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#### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Ethics, Kant, Moral Psychology, Modern Philosophy

#### AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

Medical and Applied Ethics, Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Global Religion, Ancient Philosophy, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Analytic Philosophy, Continental Philosophy

# **EDUCATION:**

## **University of Oxford**

DPhil, Philosophy, 2018 (date awarded) Title: Kant and Moral Character (no corrections) Supervisors: Alison Hills and Ralph Walker Examiners: Angela Breitenbach and Thomas Sinclair

#### **University of Ottawa**

MA, Philosophy, 2012 Title: Kant and Moral Responsibility Supervisor: Andrew Brook

#### **Trinity Western University**

BA great distinction, Philosophy, 2009

## **EMPLOYMENT:**

#### **University of Hong Kong**

Assistant Professor, Medical Ethics and Humanities Unit, School of Clinical Medicine, LKS Faculty of Medicine, 2024-

Research Fellow, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, 2022-

Senior Tutor, Wei Lun Hall, 2021-24

Research Assistant Professor, Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences, 2020-24

#### University of the Fraser Valley

Instructor, Department of Philosophy, 2019-20

#### University of Oxford

Tutor in Philosophy and Public Policy, Blavatnik School of Government, 2018

Tutor, Worcester College, 2018

Postdoctoral Fellowship Award, Philosophical Fellowship Fund, 2017-18

Junior Dean, University College, 2015-18

Tutor, Brasenose College, 2018

Key Concepts in Moral Psychology, lecture course, Faculty of Philosophy, 2018

Seminar Leader, Blavatnik School of Government, 2017

Tutor, Lincoln College, 2015

University of British Columbia Honorary Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, 2012-13

**Trinity Western University** Instructor, Department of Philosophy, 2011-13

University of Ottawa

Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, 2009-11

#### **RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS:**

**The Role of Divine Grace in Kant's Rational Religion,** *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion,* forthcoming

**Compassionate and Cognitively Diverse: Why Kantian Virtue is More Generous Than You Think,** forthcoming

**Feeling, Cognition, and the Eighteenth-Century Context of Kantian Sympathy,** *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 31:5 (2023): 974-1004

Kant's Character-Based Account of Moral Weakness and Strength, *Philosophia* 51 (2023): 717-741

Kant's Account of Intellectual Habit and Moral Education, in *Habit and the History* of *Philosophy*, edited by Jeremy Dunham and Komarine Romdenh-Romluc (Abingdon: Routledge, 2022): 105-118

**Educating for British Values: Kant's Philosophical Roadmap for Cosmopolitan Character Education**, *Policy Futures in Education* 15:1 (2017): 20-37

# **OTHER WRITING:**

**Putting Trust at the Heart of Higher Education,** co-authored with Samson Tse, *Times Higher Education*, 2023, https://www.timeshighereducation.com/campus/putting-trust-heart-higher-education

**Compassion and the Moral Law**, Dalai Lama Centre for Compassion, Oxford prize essay, published online at www.dlccoxford.org, 2016

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

What Personal Qualities are Necessary to Forgive in Environments of Deep Disagreement? (by invitation), Seminar, Associateship of King's College London, King's College London, Nov 2024; and Workshop, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, University of Hong Kong, Nov 2024

**Discussant, Good Doctors in the Age of AI? Ethics at the Intersection of Medicine, AI, and Christian Theology** (by invitation), Medical Ethics and Humanities Unit, University of Hong Kong Sep 2024

**Forgiveness in Formation: Kantian Reflections on Anger, Empathy, and the Psychological Conditions for Virtuous Forgiveness**, Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics annual conference, McGill University, Jun 2024

**Respondent to Robyn de Boeré's** *Befriending the North Wind: Children, Moral Agency, and the Good Death* (by invitation), Book Launch, Centre for Applied Ethics, Hong Kong Baptist University, Apr 2024

How Philosophical Models of Friendship Help Us to Advance Social Connection and Address the Problem of Loneliness (by invitation), The Intersection of Loneliness, Bioethics, and Religion workshop, Medical Ethics and Humanities Unit, University of Hong Kong, Mar 2024

**Commentator on Heidi Maibom's** *The Space Between: How Empathy Really Works* **Author-Meets-Critics Session**, Society for Philosophy of Emotion group session, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, New Orleans, Feb 2024

