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Academic Employment:

Professor of Political Science, University of Washington, since 2011
Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Washington, 1998-2011
Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Washington, 1992-98
Acting Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Washington, 1991-92

Academic Affiliations at the University of Washington:

Adjunct Professor of Law, Societies & Justice
Faculty Associate, Center for Human Rights
Associate Faculty, Program on Ethics, Department of Philosophy

Education:

Ph.D. Princeton University, Department of Politics, 1992 (M.A. received, 1988)
B.A. Oberlin College, 1985

Books:

The Promise of Human Rights: Constitutional Government, Democratic Legitimacy, and International Law, University of Pennsylvania Press, 2016. (Paperback, 2019.)
Suffering and Moral Responsibility, Oxford University Press, 1999. (Paperback, 2002.)

Journal Articles and Book Chapters:

“Summary: Why Constitutional Democracy Requires International Human Rights Law,” for a symposium on Jamie Mayerfeld, *The Promise of Human Rights*, *Human Rights Review* 19 (2018): 369-71.
“Reply: Upholding Human Rights Is Our Shared Responsibility,” for a symposium on Jamie Mayerfeld, *The Promise of Human Rights*, *Human Rights Review* 19 (2018): 405-10.
“No Peace Without Injustice: Hobbes and Locke on the Ethics of Peacemaking.” *International Theory*, vol. 4, no. 2 (July 2012): 269-99.
“The High Price of American Exceptionalism: Comparing Torture by the United States and Europe after 9/11.” In Michael Goodhart and Anja Mihr, eds., *Human Rights in the 21st Century: Continuity and Change since 9/11*, Palgrave/Macmillan, 2011, pp. 107-30.
“A Madisonian Argument for Strengthening International Human Rights Institutions: Lessons from Europe.” In Luis Cabrera, ed., *Global Governance, Global Government: Institutional Visions for an Evolving World System*, SUNY Press, 2011, pp. 211-51.
“Ruthlessness, Impunity, and the Effacement of International Human Rights Law,” *Santa Clara Journal of International Law*, vol. 8 (2010): 289-312.

- “The Democratic Legitimacy of International Human Rights Law,” *Indiana International and Comparative Law Review*, vol. 19, no. 1 (2009): 49-88.
- “In Defense of the Absolute Prohibition of Torture,” *Public Affairs Quarterly*, vol. 22, no. 2 (April 2008): 109-28.
- “Playing by Our Own Rules: How U.S. Marginalization of International Human Rights Law Led to Torture,” *Harvard Human Rights Journal*, vol. 20 (Spring 2007): 89-140.
- “Ending Impunity,” essay for a symposium on Larry May, *Crimes Against Humanity*, in *Ethics and International Affairs*, vol. 20, no. 3 (Fall 2006): 361-66.
- “The Democratic Legacy of the International Criminal Court,” *Fletcher Forum of World Affairs*, vol. 28, no. 2 (Summer 2004): 147-56.
- “Who Shall Be Judge? The United States, The International Criminal Court, and the Global Enforcement of Human Rights,” *Human Rights Quarterly*, vol. 25, no. 1 (February 2003): 93-129.
- “The Mutual Dependence of External and Internal Justice: The Democratic Achievement of the International Criminal Court,” *Finnish Yearbook of International Law*, vol. XII (2001): 71-107.
- “Human Rights and Civic Education,” in Oto Luthar, Keith A. McLeod, and Mitja Zagar, eds., *Liberal Democracy, Citizenship and Education*, Oakville, Ontario: Mosaic Press, 2001, pp. 32-45.
- “The Myth of Benign Group Identity: A Critique of Liberal Nationalism,” *Polity*, vol. 30, no. 4 (Summer 1998): 555-78.
- “The Incrementalist Argument for a Strong Duty to Prevent Suffering,” *Journal of Social Philosophy*, vol. 28, no. 1 (Spring 1997): 5-22.
- “The Moral Asymmetry of Happiness and Suffering,” *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, vol. 34, no. 3 (Fall 1996): 317-38.

Review Essays:

- “Freedom’s Reach,” Review essay of Judith Failer, *Who Qualifies for Rights?*; Clarissa Rile Hayward, *De-Facing Power*; and Karen Struening, *New Family Values*, in *Political Theory*, vol. 32, no. 6 (December 2004): 868-76.
- “Collective Memory and the Law,”* Review essay of Lawrence Douglas, *The Memory of Judgment: Making Law and History in the Trials of the Holocaust*; and Emilios Christodoulidis and Scott Veitch, eds., *Lethal Law: Justice, Law and Ethics in Reconciliation*, in *Punishment and Society*, vol. 5, no. 2 (April 2003): 226-32 *(Title omitted from printed version due to publication error).

