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Education

- Ph.D. **Vanderbilt University**, *Summa Cum Laude*, Philosophy, 2011
Dissertation: "Feminist Subjects and Feminist Action: A Pragmatic Poststructuralist Account of Oppression and Resistance." Prof. Kelly Oliver, director.
- M.A. **Boston College**, *Summa Cum Laude*, Philosophy, 2006
- B.A. **Palm Beach Atlantic University**, *Magna Cum Laude*, Philosophy and Religion, 2003

Areas of Specialization

Feminist Philosophy, American Pragmatism, Continental Philosophy

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Race, History of Philosophy, Philosophy of Sport, Logic

Academic Appointments

- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Oxford College of Emory University August 2013 – Current
- Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, James Madison University August 2012 – July 2013
- Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Georgetown College August 2011 – August 2012
- Lecturer in Philosophy, Niagara University August 2010 – May 2011
- Graduate Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University August 2006 – May 2010

Publications

Books

Feminist Interpretations of William James, ed. with Shannon Sullivan. Forthcoming 2015
Pennsylvania State University Press.

In Progress

- *Sports Fandom and the Reproduction of Identity*, Under Contract with University of Chicago Press

Articles

- On the Particular Racism of Native American Mascots, *Critical Philosophy of Race* Forthcoming
- The Dangerous Individual(s) Dog: Race, Criminality, and the 'Pit Bull', *Culture, Theory and Critique* 55:3. 2014
- "Signifying 'Hillary': Making (Political) Sense with Butler and Dewey," *Contemporary Pragmatism* 10:2. 2013
- The Dismissal of Feminist Philosophy and Hostility to Women in the Profession, *APA Newsletter on Feminism and Philosophy* vol. 12, no. 2. 2013
- New Forms of Subjectivity: Theorizing the Relational Self with Foucault and Alcoff, *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy*, vol. 26 no. 4, Fall 2011
- Rethinking Intersectionality: Michelle Obama, Presumed Subjects and Constitutive Privilege, *philoSOPHIA: A Journal of Continental Feminism*, vol. 2. 2011
- Particulars, Practices and Pragmatic Feminism: Breaking Rules and Rulings with William James, *Journal of Speculative Philosophy* Vol. 21, No. 4 2008

Book Chapters

- Lady Pragmatism and the Great Man: On the Need for Feminist Pragmatism, *Feminist Interpretations of William James*, ed. Tarver & Sullivan, Penn State U.P. Forthcoming
- Cosmopolitanism and Democracy in Feminist Blogging and Activism, *Cosmopolitanism and Place*, ed. Medina, Stuhr, and Wahman. Indiana University Press Forthcoming
- Work/Life Integration, Women and Gender Issues in Business Ethics, *Handbook for the Philosophical Foundations of Business Ethics*, ed. Christopher Lutege. Springer. 2013

Book Reviews

- Book Review: Koopman, Colin. *Pragmatism as Transition: Historicity and Hope in James, Dewey and Rorty*, Columbia, 2009. In *Education and Culture: The Journal of the John Dewey Society*. 2014

Presentations**Refereed**

- The Moral Equivalent of Football, European Pragmatism Conference, Paris, France 2015
- The Pleasures of Sports Fandom, American Philosophies Forum Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA 2015
- Lady Bears and Fan Girls: Sports Fandom and Femininity, PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society Annual Meeting, Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA 2014
- Would Feminist Philosophy's Acceptance Necessarily Improve the Climate of the Philosophical Profession? Difficult Conversation Roundtable with Margaret Crouch and Peggy DesAustels, Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory Conference, Tempe AZ 2013
- Great *Women* and Their Environment? On Reading James as a Feminist, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Annual Meeting, Richard Stockton College, New Jersey 2013
- Sports Fandom and Democratic Communities, International Social Philosophy Conference, Northeastern University, Boston MA 2012
- We're Number One!: Sports Fandom, Linguistic Communities, and Care of Self, PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society Annual Meeting, Miami University of Ohio 2012
- The Dangerous Individual('s) Dog: Race, Criminality and the 'Pit Bull,' SPEP Annual Meeting Panel: *Rethinking Racism and the Animal*: Philadelphia, PA 2011
- On Cosmopolitan Publics and Online Communities, American Philosophies Forum, Círculo de Bellas Artes, Madrid, Spain 2011
- Of Perverts and Subjects: Fanon, Beauvoir and the Problem of Theorizing Oppression, SPEP Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA 2009
- Responsibility and 'Creative Bargaining' with Butler, Spivak and the C.I.A., Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy Annual Meeting, University of Guelph 2009
- Hillary, Michelle, Sarah and 'Us': Feminism, Resignification and Co-optation, American Philosophical Association Central meeting, Radical Philosophy Assoc. Panel: *Race and Gender in Contemporary Politics* 2009
- Flesh, Meaning and Empathy: Toward a New Merleau-Pontian Theory of Sexuality, Annual Meeting of PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society, Atlanta, GA 2008
- Bodies, Art and Sacred Space: Heidegger's *Origin of the Work of Art* and the Crypt of the Capuchins, IASESP, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA 2007

