

JOEL ALDEN SCHLOSSER

Fairbank Professor in the Humanities

Professor of Political Science

Bryn Mawr College

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EDUCATION

DUKE UNIVERSITY (Durham, NC)

Ph.D. in Political Science (2009)

MA in Political Science (2007)

Fields: Political Theory and International Relations

IS LANGUAGE INSTITUTE (Aix-en-Provence, France)

Advanced study of French (Summer 2006)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (Berkeley, CA)

Intensive Latin Workshop (Summer 2005)

Intensive Ancient Greek Workshop (Summer 2004)

CARLETON COLLEGE (Northfield, MN)

BA, *Phi Beta Kappa* and *magna cum laude* (2003)

Department of Political Science

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

BRYN MAWR COLLEGE (Bryn Mawr, PA)

Fairbank Professor in the Humanities (May 2025 – present)

Professor of Political Science (August 2024 – present)

Chair, Department of Political Science (August 2020 – July 2024, January 2025 – May 2025)

Associate Professor of Political Science (September 2019 – July 2024)

Assistant Professor of Political Science (August 2014 – August 2019)

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON (Seattle, WA)

CHCI-ACLS Visiting Fellow, Simpson Center for the Humanities (September 2019 – July 2020)

HARVARD UNIVERSITY (Cambridge, MA)

Fellow, Center for Hellenic Studies (July 2016 – June 2017)

DEEP SPRINGS COLLEGE (Deep Springs, CA)

Julian Steward Chair in the Social Sciences (2010 - 2014)

CARLETON COLLEGE (Northfield, MN)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Winter and Spring 2010

Visiting Instructor, Winter and Spring 2008

Department of Political Science

DUKE UNIVERSITY (Durham, NC)

Graduate Student Instructor in Thompson Writing Program, Fall 2009

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS, POST-DOCTORAL

- Educating Character Initiative, Wake Forest University (\$250,000), with Alison Cook-Sather, Bryn Mawr College, 2025
- Social Sciences Institute Summer Grant (\$500), Bryn Mawr College, 2023
- Faculty Award for Research on *Earthborn(e) Democracy* (\$2700), Bryn Mawr College, 2022
- American Council of Learned Societies Junior Faculty Fellowship, 2019 – 2020 (\$35,000)
- Mellon Public Humanities Grant, Summer 2019 (\$5000)
- Social Sciences Institute Summer Grant (\$700), Bryn Mawr College, 2019
- Rosalyn R. Schwartz Award for Teaching, Bryn Mawr College, 2018
- Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges Development Award (\$9000), with Ali Aslam of Mount Holyoke College, 2018
- Faculty Award for Research at American School of Classical Studies, Athens (\$2400), Bryn Mawr College, 2017
- Social Sciences Institute Summer Grant (\$1000), Bryn Mawr College, 2017
- Andrew W. Mellon Seed Grant (\$2000), Bryn Mawr College, 2017
- Center for Hellenic Studies Fellowship (\$14,000), Harvard University, 2016
- Andrew W. Mellon Seed Grant (\$3000), Bryn Mawr College, 2016
- Social Sciences Institute Summer Grant (\$500), Bryn Mawr College, 2016
- Andrew W. Mellon Seed Grant (\$3000), Bryn Mawr College, 2015
- Social Sciences Institute Summer Grant (\$300), Bryn Mawr College, 2015
- Andrew W. Mellon Brainstorming Grant (\$600), Bryn Mawr College, 2014
- Isabel H. Benham Fund for Faculty Research, Bryn Mawr College, 2014
- Nominee, Franklin L. Burdette/Pi Sigma Alpha Award (Best Paper in Political Science), American Political Science Association 2010
- Best Paper on Blacks and Politics, Western Political Science Association 2009
- Nominee, Best Paper Award, Foundations of Political Theory Section, American Political Science Association 2009

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS, DUKE UNIVERSITY

- Graduate School Fellowship, Duke University (2008-2009)
- Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship, Duke University (2008)
- Fellow, Preparing Future Faculty Program (2007-2008)
- Graduate School Fellowship, Duke University (2007-2008)
- Earhart Foundation Fellowship (2006-2007)
- Hallowell Endowment grant for study of French in Aix-en-Provence, France (2006)
- Earhart Foundation Fellowship (2005-2006)
- Earhart Fund for Intensive Latin Workshop in Berkeley, CA (2005)
- Graduate School Fellowship, Duke University (2004-2005)

