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## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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- 2019- Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2017-2019 Postdoctoral Fellow in Applied Political Theory, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh

## **EDUCATION**

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- 2017 Ph.D., Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*Fields of Study:* Political Theory (major), American Politics (minor)  
*Dissertation:* Respectable Discrimination: Disciplinary Respectability as Acceptable Prejudice  
*Committee:* Jeff Spinner-Halev (Chair), Frank Baumgartner, Susan Bickford, Maxine Eichner, and Michael Lienesch
- 2012 M.A., Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*Thesis:* Apolitics of Acknowledgement: (In)Action in Patchen Markell's Bound by Recognition  
*Committee:* Jeff Spinner-Halev (Chair), Susan Bickford, Michael Lienesch
- 2007 B.A., Government, Smith College, Northampton, MA

## **BOOK MANUSCRIPT**

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### ***Disciplinary Respectability***

Marginalized groups' adoption of the politics of respectability has long been intended as an assertion of humanity, dignity, and self-determination. With disciplinary respectability, dominant groups have flipped that script, using non-compliance with respectability norms as a justification for misrecognition and exclusion. This manuscript defines disciplinary respectability and its mechanisms. Then, using case studies, it illustrates the ways that disciplinary respectability is enshrined in U.S. laws, institutional policies, and social norms. First, schools' use of disciplinary respectability normalizes the punishment and exclusion of students on the basis of their performance of respectability, with potentially chilling effects on democratic participation—and, an original dataset shows, a disproportionate effect on minoritized students. Second, U.S. anti-discrimination lawsuits use disciplinary respectability to circumvent identity-based legal protections, thereby maintaining control over employees' performance and experience of their identities. Third, an analysis of compulsory sterilization programs demonstrates how respectability norms have been used to delimit literal, and therefore cultural, reproduction. Fourthly, HIV/AIDS activism gives an example of the feasibility and potential of an efficacious, respect-worthy, disresponsible politics. Finally, I conclude with an examination of the relationship between respectability and respect, arguing that we can set respectability aside without eschewing important experiences of mutual respect. Through these cases, the project contends that disciplinary respectability masks and reproduces prejudice, harms marginalized groups and group members, facilitates ongoing inequities, and conceals systemic oppression.

## **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

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"Reconceiving Recognition: Towards a Cumulative Politics of Recognition," *Journal of Political Philosophy*, Vol. 22, No. 4 (Dec. 2014) 416-437.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

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“Engaged or Obedient?: Racially Differentiated Models of Democratic Education” (with Sarah Brown, revise and resubmit at *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*)

““Serious Politics and Joyful Living”: ACT UP and the Possibilities of Disrespectable Politics”

“A Hidden Education: Disciplinary Respectability, Carcerality, and their Democratic Consequences”

“Conditions of Belonging: Educational and Democratic” (with Sarah Luria and Marayna Martinez)

“Contingent Recognition”

## **ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS**

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*The American Political System: Test Bank*. W.W. Norton & Company, 2013. (sole author: Social Policy, Interest Groups and Social Movements, The Constitution, The Bureaucracy; co-author: Federalism)

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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- 2022 Graduate Faculty Mentor Award  
Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2015-16 AAUW American Dissertation Fellowship  
American Association of University Women, Washington, D.C.
- 2015 James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding Research  
Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2014 Thomas M. Uhlman Summer Research Fellowship  
Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2014 John Patrick Hagan Award for Outstanding Teaching  
Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2013 The Thelma Zaytoun Summer Research Fellowship  
Graduate School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2012 Thomas M. Uhlman Travel Award  
Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2010-11 Summer Research Award  
Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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“Serious Politics and Joyful Living”: ACT UP and the Possibilities of Disrespectable Politics  
American Political Science Association, September 2023 (withdrawn due to labor dispute)  
Midwest Political Science Association, March 2023

“Conditions of Belonging: Educational and Democratic” (with Sarah Luria)  
Midwest Political Science Association, April 2024  
American Political Science Association, September 2023  
American Psychological Association, August 2023

“Engaged or Obedient?: Racially Differentiated Models of Democratic Education” (with Sarah Brown)  
APSA Education Politics and Policy Section Virtual Conference, April 2023

American Political Science Association, September 2022  
Western Political Science Association, March 2022

“Respect & Respectability”

American Political Science Association, September 2021 (unable to attend due to COVID-19)

“Reading, Writing, Respectability: The Disproportionate Application and Effects of Respectability Requirements in U.S. Schools”

Political Theory In/And/As Political Science, McGill University, May 2021

“Contingent Recognition”

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2022

Western Political Science Association, April 2021

Association for Political Theory, November 2020

“Disciplinary Respectability”

APSA Women’s Mentoring Workshop, June 2021

American Political Science Association, September 2020

“‘Respectable’ Reproduction and Compulsory Sterilization in the U.S.”

