

Jeppe von Platz  
Curriculum Vitae

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**Areas of specialization:** social and political philosophy, history of normative thought from Grotius to the present.

## Education

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PhD in Philosophy	University of Pennsylvania	May 2011
MA in Philosophy	University of Tennessee, USA	Summer 2006
MA in Communication	Roskilde University, Denmark	Spring 2003
BA in Philosophy	Roskilde University, Denmark	Summer 1999

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## Professional appointments

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Summer 2021-	Coordinator for the Program in Politics, Philosophy, Economics, and Law (PPEL), University of Richmond
Spring 2021-	Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy and PPEL Program, University of Richmond
Fall 2017-Spring 2020	Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and PPEL Program, University of Richmond
Spring 2015 – 2017	Director, Program in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics, Suffolk University
Fall 2012 – 2017	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Suffolk University
Fall 2011 – Spring 2012	Post-Doctoral Fellow, Political Theory Project, Brown University
Fall 2006 – Spring 2011	Graduate Teaching Fellow, Department of Philosophy, University of Pennsylvania.
Fall/Summer 2005	Research Assistant, Philosophy, University of Tennessee
Spring/Summer 2004	Research Assistant, Philosophy, Roskilde University, Denmark

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## Research

### Book

*Theories of Distributive Justice: Who Gets What and Why* (Routledge, 2020).

### Peer reviewed journal articles

“The Silver Bullet: Justice as Mutual Advantage and the Vulnerability Objection”, *Synthese*, Vol. 200, April 2022.

"The Principle of Merit and the Capital-Labor Split", *Economics and Philosophy*, Volume 38, Issue 1, March 2022, pp . 1-23.

“Fable of the Deans: The Use of Market Norms in Academia”, *Reason Papers* Volume 42, Issue 2, 2022, pp. 19-32.

“The Injustice of Alienation”, *Social Theory and Practice*, Volume 47, Issue 2, April 2021, pp. 397-424.

“Democratic Equality and the Justification of Welfare-State Capitalism”, *Ethics, An International Journal of Social, Political, and Legal Philosophy*, Vol. 131 (1), October 2020, pp. 4-33.

“Social Cooperation and Basic Economic Rights: A Rawlsian Route to Social Democracy”, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, vol. 47, 3, fall 2016, pp. 288-308.

“Free Time, Freedom, and Fairness”, *Law, Ethics, and Philosophy*, Vol. 5, 2017, pp. 47-62.

“Democratic Rights and the Choice of Economic Systems”, *Analyse & Kritik*, Vol. 39, 2, 2017, pp. 405-412.

“Person to Person: A Note on the Ethics of Commodification”, *Journal of Value Inquiry*, Vol. 51, 2017, pp. 647-653.

“Robin Hood Justice: Why Robin Hood Took from the Rich and Gave to the Poor (and We Should Too)”, *Public Affairs Quarterly*, vol. 3, 2, April 2016, pp. 149-170.

“Singularity without Equivalence: The Complex Unity of Kant’s Categorical Imperative”, *The Journal of Value Inquiry*, 50, 2016, pp. 369-384.

“The Ideal of Peace and the Morality of War”, *Theoria: A Journal of Social and Political Theory*, vol. 62, No. 145, 2015, pp. 23-42.

“Eight Questions for Deligiorgi’s Interpretation of Kant’s Theory of Autonomy”, *Critique: A Philosophical Review Bulletin*, Onos, Schulting, and Verburgt eds., Issue 6, October 2014.

“Are Economic Liberties Basic Rights?”, *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics*, vol. 13 (1), 2013, pp. 23-44.

“Absolute Freedom of Contract: Grotian Lessons for Libertarians”, *Critical Review*, vol. 25 (1), 2013, pp. 107-119.

“Negative Perfectionism”, *Philosophy & Public Issues*, Vol. 2, No. 1, 2012, pp. 101-122.

“Reasonable Disagreement and Metaphysical Immodesty: A Comment on Talbott’s *Which Rights Should be Universal*”, *Human Rights Review*, vol. 9, no. 2, June 2008.