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS, CARLETON COLLEGE

- *Phi Beta Kappa*
- Honors in Senior Comprehensive Exercise
- Honors in Political Science
- Honors in Music Performance (piano)

WRITING BOOKS

- **With Ali Aslam and David McIvor, *Earthborn Democracy: A Political Theory of Entangled Life*. Columbia University Press. Cloth and paper, 2024.**
 - Roundtable discussion at American Political Science Association Annual Conference (September 2024) featuring William E. Connolly (Johns Hopkins), Alyssa Battistoni (Barnard), Neal Roberts (Williams), and Benjamin McKean (Ohio State)
 - Interdisciplinary Symposium, University of Massachusetts at Amherst (April 2025) featuring discussants from Classics, English, Environmental Studies, and Political Science
 - Roundtable Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (April 2025) featuring David Schlosberg (University of Sydney), Vicki Hsueh (Western Washington), and Katherine Young (University of Hawaii)
 - Featured in *Political Theory Review* podcast, *New Books in Political Science Network* podcast, CarletonConnects webinar
 - Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *H-Net*, *Theory & Event*
- ***Herodotus in the Anthropocene*. University of Chicago Press. Cloth and paper, 2020.**
 - Featured in *Always Already* podcast, *Political Theory Review* podcast, *Podopticon* podcast, *New Books in Political Science Network* podcast, and *What People Do* podcast
 - Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *Review of Politics*, *Classics for All*.
- ***What Would Socrates Do? Self-examination, Civic Engagement, and the Politics of Philosophy*. Cambridge University Press. Hardcover, 2014. Paperback, 2017.**
 - Featured in *Los Angeles Review of Books* Interview with Andy Fitch: <https://blog.lareviewofbooks.org/interviews/associational-vibrancy-talking-joel-schlosser/>
 - Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, *Interpretation: A Journal of Political Philosophy*, *The Journal of Dialogue Studies*, and *Choice*.
 - Roundtable discussion at Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (March 2015) featuring Ryan Balot (University of Toronto), Derek Barker (Kettering Foundation), John Lombardini (College of William and Mary), and Shalini Satkunanandan (University of California, Davis).

EDITED VOLUMES AND JOURNAL ISSUES

- Special issue of *Democratic Theory* devoted to *Earthborn Democracy*, featuring authors-meet-critics, six stand-alone articles engaging *Earthborn Democracy*, and a dialogue with Anne Norton; Vol. 13, Issue 1 (February 2026).

PUBLIC WRITING

- With Tommaso Bardelli, “An Alternative Future for Struggling Colleges,” *Los Angeles Review of Books*, August 15, 2026

POLITICAL THEORY ARTICLES

- With Ali Aslam and David McIvor, “The Democratic Unconscious,” *Polity*. Vol. 56, no 1 (2024).
- With Ali Aslam and David McIvor, “A Democratic Turn within Democratic Socialism? State-Centric and Anti-Statist Visions of Socialism and the Challenge of Democratic Mirroring,” *New Political Science*. Vol. 43, Issue 4 (2021): 451 – 468.
- “A Poetics of American Citizenship: Blackness, Injury, and Claudia Rankine’s *Citizen*,” *Law, Culture, and Humanities*. Vol. 16, Issue 3 (2020): 432-453. [Published online in 2016.]
- With Ali Aslam and David McIvor, “Democratic Theory When Democracy is Fugitive,” *Democratic Theory*. Vol. 6, no. 2 (Winter 2019): 27 – 40.
- “Joan Didion and the American Dream,” *Raritan*. Spring 2018: 28 – 51.
- “The Polis Artist: Don DeLillo’s *Cosmopolis* and Politics of Literature,” *Theory & Event*. Vol. 19, Issue 1. January 2016.

- “Herodotean Realism.” *Political Theory*. Vol. 42, no. 3, June 2014: 239 – 261.
- “Socrates in a Different Key: James Baldwin and Race in America.” *Political Research Quarterly*. Vol. 66, No. 3, September 2013: 487 - 499. [*Also collected in *A Political Companion to James Baldwin*. Susan McWilliams, ed. Lexington, KY: The University Press of Kentucky, 2017: 219 – 246.]
- “‘Hope, Danger’s Comforter: Thucydides’ History and the Politics of Hope.” *The Journal of Politics*. Vol. 75, No. 1, January 2013: 169 - 182.

