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EMPLOYMENT

University of Houston Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science	2022 –
University of Virginia Assistant Professor, Department of Politics Associate Director, Program on Constitutionalism and Democracy	2016 - 2022

EDUCATION

Harvard University PhD, Government	2016
University of Chicago BA, History	2007

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Liberal States, Authoritarian Families: Childhood and Education in Early Modern Thought (Oxford University Press, 2021).

- Reviewed in *Wall Street Journal*, *Journal of School Choice*, *Washington Examiner*,
Perspectives on Politics, *First Things*, *History of Education Quarterly*

Articles

“Contesting the Empire of Habit’: Habituation and Liberty in Lockean Education,” *American Political Science Review* 110 (2016), 547-558.

“The Hostile Family and the Purpose of the ‘Natural Kingdom’ in Hobbes’s Political Thought,” *Review of Politics* 77 (2015), 377-398.

“Producing a Reconciliation of Disinterestedness and Commerce’: The Political Rhetoric of Education in the Early Republic,” *History of Education Quarterly* 52 (2012), 403-429.

Book Chapters

“Why Not Universal Homeschooling? Locke and the Liberal Objection to Institutional Education,” in *The Beginning of Liberalism: Reexamining the Political Philosophy of John Locke*, ed. Will R. Jordan (Mercer University Press, 2022).

“Pork-Eating is Not A Reasonable Way of Life: Rawls vs. The Yeshivas,” in *Religious Liberty and Education*, ed. Jay Greene and Jason Bedrick (Rowman and Littlefield, 2020).

“Educating for Liberty? Teachers and Civic Education” in *The Professions and the Civic Life*, ed. Gary Schmitt (Lexington Books, 2016).

TEACHING

University of Houston

- Foundations in American Political Thought (Fall 2022)
- Introduction to Political Theory (Fall 2022)

University of Virginia

- “The Family in Political Thought” (Spring 2022)
- “The Philosophy of Education” (Spring 2018, Fall 2021)
- “Science, Religion, and the University” (Summer 2020 independent study)
- “Conservative Political Thought” (Spring 2020)
- “The American Political Tradition” (Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022)
- “American Political Economy” (Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

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| “Liberalism and the Family,” LeFrak Forum Annual Conference, Michigan State University | 2022 |
| “Meritocracy and Democracy,” SCETL Annual Conference, Arizona State University | 2022 |
| “Liberal States, Authoritarian Families” | |
| - McDowell Institute Lecture Series, University of Richmond | 2021 |
| - Political Science Dept., University of Houston | 2021 |
| - Classics and Letters, University of Oklahoma | 2021 |
| “Hating School: The Liberal Tradition in American Education” | |
| - Program on Constitutional Government, Harvard University | 2021 |
| - Miller Center Speaker Series, Yeshiva University | 2021 |
| - Annual Lecture Series, Department of Education Reform, University of Arkansas | 2020 |
| “Why Not Universal Homeschooling?” John Locke and the Beginning of Liberalism Conference, Mercer University | 2020 |
| “Liberty and Equality in American Education,” Political Formation Conference, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, UVA | 2020 |
| “Sophie is Not Oppressed: Sex and Education in <i>Emile</i> ” | |
| - Government Department, University of Texas-Austin | 2019 |
| - Political Science Department, Yale University | 2019 |
| - SCETL, Arizona State University | 2019 |
| - Political Theory Colloquium, Harvard University | 2019 |

<i>Childhood and Authority in Liberal Thought</i> , First Book Manuscript Workshop Winner, Center for the Study of Liberal Democracy, University of Wisconsin	2019
“The Democratic Dilemma of the Child Prodigy,” Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, UVA	2018
“The Lockean Rousseau?” UVA Political Theory Colloquium	2017

Selected Conference Presentations

“The Lockean Rousseau?” American Political Science Association	2016
“Habituation and Liberty in Lockean Education”	
- American Political Science Association	2015
- Duke Graduate Conference in Political Theory	2015
“The ‘Natural Kingdom’ in Hobbes's Political Thought”	
- Northeast Political Science Association	2013
- Association for Political Theory	2013
“The Political Rhetoric of Education in the Early Republic,” History of Education Society Annual Meeting	2011

OTHER ESSAYS AND REVIEWS

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- “You’re Not the Boss of Me: Parental Authority and Liberal Society,” *The Hedgehog Review*, Fall 2021.
- “After School Choice,” *The Constitutionalist*, May 2021.
- “A Tale of Two Educational Traditions,” *National Affairs*, Spring 2021.
- “Reasonable Education,” *The Point*, May 2020.
- “Meritocracy’s Discontents,” *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, June 2019.
- “Liberalism Strikes Back,” *The Hedgehog Review*, Summer 2019.
- “The Party of the University,” *The Point*, October 2018.
- Reprinted in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, November 2018.
- “Raising Wunderkinder,” *The Hedgehog Review*, Fall 2018.
- “The Complex Marriage Complex,” *The Hedgehog Review*, Fall 2017.
- “The Politics of Digital Shaming,” *The New Atlantis*, Spring 2015.
- “Machiavellian Self-Help,” *National Affairs*, Winter 2014.
- “Slacking as Self-Discovery,” *The New Atlantis*, Fall 2010.
- “The Ivy League Lament,” *The New Atlantis*, Winter 2010.
- “All Camped Out,” *Doublethink Magazine*, Fall 2009.
- Reprinted in *Signs of Life in the USA: Readings on Popular Culture for Writers*, eds. Maasik and Solomon (Bedford/St. Martin’s, 2011).
- “The World Made New,” *The New Atlantis*, Summer 2008.