Book Reviews:

- Clifford Bob, *Rights as Weapons: Instruments of Conflict, Tools of Power*, forthcoming in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*.
- Madison Powers and Ruth Faden, *Structural Injustice: Power, Advantage, and Human Rights*, forthcoming in *Ethics and International Affairs*.
- Manfred Nowak, *Torture: An Expert’s Confrontation with an Everyday Evil*, trans. Roger Kaminker, *Human Rights Quarterly* 42 (2020): 254-58.
- Serdar Tekin, *Founding Acts: Constitutional Origins in a Democratic Age, Perspectives on Politics* vol. 15 (September 2017): 875-76.

- “William Talbott’s *Which Rights Should Be Universal?: An Overview and Appreciation*,”
Human Rights and Human Welfare, vol. 7 (2007): 68-71.
- Micheline R. Ishay, *The History of Human Rights: From Ancient Times to the Globalization Era, Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 4, no. 2 (June 2006): 365-66.
- Shane O’Neill, *Impartiality in Context: Grounding Justice in a Pluralist World*, *Journal of Politics*, vol. 60, no. 4 (November 1998): 1239-41.

Encyclopedia Articles:

- “William J. Talbott,” *The Encyclopedia of Global Justice*, Springer, 2011.

Other Academic Publications:

- Preface to “Exploring Universal Rights: A Symposium,” *Human Rights and Human Welfare*, vol. 7 (2007): 67-68
- Foreword to Gregory Fritzberg: *In the Shadow of Excellence: Recovering a Vision of Educational Opportunity for All*, Caddo Gap Press, 1999

Editorials:

- “Tulsi Gabbard’s Record on Syria Is Not Really Anti-War,” January 16, 2019, *Lawyers, Guns, and Money*, January 16, 2019
- “Kavanaugh and the Question of Torture,” *Lawyers, Guns, and Money*, September 18, 2018.
- “Brett Kavanaugh and the Risk of a Return to Torture,” *Just Security*, August 10, 2018; republished as “Brett Kavanaugh Could Raise the Risk That America Will Torture Again,” *Slate*, August 10, 2018.
- “*The Nation*, Syria, and the Truth about Chemical Weapons,” *Lawyers, Guns, and Money*, April 26, 2018.
- “Guantanamo Bay a Shameful Chapter in U.S. History,” *Everett Daily Herald*, August 4, 2013.
- “U.S. Courts Reject Accountability for Torture,” *University of Washington Center for Human Rights Annual Report, 2011-12*, September 6, 2012.
- “The Impossible Task of Predicting Future Actions by Guantánamo Bay Detainees,” *Seattle Times*, July 10, 2011.
- “Mukasey’s Take on Torture Requires Senate to Vote No,” *Madison Capital Times*, October 26, 2007.
- “A Law Designed To Encourage Torture,” *The Soapbox*, Princeton University, vol. 4, no. 1, November 2006.
- “Without Prison Rules, We Wage Terror,” *Tacoma News Tribune*, September 14, 2006.
- “Roberts’ Ruling on Suspect Troubling,” *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, September 28, 2005.
- “Nation Doesn’t Need an AG Who Cleared Path for Torture,” *Seattle Times*, December 17, 2004, co-authored with Darius Rejali.
- “The US Shouldn’t Fear International Criminal Court,” *Seattle Times*, January 3, 2003.

Other Public Writing:

- “The Climate Crisis, Academic Conferences, and the Western Political Science Association,” Official statement of the Western Political Science Association, November 2019. (Primary drafter.)

Invited Academic Lectures:

- “Is Religion Compatible with Morality?” University of Massachusetts, Political Theory Workshop, April 2021
- “American Exceptionalism and the Betrayal of Human Rights,” Western Washington University, World Issues Forum, April 2016
- “Why Constitutional Government Requires International Human Rights Law,” CUNY Graduate Center, Center for Global Ethics and Politics, March 2016
- “International Human Rights Law, American Exceptionalism, and the War on Terror,” Plenary Session on “Legal Responses to the War on Terror,” Law & Society Association, Seattle, May 2015
- “What Madison Can Teach Us About the Meaning of Democracy,” Symposium on Democratic Theory, Oberlin College, March 2014
- “The High Price of American Exceptionalism: Comparing Torture by the United States and Europe after 9/11,” University of Washington Law School, and University of Washington, Tacoma, October 2009
- “Checks and Balances at Home and Abroad: Why Constitutional Government Requires International Law,” Human Rights Education Institute, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, March 2009
- “Does International Human Rights Law Subvert Democracy?,” Law and Public Affairs Program, Princeton University, March 2007
- “Embracing Torture: The Military Commissions Act of 2006 and the Assault on Human Rights,” Purchase College, State University of New York, October 2006; also at Rutgers University, April 2007
- “Above the Law: How US Avoidance of International Human Rights Obligations Led to Torture,” University of Washington Law School, June 2005
- “Democracy and Other Human Rights,” University of British Columbia, October 2004
- “Imperial Delusions and Lost Opportunities: US Opposition to the International Criminal Court,” Summer Institute for Community College Teachers, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, July 2004
- “Human Rights and Civic Education,” Conference on Civic Education in New Democracies, Brdo, Slovenia, November 1999
- “The Duty To Relieve Suffering,” Philosophy Colloquium, University of Washington, December 1992
- “Deprivation, Torture, and the Duty to Prevent Suffering,” Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Washington, November 1992