Invited

- On the Particular Racism of Native American Mascots, University of Oregon Colloquium Series, Eugene, OR 2015
- Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society Induction Address, Oxford College of Emory University
- On the Particular Racism of Native American Mascots, Lyceum Series, Oxford College of Emory University 2015
- Sports Fandom, Mascots and Mascotting, Center for Ethics Colloquium Series, University of North Carolina, Charlotte 2014
- Rereading James through a Feminist Lens, Seminar Leader, Summer Institute in American Philosophy, University of Oregon, Eugene OR 2013
- Feminism and Philosophy Guest Lecture Series, Union University, Jackson TN 2011
- Panelist, Presidential Panel: "Women and Philosophy," Kentucky Philosophical Association, Northern Kentucky University 2011
- Cosmopolitanism and Democracy in Feminist Blogging and Activism, Women's History Month Lecture, Niagara University, New York 2011

Commentaries

- *The Republic*, Women and Feminist Philosophy, Response Commentary, Kentucky Philosophical Association, Northern Kentucky University 2011
- On Rawlsian Hope, Faith and Liberalism, Response Commentary, Society for Social and Political Philosophy panel, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, Boston, MA 2010
- Whose Discursive Dispossession? Which Political Tongue?, Response Commentary, Workshop on Politics and Affect, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada 2010
- Obligations, Particularity, and the Rights of Women, Response Commentary, Tennessee Philosophical Association, Nashville, TN 2007

Teaching Experience**Oxford College of Emory University**

- Introduction to Logic
- Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2016)
- Introduction to Ethics
- Ancient Greek and Medieval Philosophy
- Topics in Philosophy: Philosophy of Gender and Race
- Topics in Philosophy: Philosophy of Sport
- Topics in Philosophy: Feminist Philosophy (Spring 2016)

James Madison University

- Introduction to Philosophy (Standard and Honors)
- Philosophy of Feminism

Georgetown College

- Freshman Seminar: Women and Philosophy
- Contemporary Philosophy: Post-structuralism and Post-colonial Theory
- Logic
- Independent Study: Philosophy of Logic
- Existentialism and Idealism
- Basic Philosophy

Niagara University

- Introduction to Philosophy

Vanderbilt University

- Introduction to Philosophy
- General Logic
- Introduction to Ethics (T.A.)

Awards and Honors

- Emory University Research Committee Grant (\$30,000), awarded for *Sports Fandom and the Reproduction of Identity*, 2015 – 2016
- Oxford Research Scholar Faculty (\$1,000 per award), for “Rivalries, Hate, and Rooting-Against: A Philosophical Analysis of Sports Fan Antipathy,” with undergraduate Kevin Kilgour, 2015-2016, and “Gender, Race, and U.S. Sports Fans,” with undergraduate Jocelyn Hong, 2014-2015
- Emory CFDE Classroom Mini-Grant for Philosophy of Sport, 2015
- Faculty Development Committee Grant, Oxford College of Emory University, 2014
- Summer 2012 IHP Scholar, Institute in the History of Philosophy: Peirce & James, Emory University
- Henlein Faculty Research Grant, Georgetown College
- Michael Eldridge Memorial Fund Grant, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
- Outstanding Graduate Student Publication, Vanderbilt University Philosophy Department
- Collegium Phaenomenologicum Selected Participant, Città di Castello, Umbria, Italy
- University Fellowship, Graduate Teaching Assistantship, and Harold Sterling Vanderbilt Graduate Scholarships, Vanderbilt University

Academic Service

Service to the Philosophical Profession

- Editor, *TeachPhilosophy101.com*, Philosophy Documentation Center, 2015 – Current
- PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society Annual Meeting Co-Organizer (with Noelle McAfee and Cynthia Willett, Emory University), 2014-2015
- PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society Executive Committee: Webmaster, 2014-Current
- William James Society Young Scholar Award Selection Committee, 2014
- Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory Steering Committee, Diversity Chair (3-year appointment), 2013 – Current
- Reviewer, *The Pluralist*, *Hypatia*, *Foucault Studies*, *Journal of Research on Women & Gender*
- Program Committee, PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society Annual Meeting, 2011

Institutional Service at Oxford

- Faculty Development Committee, Oxford Scholars Committee, Honor Council Review Committee, Oxford College of Emory University, 2014-2016
- Faculty Life Course Committee, Emory University, 2014-2016
- Faculty Advisor, Philosophy Club, Photography Club, and Sexual Assault Peer Advocates, Oxford College of Emory University, 2014-2016
- Special Events Organized – Guest Lectures: Shane Ewegen (Trinity College), Christopher Lebron (Yale), Natalie Cisneros (Seattle); 3D Printing Design Workshop for students at Museum of Design, Atlanta; Faculty/Staff Softball Team
- Special Teaching Presentations: Rubrics and Anonymous Grading (with Molly McGehee), Fashion and Gender Expression (with Kevin Quarmby), Gender Issues in Leadership, 2015 Emerging Leaders Summit, Safe Space Training Leader

Institutional Service Elsewhere

- Faculty Flashpoint Series panelist, “The War on Women,” James Madison University, 2013
- Faculty Advisor, Student Women & Gender Society, Georgetown College, 2011-2012
- Women’s History Month Planning Committee, Georgetown College, 2012
- Webmaster, Georgetown College Philosophy Department, 2011-2012

Language Competence

- French, reading knowledge

Academic Memberships

- American Philosophical Association
- Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory
- Society for Phenomenological and Existential Philosophy
- Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
- North American Society for Social Philosophy
- PhiloSOPHIA Feminist Society

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