American Political Science Association, September 2020

“Indecent Politics: Decency and Exclusion in U.S. Political Life”

Association for Political Theory, October 2019

American Political Science Association, August 2019

“The Uncredibles: Radical Groups, Respectability, and Identity-based Activism”

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2019 (with Mallory SoRelle)

American Political Science Association, September 2015 (with Mallory SoRelle)

“Respectability Requirements in Education and Consequences for Marginalized Groups”

American Political Science Association, September 2018

“Citizens of Tomorrow: Disciplinary Respectability and What it Teaches”

Playing with Childhood in the 21st Century, University of Pittsburgh, April 2018

Western Political Science Association, March 2018

“Respectable Discrimination: Identity and Behavioral Norms in the Workplace”

American Political Science Association, September 2017

“The Three Rs: Respectability, Recognition, and Racism”

American Political Science Association, September 2016

“Norm-Based Discrimination: Functioning and Diffusion of Respectability Norms”

American Political Science Association, September 2015

“Respectable Inequalities: ‘Respectability’ as Discrimination”

American Political Science Association, August 2014

“Out of Her Body, Out of Her Mind: Political Redefinition through Physical Experience in Lorde and Anzaldúa”

Western Political Science Association, March 2013

“Imperfectly Recognized: Mediating State Demands and Group Needs Around Politics of Recognition”

Northeastern Political Science Association, November 2012

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

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- “Uniform Justice: Disciplinary Respectability and What it Teaches”  
Neag School of Education, University of Connecticut, February 2022  
Institute for Human Rights, University of Alabama at Birmingham, April 2021  
Foundation for Sustainable Urban Communities, Denver, CO, September 2020
- “Student Evaluations: Bias and Management”  
Mentors of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (May 2021, December 2021)
- “‘Respectable’ Reproduction and Compulsory Sterilization in the U.S.”  
Van Ek Lecture Series, University of Colorado Boulder, March 2021
- “Disciplinary Respectability”  
Miramontes Arts and Sciences Program, University of Colorado, March 2020
- “Recognition: Challenges and Opportunities”  
Inequality and the American State, Undergraduate Seminar, Lafayette College, February 2020
- “Citizens of Tomorrow: Disciplinary Respectability and What it Teaches”  
University of Pittsburgh Political Theory Working Group, July 2018  
University of Pittsburgh Center for American Politics and Society, November 2017
- “The Three Rs: Respectability, Recognition, and Racism”  
AAUW, Empire State Virtual New York Branch, March 2017  
AAUW of North Carolina, April 2016  
AAUW of Chapel Hill, February 2016
- “The Uncredibles: Radical Groups, Respectability, and Identity-Based Activism”  
Cornell University Graduate Student Colloquium, Department of Government, Cornell University, April 2016 (with Mallory SoRelle)
- “Don’t Hate the Player: Respectability and Norm Enforcement in the NBA”  
Uhlman Seminar, Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, January 2015  
Graduate Recruitment Panel, Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, March 2014, March 2016
- “Respectable Inequalities: Norm-based Discrimination”  
Carolina Seminar on Democracy in the Age of Global Capital, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, January 2015
- “Sitting at the Seminar Table: A Discussion of Sheryl Sandberg’s Lean In and Academia”  
Working Group on Feminism and History, Department of History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, January 2015

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **University of Colorado Boulder, Department of Political Science**

Winner of the Graduate Faculty Mentor Award

#### Undergraduate

Survey of Western Political Thought	Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2023, Fall 2024
Theories of Identity	Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2024