Conference Papers:

- “The Legalist Paradigm in Moral and Political Thought,” Western Political Science Association, April 2021
- “Is Religion Compatible with Morality?” American Political Science Association, September 2020; Western Political Science Association, April 2021
- “The Purpose of Democracy,” Western Political Science Association, May 2020.
- “The Moral Impermissibility of Hate Speech,” Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, April 2017.
- “Hate Speech and Blasphemy,” American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016

- “Hate, Offense, and the Limits of Free Speech,” Western Political Science Association, San Diego, March 2016
- “Madisonian Democracy,” Law & Society Association, San Francisco, June 2011
- “Extending Checks and Balances: Why Constitutional Government Requires International Human Rights Law,” International Conference on Human Rights, Human Dignity, and the Cosmopolitan Ideal, University of Frankfurt, May 2011.
- “Extending Checks and Balances: Why Constitutional Government Requires International Human Rights Law,” Law and Public Affairs Program 10th Anniversary Conference, Princeton University, October 2010.
- “The High Price of American Exceptionalism: Comparing Torture by the United States and Europe after 9/11,” Law & Society Association, Chicago, May 2010.
- “Madisonian Democracy,” Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, April 2010
- “Nullum Crimen Sine Lege and the Fight Against Impunity: A Real but Resolvable Tension,” Santa Clara University Symposium on the Future of International Criminal Justice, March 2009
- “Neither State Sovereignty nor a World Sovereign: The Multilateral Protection of Human Rights,” American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008
- “The Inevitable Conflict between Sovereignty and Human Rights,” Law & Society Association, Montreal, May 2008
- “The High Price of American Exceptionalism: Why the United States, unlike Europe, Institutionalized Torture after 9/11,” Conference on “The International Human Rights Regime after 9/11: Transatlantic Perspectives,” Pittsburgh, April 2008
- “A Madisonian Argument for Strengthening International Human Rights Institutions: Lessons from Europe,” Law & Society Association, Berlin, July 2007
- “Above the Law: How US Avoidance of International Human Rights Obligations Led to Torture,” Law & Society Association, Baltimore, July 2006
- “The Institutionalization of Torture and the Breakdown of the US Legal Regime,” Conference on “Terrorism and Transatlantic Relations,” sponsored by the European Union Center of the University of Washington, May 2006
- “The Trouble with Sovereignty,” American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2005
- “The Priority of Human Rights to Democracy,” Western Political Science Association, Oakland, March 2005
- “Why America Needs the ICC,” International Studies Association, Honolulu, March 2005
- “No Peace Without Injustice: Hobbes and Locke on the Ethics of Peacemaking,” Western Political Science Association, Portland, March 2004
- “Democracy and Other Human Rights,” American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 2003
- “The Mutual Dependence of External and Internal Justice: The Democratic Achievement of The International Criminal Court,” International Studies Association, Portland, February 2003
- “Two Models of External Justice: The International Criminal Court and the Question of Jurisdiction,” Law and Society Association, Vancouver, May 2002
- “On Choosing the Right Path Toward a Global Constitution: The International Criminal Court and the Question of Jurisdiction,” American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2001
- “Who Shall Be Judge? The United States, the International Criminal Court, and the Global Enforcement of Human Rights,” Law and Society Association, Budapest, July 2001

- “Who Shall Be Judge? The United States, the International Criminal Court, and the Global Enforcement of Human Rights,” American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 2000
- “The Myth of Benign Group Identity: A Critique of Liberal Nationalism,” American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 1997
- “The Incrementalist Argument for a Strong Duty to Prevent Suffering,” American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 1995
- “Why Affluent Individuals Should Incur Greater Sacrifices to Alleviate Suffering: The Incrementalist Argument for a Strong Duty of Beneficence,” Western Political Science Association, Portland, March 1995
- “Pateman on Political Obligation,” Western Political Science Association, Pasadena, March 1993
- “Is Colombia a Democracy?” New Jersey Political Science Association, Trenton State College, April 4, 1987