**Reflections on AI, Education, and Responsible Citizenship** (by invitation), GenAI and Higher Education: Multidisciplinary Explorations symposium, CBS Teaching Excellence Series, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Nov 2023

(i) The Evolution of Desire and Dignity in Virtuous Friendship; (ii) Contrasting Views of Shame, Transcendence, and Self-Identity in the Western Philosophical Tradition (series of two visiting lectures, by invitation), College of Foreign Languages, Nankai University, June 2023

Anger Both Apt and Intelligent: Affective Injustice and the Education of Virtuous Anger, co-authored presentation with Liz Jackson, Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics annual conference, York University, May 2023

**Virtuous Medicine: Practical Compassion and Forgiveness in Medical Error** (by invitation), Medical Ethics and Humanities Unit seminar, University of Hong Kong, scheduled for May 2023

The Rationality of Divine Grace in Character Formation: A Qualified Defense of Kant's Liberal Project, Centre for Philosophy of Religion colloquium, University of Notre Dame, April 2023

Adam Smith, Immanuel Kant, and the Prehistory of Cognitive Empathy, International Society for Research on Emotion, University of Southern California, 2022

**Does Kant Have a Deduction of Sympathy?**, scheduled for the American Philosophical Association as session of the Hong Kong Kant Society, cancelled due to travel restrictions and presented in Hong Kong, 2022

**Cosmopolitan Sympathies: Smith, Kant, and the Prehistory of Cognitive Empathy,** Sympatheia / Einfühlung / Empathy: Understanding and Feeling Otherness Conference, University of Lisbon, 2021

**'Reason's Sympathy': Kant's Novel Account of Sympathy and Its 18<sup>th</sup> Century Precedents** (by invitation), Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Hong Kong, Research Seminar, 2021

**Weaknesses of Will: Philosophical Reflections on St Paul's Body of Death** (by invitation), Philosophy of Religion Study Group, Tyndale Fellowship Conference, Tyndale House, Cambridge, 2019

Kant's Neglected Account of Habit and Moral Character, British Society for the History of Philosophy Annual Conference, Durham University, 2018

**Change of Heart, Character, and Weakness of Will: Resolving a Puzzle in Kant's Moral Psychology**, Canadian Philosophical Association, Ryerson University, 2017

Education as Character Formation in Kant's Pedagogy and Anthropology, Kant and Moral Psychology conference, Boğaziçi University, 2016

Situationism and Kantian Moral Character, Leuven Kant Conference, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, 2015

Kantian Ethics and Rational Faith (by invitation), Sts Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje, MK, 2015

Kant on the Foundations of Moral Character (by invitation), Ivanov School of Leaders Alumni Association, Skopje, MK, 2015

Kantian Metaethics and the Problem of Value, Understanding Value Grad Conference, University of Sheffield, 2014

Kant on the Education of Emotion in the *Lectures on Pedagogy*, Critical Pedagogies and Philosophies of Education, Liverpool Hope University, 2014

**Moral Worth, Emotion, and Practical Wisdom: Kant's Aristotelian Dispositions,** Conference of the Affections and Ethics Network, University of Oxford Research Centre in the Humanities, 2014

Kant on Moral Worth and Emotion, North Carolina Philosophical Society, UNC Chapel Hill, 2014

Active and Passive Euthanasia: Defining the Doctor's Role, Philopolis Graduate Conference, McGill University, 2011

**Massive Modularity and Theory of Mind**, Dominican University College Graduate Conference 2010, University of Ottawa Graduate Conference, 2010

#### FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS:

Enhanced New Staff Start-up Package, LKS Faculty of Medicine, University of Hong Kong, HKD\$530,000, Principal Investigator, "The Moral Foundations of Human Relationships", 36-month research grant, 2025-27

**GRF Grant (General Research Fund), University Grants Committee of Hong Kong**, HKD\$112,000, Principal Investigator, "Toward a Virtue-Based Theory of Forgiveness Amidst Deep Disagreement", 24-month research grant, 2023-4

**GRF Grant (General Research Fund), University Grants Committee of Hong Kong**, HKD\$991,384, Co-Investigator then Principal Investigator, "When Political Differences Become of Moral Differences: Big Data and Self-Report Studies on the Familial Consequences of Differences in Political Views and Moral Foundations", 24-month research grant, 2023-24