Sex, Power, and Politics: U.S. Perspectives Spring 2021

Graduate

Freedom and its Contradictions Fall 2022

Core Seminar in Political Theory: Identity Fall 2020

Core Seminar in Political Theory: Theories of Justice Fall 2019

Advising, Dissertation, and Thesis Committees

PhD: Allan Tellis (chair, expected 2025), Zoe Moss (2024, Assistant Professor at Southwestern University), Owen Fite (2023, Teaching Assistant Professor at University of Nevada Reno), Matt Harvey (2023, Postdoctoral Fellow at Princeton University), Kimberly Killen (2022), Anna Daily (2020, Assistant Professor at Sacramento State University)

MA: Kyra Rossier (chair, expected 2025), Autumn Taylor (2024), Allan Tellis (chair, 2022), I.W.C. Sours (2022), Jalissia Haynes (University of Delaware, Masters in Urban Affairs and Public Policy, 2022), Sarah Brown (2021), Zoe Moss (2020)

Undergraduate Honors Theses: Sam-Amina Bailey (chair, expected 2025), Diana Jimenez (chair, 2024, Summa Cum Laude), Elizabeth Gilbert (chair, 2022, Summa Cum Laude), Cayden Stice (2021, Summa Cum Laude)

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Political Science**

Undergraduate

Feminist Political Thought Fall 2017, Fall 2018

Modern and Contemporary Thought: Identity Politics Spring 2018, Spring 2019

Supervisor to undergraduate research assistants Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019

Faculty advisor, University Honors College THINK Seminar Spring 2019

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

Winner of the John Patrick Hagan Award for Outstanding Teaching

Undergraduate, Instructor of Record, Department of Political Science

Modern Political Thought Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2016 (online), Spring 2017 (online)

Undergraduate, Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science

Modern Political Thought Fall 2010, 2011 with Stephen Leonard; Spring 2011, 2012, 2013, with Jeff Spinner-Halev

Introduction to American Government Fall 2012 with Jason Roberts

Teaching Assistant, Department of Women's and Gender Studies

Introduction to Women's Studies Fall 2014 with Ariana Vigil; Spring 2015 with Michele Berger; Fall 2016 with Emily Burrill; Spring 2017 with Karen Booth

## **PROSPECTIVE COURSES**

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Contemporary Political Thought	Identity Politics
Feminist Political Thought	Democratic Theory
Modern Political Thought	Theories of Justice
American Political Thought	Freedom and its Contradictions
Liberty and Equality: Modern and Contemporary Perspectives	Ethics
Diversity and Democracy: Recognition, Participation, Policy-Making	Theorizing Race and Racism
Introduction to American Government	
Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies	

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Political Science Association, 2011-present  
Organized Sections: Sexuality and Politics; Race, Ethnicity, and Politics; Class and Inequality;  
Education Politics and Policy

Midwest Political Science Association, 2019-Present

Western Political Science Association, 2017-2021

Association for Political Theory, 2018-Present

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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Manuscript Reviewer: *Perspectives on Politics*, *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Political Power*

Discussant: American Political Science Association, Association for Political Theory, Western Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

Panel Chair: American Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

Program Committee, Association for Political Theory (Member, 2020)

## **DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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Executive Committee, RACE (Research on Accountability, Civics, and Equity) Lab, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2024-)

Editorial Board, Colorado Political Science Review, University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2024-)

Review Committee, Center to Advance Research in the Social Sciences (CARTSS), University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2024-)

Graduate Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2020-)

Tenure Track Search Committee in Race and Ethnic Politics, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2022, 2023)

Comprehensive Exams Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2019-)

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (Member, 2020)

Faculty Success Program, University of Colorado Boulder (Participant, 2020)

Leadership Education for Advancement and Promotion (LEAP), University of Colorado Boulder  
(Participant, 2019-2020)

Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh  
(Co-convener, 2017-2019)

Charles Robson Award Committee for Excellence in Graduate Instruction, Department of Political  
Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Member, 2014)

Political Science Department Self Study, University of North Carolina at  
Chapel Hill (Graduate Assistant, 2014)

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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Policy Advisor & Policy Team Co-Lead, PA-12 Congressional Primary Campaign, 2021-22

Books Editorial Intern, Duke University Press, 2016-2017

Research Assistant, Jeff Spinner-Halev, 2011

Research Assistant, National Consumer Law Center, 2008-2010

Litigation Assistant, Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders, 2007-2008

## **REFERENCES**

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Available upon request