Community Lectures:

- “Ignorance and Complacency in the Pivotal Generation,” remarks for a panel on “Environmental Justice: Political Implications in the Face of a Rapidly Changing Climate,” Pi Sigma Alpha, University of Washington, May 2019.
- “Climate Change and Human Rights,” Northwest Model United Nations, Seattle, November 2018
- Lectures on Guantanamo Bay Detention Center delivered to: American Red Cross, Antioch University, Horizon House, Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation, University Temple United Methodist Church, University Lutheran Church, Seattle Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration.
- Lectures on the International Criminal Court delivered to: UW Political Science Alumni Forum, World Affairs Council of Olympia, South Asian Law Students Association National Meeting, Jewish Community Center of Mercer Island, Mensa of Western Washington, Eastside Unitarian Church, University Unitarian Church
- “The Institutionalization of Torture and the Breakdown of the US Legal Regime,” Washington State Bar Association, World Peace Through Law Section, January 2006
- “Torture in the War on Terror,” University of Washington, October 2004
- “Torture,” Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Emerald Education Group, Seattle, May 2004
- “The Unity and Diversity of Human Rights,” Keynote Address, 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, United Nations Association, Seattle Chapter, December 10, 1998
- “Human Rights and International Solidarity,” University of Washington, Last Lecture Series, May 1998
- Participant, Roundtable on “Philosophical Approaches to Hate Speech,” sponsored by Association of Philosophy Students, University of Washington, January 1994

Professional Appearances:

- Chair of roundtable on “Universities in Crisis: Higher Education and the Pandemic,” Western Political Science Association, online, May 2020.
- Chair of roundtable on “WPSA and the Climate: Decarbonizing the Association,” Western Political Science Association, online, May 2020.

Chair of panel on "The Human Right to Democracy in Politics and Economics," American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2019
Participant in an "author meets critics" panel on Michael Goodhart, *Injustice: Political Theory for the Real World*, Western Political Science Association, San Diego, April 2019
Chair of an "author meets critics" panel on Richard Abel, *Law's Wars and Law's Trials*, Western Political Science Association, San Diego, April 2019
Discussant for a panel on my book *The Promise of Human Rights*, Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, April 2017
Discussant for panel on "Normatively Grounded Theory," Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, April 2017
Discussant for panel on "Rights and Human Rights," Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, April 2017
Discussant for panel on "The Organization of Islamic Cooperation's Engagements with Human Rights," Law & Society Association, Seattle, May 2015
Roundtable Participant, "Counter-Terrorism Shifting Focus," Law & Society Association, Seattle, May 2015
Discussant for panel on "The Organization of Islamic Cooperation's Engagements with Human Rights," Law & Society Association, Seattle, May 2015
Commentator on Brad Roth, "Sovereign Equality and Moral Disagreement: Premises of a Pluralist International Legal Order," *Global Justice in the 21st Century*, Seattle, April 2009
Chair of "Author Meets Critics" panel on William J. Talbott, *Which Rights Should Be Universal?*, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 2006
Discussant for panel on "Violence and Terrorism," American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 2006
Discussant for panel on "Globalizing Sovereignty," American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2000
Discussant for panel on "Reconciling Racial Divisions: On What Terms?" American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 1999
Discussant for panel on "Liberalism, Multiculturalism, and Nationalism," Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, March 1998

Fellowships and Awards:

Royalty Research Fund, University of Washington: One quarter's course release plus \$10,634 in salary and research support for book project on "The Architecture of Human Rights," Spring and Summer 2011
Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Fellow, University Center for Human Values, Princeton University, 2006-07
University of Washington Simpson Center for the Humanities, Research Fellowship, 2004-05
Human Rights Teaching Fellowship, Human Rights Institute, Columbia Law School, Spring 2000
Faculty Development Mentoring Award, to support new research project, "Philosophical Perspectives on Nationalism," 1997 (\$3000)
Mellon Post-Enrollment Fellowship, Princeton University, Summer 1991 (\$1500)
Princeton University Fellowship, 1986-90
Latin American Studies Summer Stipend, Princeton University, 1986
Fulbright Scholar, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia: Enrolled in Departments of Political Science and History, 1985-86

Professional Activities:

President, Western Political Science Association, 2019-20

Chair, WPSA Climate Action Committee, 2019-20

Vice President and Program Chair, Western Political Science Association, 2018-19

Reviewer for Cornell University Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge, Palgrave-Macmillan, Stanford University Press, Temple University Press, University of Pennsylvania Press.