POLITICAL THEORY INVITED PUBLICATIONS

- With Ali Aslam and David McIvor, “Critical Exchange: Visionary Political Theory.” *Contemporary Political Theory*. May 2023.
- “‘What Really Happened’: Varieties of Realism in Thucydides’ *History*.” *The Cambridge Companion to Thucydides*. P. Low, ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2023: 301 – 316.
- “The Political Theorist at Thebes.” *Contemporary Political Theory*. Vol. 19, 2020: 306 – 340.
- “Speaking Silence: Holding and the Democratic Arts of Mourning.” *The Democratic Arts of Mourning*. A. Hirsch and D. McIvor, eds. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2019.
- “Remembering Peter Euben.” *Polis: The Journal for Ancient Greek Political Thought*. Vol. 35, 2018: 329 – 332.
- “Herodotus’ Political Ecologies.” *Democratic Moments*. X. Marquez, ed. London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2018: 9 – 16.
- “Herodotean Democracies.” *CHS Research Bulletin* 5, no. 1 (2016).

TEACHING ARTICLES

- Cook-Sather, A., Schlosser, J., Sweeney, A., Peterson, L., Cassidy, K., & Colon-Garcia, A. “The Pedagogical Benefits of Enacting Positive Psychology Practices through a Student-Faculty Partnership Approach to Academic Development.” *International Journal for Academic Development*. Vol. 23, no. 2 (2018): 123 – 134.
- Schlosser, Joel and Abigail Sweeney, “One Year of Collaboration: Reflections on Student-Faculty Partnership.” *Teaching and Learning Together*. Spring 2015. Available at <http://teachingandlearningtogether.blogs.brynmawr.edu/files/2015/06/SchlosserSweeneyFinalEssay2.pdf>

BOOK REVIEWS

- With Ali Aslam and David McIvor, Review of Lars Tønder, *Power in the Anthropocene* (Edinburgh, 2025). Forthcoming in *Philosophy, Politics, and Critique*.
- Review of M.D. Usher, “Following Nature’s Lead” (Princeton, 2025). Forthcoming in *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*.
- Review of Adam Adatto Sandel, *Happiness in Action* (Harvard, 2022). Forthcoming in *Contemporary Political Theory*.
- Review of Timothy Kaufmann-Osborn, *The Autocratic Academy* (Duke, 2023). *American Political Thought* 13 (2024): 130-134.
- Review of Mathias Thalberg, “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (Cambridge, 2022). *Political Science Quarterly* 138, Issue 4 (Winter 2023): 609–610.
- Review of Roosevelt Montes, *Saving Socrates: How the Great Books Changed My Life and Why They Matter for a New Generation* (Princeton, 2021). *American Political Thought*. Summer 2022: 417 – 420.
- Review of Marina Marren, *Plato and Aristophanes: Comedy, Politics, and the Pursuit of a Just Life* (Northwestern, 2022). *Polis*. Vol. 39 (2022): 587–589.
- Review of Nicholas Thorne, *Authority and Liberation: Plato’s Gorgias, the first book of the Republic, and Thucydides* (Lexington, 2021). *The Classical Review*. Vol. 72, Issue 1 (2021): 60 – 62.
- Review of Jonathan Marks, “Let’s Be Reasonable: A Conservative Case for Liberal Education” (Princeton, 2021). *American Political Thought*. Fall 2021: 660 – 663.
- Review of Tae-Yeoun Keum, “Plato and the Mythic Tradition in Political Thought” (Harvard, 2020). *The Review of Politics*. Volume 83, Issue 4 (Fall 2021): 625 – 628.
- Review of Paul Ludwig, “Rethinking Civic Friendship” (Cambridge, 2020). *Polis*. Vol. 38 (2021): 358 – 361.
- Review of Christopher Pelling, “Herodotus and the Question Why” (Texas, 2019). *Polis*. Vol. 38 (2021): 139 – 143.