**TDG (Teaching Development Grant), University Grants Committee of Hong Kong**, HKD\$300,932, Co-Investigator, "Empowering Medical Students: MH Couture Atelier Brings Peer-Led Self-Directed Learning to MBBS Medical Humanities Curriculum", 24month research grant, 2023-24

**SSHRC\* Doctoral Fellowship**, CAD\$80,000, years 2014-18 \*Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of the Government of Canada

**SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship (**Doctoral), CAD\$105,000, declined for international university

1<sup>st</sup> Place, Dalai Lama Centre for Compassion Oxford Essay Competition, Compassion and the Moral Law, 2016

**SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship** (Masters), CAD\$17,000, years 2009-10

University of Ottawa Excellence Scholarship, CAD\$32, 476, years 2009-11

President's Award, Trinity Western University, CAD\$30, 000, years 2004-8

# COURSES TAUGHT\*:

#### **University of Hong Kong**

Medical Humanities: Forgiveness and Clinical Life Medical Ethics and Law: Research Ethics Medical Ethics and Law: AI, Big Data, and Precision Medicine Medical Ethics and Law: Informed Consent and Confidentiality Medical Ethics and Law: Ethical Frameworks and Decision Making Love, Morality, and the Meaning of Human Relationships A Life Worth Living (primary teacher)

#### University of the Fraser Valley

Moral Psychology History of Analytic Philosophy Twentieth Century Continental Philosophy Knowledge and Reality Critical Thinking

# **University of Oxford**

Key Concepts in Moral Psychology Values and Public Policy: Political Philosophy in Practice (tutor) Ethics paper (tutor) Aristotle paper (tutor) Kant paper (tutor)

#### **University of British Columbia**

Doctor, Patient, and Society (tutor)

#### **Trinity Western University**

Kant Contemporary Ethical Issues Introduction to Logic Introduction to Philosophy Critical Thinking

#### **University of Ottawa**

Philosophical Issues in Healthcare (teaching assistant) Bioethics (teaching assistant) Business Ethics (teaching assistant)

\*Primary teacher with complete oversight over syllabus and content except where role is specified in parentheses

# COMMITTEES, OUTREACH, AND OTHER EXPERIENCE:

Reviewer, Journal of Medicine and Philosophy, 2024-

Members Correspondent, UK Kant Society, 2024-

Main Speaker and Facilitator of Goal Setting Session, "Who You Become at University", CEDARS Peer Connect and High Table (annual induction program for newly admitted students), University of Hong Kong, 2024

Reviewer, Toronto Journal of Theology, 2024

Panel member, Educating Citizen-Leaders for a Digital Age, seminar by CEDARS and Oxford Character Project, The University of Hong Kong, 2023

Reviewer, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, 2022

Curator, Forgiveness and the Life of Leadership modular course, HKU Lead for Life, University of Hong Kong, 2022

Speaker on friendship and virtue, HKU Lead for Life taster session, University of Hong Kong, 2022

Interview guest on compassion and Kantian ethics, Voice of Islam Radio (London), 2022

Reviewer, Journal of Character Education, 2020

Associate, Oxford Character Project, 2020-24

Research Associate and Consultant, Ian Ramsey Centre, University of Oxford, 2019-

Arts of Leading Research Group member, Oxford Research Centre in the Humanities and Oxford Character Project, 2016-18

Workshop Leader and Facilitator, The Character of Leadership Forum, University of Hong Kong; collaboration between University of Hong Kong Social Sciences Faculty and Oxford Character Project, 2018

Facilitator, Learning to Lead Forum, London School of Economics; collaboration between Oxford Character Project and LSE Life, 2018

Summer School Administrator, University College and City University of Hong Kong summer program in law, 2016 and 2017

Student Host (casual) to students from across China Summit Education Enterprise, 2017

Panelist and Facilitator, Character of Leadership Forum, University of Hong Kong, 2017

Content Consultant, Oxford Character Project, 2014-15

Co-Convener, Faculty of Philosophy DPhil Seminar, University of Oxford 2014-15

Committee Member, Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference, 2015

Reviewer, Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference, 2015 and 2014 B1 Certificate, German Language Course, Freie Universität Berlin, 2014 Ethicist, Behavioral Research Ethics Board, University of British Columbia, 2012-13 Ethicist, Research Ethics Board, Trinity Western University, 2012-13 Community member, L'Arche Ottawa, 2009-11

# **REFERENCES:**

Available on request