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*AOS* Normative philosophy of computing; philosophy and economics;  
moral, social and political philosophy.

*AOC* Feminist theory; legal philosophy; political epistemology.

*Employment* **University of Warwick**  
Assistant Professor of Moral and Political Philosophy, 2024–.  
Department of Philosophy.

**London School of Economics and Political Science**  
British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow, 2023–2024.  
Department of Government.

**Stanford University**  
Interdisciplinary Ethics Fellow, 2021–2023.  
McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society.  
Joint appointment with Apple.

**University of Oxford**  
Stipendiary Lecturer in Political Theory, 2019–2021.  
Mansfield College.

*Education* **University of Oxford**  
DPhil in Political Theory, 2017–2021.  
Thesis title: ‘Democratising Public Reason.’  
Supervisors: David Miller and Zofia Stemplowska.  
Examiners: Cécile Laborde and Jonathan Quong.

**London School of Economics and Political Science**  
MSc in Political Theory, 2016–2017.

**Uppsala University**  
Bachelor in Political Sciences, 2011–2015.

*Affiliations* **University of Oxford**  
Associate Member, Nuffield College, 2023–.

**Australian National University**  
Research Affiliate, Machine Intelligence and Normative Theory  
Lab, 2024–.

**Peer-reviewed  
publications**

'No right to an explanation,' with Brett Karlan.  
*Philosophy & Phenomenological Research* forthcoming.

'Strong political liberalism.'  
*Law and Philosophy* 2024, 43: 341–366.

'Civic equality as a democratic basis for public reason.'  
*Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* 2024,  
27(2): 133–155.

'Public justification, gender, and the family,' with Elsa Kugelberg.  
*European Journal of Political Theory* 2024, 23(1): 4–22.

'Public justification and expert disagreement over non  
pharmaceutical interventions for the COVID-19 pandemic,' with  
Marcus Dahlquist.  
*Journal of Medical Ethics* 2023, 49(1): 9–13.

'Can local comparative judgements justify moderate  
perfectionism?'  
*Philosophia* 2022, 50: 595–604.

'Is political liberalism antidemocratic?'  
*The Journal of Politics* 2022, 84(4): 2283–2287.

'Social choice problems with public reason proceduralism.'  
*Economics & Philosophy* 2022, 38(1): 51–70.

'Opposing laws with religious reasons.'  
*Journal of Social Philosophy* 2021, 52(1): 131–151.

'Public justification versus public deliberation: The case for  
reconciliation' (discussion note).  
*Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 2021, 51(6): 468–473.

**Book chapters**

'Partial compliance theory' (with Zofia Stemplowska).  
In David Copp, Connie Rosati and Tina Rulli (eds.).  
*The Oxford Handbook of Normative Ethics*. Oxford University Press,  
forthcoming.

'Epistemisk demokrati.' In Mattias Hessérus and Peter  
Luthersson (eds.). *Kunskap och Information*. 2021, Stockholm: Axel  
och Margaret Axelsson Johnsons stiftelse.

**Special issues**

Special Section on Barocas, Hardt and Narayanan: Fairness and  
Machine Learning. Limitations and Opportunities. Edited with  
Alan Rubel, Diana Acosta-Navas, and Seth Lazar.  
*ACM Journal on Responsible Computing*, forthcoming.

### ***Under review***

Paper about politics and morality in AI theorising.

Paper about AI and structural injustice.

Paper about AI and legitimacy (with Diana Acosta-Navas).

Paper about social media sorting algorithms.

### ***Other publications***

'What's Democratic About 'Democratizing AI'? (with Diana Acosta-Navas, Ting-An Lin, Lorenzo Manuali, Rhiannon Neilsen, and Rob Reich). *The new paradigm* 2024.

<https://www.newglobalpolitics.org/democratizing-ai/>

'Is political liberalism antidemocratic?'

*The Journal of Politics* blog 2022.

<https://jop.blogs.uni-hamburg.de/is-political-liberalism-antidemocratic/>

'Liberal rättvisa mot jämlik demokrati.'

*Tidskrift för Politisk Filosofi* 2021, 25(2-3): 49–62.