- Review of Jacques Jouanna, “Sophocles: A Study of His Theater in Its Political and Social Context” (Princeton, 2018). *Polis*. Vol. 37 (2020): 196 – 200.
- Review of John Lombardini, “The Politics of Socratic Humor,” (Cambridge, 2018). *Review of Politics*. Vol. 82, Issue 1 (Winter 2020): 184 – 186.
- Review of Demetra Kasimis, “The Perpetual Immigrant and the Limits of Athenian Democracy” (Cambridge, 2018). *Contemporary Political Theory*. 2019.
- Review of Matt Waters, “Ctesias’ *Persica* and Its Near Eastern Context” (Wisconsin, 2017). *The Journal of the American Oriental Society*. Vol. 139, no. 3 (July-September 2019): 723 – 725.
- Review of J. Thakkar, “Plato as Critical Theorist” (Harvard, 2018). *The Review of Metaphysics*. 72.4 (2019): 812 – 814.
- Review of S.N. Jaffe, “Thucydides on the Outbreak of War: Character and Contest” (Oxford, 2017). *Perspectives on Politics*. Vol. 16, no. 2 (June 2017): 509 – 511.
- Review of Irene Hau, “Moral History from Herodotus to Diodorus Siculus” (Edinburgh, 2016). *Polis: The Journal for Ancient Greek Political Thought*. Vol. 35, no. 1 (2018): 237 – 302.
- Review of Vernon L. Provencal, “Sophist Kings: Persians as Other in Herodotus” (Bloomsbury, 2016). *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*. 2017.02.50. Available at <http://bmcr.brynmawr.edu/2017/2017-02-50.html>
- Review of Christopher Meckstroth, “The Struggle for Democracy” (Oxford, 2015). *Contemporary Political Theory*. Volume 16, Issue 4 (November 2017): 592 – 596.
- Review of Dustin Sebell, “The Socratic Turn” (Penn, 2015). *Perspectives on Politics*. Vol. 14, no. 3 (2016): 868 – 869.
- Review of Victoria Wohl, “Euripides and the Politics of Form” (Princeton, 2015). *Polis: The Journal for Ancient Greek Political Thought*. Vol. 33, no. 1 (2016): 213 – 217.
- Review of Adam Adatto Sandel, “The Place of Prejudice” (Oxford, 2014). *Contemporary Political Theory*. Vol. 15 (2016): 59 – 62.
- Review of Matthew Brim, “James Baldwin’s Queer Imagination” (Michigan, 2014). *Theory & Event*. Volume 8, Issue 3, 2015.
- Review of David A. Branscome, “Textual Rivals: Self-presentation in Herodotus” (Michigan, 2013). *Polis: The Journal for Ancient Greek Political Thought*. Vol. 32 no. 1 (2015): 256 - 259.
- Review of Susan J. McWilliams, “Traveling Back: Toward a Global Political Theory” (Oxford, 2013). *The Review of Politics*. Vol. 17, No. 1, December 2014: 146 – 149.
- Review of Bonnie Honig, “Antigone, Interrupted” (Cambridge, 2013). *Theory & Event*. Volume 16, Issue 4, December 2013.
- Review of Debra Hamel, “Reading Herodotus: A Guided Tour through the Wild Boars, Dancing Suitors, and Crazy Tyrants of The History” (Johns Hopkins, 2012). *Polis: The Journal for Ancient Greek Political Thought*. Vol. 30 no. 1: 140 - 144.
- Review of John M. Cooper, “Pursuits of Wisdom: Six Ways of Life in Ancient Philosophy from Socrates to Plotinus” (Princeton, 2012). *Foucault Studies*, September 2013.
- Review of Roslyn Weiss, “Philosophers in the Republic: Plato’s Two Paradigms” (Cornell, 2012). *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*. 03.13.2013.
- Review of Sarah Bakewell, “How to Live: A Life of Montaigne in One Question and Twenty Answers” (Other Press, 2010). *Foucault Studies*, Fall 2012.
- Review of Melissa Lane, “Eco-Republic: What the Ancients Can Teach Us about Ethics, Virtue, and Sustainable Living” (Princeton, 2012). *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*. 05.31.2012.
- Review of Brooke Holmes, “The Symptom and the Subject: The Emergence of the Physical Body in Ancient Greece” (Princeton, 2010). *Foucault Studies*, Spring 2012.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- “‘A River Runs Through It’: The Politics of Naturecultures in Ancient Greek Political Thought,” *Oxford Handbook of Ancient Greek Political Thought*. C. Attack, ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press. [Under contract; forthcoming]
- with Ali Aslam and David McIvor, “Lauren Berlant’s Democratic Desire.” Essay to be included in edited volume from Duke University Press on Lauren Berlant.

