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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Political Science, Northwestern University. 2006.

- Dissertation: 'The Turn to Ethics and its Democratic Costs'
- Committee: Linda Zerilli (chair), Bonnie Honig, Michael Hanchard

B.A., Politics (honors), University of California, Santa Cruz. 1997.

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Assistant Professor, Political Science Department and Gender Studies Program, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. 2007 to present.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Politics Department, Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA. 2006-2007.

Instructor, Political Science Department and Gender Studies Program, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL. 2003-2006.

Teaching Assistant. Northwestern University. Evanston, IL. 2000-2006.

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**REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

“Resisting Foucauldian Ethics: Associative Politics and the Limits of the Care of the Self,”  
*Contemporary Political Theory* 7, no. 2 (May 2008).

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**MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

“Recovering the Political Thing or Why Democracy is Triadic.” Under Review at *Political Theory*.

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**WORKING PAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS**

*The Turn to Ethics and its Democratic Costs* (book manuscript in progress)

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

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“Evil’s Effects” *Political Theory* 33, no. 1 (February 2005).

Review of *Ethics of Dissensus* by Ewa Ziarek. *Philosophy in Review* 23, no. 4 (August 2003).

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

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“Mary Wollstonecraft” and “Monique Wittig” entries. Forthcoming 2008. *International Encyclopedia of Political Science*. CQ Press.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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“Roundtable: Ethos and Politics: New Paradigm or Retreat from the Political?” Participant. 2007 American Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL.

“The Other Isaiah Berlin: Resisting Liberal System Building,” Paper Presentation. 2007 Western Political Science Association Meeting, Las Vegas, NV.

“Contestation and Closure: Rethinking Agonistic Democracy,” Discussant. 2006 American Political Science Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

“Resisting Foucauldian Ethics: The Limits of Care of the Self for Democratic Practice,” Paper Presentation. 2005 Western Political Science Association Meeting, Oakland, CA.

“Institutionalizing Freedom? Arendt, Wolin, and the Problem of Political Institutions,” Poster Presentation. 2004 American Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL.

“Ethics and the Practice of Freedom: Reading Foucault with Arendt,” Paper Presentation. 2003 Western Political Science Association Meeting, Denver, CO.

“Potentiality and Politics in Aristotle, Arendt, and Agamben,” Paper Presentation. 2002 Western Political Science Association Meeting, Long Beach, CA.

“Aesthetic Judgment as Political Judgment: Kant and Intersubjective Validity,” Paper Presentation. 2001 Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL.

“Indeterminacy’s Promise,” Paper Presentation. 1998 Vocations of Political Theory Conference, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

## **AWARDS, GRANTS AND HONORS**

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Political Science Department Class Prize for outstanding advanced graduate student. Northwestern University. 2005.

Gender Studies Teaching Assistantship. Northwestern University. 2004-2006.

Weinberg Dean’s Dissertation Fellowship. Northwestern University. 2003-2004

Graduate Affiliate, Alice Berline Kaplan Center for the Humanities. Northwestern University. 2003-2004.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Travel Grant. 2003.

David Minar Outstanding Student Award for academic excellence and leadership in political science. Northwestern University. 2002.

R. Barry Farrell Award for outstanding political science teaching assistant. Northwestern University. 2001.

Northwestern University Scholarship. 1998-2003.

Northwestern University Fellowship. 1998-1999.

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

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Languages: German (good)

Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) Summer Language Training. 2002.  
Goethe-Institut, Berlin, Germany.

The School of Criticism and Theory, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. 2001.

Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen (IWM) International Summer School in Political Philosophy, Cortona, Italy 2001.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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Manuscript Referee for *New Political Science*.

Manuscript Referee for *Hypatia*.

### **TEACHING INTERESTS**

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Courses Taught: Contemporary Political Theory; Introduction to Gender Studies; Consent and Dissent; Advanced Feminist Political Theory; Political Freedom; Feminist Theories; Critical Approaches to Power (co-taught); Modern Political Thought; Ethics and Politics in the 20th Century; Consent, Obedience and Resistance; History of Political Thought; Ethics and Politics; Critical Race Studies and Feminist Theory; Gender Theory; Gender, Power and Culture in America; Law in the Political Arena.

### **REFERENCES**

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Linda M.G. Zerilli, Professor of Political Science, Northwestern University  
Bonnie Honig, Professor of Political Science, Northwestern University  
Michael Hanchard, Professor of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University