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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Political Science, School of Social Sciences
Singapore Management University 2024—Present

Lecturer of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE), Department of Philosophy
University of Maryland, College Park 2021—2024

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Political Theory Project
Brown University 2019—2021

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of Political Science, Duke University 2019
Dissertation: “The Modernization of Honor in Eighteenth-Century Political Theory”
Committee: Ruth Grant (chair), Michael Gillespie, Alexander Kirshner, Sharon Krause
Subfields: Political Theory; Religion and Politics

Visiting Ph.D. student, Department of Social Sciences, Humboldt University of Berlin 2017

Visiting Ph.D. student, Department of Philosophy, University of Hong Kong 2016

M.A., Department of Political Science, Duke University 2014

LL.B., School of International Studies, Peking University 2012
Majors: International Politics, Sociology

ACADEMIC INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE

Modern Western political thought (esp. early modern Europe), East Asian political thought (esp. China), political ethics, moral and political psychology, democratic citizenship

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

“Han Feizi on Reputation-Driven Disobedience: A Comparative Study,”
American Political Science Review. Forthcoming

“Youthfulness and Rousseau’s Anti-Pluralist Realism about Political Pluralism,”
Political Research Quarterly 75(3). 2022

“The Tragedy of Honor in Early Modern Political Thought: Hobbes, Mandeville,
Montesquieu, and Rousseau,”
History of European Ideas 47(8). 2021

“‘The Constant Companion of Virtue’: On the Dilemma and Political Implications of
Kantian Honor,”
The Review of Politics 82(4). 2020

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- “Understanding Sociability through Mandevillean Pride: Comments on Robin Douglass’s
Mandeville’s Fable,”
History of European Ideas. Forthcoming

BOOK REVIEWS

- Book Review: *A Dangerous Passion: Leadership and the Question of Honor* by Haig Patapan,
The Review of Politics 84(2). 2022
- Book Review: *The Persistence of Party: Ideas of Harmonious Discord in Eighteenth-Century Britain* by Max Skjönsberg,
LSE Review of Books. 2021

PUBLIC WRITING

- “Adam Smith: What Is the Role of Honour in Society?”
Economics Observatory. 2023

WORKING PROJECTS

Book

The Sense of Honor: Political Resistance and Early Modern Political Theory

Manuscript workshop in 06/2021

Discussants: Stephen Darwall (Yale), Ryan Hanley (Boston College), Dennis Rasmussen (Syracuse), Vickie Sullivan (Tufts)

Book proposal workshop in 10/2022, APT Annual Conference

Discussant: Jeffrey Church (U Houston)

Papers

“Agonistic Elements in Adam Smith’s Moral Philosophy”

“A Rousseauian Proof for Natural *Pitié*”

“Dignity: Confucian, Kantian, or Medieval?” (co-authored with Joseph C. W. Chan)

“The Moral Psychology of Tit for Tat: Honor and the Evolution of Cooperation in the Repeated Prisoner's Dilemma”

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- James Buchanan Fellowship – Declined. 2021
- Departmental Nomination for the APSA Leo Strauss Award in Political Philosophy. 2020
- The Kenan Institute for Ethics Graduate Fellowship. 2018
- Dissertation Support Award (Political Science, Duke University). 2017—2019

Wilson Endowment Research Grant (Political Science, Duke University).	2017
Summer Research Fellowship (Duke University).	2014—2017
Earhart Fellowship.	2014
Master’s Scholar (Political Science, Duke University).	2013
Best Senior Honors Thesis Award (Peking University).	2012
AEON Scholarship.	2011
Hong Kong Engineer Scholarship.	2010

INVITED TALKS

“Han Feizi on Reputation-Driven Disobedience: A Comparative Study,” Department of Political Science, Louisiana State University.	2023
School of Social Sciences, Singapore Management University.	2023
School of Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University.	2023
“Immanuel Kant and the Political Implications of Honor,” Department of Political Science, Loyola University Chicago.	2021
“Chinese Modernity Discourses, 1880-1920,” Kenan Institute for Ethics, Duke University.	2020
“Leo Strauss and Michael Sandel Go East: Western Political Thought in China,” Department of Political Science, Duke University.	2014