- with Ali Aslam and David McIvor, co-editors, *Democratic Theory* special issue on earthborn(e) democracy

TEACHING

TEACHING INTERESTS

- History of Democracy and Democratic Theory
- Ancient Political Thought
- Modern Political Thought
- Continental Political Thought
- Constitutional Law

BRYN MAWR COLLEGE: COURSES TAUGHT

- Freedom in the 21st Century
- Community and the Politics of Place
- Governing the Self and Others
- How To Do Nothing (first year writing course)
- Friendship, Virtue, and Democratic Practice
- Anti-Political Theory: On Radical Study
- Do You Feel Lucky? Luck, Ethics, and Politics (first year writing course)
- Refusal, Resistance, and Rebellion (first year writing course)
- Topics in Political Philosophy: Justice
- Modern Political Philosophy
- The Power of the People: Democracy in Theory and Practice
- Ancient and Early Modern Political Philosophy
- Arts of Freedom (part of “Arts of Resistance” 360 Cluster)
- Power and Resistance
- On the Human Condition: Arendt and Her Interlocutors
- Modern Political Philosophy

DEEP SPRINGS COLLEGE: COURSES TAUGHT

- Politics, Markets, and Theories of Capitalism
- Domination, Oppression, and the Arts of Resistance
- Herodotus, Storytelling, and the Politics of History
- Political Theory After Marx: Critical Theory Past and Present
- Antigone: Feminism, Tragedy, Politics
- Public Speaking
- Foundings and Refoundings: Tradition, Memory, and Political Identity
- The Future of Democracy [Democratic theory and practice]
- Arendt and her Interlocutors: On *The Human Condition*
- Liberalism and its discontents: Individual and Community in Modern Political Thought
- Hegel and the politics of recognition
- Heidegger: Philosophy and Politics (Independent Study)
- Political Theory After Marx: Critical Theory and Postmodernism
- Justice Among Nations in Thucydides and Herodotus
- Plato’s *Republic* (Independent Study)
- Freedom and the State in Modern Political Theory
- Tragedy and Politics: Greek Tragedy and the Hollywood Western

CARLETON COLLEGE: COURSES TAUGHT

- POSC 160: Introduction to Political Philosophy

- POSC 251: Modern Political Philosophy
- POSC 252: Justice Among Nations (Thucydides and Herodotus)
- POSC 271: American Constitutional Law I
- POSC 272: American Constitutional Law II
- POSC 391: Tragedy and Politics (Independent Study)
- POSC 391: Law, Pluralism, and Diversity (Independent Study)

DUKE UNIVERSITY

- WRITING 20: Living Justly in an Unkind World [Academic Writing/Political Theory]
- POSC 123: Introduction to Political Philosophy
- GER 183D: The Existentialist Imagination (TA)
- PPS 264S: Leadership and Public Values (TA)
- POSC 150: Ancient Views, Individual and Society (TA)

TEACHING DEVELOPMENT

- Fellow, *Preparing Future Faculty* (2007)
- GS 301: Introduction to College Teaching
- GS 302: Introduction to Instructional Technology

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

PAPERS PRESENTED AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- Invited presenter, “Earthborn Democracy,” CarletonConnects Series (virtual, 2025)
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam), “Earthborn Democracy,” Meadows Environmental Institute, Princeton University (Princeton, 2025)
- Invited presenter, “Governing the Self and Others: Lessons from the Deep Springs Model,” President’s Advisory Council, Bryn Mawr College (Bryn Mawr, 2025)
- Invited presenter, “Governing the Self and Others: Lessons from the Deep Springs Model,” Buzzard Bay Term Faculty Seminar, Gull Island Institute (Penikese Island, Mass., 2025)
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), Author Meets Critics Panel on Earthborn Democracy, Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (Seattle, 2025)
- Invited presenter, *Earthborn Democracy*, Committee on Environment, Geography and Urbanization, University of Chicago (2024)
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “Lauren Berlant’s Democratic Desire,” American Political Science Association Annual Conference (Philadelphia, 2024)
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), Author Meets Critics Panel on Earthborn Democracy, American Political Science Association Annual Conference (Philadelphia, 2024)
- Invited presenter, “Becoming Reasonable: Self-Governance and Liberal Education,” Democracy and Education Conference, Tidelines Institute (Gustavus, Alaska, 2024)
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “Earthborn(e) Democracy,” Conference on Psychoanalysis and Critical Theory (Emory University, 2023).
- Invited presenter, “Diogenes’ Cynical Rule,” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (San Francisco, 2023)
- Discussant, “Sharing the World in Dark Times,” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (San Francisco, 2023)
- Invited speaker, “‘A River Runs Through It’: The Politics of Natureculture in Ancient Greek Political Thought” (Baylor University, 2023)
- Invited presenter, “Diogenes’ Cynical Rule,” American Political Science Association Annual Conference (Montreal, 2022)
- Invited Presenter, “Teaching Plato in Postmodern Times,” American Political Science