“The Structural Diversity of Historical Injustices”, co-authored with David A. Reidy, in Rahoul Kumar and Kok-Chor Tan eds., *Journal of Social Philosophy: Special Issue on Reparations*, vol. XXXVII, 3, pp. 360-376, Fall 2006.

### Peer reviewed book chapters

“The First Principle of Justice as Fairness”, *The Oxford Handbook on the Philosophy of John Rawls*, Christie Harley, Blain Neufeld, and Lori Watson eds. Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2025.

“Social Democracy”, *The Routledge Handbook of PPE*, Chris Melenowsky ed., Routledge, 2022.

“On the Relation between Private and Public Right”, *The Court of Reason*, Proceedings of the 13th International Kant Congress, Beatrix Himmelmann and Camilla Serck-Hanssen eds., De Gruyter, October 2021.

“Rawls’s Underestimation of the Importance of Economic Agency and Economic Rights”, *John Rawls: Debating the Major Questions*, Sarah Roberts-Cady & Jon Mandle eds., Oxford University Press, 2020.

“From Justice to Fairness: Does Kant’s Doctrine of Right Imply a Theory of Distributive Justice?”, co-authored with Mike Nance, in K. Moran ed. *Kant on Spontaneity and Freedom*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2018.

“Kant and the Problem of Economic Inequality”, in V. L. Waibel and M. Ruffing eds. *Natur und Freiheit: Akten des XII. Internationalen Kant-Kongresses.*, Walter de Gruyter, 2018.

“Principles of Distributive Justice”, in D. Boonin ed. *Palgrave Handbook of Philosophy and Public Policy*, Palgrave MacMillan, September 2018.

“Liberalism and Economic Liberty”, co-authored with John Tomasi, in S. Wall & C. Kukathas eds. *The Cambridge Companion to Liberalism*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2015.

“The Metaphysics of Vice: Kant and the Problem of Moral Freedom”, in Muchnik and Thorn-dike eds. *Rethinking Kant, Vol. 4*. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2015.

“Freedom as Both Fact and Postulate,” in S. Bacin, A. Ferrarin, C. La Rocca, and M. Ruffing eds. *Kant und die Philosophie in weltbürgerliche Absicht*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2013.

## Book reviews

Thomas Mulligan, *Justice and the Meritocratic State*, Routledge, 2018. *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, Vol. 16, 5, 2019, pp. 675-678.

Reidar Maliks, *Kant's Politics in Context*, Oxford University Press, 2014. *Kantian Review*, 20, 3, November 2015, pp. 492-497.

David James, *Rousseau and German Idealism: Freedom, Dependence, and Necessity*, Cambridge University Press, 2013. *Kantian Review*, 20, 1, March 2015, pp. 155-162.

Katerina Deligiorgi, *The Scope of Autonomy: Kant and the Morality of Freedom*, Oxford University Press, 2012, *Mind*, 123 (491), October 2014, pp. 886-891.

Karl Ameriks, *Kant's Elliptical Path*, Oxford University Press, 2012. *Kantian Review*, Vol. 19, 1, March 2014, pp. 165 – 171.

Oliver Sensen (ed.), *Kant on Moral Autonomy*, Cambridge University Press, 2013. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, June 2013.

Henry E. Allison, *Kant's Groundwork for the Metaphysics of Morals: A Commentary*, Oxford University Press, 2011. *Kantian Review*, 18, 2, July 2013, pp. 317-322.

John Rawls, *Lectures on the History of Political Philosophy*, by S. Freeman ed. Harvard University Press, 2007. *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 43, 1, March 2009, pp. 97-101.

Jürgen Habermas, *Time of Transitions*, Polity Press, 2006, and *The Divided West*, Polity Press, 2006. *Agora*, 2008, 2.

Larry D. Kramer, *The People Themselves: Popular Constitutionalism and Judicial Review*, Oxford University Press, 2005. *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 40, 1, March 2006, pp 129-135.

