

COMPETENCIES

Areas of Specialty: Moral, Legal, and Political Philosophy
Areas of Competency: Metaethics, Philosophy of Religion

EMPLOYMENT

University of Arizona Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy Faculty Fellow, Center for the Philosophy of Freedom	Tucson, AZ August 2024 -
University of Arizona Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Center for the Philosophy of Freedom	Tucson, AZ August 2023 - 2024

EDUCATION

University of Southern California Ph.D Philosophy – Dissertation: “Responding to Harm” – Advisors: Jonathan Quong (chair), Mark Schroeder (chair), Jake Nebel, Jake Ross, Greg Keating	Los Angeles, CA 2017–2023
Northern Illinois University M.A. Philosophy	DeKalb, IL 2015–2017
Biola University B.A. Philosophy	La Mirada, CA 2009–2011
United States Military Academy B.A. (progress towards)	West Point, NY 2007–2009

RESEARCH

Publications

- [1] “Mistaken Defense & the Unbundling of Rights,” *Ethics*, forthcoming.
- [2] “The Price of Duty,” *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, forthcoming.
- [3] “The Demands of Necessity,” *Ethics* 133 (2023): 473-496.
- [4] “Refusing Protection,” *Philosophy & Public Affairs* 51 (2022): 33-59.

Under Review

- [5] “A Promising Theory of Contract”
- [6] “What’s for Desert?”
- [7] “The Justifier Pays”

PRESENTATIONS

- Pepperdine University
“Thomson on Defense: 25 Years Later” Spring 2025
- University of Warwick, Centre for Ethics, Law, & Public Affairs
“The Justifier Pays” Fall 2024
- University of Arizona, Workshop on Freedom & Responsibility
“What’s for Desert?” Spring 2024
- Florida State University
“What’s for Desert?” Spring 2024
- PEA Soup
Discussion of “Refusing Protection” Spring 2023
- University of Zurich, Ethics of Defense Workshop
“Defense Without Threat” Spring 2023
- Purdue University
“Defense Without Threat” Spring 2023
- University of Mississippi
“Defense Without Threat” Spring 2023
- Pacific APA
Comments on “Defensive Injuries and the Prorating of Punishment” Spring 2023
- Biola University
“Fixing Aggregation” Spring 2019
- University of California, Berkeley, Graduate Conference
“Mysterious Normative Relations” Spring 2019
- Speculative Society, USC
“Aggregation and Risk” Spring 2019

TEACHING

- **Shaping our Moral Boundaries (Graduate Seminar)** Spring 2025
Primary Instructor, University of Arizona
- **Morality & Justice Week: European Master’s in Law & Economics Program** Spring 2025
Primary Instructor, University of Arizona
- **Moral Thinking** Fall 2024
Primary Instructor, University of Arizona
- **The Philosophy of Markets, Money, and Property** Summer 2023
Primary Instructor, University of Southern California
- **The Philosophy of Markets, Money, and Property** Summer 2022
Primary Instructor, University of Southern California
- **Ethics in the 21st Century** Summer 2019
Primary Instructor, University of Southern California
- **The Philosophy of Law** (w. Scott Soames) Spring 2021
Discussion Instructor and Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California
- **Ethical Theory and Practice** (w. Robin Jeshion) Fall 2020
Discussion Instructor and Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California
- **The Philosophy of Law** (w. Scott Soames) Spring 2020

- Discussion Instructor and Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California*
- **Moral Issues in the Legal Domain** (w. John Hawthorne) Spring 2019
Discussion Instructor and Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California
 - **Political Philosophy** (w. Jon Quong) Fall 2018
Discussion Instructor and Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California
 - **Epistemology** (w. Geoff Pynn) Spring 2017
Teaching Assistant, Northern Illinois University
 - **Introduction to Philosophy** (w. Mylan Engel) Fall 2016
Teaching Assistant, Northern Illinois University
 - **Contemporary Moral Issues** (w. Nicoleta Apostol) Spring 2016
Teaching Assistant, Northern Illinois University
 - **Logic** (w. John Beaudoin) Fall 2015
Teaching Assistant, Northern Illinois University

SERVICE

- **Peer Review Refereeing**
 - *Ethics* (x2)
 - Philosophy & Phenomenological Research (x2)
 - *Journal of Moral Philosophy* (x4)
 - *Criminal Law and Philosophy* (x1)
 - *Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy* (x2)
 - *Philosophical Quarterly* (x1)
 - *Faith & Philosophy* (x2)
 - *Ergo* (x1)

- **Workshop in Normative Ethics** 2025-
Co-organizer w/ Mark Timmons
- **Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics** 2025-
Co-editor w/ Mark Timmons
- **Philosophy Colloquium Committee** (Arizona) 2024-2025
Co-coordinator w/ Thony Gillies
- **Freedom Center Talk Series** (Arizona) 2024-2025
Organizer
- **Eight-Hour LSAT Crash Course** (Arizona) 2024
Creator and Instructor
- **Conceptual Foundations of Conflict Project** 2021–2023
Media Production Assistant
- **Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy** 2019–2020
Managing Editor
- **Philosophy of Religion Workshop** (USC) 2019–2023
Organizer
- **Department Climate Committee** (N. Illinois) 2016–2017
Member

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- **Conceptual Foundations of Conflict Project** 2021–2023
Graduate Fellow
- **Research Assistant** 2021
to Scott Soames
- **Research Assistant** 2019–2021
to Stephen Finlay

REFERENCES

For letters of reference, please contact the USC Philosophy reference service at uscphiljobplacement@gmail.com, indicating both my name and the name of the letter writer.

Jonathan Quong
Professor of Philosophy and Law, USC (Dissertation Co-Chair)

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Professor of Philosophy, Princeton (Committee Member)

Jake Ross
Associate Professor of Philosophy, USC (Committee Member)