- Association Annual Conference (Montreal, 2022)
- Roundtable organizer and contributor (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “Visionary Political Theory,” American Political Science Association Annual Conference (Montreal, 2022)
- Invited Discussant, Western Political Science Association Virtual Communities (February 2022)
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “Earthborn Democracy,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference (Amherst, MA, 2021)
- Discussant, “Pluralizing Euripides,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Virtual, 2021).
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “The Democratic Unconscious,” Five Colleges Junior Social Sciences Faculty Workshop (Virtual, 2021)
- Invited presenter, “The Parasite: Diogenes’ Refusal,” Cornell University Political Theory Workshop
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “The Democratic Unconscious?” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Virtual, 2021)
- Invited presenter, “Herodotus in the Anthropocene,” University of Pennsylvania Department of Classics (Sheila Murnaghan’s graduate seminar), 2021.
- Invited presenter, “Herodotus in the Anthropocene,” on *The Herodotus Helpline* organized by Thomas Harrison and Jan Haywood.
- Invited discussant, Roundtable discussion of Matthew Landauer’s *Dangerous Counsel* (Chicago, 2019). Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Virtual, 2020).
- Invited chair, Roundtable discussion of Jonny Thakkar’s *Plato as Critical Theorist* (Harvard, 2019). Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Virtual, 2020).
- ~~Invited speaker, “Diogenes’ Refusal,” Cornell University Political Theory Workshop (Ithaca, 2020) [Canceled due to COVID-19]~~
- Invited presenter (with Ali Aslam and David McIvor), “What is democratic socialism?” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Virtual, 2020)
- ~~Invited speaker, “Herodotus in the Anthropocene,” University of Puget Sound (Tacoma, 2020) [Canceled due to COVID-19]~~
- ~~Invited speaker, “Diogenes’ Refusal,” Pacific Northwest Political Theory Workshop (Seattle, 2020) [Canceled due to COVID-19]~~
- Invited speaker, “Politics is for the Dogs: Diogenes the Cynic and Political Refusal,” Simpson Center for the Humanities, University of Washington (Seattle, 2019)
- Invited speaker, “Herodotus in the Anthropocene,” Reed College (Portland, 2019)
- Invited speaker, “Asceticism contra Nietzsche,” Colgate University (Hamilton, 2019)
- Paper presenter, “Stumbling in Noonday as Night: An Essay on Blindness,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Washington, D.C., 2019)
- Invited discussant, “Race and Resistance in an Anti-Black World,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (San Diego, 2019)
- Invited discussant, “Constitutions and Corruption,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference (Bryn Mawr and Haverford Colleges, 2018)
- Paper presenter, “Adrienne Rich on Lemnos,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (San Francisco, 2018)
- Keynote speaker, “Euripides and the End of the World,” Pennsylvania Circle for Ancient Philosophy (State College, 2018)
- Invited Speaker, “Reflections on Preparing Future Faculty,” Duke University Graduate School (Durham, 2017)
- Paper presenter, “Speaking Silence: Holding and the Democratic Arts of Mourning,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, 2017)

