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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

#### **Mercatus Center at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA (2019-present)**

Senior Fellow, F.A. Hayek Program for Advanced Study in Philosophy, Politics and Economics

#### **Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy, Washington, DC (present)**

Adjunct Lecturer, PPOL 569-10: Communication for Data Science and PPOL 569-20: Data Ethics

### EDUCATION

#### **Georgetown University, Washington, DC**

PhD in Government (August 2019)

Major field: Political Theory

Minor fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

Dissertation: *Seeing and Being Seen: Toward A Liberal Democratic Theory of Spectatorship*

Committee: Richard Boyd (Chair), Joshua Cherniss, R. Bruce Douglass

MA in Government (February 2017)

#### **Tufts University, Medford, MA**

BA in International Relations, *magna cum laude* (2012)

Minors: Film Studies, Russian Language

Best Short Feature Film Script Project, Communications and Media Studies Program, 2012

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

History of political and economic thought (especially modern); liberalism; normative democratic theory; critical theory; ethics and politics of technology; passions or emotions in politics; feminist theory; American political economy; comparative political thought; international relations theory.

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

“‘Secrecy or Silence with Her Finger on Her Mouth’: Jeremy Bentham’s Other Model of Visibility and Power,” *Political Theory* Volume 50, Issue 4 (August 2022): 596-620.

“Observed without Sympathy: Adam Smith on Inequality and Spectatorship,” *American Journal of Political Science* Volume 64, Issue 4 (October 2020): 1034-1046.

### EDITED BOOK

*Market Process and Market Order: From Human Action, But Not of Human Design*, ed. Rosolino A. Candela, Kristen R. Collins, and Christopher J. Coyne (Lexington Books, 2022).

## WORK IN PROGRESS

- Seeing and Being Seen: Spectatorship and Surveillance in Liberal Democracies* (book manuscript).  
“The Feminine Sensibility of Adam Smith’s Masculine Exemplars” (revise and resubmit, *Political Science Reviewer*)  
“The Use of Surveillance in Market Society” (working paper)  
“From Feelings Sprout Rituals: Comparing Mencius’s Ethics and Charles Taylor’s Ethic of Authenticity” (working paper)

## REVIEWS

- Review of Krzysztof Pelc, *Beyond Self-Interest: Why the Market Rewards Those Who Reject It*, *World Trade Review* (forthcoming).  
Review of Michelle Schwarze, *Recognizing Resentment: Sympathy, Injustice, and Liberal Political Thought*, *The Review of Austrian Economics* (forthcoming, published online August 9, 2021).  
Review of Kevin Vallier, *Trust in a Polarized Age*, *The Independent Review* (September 2021).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Georgetown University

#### McCourt School of Public Policy

Instructor of Record/Adjunct Lecturer

PPOL 569-10: Communication for Data Science (Seminar)

Spring 2023

PPOL 569-20: Data Ethics (Seminar)

Spring 2023, 2022

### Georgetown University

#### School of Foreign Service

PHIL 99: Political and Social Thought (Teaching Assistant)

Spring 2018, 2017 with Professor Richard Boyd

Fall 2017 with Professor Joshua Cherniss

Fall 2016 with Professor R. Bruce Douglass

### Georgetown College

GOVT 80: Elements of Political Theory (Teaching Assistant)

Spring 2016 with Professor Richard Boyd

Fall 2014, 2015 with Professor Joshua Cherniss

Spring 2015 with Professor Thomas Kerch

## INVITED TALKS

- “Discipline and Entertainment in Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s Spectacular Spaces,” *Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science at George Washington University*, December 2, 2022.  
“Jeremy Bentham on Sex, Secrecy, and Securing Political Accountability,” *Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University*, August 3, 2022.  
“The Powers of the Audience in Hobbes’s *Leviathan*,” *Western Political Science Association Political Theory Virtual Community Workshare*, July 29, 2022.

- “Liberal Spectatorship in an Era of Audience Democracy,” *Colloquium on Market Institutions and Economic Processes*, Department of Economics at New York University, January 24, 2022.
- “Discipline and Entertainment in Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s and Adam Smith’s Theories of Spectatorship,” *Invisible Hand Seminar, Adam Smith Program*, Department of Economics at George Mason University, October 23, 2021.