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Honor and Justice in Adam Smith’s Theory of Moral Sentiments,” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference.	2024
Duke-Lyon Conference on Political Equality and Mass Democracy.	2019
Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Annual Conference.	2018
Northeastern Political Science Association (NPSA) Annual Conference.	2018
“A Rousseauian Proof for Natural <i>Pitié</i> ,” CityU of Hong Kong “Political Virtue between East and West” Conference.	2024
Harvard Graduate Conference in Political Theory.	2017
“Han Feizi on Reputation-Driven Disobedience: A Comparative Study,” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference.	2023
NYU “The Art of Ruling” Comparative Political Theory Conference.	2022
“Agonistic Elements in Adam Smith’s Moral Philosophy,” Mercatus Center “Markets and Society” Conference.	2022
Association for Political Theory (APT) Annual Conference.	2022
American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference.	2022

“Machiavelli on Honor and Citizenship in a Corrupt Republic,”	
UMD Department of Philosophy Work-in-Progress Workshop.	2021
American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference.	2021
“Youthfulness and Rousseau’s Anti-Pluralist Realism about Political Pluralism,”	
Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference.	2021
Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE) Society Annual Conference.	2020
“Beyond Overlapping Consensus and Mere Civility: Adam Smith and the Norms of Public Interaction,”	
Association for Political Theory (APT) Annual Conference.	2019
“‘The Constant Companion of Virtue’: On the Dilemma and Political Implications of Kantian Honor,”	
Princeton Graduate Conference in Political Theory.	2019
American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference.	2018
Association for Political Theory (APT) Annual Conference.	2017
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference.	2017
“Prelude to the Modernization of Honor: Hobbes, Mandeville, and Montesquieu,”	
Duke Department of Political Science End-of-Year Conference.	2019
“Rousseau and the Democratization of Honor,”	
Duke Political Theory Workshop.	2018
Northeastern Political Science Association (NPSA) Annual Conference.	2017

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATION

Singapore Management University

“Political Theory”

University of Maryland, College Park

“Political and Social Philosophy”

“Contemporary Political Philosophy”

“Social Philosophy and Political Economy”

“Law, Morality, and War”

“Confucius and Socrates”

“Ethics of Markets”

“Individual and Society in Ancient Chinese and Greek Philosophy” (co-taught with Rachel Singpurwalla)

Brown University

“The Passions in Modern Political Thought”

Humboldt University Berlin

“Militant Democracy: Theory and Practice”

Duke University

“Introduction to Political Philosophy” (as TA)

“Ethics of War” (as TA)

“Prisoner’s Dilemma and Distributive Justice” (as TA)

Qualification

Certificate in College Teaching, Duke University.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**Research Assistant**

To Alexander S. Kirshner, Duke University.	2017—2018
To Ruth W. Grant, Duke University.	2015—2017
To Emerson M. S. Niou, Duke University.	2012—2013

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*, *History of Political Thought*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Polity*.

Discussant, “Education, Commerce, and Democracy,” APSA Annual Conference. 2024

Discussant, “Virtue, Democracy, and Government,” APSA Annual Conference. 2022

Panel organizer, “The Political Theory of Sentiments and Passions,” APSA Annual Conference. 2021

Chair, “Empire, Nationalism, and Internationalism,” WPSA Annual Conference. 2021

Convener, Brown Political Theory Project Postdocs Writing Workshop. 2019—2020

Organizer and reviewer, Duke Graduate Conference in Political Theory. 2016—2018

Discussant, Duke Political Theory Workshop: Michael Walzer (04/2016), Christopher Kennedy (01/2018), Andrew Sabl (11/2018).

Organizing assistant, Duke Political Theory Workshop. 2014—2015

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Chinese (native), English (fluent), French (reading), German (reading, limited)