- Panel organizer, “Author Meets Critics: David McIvor’s *Mourning in America: Race and the Politics of Loss*.” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, 2017)
- Invited presenter, “Herodotean Democracies.” Center for Hellenic Studies Fall Fellows Symposium (Washington, DC, December 2016)
- Paper presenter, “Nomos is King: Herodotus and the Politics of Freedom.” Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Conference (Boston, November 2016)
- Invited presenter, “Herodotean Materialism,” University of Virginia Political Theory Workshop (Charlottesville, October 2016)
- Invited lecturer, “Herodotus’ Political Ecologies,” Middlebury College (Middlebury, VT, October 2016)
- Invited presenter, “The Poetics of Citizenship.” Temple University Political Theory Workshop (Philadelphia, 2016).
- Paper presenter, “The Poetics of Citizenship.” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (San Diego, 2016).
- Invited presenter, “Herodotus and the Politics of Freedom,” Kirkland House, Harvard University (Cambridge, 2016).
- Invited Discussant, “The Good Citizen and the Good Man in Plato, Aristotle, and the Federalists,” Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association (Philadelphia, 2015).
- Invited presenter, “Joan Didion and American Democracy,” Harvard University American Colloquium (Cambridge, 2015).
- Invited Discussant, Roundtable on “American Literature and Political Theory,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, 2015).
- Paper presenter, “Joan Didion and the Dream of a Common Language.” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, 2015).
- Invited presenter, “Herodotean Materialism,” University of Pennsylvania Graduate Student Political Theory Workshop (Philadelphia, 2015).
- Invited presenter, “Author Meets Critics: *What Would Socrates Do?*” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Las Vegas, 2015).
- Paper presented, “Herodotean Materialism,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Las Vegas, 2015).
- Invited speaker, “The Necessary Traumas of Liberal Education,” SUNY Oneonta Ancient Studies Group (Oneonta, NY, 2015).
- Invited presenter, “The Polis Artist: Don DeLillo and the Impasses of Late Capitalism,” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Political Theory Workshop (Chapel Hill, NC 2014).
- Paper presenter, “Only Things Endure: Towards a Herodotean Materialism,” Bryn Mawr Classical Studies Colloquium (Bryn Mawr College, 2014).
- Invited presenter, “Hope and Radical Politics,” University of Pennsylvania Urban Studies Program (Philadelphia, 2014)
- Invited presenter, “Aristotle and Nature,” Strays Center for Torah and Western Thought, Yeshiva University (New York, 2014).
- Discussant, “Liberalism,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Washington, D.C., 2014).
- Paper presenter, “The Polis Artist: DeLillo and the Impasses of Capitalism” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Seattle, 2014).
- Panel organizer, “American Literature and Political Theory,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Seattle, 2014).
- Discussant, “America’s Other Founding: Generation through Violence,” Annual Conference of

- the Western Political Science Association (Seattle, 2014).
- Chair, “Justice and Responsibility,” Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (Nashville, TN, 2013).
- Discussant, “Plato,” Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (Nashville, TN, 2013).
- Paper presenter, “Black Swans on the Bosphorus: Herodotus, Social Science, and the Unpredictable,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Chicago, 2013).
- Panel discussant, “Persuasion and Judgment in Tragedy and Theory,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Chicago, 2013).
- Panel discussant, “Roundtable Discussion of John Zumbrunnen’s *Aristophanic Comedy and the Challenge of Democratic Citizenship*,” Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association (Chicago, 2013).
- Panel organizer, “Roundtable Discussion of Daniel Kapust’s *Republicanism, Rhetoric, and Roman Political Thought*,” Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association (Chicago, 2013).
- Invited speaker, “What Would Socrates Do?” Duke University Political Theory Workshop (Durham, 2013).
- Paper presenter, “The Polis Artist: On Late DeLillo, Time, and Democracy,” Tragic Vision, Democratic Hope: A Conference in Honor of J. Peter Euben (Durham, NC, 2012)
- Paper presenter, “Herodotean Realism,” Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (Columbia, SC, 2012)
- Panel discussant, Conference on Bernard Williams and Antiquity, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill, NC, 2012)
- Paper presenter, “What Would Socrates Do?,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Portland, OR 2012)
- Paper presenter, “Mocking Authority?” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (San Antonio, TX, 2011)
- Panel organizer, “Mocking Authority: Plato, Aristophanes, and the Politics of Authority,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (San Antonio, TX, 2011)
- Panel presenter, “Between Disagreement and Consensus: Rancière, Plato’s Gorgias, and Dissent,” Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association (Chicago, 2011)
- Panel organizer, “Roundtable Discussion of Elizabeth Markovits’ *The Politics of Sincerity*,” Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association (Chicago, 2011)
- Panel organizer, “Thucydides’ *History*: A Text for Hard Times,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Washington, 2010)
- Paper presenter, “‘Hope, Danger’s Comforter’: Thucydides’ *History* and the Politics of Hope,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Washington, 2010)
- Panel presenter, “Socrates’ Erotic Counterpublics,” Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association (Chicago, 2010)
- Roundtable organizer, “Genres of Political Theory,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (San Francisco, CA, 2010)
- Panel chair, “Critical Standards,” Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (Texas A&M University, 2009)
- Paper presenter, “An Atopic Socrates: Engaging Socrates’ Strangeness,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Toronto, 2009)
- Panel Organizer, “Plato and Public Life,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Toronto, 2009)