## Other publications

Entries on “The Metaphysics of Morals” (co-authored with Kate Moran), “Perfect Duties” (co-authored with Kate Moran), “Tyrant”, “Sovereign”, and “Despotism” for *The Cambridge Kant Lexicon*, Julian Wuerth ed., Cambridge University Press, 2021.

Leading essay in the PPE Discussion at PEA Soup: “Gerald Gaus’s “Self-Organizing Moral Systems”, November 2019: <http://peasoup.us/2019/11/ppe-discussion-at-pea-soup-gerald-gauss-self-organizing-moral-systems-with-a-critical-precis-by-jeppe-von-platz/> .

“The Veil of Ignorance in Rawlsian Theory”, in F. Moghaddam ed. *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Political Behavior*. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publishing, June 2017.

Entries on “Right, Concept of,” “Facts, general,” and “Freeman, Samuel,” in *The Cambridge Rawls Lexicon*, J. Mandle & D. Reidy eds. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2015.

“Reply to Our Critics,” *APA Newsletter on Philosophy and Law*, spring 2010, pp. 10-12, co-authored with David A. Reidy.

“Outline of the Field of Reparative Justice,” *APA Newsletter on Philosophy and Law*, spring 2010, pp. 1-4; co-authored with David A. Reidy.

“Faith in Reason: Questioning Practical Reason as Fact, Norm, End, and Function of Human Rights”, in Andres Ollero ed. *Human Rights and Ethics, Proceedings of the 22<sup>nd</sup> IVR World Congress*. Stuttgart: Franz Steiner Verlag, 2007.

## Dissertation

*Freedom, Justice, and the Social Contract: A Study in the Political Philosophies of Rousseau and Kant.*

Dissertation committee: Samuel Freeman (primary advisor), Paul Guyer, Kok-Chor Tan.

## Conference presentations and talks

[\*=refereed conference; ^=invited talk]

\* “Quod Omnes Tangit? Democracy, Capitalism, and the All-Affected Principle”, presented at the *PPE Society Sixth Conference*, November 2022.

^ “Is Forgiveness an Imperfect Duty?”, comments at the workshop on *Verzeihen als Pflicht*, Alfred Krupp Institute for Advanced Study, July 2022.

^ “Social Democracy, Democratic Socialism, and Rawlsian Left-Liberalism”, *Samuel Freeman Career Celebration*, University of Pennsylvania, April 2022.

\* “Climate Change, Cost-Benefit Analysis, and the Paradox of Political Choice”, *PPE Society Fifth Conference*, February 2022. Also presented as invited lecture at The College of New Jersey, April 2022.

^ “Social Democracy vs. Democratic Socialism”, *Ethics and Choice Conference*, University of Richmond, February 2022.

^ “Bloody Modality”, comment on James S. Taylor’s book manuscript *Bloody Morality*, at the Institute for Humane Studies workshop, April 2020.

\* “The Principle of Merit and the Capital-Labor Split”, the *PPE Society Fourth Conference*, March 2020.

\* “Economic Justice and the Relation between Private and Public Right in Kant’s *Doctrine of Right*”, *The 13<sup>th</sup> International Kant Congress*, Oslo, August 2019. Also presented at the *PPE Society Conference*, March 2020

\*”In Defense of Welfare State Capitalism”, *Philosophy, and Economics Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2019.