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Discipline and Entertainment in Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s and Adam Smith’s Theories of Spectatorship,” *Association for Political Theory*, October 28, 2022.
- “The Use of Surveillance in Market Society,” *American Political Science Association*, September 16, 2022.
- “Discipline and Entertainment in Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s and Adam Smith’s Theories of Spectatorship,” *International Adam Smith Society*, July 12, 2022.
- “The Powers of the Audience in Hobbes’s *Leviathan*,” *American Political Science Association*, August 2019.
- “Surveillance and Public Identity,” *Andrea Mitchell Center for Democracy Graduate Workshop Series*, University of Pennsylvania, March 2019.
- “Eager to Look: Empowerment and Anxiety in Adam Smith’s *Theory of Moral Sentiments*,” *Association for Political Theory*, October 2018.
- “Eager to Look: Empowerment and Anxiety in Adam Smith’s *Theory of Moral Sentiments*,” *Midwestern Political Science Association*, April 2018.
- “Building Social Duties from Innate Desires: Exploring Individuality in Mencian Confucianism,” *Northeastern Political Science Association*, November 2017.
- “Retrieving Charisma and Intuition: A Weberian Critique of Charles Taylor’s Solutions to the Malaises of Modernity,” *Northeastern Political Science Association*, November 2016.

### SELECT AWARDS AND GRANTS

- Best Article in Austrian Economics, *Society for the Development of Austrian Economics*, 2021 (for “Observed without Sympathy: Adam Smith on Inequality and Spectatorship”).
- Adam Smith Fellowships, *Mercatus Center*, George Mason University, 2017-2019.
- Graduate Fellowship, *Georgetown Graduate School of Arts and Sciences*, 2018-2019.
- Summer Research Fellowship, *Georgetown University Department of Government*, 2018.
- “Ethics Across the Curriculum” Seminar, *Georgetown Institute for the Study of Markets and Ethics*, Georgetown University McDonough School of Business, March 2018.
- Conference Travel Grant, *Georgetown Graduate School of Arts and Sciences*, 2018.
- Political and Social Thought Fellowships, *Georgetown School of Foreign Service*, 2016-2018.
- Graduate Assistantships, *Georgetown Graduate School of Arts and Sciences*, 2014-2016.

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Referee for *American Journal of Political Science*; *Constellations*; *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*; *Journal of the History of Economic Thought*.
- Professional member of American Political Science Association; Association for Political Theory; Western Political Science Association; Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society; International Adam Smith Society.
- Chair and Discussant, *Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society Undergraduate Conferences*, 2015-2019.

- “Dissertation Prospectus Workshop,” presentation for Georgetown Department of Government, February 2018, 2019.
- “Technology in Teaching,” presentation for the Georgetown Department of Government Pedagogy Workshop, August 2017.
- “Navigating the Program, the Discipline, and the Profession,” presentation for incoming PhD students, Georgetown Department of Government, September 2016, 2017.
- Political Theory Representative, Georgetown University Graduate Political Science Association, 2015-2017.

## **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

Co-creator and host, *Virtual Sentiments Podcast*.

“Do You Feel Seen? Ft. Kristen Collins,” *Re-Educated Podcast* (August 30, 2022).

“Adam Smith’s Critique of the Public’s Scrutiny of the Poor (Parts I and II),” Adam Smith Works “Speaking of Smith” Blog (January 2022).

“Lectures in Economic Sociology – Peter Boettke and Kristen Collins,” *Hayek Program Podcast* (August 25, 2021).

“From Party Democracy to Audience Democracy: The Role of Mass Media in Modern Demagogy,” *The Vienna Circle* (February 8, 2021).

“Inequality and Surveillance During the COVID-19 Pandemic,” *The Vienna Circle* (September 3, 2020).

## **LANGUAGE**

French (intermediate proficiency in reading, writing).

Russian (intermediate proficiency in reading, writing)

## **REFERENCES**

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Georgetown University  
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