

# Abelard Podgorski

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D: Philosophy, University of Southern California, May 2016.

Committee: Mark Schroeder (Chair); Stephen Finlay; Jacob Ross; Ralph Wedgwood.

B.A. with Honors: Mathematics and Philosophy, Michigan State University, December 2009.

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### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Normative Ethics, Practical (Applied) Ethics, and Epistemology (esp. the theory of rationality).

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### **AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

Metaethics, Philosophy of Action (incl. free will and moral responsibility), Political Philosophy, Critical Thinking/Logic, Ancient Greek Philosophy (Plato).

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### **EMPLOYMENT**

Assistant Professor at the National University of Singapore, August 2016-Present.

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### **PUBLICATIONS**

“Complaints and Tournament Population Ethics” Forthcoming in *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*

“Partiality, Identity, and Procreation.” Forthcoming in *Philosophy and Public Affairs*.

“Tournament Decision Theory.” Forthcoming in *Nous*.

“Normative Uncertainty and the Dependence Problem.” *Mind* 129(413):43-70 (2020)

“The Diner’s Defense.” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*. 98 (1):64-77 (2020).

“Wouldn't it be Nice? Moral Rules and Distant Worlds.” *Nous* 52(2): 279-294 (2018).

“Rational Delay.” *Philosophers’ Imprint* 17 (2017).

“Dynamic Conservatism.” *Ergo* 3 (2016).

“A Reply to the Synchronist.” *Mind* 125(499): 859-871 (2016).

“Dynamic Permissivism.” *Philosophical Studies* 173(7): 1923-1939 (2016).

### **WORKS UNDER REVIEW/IN PROGRESS**

“The Self-Esteem Theorem.” Work in Progress.

“Skepticism about Rational Attitudes.” Work in Progress.

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## **BOOK REVIEWS**

Review of *Reasons Without Persons* by Brian Hedden. *Utilitas* 29 (2): 253-256. (2017)

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## **CONFERENCES, TALKS, AND PANELS**

### REFEREED PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- “The Self-Esteem Theorem.” Formal Ethics Workshop, June 2019.
- “Partiality, Identity, and Procreation.” Pacific Division APA, April 2019.
- “Dynamic Conservatism.” Pacific Division APA, April 2015.
- “The Many Molyneux Questions and the Geometry of the Senses.” Northern Illinois University Graduate Conference. April 2013.

### INVITED TALKS AND COMMENTARY

- “Skepticism about Rational Attitudes.” Normativity in Philosophy Workshop, Seoul National University, February 2020.
  - “Partiality, Identity, and Procreation” Wuhan University. October 2018.
  - Panelist for “A Critical Assessment of Determinism in Physics and Biology.” Workshop hosted by the National University of Singapore University Scholars Program. May 2018.
  - “The Diner’s Defense.” Nanyang Technological University. March 2018.
  - “Skepticism about Propositional and Doxastic Justification.” National University of Singapore Epistemology Workshop. March 2018.
  - Comments on Jennifer Carr, “Don’t Stop Believing.” Conference on Belief, Rationality, and Action over Time. Madison, Wisconsin, September 2015.
  - Panelist on “Quarantine: Balancing Human Rights with Medical Best Interests.” Held by the Zygo series on ethics and medicine. University of Southern California, January 2015.
  - “The Objectivity of Morality.” USC Philosophy Club, September 2013.
  - “Issues in Disagreement.” USC Philosophy Club, November 2011.
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## **HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- Presidential Young Professorship, NUS
  - Promising Young Researcher Award, 2020
  - Faculty Fellowship, Centre for Ethics and Public Affairs, Murphy Fellowship, 2020-2021.
  - ODPR Grant for Research Excellence, NUS 2019-2020.
  - USC Endowed Fellowship, 2015-2016
  - USC Provost Fellowship, 2010-2015.
  - MSU Board of Trustees Award, 2009.
  - Lewis K. Zerby Award for best undergraduate essay, 2008.
  - MSU Alumni Distinguished Scholar Award, 2006-2009.
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## **REFEREEING**

- Journal Refereeing: *Mind*, *Nous*, *Philosophy* and *Phenomenological Research* (x3). *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (x2), *Dialectica* (x2), *Episteme*.
  - Conference Refereeing: USC/UCLA Annual Graduate Conference (x2).
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## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### COURSES TAUGHT AS PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR

- 2101P: *Introduction to Philosophy, Politics, and Economics*: Spring 2019  
4203: *Issues in Moral Philosophy* (Population Ethics): Spring 2018  
4215: *Free Will and Moral Responsibility*: Fall 2017  
2203: *Major Moral Philosophers*: Fall 2017  
3230: *Normative Ethical Theory*: Spring 2017  
2208: *Applied Ethics*: Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019  
2222: *Plato and Socrates*: Fall 2016, Fall 2019

### COURSES TAUGHT AS TEACHING ASSISTANT

- 141: *The Professions and the Public Interest in American Life*  
Spring 2015: Instructor: Anthony Kammass  
140: *Contemporary Moral and Social Issues*  
Fall 2013: Instructor: Jacob Ross  
115: *Ancient Greek Culture and Society*  
Spring 2013: Instructor: Frank Lewis  
285: *Knowledge, Explanation, and the Cosmos*  
Fall 2012: Instructor: Shieva Kleinschmidt  
140: *Contemporary Moral and Social Issues*  
Spring 2012: Instructor: Robin Jeshion  
285: *Knowledge, Explanation, and the Cosmos*  
Fall 2011: Instructor: Jacob Ross

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