- ^"Gifts and Gratitude: On the Ethics of Gift-Acceptance", *Philosophy, and Economics Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2019.
- ^"Towards a Kantian Theory of Economic Justice", *Meeting of the North American Kant Society at the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting*, New York, January 2019.
- ^"Alienation as a Political Concept", *Harvard Economic Justice Workshop*, May 2018. Also presented at *The Canadian Philosophical Association Meeting* in Montreal, June 2018.
- \*"Socialism vs. Social Democracy: Capitalism and the Problem of Alienation", the *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2018.
- \*"What is the Social Democratic Alternative?", the *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2017.
- ^"Kantian Fairness", the *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2017
- ^"A Truly Kantian Theory of Distributive Justice", *Colloquium on Kant's Practical Philosophy*, Brandeis University, June 2016.
- ^"Robin Hood Justice", MIT, *Political Philosophy Colloquium*, March 2016.
- \*"Social Cooperation and Economic Rights: A Rawlsian Route to Social Democracy", at *American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting*, Chicago, March 2016. Previously presented at *The Political Theory Project*, Brown University, April 2015.
- ^"A Savage Made: Rousseau on the Aims and Methods of Negative Education", *Philosophy of Education in Early Modern Philosophy*, University of Pennsylvania, October 2015.
- \*"Kant and the Question of Economic Inequality", *XII International Kant Congress*, Vienna, September 2015.
- \*"Basic Economic Rights: Work, Education, and Healthcare", *IVR Conference*, Washington DC, July 2015.
- \*"A Rawlsian Theory of Basic Economic Rights", *Felician Ethics Conference*, Felician College, April 2015.
- ^"Contractualism and Economic Liberty", *The Political Theory Project*, Brown University, March 2014.
- \*"The Basic Liberties Revisited", *American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting*, Chicago, February 2014.
- ^"From Justice to Fairness: Does Kant's Doctrine of Right Imply a Theory of Distributive Justice?", presented at *Kant on Nature and Freedom*, Brown University, October 2013. (Co-authored with Jerome Michael Nance; authorship was equally shared between us.)

\*“Singularity without Equivalence: on the relations between the formulae of the categorical imperative in *Groundwork II*”, *Second Biennial Meeting of the North American Kant Society*, Cornell University, May 2013.

\*“The Metaphysics of Vice”, Eastern Division Meeting of the *North American Kant Association*, Princeton, March 2012.

^“Are Economic Liberties Basic Rights?”, *Political Philosophy Workshop*, Brown University, February 2012.

^“Locke and Natural Law”, Colloquium at Suffolk University, October 2011.

\*“Kant’s Two Concepts of Virtue”, *American Philosophical Association*, Pacific Division Meeting, San Diego, April 2011.

^“Universalizability and the General Will: A Comment on Neuhausser *Rousseau’s Theodicy of Self-Love*”, Pacific Meeting of the *American Philosophical Association*, San Diego, April 2011.

\*“Autonomy as the Supreme Principle of Morality,,” Southern Study Group Meeting of the *North American Kant Society*, New Orleans, March 2011.

^“Rousseau’s Theory of Moral Freedom”, Suffolk University, February 2011.

\*“Freedom as both Fact and Postulate”, *XI International Kant Congress*, Pisa, Italy, May 2010.

^“The Structural Diversity of Historical Injustices”, Berger Prize Special Session, at *American Philosophical Association*, Pacific Meeting, Vancouver, April 2009.

\*“Facts and Principles of Justice”, *American Philosophical Association*, Pacific Division Meeting, Vancouver, April 2009.

\*“Grotius on Justice, Legitimacy, and Political Obligation”, *Association for Political Theory Conference*, October 2008.

\*“Hume’s Regulative Ideal of Justice”, *Canadian Philosophical Association*, May 2007.

\*“Feinberg’s Challenge: Why we need a Mixed Theory of Legal Punishment,” *Tennessee Philosophical Association Meeting 2006*, Vanderbilt University, November 2006.

\*“On Kant’s Distinctions between Perfect and Imperfect and Narrow and Wide Duties,” *American Philosophical Association, Central Division*, Chicago, April 2006.

^“Faith in Reason: Questioning Practical Reason as Fact, Norm, End, and Function of Human Rights”, *XXII World Congress of Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy*, Granada, Spain, May 2005.

\*“Habermas on Human Rights”, *ISSEI 9<sup>th</sup> Conference*, August 2004, Pamplona, Spain.

