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## Areas of Specialization (AOS)

Philosophy of Race  
19<sup>th</sup> Century German Philosophy (especially Hegel)  
Social Philosophy  
Role Theory

## Areas of Competence (AOC)

Kant  
Continental Philosophy  
Ethics

## Academic Positions

2018-Present	Professor University of California San Diego
1995-Present	Associate Professor (tenured) University of California San Diego
1993-1994	Fellow in Ethics Program in Ethics and the Professions Harvard University
1992-1995	Associate Professor (without tenure) Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1987-1992	Assistant Professor Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1984-1987	Assistant Professor Harvard University

## Education

- 1985            PhD in Philosophy  
University of Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois  
  
Thesis: Individual Morality and Rational Social Life (Raymond Geuss, Alan Donagan)
- 1983-1984      Frei Universität, Berlin
- 1983            Universität Heidelberg
- 1982            MA in Philosophy  
University of Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois
- 1979            BA *cum laude* in History and Philosophy  
Wesleyan University  
Middletown, Connecticut

## Publications

### Books

*Rethinking Race: The Case For Deflationary Realism* (Harvard University Press, 2017).

*Hegel's Social Philosophy: The Project of Reconciliation* (Cambridge University, 1994).

### Articles and Chapters

"Where Did Hegel Go Wrong on Race?" *Hegel Bulletin*. Forthcoming.

"Is Racism Essentially Systemic?" *American Philosophical Quarterly*. 60 (4): 369-379 (2023).

"How Do the Data of Population Genetics Bear on the Biological Reality of Race." in *The Race Debates* ed. Quayshawn Spencer. Oxford University Press. (2023).

"Why Social Constructionists Should Embrace Minimalist Race"? *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 60 (S1). (2022).

"Institutional Racism and Individual Responsibility." *Routledge Handbook of Collective Responsibility*. Saba Bazargan-Forward and Deborah Tollefsen ed. Routledge Press. (2020).

"Should We Narrow the Scope of 'Racism to Accommodate White Sensitivities?" *Critical Philosophy of Race* 7(2). (2019).

"Four Ways of Thinking about Race." *Harvard Philosophical Review*, XXV.I (2019).

"Minimalist Biological Race." *Oxford Handbook of Philosophy and Race*, Naomi Zack ed. Oxford University Press. (2017).

"The Concept of Socialrace." *Philosophy and Social Criticism*, 40 (1). (2014).

"Idea of a Scientific Concept of Race." *Journal of Philosophical Research*," 37. (2012).

"Race Concepts in Medicine." *Medicine and Philosophy*, 38(1). (2013).

"The Ordinary Concept of Race." *The Journal of Philosophy*, 100(9.) (2003).

"Skepticism, Speculation, and Guidance: Hegel on the Pyrrhonian Guide to Action." *Skeptizismus und spekulatives Denken in der Philosophie Hegels*, ed. Hans Friedrich Fulda and Rolf-Peter Horstmann. Klett-Cotta Verlag (1996).

"Role Obligations." *The Journal of Philosophy*, 91(7), 1994.

"The Project of Reconciliation." *Philosophy and Public Affairs*, 21(2) 1992.

## **Book Reviews**

Review of *A Theory of Race*, by Joshua Glasgow. *Online Symposia on Gender, Race, and Philosophy*. (2010).

Review of *The Struggle for Recognition: The Moral Grammar of Social Conflicts*, by Axel Honneth. *Journal of Philosophy*, 94 (1), 1007. (1996).

Review of *Logic and Politics: Hegel's Philosophy of Right*, by Peter J. Steinberger. *Philosophical Review*, 100 (3). (1991).

## **Presentations**

"A Lacuna in the Philosophy of Race." ConceptLab. University of Hong Kong. Hong Kong China. (2023).

"Where Did Hegel Go Wrong on Race?" Workshop for Hegel Bulletin on Racism and Colonialism in Hegel's Philosophy. (2022).

"Why Social Constructionists Should Embrace Minimalist Race." Spindel Conference. University of Memphis, Memphis, TN. (2021).

"The Idea of Systemic Racism." Keynote Address. Social Ontology Conference. University of California San Diego. (2021).

"How to Disentangle Race and Racism," Düsseldorf Colloquium on the Philosophy of Race

Heinrich Heine Universität. Düsseldorf, Germany. (2021).

