

**Curriculum Vitae**

Dept. of Clinical Bioethics  
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**Education**

- PhD 2004      Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Dissertation: *Why Instruments Aren't Reasons* (Geoffrey Sayre-McCord, Advisor)
- MA 2001      Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Thesis: "Categorical Moral Judgments" (Simon Blackburn, Advisor)
- MA 1999      Philosophy, University of California at San Diego  
Thesis: "Agency and Personal Identity" (David O. Brink, Advisor)
- BA 1997      Philosophy (magna cum laude), New York University

**Specialization:** Bioethics, Applied Ethics, Moral Theory

**Competence:** Metaethics, History of Moral Philosophy, Feminism

**Positions**

- Assistant Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Pennsylvania (beginning Fall 2006)  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Dept. of Clinical Bioethics, National Institutes of Health (2004-2006)  
Adjunct Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, Minnesota State University at Moorhead (2003-2004)  
Teaching Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (2001-2002)  
Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1999-2002)  
Teaching Fellow, Muir College Writing Program, University of California at San Diego (1998-1999)  
Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Philosophy, University of California at San Diego (1997-1998)

**Publications**

- "How to Argue for the Value of Humanity," *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 87(1): 96-125.  
"Risky Business," *Health Affairs*. 2005; 24 (3): 877-878. (With Ezekiel J. Emanuel)  
"The Expressive Meaning of Enhancement." *The American Journal of Bioethics*. 2005; 5 (3): 25-27.  
(With Jehanna Peerzada)

## **Under Review**

“Hope and Probabilities,” under review at a medical journal. (With David Wendler)

## **Presentations at Peer-Reviewed Conferences**

“Hope and Moral Emotions” (upcoming May 2006), American Association of Philosophy and Psychology, Toronto.

“Hope in Clinical Care,” 2nd International Conference: Clinical Ethics Consultation, 2005

“Reasons Both Defeasible and Universalizable,” American Philosophical Assn, Pacific Div., 2004

“A Case for Categorical Reasons,” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Div., 2003

“Kant’s Argument for the Formula of Humanity: Two Interpretations,” Kantian Ethics: Interpretations and Critiques, University of San Diego, 2003

## **Invited Presentations (upcoming 2006)**

"Ethical Considerations in Clinical Trials," Fulbright Brainstorms 2006: Governance in Biomedical Research, Lisbon, 2006.

"Is Informed Consent Necessary in Clinical Research?" (commentator for Dr. Robert Truog), DeCamp Bioethics Seminar Series, Princeton, 2006.

## **Awards**

Outstanding Paper by a Graduate Student, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Div., 2003

Dissertation Fellowship, Dept. of Philosophy, UNC Chapel Hill, 2003

Maynard Adams Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy, UNC Chapel Hill, 2001-2002

Henry Horace Williams Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy, UNC Chapel Hill, 1999-2001

Regents’ Fellowship, UC San Diego, 1997-1999

Phi Beta Kappa, NYU (declined), 1997

Dean’s List, NYU, 1993-1997

## **Courses Taught**

*Morals and Medicine*, MSU Moorhead, Summer 2004

*Applied Ethics*, MSU Moorhead, 2003-2004

*Bioethics*, UNC Chapel Hill, Summer 2002

*Introduction to Ethical Theory*, TA for Geoffrey Sayre-McCord, UNC Chapel Hill, 2000 & 2002

*Introduction to Feminism*, TA for Jan Boxill, UNC Chapel Hill, 2001

*Introductory Symbolic Logic*, TA for William Lycan, UNC Chapel Hill, 2000

*Bioethics*, TA for Douglas MacLean, UNC Chapel Hill, 1999

*Freshman Writing and Rhetoric*, Muir College, UCSD, 1998-1999

*Introduction to Metaphysics*, TA for Steven Yalowitz, UCSD, 1998

*Ethics and Society*, TA for Gerald Doppelt, UCSD, 1997

### **Other Teaching Experience**

Research Ethics (seminar for Neuroscience Nurse Interns at NIH Clinical Center)

End of Life Decision-Making and Chronic Care (seminar for Chaplain Interns at NIH Clinical Center)

### **Additional Courses Prepared to Teach**

Introductory: Intro to Philosophy, Philosophy and Film/Literature, Critical Reasoning

Intermediate: History of Moral Theory, Metaethics, Feminism, Professional Ethics

Advanced: Bioethics, Contemporary Moral Theory, Kant's Ethics/Kantian Ethics

### **Other Professional Experience**

On-call Fellow for Clinical Center Ethics Consult Service, NIH (2005-present)

Reviewer for *Lancet Oncology* (2006)

Reviewer for *Journal of General Internal Medicine* (2005-present)

Reviewer for *Social Science and Medicine* (2005-present)

Institutional Review Board, National Institute of Mental Health (2005-present)

Institutional Review Board, National Cancer Institute (2004-2005)

Institutional Review Board, National Institute of Diabetes & Digestive & Kidney Diseases (2004)

Research Assistant for Thomas E. Hill, Jr. (2001-2002)

Research Assistant for Simon Blackburn (2000-2001)

President of Graduate Student Association, Dept. of Philosophy, UNC Chapel Hill (2000-2001)

Graduate and Faculty Committee on New Hires, Dept. of Philosophy, UC San Diego (1998)