## Courses Taught

PPEL Capstone Seminar (400 level PPE seminar)  
Theory and Public Policy (200 level PPE course)  
Rational Choice and Political Theory (300 level PPE seminar)  
Economic Justice (300 level political philosophy seminar)  
John Rawls (graduate level political philosophy seminar)  
Environmental Ethics (200 level ethics course)  
Bio- & Medical Ethics (200 level ethics course)  
Contemporary Moral Issues (100 level ethics survey course)  
Ethics and Civic Life (100 level ethics and political philosophy course)  
Social Ethics (100 level political philosophy course)  
Introduction to Ethical Theory (100 level ethical theory course)  
The Social Contract (100 level course on the history of political philosophy)  
Prosperity: The Nature, Sources, and Ethics of the Good Society (FYS)

## Awards and fellowships

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation / ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2011-2012 (I declined this fellowship and instead accepted a post-doc at Brown University).

American Philosophical Association Fred Berger Memorial Prize 2008. Awarded for the best paper in philosophy of law published in 2006-2007. I share this prize with David A. Reidy for our article "The Structural Diversity of Historical Injustices."

Graduate Student Travel Award, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting 2006, Pacific Division Meeting, 2009, Pacific Division Meeting, 2011.

Benjamin Franklin Graduate Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 2006-07, '08-09, '10-11.

Beard Scholarship, University of Tennessee, Fall 2005.

Herman E. Spivey Fellowship, University of Tennessee, 2004-05.

## Service

### **To the Profession**

External Advisor, PPE Program Development, Davidson College, Spring 2022.

External Reviewer, PPE Program, Transylvania University, Spring 2022.



Book manuscript reviewer for Oxford University Press.

Book manuscript reviewer for Routledge.

Book manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press.

Article referee for *Synthese*, *Ethics*, *Politics Philosophy, and Economics*, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, *Journal of International Relations and Development*, *Kantian Review*, *European Journal of Political Theory*, *Res Publica*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *The Journal of Politics*.

Co-Organizer of *Studies in the History of Economic Justice: Kant, Fichte, and Marx* panel at the *PPE Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2020

Co-Organizer of *Just Wages* panel at the *PPE Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2020.

Organizer of *Justice as Fairness and the Choice of Economic System* panel at the *PPE Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2019.

Organizer of *Socialism* panel at the *PPE Society Meeting*, New Orleans, March 2018.

Organizer of *A Theory of Truces*, conference held at Suffolk University, April 2016.

Organizer of Special Workshop: “The Idea of Basic Liberties”, *IVR 2015 Conference*, Washington DC, July 2015.

Organizer of conference: *Self-Knowledge, Self-Deception, and Self-Conceit*, Suffolk University, November 2013.

Co-organizer with Fred Rauscher, Kate Moran, and Mike Nance of the conference, *Kant on Nature and Freedom*, Brown University, October 2013, <http://www.natureandfreedom.org/>

Reviewer for the Third Biennial Meeting of the *North American Kant Society*, 2016.

Co-organizer with Patrick Frierson, Dasha Polzik, and Rafeeq Hasan of Author Meets Critic Session, on Joshua Cohen *A Free Community of Equals* (OUP, 2010) and Frederick Neuhouser *Rousseau's Theodicy of Self-Love: Evil, Rationality, and the Drive for Recognition* (OUP, 2008) at the Pacific Meeting of the *American Philosophical Association*, San Diego, April 2011.

Co-organizer of the conference *Kant's Vision of Peace*, Copenhagen, 2006.

Co-creator, fundraiser, and organizer of conferences for the *Network on Ethics and Justice in the Community of Nations*, 2004-2006.

### **University Service, University of Richmond**

Co-Chair, PPEL-Economics shared job search 2022-23.

IRB member, January 2022-

PPEL Program Coordinator, Fall 2021-

Chair of the University Library Committee, Fall 2020-Spring 2021

Member of the Concept 30 Ad-Hoc Committee, Fall 2020-Spring 2021

Member of the Ethics and Information Technology working group, spring semester of 2020.

PPEL governing group member and member of the faculty advisory board, fall of 2017-

Ethics Working Group member 2017-

Library Committee member, fall of 2018-2021

Member of the Curricular Planning subcommittee, 2018/19.

Invited guest speaker and co-teacher, Bill Edmundson (Georgia State)

Invited guest speaker and co-teacher, Samuel Arnold (TCU)

Invited guest speaker and co-teacher, David A. Reidy (UTK)