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EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame

Ph.D., Political Science Expected 2024
Fields: Political Theory, International Relations
Dissertation: *Hermann Heller and the Problem of Political Unity*
Committee: Dana Villa (Chair), Ernesto Verdeja, Susan Collins, William Scheuerman

M.A., Political Science January 2022

Baylor University

B.A., University Scholar, *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa May 2019
Concentrations: Philosophy, Classics, German

PUBLICATIONS & WORKS IN PROGRESS

Refereed Journal Articles

“Hegel, History, Hostility: The Persistence of War in Hegel’s Political Philosophy” 2023
Political Research Quarterly, FirstView: 1-13: [online here](#).

Public Facing

“War and Ukrainian Identity: An Interview with a Ukrainian Graduate Student” 2022
Europe in the World, Nanovic Institute: [online here](#).

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

External

Adam Smith Fellowship, Mercatus Center (\$5,000) 2023-2024
Graduate Sabbatical, Institute for Humane Studies (\$15,000) 2023
First Generation Scholars in the Profession Annual Meeting Accessibility Grant, APSA (\$200) 2022
Travel Stipend, Institute for Humane Studies (\$730) 2022
Travel Grant, Institute for Humane Studies (\$500) 2020

Internal

Graduate Fellow, Nanovic Institute for European Studies (\$2,000 per annum) 2022-2024
Graduate Student Research Award, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (\$1,000) 2022
Notebaert Professional Development Award, The Graduate School (\$762) 2022
Laura Shannon Prize Residency, Nanovic Institute for European Studies 2022
Advanced Language Training Grant, Nanovic Institute for European Studies (\$4,700) 2021

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

History of Political Thought, German Political Thought, Weimar Constitutionalism, Democratic Theory, International Relations Theory, Causes of War, Sovereignty, Rule of Law

INVITED TALKS

External

“Law versus Dictatorship: An Introduction to Hermann Heller’s Theory of the State” August 2021
Graduate Program in Political Science, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Papers

“Hermann Heller’s Defense of the Social State” Scheduled October 2023
International Conference, Department of History, University of Montreal

“Critical Politics: Hermann Heller and the Interwar Crisis in Europe” April 2023
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago

“Opaque Novel Technologies as a Rationalist Explanation for War” with Clay Parham April 2023
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago

“Hegel’s Threefold Account of War” April 2021
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago

“Hermocrates and the Construction of Sicilian Unity in the Peloponnesian War” April 2020
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago (Canceled)

“Hegel, Sovereignty, and the ‘Family’ of European States” March 2020
Nanovic Institute for European Studies Annual Conference, Notre Dame (Canceled)

Posters

“From Prussia with Love: Hegel and the Concept of the Political” September 2022
American Political Science Association (APSA), Montreal

Discussant

“Unity and Multiplicity: Is Political Science Objective or Relative?” April 2023
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Thinking in Crisis: Political Thought in the Weimar Republic Fall 2023

Teaching Assistant

Genocide in the Modern World, Prof. Ernesto Verdeja Fall 2022

International Relations, Prof. Joseph Parent	Spring 2022
- Led Two Weekly Discussion Sections	
International Relations (Lead TA), Prof. Jazmin Sierra	Fall 2021
Contemporary Political Theory, Prof. Dana Villa	Spring 2021
Catholicism and Politics, Prof. Daniel Philpott	Fall 2020

Guest Lecturer

“Economics and Empires”	April 2022
Introduction to International Relations, Prof. Joseph Parent	

“Catholic Personalism: A Philosophic Anthropology to Redeem the Age?”	September 2020
Catholicism and Politics, Prof. Daniel Philpott	

DEPARTMENTAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External

Discussant, Undergraduate Poster Session, MPSA	April 2023
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University of Notre Dame

Discussant, Political Theory Colloquium	April 2023
Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Program Committee	2021-2022

SPECIAL TRAINING

Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar

Modern Challenges to Liberty	Summer 2022
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Goethe Institute German Language Study

Individual Course (Reading German in Political Philosophy & the Social Sciences)	Summer 2021
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Technische Universität of Dresden Institute of Advanced Studies

A2 German Certification	Summer 2018
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LANGUAGES

Conversational: German (Upper Intermediate), Portuguese (Basic)
Reading Only: Latin (Lower Intermediate), Greek (Lower Intermediate), Italian (Basic)

MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association (APSA)
 International Studies Association (ISA)
 Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA)
 Phi Beta Kappa (ΦBK)

REFERENCES

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