Reviewer for *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*; *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*; *Canadian Journal of Political Science*; *Contemporary Political Theory*; *Ethics, Place & Environment*; *Ethics & International Affairs*; *European Journal of International Law*; *Global Governance*; *Human Rights Review*; *Inquiry*; *International Relations*; *International Studies Review*; *International Theory*; *Israel Law Review*; *Journal of Human Rights*; *Journal of Politics*; *Law & Social Inquiry*; *Law and Philosophy*; *Law & Society Review*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Philosophia*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Political Studies*; *Political Theory*; *Polity*; *Public Affairs Quarterly*; *Religion and Politics*; *Review of International Studies*; *Social Theory and Practice*; *Studies in Law, Politics & Society*; Treadgold Papers; Royalty Research Fund.

Member of American Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association

University Service:

Co-director, UW Research Cluster on Human Interaction and Normative Innovations, 2018-20
Promotion and Tenure Review Committee, Ben Meiches, Department of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, UW Tacoma, Fall 2019

Chair, Department of Philosophy Chair Search Committee, 2015-16

Promotion Review Committee, Angelina Godoy, Law, Societies & Justice Program and Jackson School of International Studies, Fall 2012

Department of Philosophy Chair Search Committee, 2010-11

Steering Committee, UW Center for Human Rights, 2009-18

Steering Committee, Interdisciplinary Conference on Global Justice (held in April 2009)

Colloquium Coordinator, Law, Societies & Justice, 2008-10

Ten-Year Review Committee, University of Washington-Tacoma, Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences Program, Winter and Spring 2006

Steering Committee, "Human Rights from the Bottom Up," year-long lecture series and capstone conference, 2003-04

Promotion and Tenure Review Committee, Michael Forman, Department of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, UW Tacoma, Fall 2002

Seattle Campus Advisor, Human Rights Minor, UW Seattle, 2001-present

Promotion and Tenure Review Committee, Rachel May, Department of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, UW Tacoma, Fall 1999

Interdisciplinary Committee, Human Rights Education and Research Network, 1998-2007

Faculty Senate, 1998-99

Faculty Judge, Phi Eta Sigma Local Scholarship Competition, May 1997

Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Fellowship Committee, 1995, 2005

Faculty Preceptor, Freshman Interest Group on the Origins of Western Civilization, Fall 1995

Commencement Marshall, 1992-98, 2001, 2019

Departmental Service:

Political Theory Search Committee (chair), 2019-20
Promotion Review Committee (chair), Karen Litfin, Fall 2018
Promotion Review Committee, Rachel Cichowski, Political Science and Law, Societies & Justice, Fall 2016
Associate Chair of Political Science, 2015-16
Committee to Consider Appointment and Tenure of Geoffrey Wallace, 2016
Promotion Review Committee, George Lovell, Fall 2012
Promotion and Tenure Review Committee (chair), Jack Turner, Fall 2012
Chair, Undergraduate Program Committee, 2011-13, 2015-16
Director, Honors Program, 2010-14, 2017-20
Race and Ethnicity Politics Search Committee, 2003-04
Coordinator, Political Science Colloquium, 1996-98
Undergraduate Program Committee (member), 1994-98, 2003-05, 2009-11, 2014-15, 2017-20
Field Supervisor, Political Theory, 1992-99, 2000-06
Admission & Financial Aid Committees, 1992-94, 1998-99, 2000-03, 2005-06, 2007-09, 2010-11
Graduate Program Committee, 1991-92, 2014-15, 2016-19

Courses taught at University of Washington:

Introduction to Political Theory	Capitalism, Socialism, and the Climate
Issues of Global Justice	Free Speech and Hate Speech, 1-credit
Ancient Political Thought	micro-seminar, Simpson Center for the
Contemporary Political Theory	Humanities
Theories of Nationalism	The Rights of the Individual: European Law
Philosophy of Punishment	and Society, LSJ Rome Program
International Human Rights	Democratic Theory (Graduate)
Theories of Human Rights	Theories of Justice (Graduate)
Guantanamo and Its Legacy	Theories of Power (Graduate)
Honors Thesis Writing Workshop	Peace, War, and Justice (Graduate)
Human Rights and Constitutional Law in the	The Theory and Practice of Human Rights
United States	(Graduate)
Religion, Secularism, and Toleration	Constitutional Theories (Graduate)
Freedom of Religion and Speech	Human Rights and the Global Order
Theories of Justice and Democracy	(Graduate)
Contemporary Theories of Justice	