'In the shadow of justice: Postwar liberalism and the remaking of political philosophy,' (book review).

*Jurisprudence* 2020, 11(2): 325-334.

### ***Talks***

'Peer paparazzism as interpersonal surveillance.'

– Centre for the Study of Social Justice seminar. University of Oxford (2024).

'AR-15s and social media.'

– University of Utrecht (2024).

'Responsibility for algorithmic injustice.'

– Stockholm Early Career Workshop In Political Philosophy (2024).

– Swedish network for political theory. Uppsala University (2024).

– LSE Choice group (2024).

– AI Lund. Lund University (2024).

– Warwick University (2024).

'Online freedom and equality.'

- The Political Philosophy of Online Speech, University College London (2024).
- Philmod (2024).
- The Practical, the Political and the Ethical Seminar Series, Institute of Philosophy, London (2023).
- Stanford egalitarianism workshop (2023).
- Uppsala University (2023).
- APA Pacific Division Meeting (2023).

'No right to an explanation.'

- Stanford University (2023).

'Scientific dissensus and democratic legitimacy.'

- APSA annual meeting, Montreal (2022).

'Artificial intelligence, politics, and morality.'

- King's College London (2023).
- Massachusetts institute of technology (2023).
- University of Cambridge (2022).
- Stanford University (2022).
- University of Manchester (2022).

'Public justification and expert disagreement over non pharmaceutical interventions for the COVID-19 pandemic.'

- Knowledge and Power: Epistemic Conflicts in Democracy, University of Essex (2021).
- Association for Social and Political Philosophy Workshop: Crises of Liberalism (2021).

'Strong political liberalism.'

- European University Institute, Florence (2020).
- Amsterdam Graduate Conference in Political Theory (2020).

'Feasibility and justice as a constraint,' (with Hallvard Sandven).

- Work in progress seminar, University of Oxford (2020).

'Can local comparative judgements justify moderate perfectionism?'

- Nordic Network in Political Theory, University of Oslo (2019).
- Work in progress seminar, University of Oxford (2019).

‘Social choice problems with public reason proceduralism.’  
– Themes from the Political Philosophy of Gerald Gaus  
Conference, University of Oxford (2019).  
– Nuffield Political Theory Workshop, University of  
Oxford (2018).

‘Opposing laws with religious reasons.’  
– Uppsala University (2018).

**Consultations**

‘Ethical investment in AI.’  
United Nations Principles for Responsible  
Investment (2023).

‘The political legitimacy of non-pharmaceutical interventions.’  
European Centre for Disease Prevention  
and Control (2023).

**Invited comments**

Zofia Stemplowska’s *Attention: Attentive Justice for the Dead*.  
Nuffield Political Theory Workshop,  
University of Oxford (2024).

Solon Barocas, Moritz Hardt, and Arvind Narayanan’s *Fairness  
and Machine Learning: Limitations and Opportunities*.  
Stanford University (2023).

Hélène Landemore’s ‘In Defense of Citizen-Legislators: Citizens  
on Top and Experts on Tap in the French Convention for Climate  
(2019-20).’  
Political theory workshop, Stanford University (2022).

Kirun Sankaran’s ‘Political Philosophy is not Applied Ethics.’  
Political theory in/ and/ as political science workshop,  
Stanford University (2022).

Katrina Forrester’s *In the Shadow of Justice*.  
Political Thought Seminar, University of Oxford (2019).

**Panelist and chair**

‘Global catastrophic biological risks: non-pharmaceutical  
interventions and civil liberties.’  
Panellist, Rutgers University (2022).

Session on perfectionism and arts funding.  
Chair, London Aesthetics Forum on The Ethics of Arts  
Funding (2023).

Robert Nozick’s *Anarchy State and Utopia*.  
Panellist, re-issue launch of the Swedish translation  
(2019).

*Interviews and  
public talks*

'Polarisation and closed-mindedness in democracy.'  
Chair, Graduate Conference in Political Theory, University  
of Oxford (2019).

'Artificial intelligence and real power.'  
VA Public & Science yearly meeting (2023).

'Social media and surveillance capitalism.'  
Conversation with Karin Pettersson, head of culture  
Aftonbladet (2023).

