2015.

“Disabling the Future: Imagining Disability Otherwise.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., August 28-31, 2014.

“What Remains Unsaid: Confronting the Ethical Turn in Disability Studies”

- Presented at the Western Political Science Association Meeting, Seattle, WA, April 17-19, 2014
- Presented at the Harvard Graduate Political Theory Conference, October 18-19, 2013

INVITED TALKS

Panelist, “The Role of Disability in the Future of Work” (InfoSpeaks Webinar), University of Michigan School of Information, April 11, 2025.

Research and Methods invited guest, WGS 602: Approaches to Feminist Scholarship in the Social Sciences (Co-taught by Charlotte Karem Albrecht and Jennifer Dominique Jones), University of Michigan, March 7, 2024.

“Disability in Political Science,” guest lecture in Introduction to Disability Studies (taught by Ittai Orr), University of Michigan, October 26, 2022.

“Disability as a Category of Analysis in Political Theory,” SUNY Purchase, December 1, 2020.

Panelist, Author-Meets-Critics Roundtable on Barbara Arneil and Nancy Hirschmann’s *Disability and Political Theory*, Canadian Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, May 30-June 1, 2017.

TEACHING

University of Michigan

Disability: A Democratic Dilemma (50-person undergraduate course, fulfills Race and Ethnicity Requirement)	Winter 2021, 2023; Fall 2024
Feminist Political Thought (50-person undergraduate course, fulfills upper-level writing requirement)	Winter 2023, Winter 2025
Citizenship and Belonging (graduate seminar)	Winter 2024
Political Theories of Work (graduate seminar)	Fall 2022
Feminist Pasts, Feminist Futures (graduate seminar)	Winter 2022, Fall 2024

University of Chicago

Disability: A Democratic Dilemma	Spring 2019
BA Thesis Preceptor, Political Science	2018-2019
Advanced Theories of Gender and Sexuality (co-taught with Linda Zerilli)	Winter 2018
Classics of Social and Political Thought II	Winter 2017
Gender and Sexuality in World Civilizations II (intern for Deborah Nelson)	Winter 2017
Introduction to Political Theory (intern for James Wilson)	Spring 2016
Classics of Social and Political Thought III (intern for Emma Saunders-Hastings)	Spring 2016
Classics of Social and Political Thought II (intern for Joseph Lampert)	Winter 2016
Classics of Social and Political Thought I (intern for Jared Holley)	Fall 2015

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

University Service:

Political Theory Workshop Co-Coordinator, University of Michigan Department of Political Science, 2023-2025.

Undergraduate Affairs Committee, University of Michigan Department of Political Science, 2023-2025.

Faculty Editorial Board, *Michigan Journal of Law and Society*, University of Michigan, 2021-Present.

Co-Coordinator, Gender and Sexuality Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, 2014-2020.

Professional Service:

Manuscript reviewer for *Journal of Politics*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Politics, Groups, and Identities*; *APSR*; *AJPS*.

Book proposal reviewer for NYU Press