- Paper presenter, “Questioning Socratic Irony: Plato, Strauss, and Ironic Democratic Practice,” Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, 2009)
- Discussant, “Aesthetics and The Representations of Politics,” Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, 2009)
- Paper presenter, “Black Socrates: James Baldwin and the Socratic Sting of Reality,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Vancouver, B.C., 2009)
- Panel Organizer, “Encountering James Baldwin,” Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association (Vancouver, B.C., 2009)
- Paper presenter, “Philosophy as a Way of Politics: Socrates Cafés, the care of the self, and the erotic Socrates,” Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (Wesleyan University, 2008)
- Paper presenter, “Midwifing Democracy: Reflections on the Democratic Promise of Socratic Maieusis,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Boston, 2008)
- Panel Organizer, “Engaging Socrates,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Boston, 2008)
- Paper presenter, “Questions of Socrates: Socratic Engagement in Plato’s *Apology*,” Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, 2008)
- Discussant, “Aristocracy in Literature,” Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, 2008)
- Invited presenter, “Questions of Socrates: Socratic Engagement in Plato’s *Apology*,” University of Minnesota Political Theory Colloquium (Minneapolis, 2008)
- Discussant, “New Turns in Democratic Theory,” Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (Chicago, 2007)
- Paper presenter, “More than a Mirror: Comedy and Political Theory,” Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory (Indiana University, Bloomington, 2006)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Manuscript reviewer: *American Political Science Review*; *Journal of Politics*; *Political Theory*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Contemporary Political Theory*; *Polis*; *Columbia Teachers Record*; *Theory & Event*; *Res Publica*; *Political Science Quarterly*; *Law, Culture, and the Humanities*; *American Political Thought*; *European Journal for Political Theory*; *University of Chicago Press* (2014 –), *Cambridge University Press* (2016 –), *University of Edinburgh Press* (2024 –), *Routledge* (2017 –), *Temple University Press* (2018 –)
- Editorial associate, *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* (2014 –)
- Committee on Academic Priorities, Bryn Mawr College (2025 –)
- Co-convenor, Teaching and Learning Institute Faculty Pedagogy Seminar, Bryn Mawr and Haverford Colleges (2023 –)
- Faculty Mentor, Bryn Mawr College (2022 –)
- Program Committee for Association for Political Theory Annual Conference, Houston, TX (November 2022)
- Grand Marshal of the College, Bryn Mawr College (2021 – 2025)
- Faculty Development Consultant, Outer Coast (2020 – 2022)
- Committee on Academic Standing, Bryn Mawr College (2020 – 2024)
- Standing Committee for Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity, Assoc. for Political Theory (2020 – 2023)
- Faculty Undergraduate Admissions Committee, Bryn Mawr College (2020 – 2023)
- Foundations of Political Theory Section of APSA First Book Award Committee (2019 – 2020)
- Curriculum Committee, Bryn Mawr College (2017 – 2019)
- 360 Program Steering Committee, Bryn Mawr College (2017 – 2019)

- Co-convener, Tri-Co Political Theory Workshop (2014 – 2024)
- Endowed Lectures Committee, Bryn Mawr College (2014 – 2018)
- Flexner Lectures Committee, Bryn Mawr College (2015 – 2017)
- External Examiner, Swarthmore College (2015 – 2016, 2018)
- Program Committee for Association for Political Theory Annual Conference, Boulder, CO (October 2015)
- Chairs and Discussant Committee for Association for Political Theory Annual Conference, Boulder, CO (October 2015)
- Applications Committee, Deep Springs College (2010 - 2012, 2013 - 2014)
- Duke University Graduate and Professional Student Council (2005 – 2007)
- Duke University Young Trustee Selection Committee (2005 – 2007)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association
Western Political Science Association
- Association for Political Theory
- Foundations of Political Thought

OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS

LANGUAGES

- German (speak, read, write)
- French (speak, read, write)
- Ancient Greek (read)
- Latin (read)

WRITING/EDITING

- Paralegal, *Cadwalader, Wickersham, and Taft* (New York, NY)
- Editorial Intern, *W.W. Norton and Co.* (New York, NY)
- Copy editor, *The Carletonian* (Northfield, MN)

MUSIC

- Winner, Concerto Competition at Carleton College (2003)
- Accompanist, *Carleton Singers* (2001-2003)
- Radio DJ, *Real Men Love Beethoven* (2000-2003)