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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Lecturer, University of Wisconsin-Madison Fall 2022 - Fall 2023
(On University Fellowship for 2024 calendar year)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison Exp: Jan 2025
Fields: Political Theory & American Politics
Dissertation: “Memory Politics: The Contested Past as an Aid to Liberty”
Committee: Richard Avramenko (chair), Daniel Kapust, Joshua Dienstag, Michelle Schwarze

M.A. Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison 2022

B.S. Political Science, B.A. Philosophy, University of Houston | The Honors College 2019
Honors Thesis: “Cicero and Roman Civic Education”

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

2024. “Tocqueville and Democratic Historical Consciousness,” *The European Legacy*, Forthcoming.

2024. “Nostalgia for Empire? José Ortega y Gasset, Memory, and ‘The Spanish Problem’”, *The Political Science Reviewer*, 48(2).

2024. “How a People Becomes a People: Memory and Identity in Jefferson’s *Notes on the State of Virginia*,” *American Political Thought*, 13(3), 371-394.

2024. “Does Artificial Intelligence Speak Our Language?: A Gadamerian Assessment of Generative Language Models,” *Political Research Quarterly*, 0(0), 1-16.

2024. “Thinking and Political Considerations: *Gnômê* in the Stoic Political Philosophy of Epictetus,” *The Political Science Reviewer*, 48(1), 87-112.

BOOK REVIEWS

2024. Catherine Craig: *Memory and Political Art in Plato's Statesman*, Rowman and Littlefield.

2022. “A Play on Words: A Review of Zenon Culverhouse’s ‘Plato's Hippias Minor: The Play of Ambiguity,’” VoegelinView.

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

Articles in progress

“Might Makes Rights: A Ciceronian Critique of Pettit’s Theory of Liberty” (R&R at *Polis: The Journal for Greek and Roman Political Thought*)

“The Nation as a Shared Future: José Ortega y Gasset’s Vision for a United Spain” (Under review)

“Rehumanizing the Nation: María Zambrano’s Politics of Exile” (In progress)

“From Peasant to Pauper: Tocqueville and the American Peasant” (with Richard Avramenko) (In progress)

“What is Political Nostalgia?” (early stages)

Book Chapters in progress

“The Nation as a Shared Future: José Ortega y Gasset’s Vision for a United Spain” (Draft available upon request)

“The Eternal Essence of the Nation: Miguel de Unamuno’s ‘Intrahistoria’ as an Approach to Spanish Identity” (Draft available upon request)

“Identity After Exile: María Zambrano’s ‘Poetic Reason’ and its Relation to Spanish Identity” (In progress)

TEACHING

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Instructor of Record

- Deception and Politics (Spring 2023, Fall 2023)
- Critical Thinking and Expression: Arguments in Political Rhetoric (Fall 2022)
 - Honored Instructor Award from UW Housing

Teaching Assistant

- Modern Political, Economic, and Social Thought (Spring 2022)
- Introduction to Political Theory (Fall 2021)

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Paper presentation. “José Ortega y Gasset’s Radically Aristocratic Interpretation of History,” IHS GradCon, May 31, 2024.

Paper presentation. “Miguel de Unamuno and Spain’s Crisis of Identity.” 74th Annual MPSA. April 6, 2024.

Paper presentation. “Tocqueville on Democratic Historical Consciousness.” 74th Annual MPSA. April 5, 2024.

Paper presentation. “Does A.I. Speak Our Language?: A Gadamerian Assessment of Generative Language Models.” APSA Virtual Research Meeting - Artificial Intelligence: Concerns for Politics and for the Profession. February 8, 2024.

Invited panel presentation. “Nostalgia for Empire?: Ortega y Gasset’s Use of Memory during Spain’s Crisis of Identity.” Traditions of Latin American Political Thought and Constitutionalism—a conference within a conference at SPSA, New Orleans, LA. January 13, 2024.

Paper presentation. “Does A.I. Speak Our Language?: A Gadamerian Approach to Generative Language Models.” NPSA Conference. Boston, MA. November 2, 2023.

Paper presentation. “Disassembling Dogma: The Intellectual Virtue of *Gnomē* in Epictetus’ Stoic Philosophy.” SPSA Conference, St. Pete’s Beach, FL. January 13, 2023.

Paper presentation. “Cicero’s History of Roman Legal Rights.” 2022 APSA Conference, Montreal (online). September 16, 2022.

Paper presentation. “The King’s Fatal Precedent: Executive Authority and the Origins of the Social Contract in Jefferson’s *Notes on the State of Virginia*.” 72th Annual MPSA Conference. April 9, 2022.

SERVICE

Graduate Fellow, Center for the Study of Liberal Democracy 2021 - present
Assistant Editor, VoegelinView 2022 - 2023
Advisor, Tom Sawyer Society (ISI Chapter) 2022 - 2023
Peer Reviewer

The Political Science Reviewer, Political Research Quarterly

Discussant

- Adriana Alfaro Altamirano (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México), “The Varieties of Judicial Empathy.” UW-Madison Political Theory Workshop. October 20, 2023.
- John Boersma (UW-Madison), “Adam Smith’s Eulogy for Self-Command.” UW-Madison Political Theory Workshop. April 2023.
- Catherine Zuckert (University of Notre Dame), “Personal Integrity v. Political Efficacy: Montaigne’s Response to Machiavelli.” UW-Madison Political Theory Workshop. October 14, 2022.
- Alan Kahan (CU Boulder), “Liberalism - An Incomplete History.” UW-Madison Political Theory Workshop. October 2021.
- Michelle T. Clarke (Dartmouth), “Curing Virtue: Epicureanism and Erotic Fantasy in Machiavelli’s *Mandragola*.” UW-Madison Political Theory Workshop. April 30, 2021.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Intercollegiate Studies Institute

George Washington Statesmanship Fellow 2023

University of Wisconsin-Madison

UW-Madison University Fellow 2024

Bradley Foundation Fellow 2021-present

UW Summer Funding Initiative Fellow 2021

UW-Madison University Fellow 2020 - 2021

The Catholic University of America

Röpke-Wojtyła Fellow 2018 - 2019

LANGUAGES

Spanish, advanced

Classical Greek, intermediate

Latin, basic

French, basic

RStudio, intermediate

REFERENCES

Richard Avramenko, Professor, Political Science, Arizona State University, avramenko@asu.edu

Daniel Kapust, Professor, Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, djkapust@wisc.edu

Joshua Dienstag, Professor, Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, jdienstag@wisc.edu