'The politics of artificial intelligence.'  
The Institute for Futures Studies and the Swedish  
Research Council (2023).

'The politics of reality+'  
Panellist at event for David Chalmers Reality+ in  
Stockholm (2023).

'Så tycker experterna om restriktionerna.'  
Interview in Sydsvenska Dagbladet about COVID-19  
policy (2022).

'Freedom, equality, justice, and legitimacy: Public reason in  
contemporary liberalism.'  
Stureakademin, Timbro, Sweden (2020).

'Ledarredaktionen: Stefan Löfven är som Greta Garbo.'  
Interview in Svenska Dagbladet's podcast about  
democratic accountability and Sweden's COVID-19  
response (2020).

'Multiculturalism and civic identity.'  
Panellist at the Swedish Royal Academy of Sciences  
(2019).

'Liberalism since John Rawls's *A Theory of Justice*.'  
Stureakademin, Timbro, Sweden (2018).

'French liberalism.'  
MSF, Stockholm (2017).

'Liberal Neutrality and Non-Neutral *Laïcité*.'  
The Ohlin Institute (2016).

### *Public writing*

More than 25 articles in Swedish national newspapers and journals, including interviews with Elizabeth Anderson and Amia Srinivasan and essays about democratic accountability and Sweden's COVID-19 strategy, Derek Parfit, Carl Schmitt, and European debates over the Muslim call to prayer. Book reviews of Manal al-Sharif, Mark Lilla, Edward Luce, Cass Sunstein, and Yanis Varoufakis. For a full list, please visit [henrikdkugelberg.net](http://henrikdkugelberg.net).

### *Teaching*

London School of Economics and Political Science  
– Ethics of Data and AI (2024).

Northeastern University  
– Invited lecturer, Summer Training Program to Expand the AI and Data Ethics Research Community (2024).

Apple University  
– Freedom and paternalism (2022, 2023).

Oxford University  
– Philosophy and Public Policy (autumn 2018).  
– Advanced Paper in Theories of Justice (spring 2019, autumn 2020, winter 2021, spring 2021).  
– Theory of Politics (spring 2019, autumn 2019, winter 2020, spring 2020, autumn 2020, winter 2020, spring 2021).  
– Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Politics (spring 2019, spring 2020, spring 2021).

### *Scholarships and awards*

Stipends  
– Full costs studentship, DPIR, University of Oxford (2019).  
– Research travel stipend from the Ohlin Institute (2019).  
– Scholarship, Gälöstiftelsen (2018).  
– Scholarship, the AAA Foundation (2018).  
– Studentship, London School of Economics (2016).  
– Scholarship, Karl Staaff's Fund (2016).

Awards  
– Excellent Dissertation Award, London School of Economics (2017).  
– Ohlin Institute Best Swedish Dissertation in Politics or Economics award (2015).

## Service

Conference and workshop organisation.

- The political philosophy of attention workshop. London School of Economics (2024).
- The digital public sphere working group. Stanford University (2023).
- Artificial intelligence and work. Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence (2022).
- Panel ‘Experts in politics: status, legitimacy, and the public.’ American Political Science Association annual meeting, Montreal (2022).
- Oxford Political Thought Seminar. Admin (2019).
- Oxford Graduate Conference in Political Theory (2018).

Supervision.

- Honors theses supervision and examination. Stanford University (2023).
- Graduate Student College Adviser. Mansfield College, University of Oxford (2019).

Admissions; interviews and assessment.

- Master of Public Policy programme. Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford (2021)
- PPE and History & Politics, Mansfield College and Worcester College, University of Oxford (2020).

## Monograph review

Oxford University Press | Polity Press.

## Article review

*American Political Science Review* | *Asian Review of Bioethics* | *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* | *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* | *Contemporary Political Theory* | *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* | *Economics & Philosophy* | *Episteme* | *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics* | *Ergo* | *European Journal of Political Theory* | *Journal of Applied Philosophy* | *Philosophia* | *Philosophical Studies* | *Politics, Philosophy, & Economics* | *Res Publica* | *Social Epistemology* | *Social Theory and Practice* | *The Journal of Politics*.

## References

**Joshua Cohen** Distinguished Senior Fellow,  
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