“How to Disentangle Race and Racism,” Political Theory Colloquium. Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Germany.(2021).

“Why We Need a Minimalist Concept of Race,” Conference on Race and Philosophy. University of San Diego, San Diego, CA. (2021).

“How to Disentangle Race and Racism,” Philosophy Department. University of Tennessee Knoxville, TN. (2020).

“How to Disentangle Race and Racism,” Department of Philosophy. University of Warwick. Coventry UK. (2020).

“How Should Doctors Think about Race?” UCSD Family Medicine. University of California San Diego La Jolla, CA. (2020).

How Should Doctors Think about Race?” School of Medicine. University of California San Diego La Jolla, CA. (2020).

Is There a Defensible Biological Concept of Race”? Global Race Conference. Sciences Po. Paris, France. (2019).

“Three Ways of Thinking About Race.” Political Theory Workshop. University of California San Diego. (2019).

“On the Nonexplanatoriness of Biological Race.” Explanation without Essence. Philosophy Department University of Illinois, Chicago. (2018).

“Why the Metaphysics of Race must be Pluralistic,” Conference on Metaphysics, University of Southern California. (2018).

Reply to Diaz-Leon and Spencer, Book Symposium, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division. (2018).

“Is Transracialism a Thing?” Center for the Philosophy of Freedom. University of Arizona. (2017).

“How to Talk about Race.” Logos, University of Barcelona. (2017).

“How Do the Data of Population Genetics Bear on the Biological Reality of Race?” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division. (2015).

“What does the Philosophy of Race Teach Us about Rachael Dolezal?” Summer Workshop for Women in Philosophy, Philosophy Department, University of California, San Diego. (2015).

Race is Biologically Real,” The Race Debates, University of San Francisco. (2014).

“The Many Meanings of ‘Race’,” The Race Debates. University of San Francisco. (2014).

“How Do the Data of Population Genetics Bear on the Biological Reality of Race?” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Atlanta, Georgia. (2012).

“How Do the Data of Population Genetics Bear on the Biological Reality of Race?” Philosophy of Science Association. (2012).

“What Do Recent Results in Population Genetics Show about the Reality of Race?” Brocher Foundation Conference, Geneva Switzerland. (2011).

“Concepts of Race in Medicine.” International Symposium on Genomic Diversity and Biomedical Research, London School of Economics, UK. (2009).

“How Should the Case for Reparations be Understood?” Coming to Terms with the Past. University of California, Riverside. (2000).

“Is Hegel Relevant to Contemporary Ethical Theory?” Annual Conference, Hegel Society of Great Britain. (1997).

“Race and the Enlightenment,” Invited Symposium, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting. (1997).

“The Ethics of Orientation,” Symposium on Recent Work on Hegel, American Philosophical Association, Central Division. (1996).

“The Role of Roles.” University of California San Diego. (1995).

“The Role of Roles.” University of Arizona. (1995).

“The Role of Roles.” Johns Hopkins University. (1995).

“The Role of Roles.” University of California Irvine. (1995).

“The Role of Roles.” University of Maryland. (1995).

Skepticism, Speculation, and Guidance: Hegel on the Skeptical Agoge Considered as a Guide to Action,” Conference on Skepticism and Speculative Thought in Hegel’s Philosophy Internationale Hegel-Vereinigung. (1995).

“Color Blindness and the Affirmation of Racial Identity,” Race: Its Meaning and Significance Rutgers University New Brunswick New Jersey. (1994)

## Comments

“Who is the Beautiful Soul in Hegel’s *Phenomenology of Spirit*?” *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division.* (2014).

“The Place of Reconciliation in Hegel’s Naturalism.” *The American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, December.* (2013).

“Comments on Tuschling,” *Kant-Hegel Conference University of New Hampshire.* (1993).

“Remarks on Hoover.” *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division.* (1989).

“Remarks on Raavan.” *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division.* (1988).

## Fellowships, Grants, Awards

Brocher Foundation Residency. *Brocher Foundation, Geneva Switzerland.* (2011).

UCSD Center for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship. (1999).

Program in Ethics and the Professions, *Harvard University.* (1993-1994).

Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship for Minorities. (1990-1991).

Old Dominion Fellowship, *MIT.* (1989).

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship. (1983-1984).

University of Chicago Overseas Fellowship. (1983).

University of Chicago Special Trustee Fellowship. (1979-1982).

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