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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, August 2012-present.

Assistant Professor of Political Science

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, September 2008-August 2012.

Assistant Professor of Political Science

EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, Department of Political Science, 2007.

BOOK

Portfolio Society: On the Capitalist Mode of Prediction (forthcoming with Zone/MIT Press, September 2016)

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

'The Subprime Subject of Ideology' in Patrice Petro and Kennan Ferguson, eds. *After Capitalism* (Newark: Rutgers University Press, 2016)

'Moneybags Must be So Lucky: Inside the Hidden Abode of Prediction.' *Political Theory*, February 2016, 44 (2016): 4-25.

'Specters of Weber: 'Science as a Vocation' in the Age of Neoliberalism.' *Contemporary Political Theory*, 14 (2015): 410-424.

'Capitalism.' *Encyclopedia of Political Thought*, Michael Gibbons et al, eds., (Hoboken: Wiley & Sons, 2014): 430-441.

'We Are All Occasional Politicians: For a New Weberian Conception of Politics.' *Constellations*, 20.1 (2013): 138-149

'Max Weber and the 'Spirit' of *The Protestant Ethic*.' *Journal of Classical Sociology* XX(X), 2010: 99-108.

'Difference Theories.' *Encyclopedia of Political Theory*, Mark Bevir, ed. (London: Sage, 2010): 386-391.

'Deciding on the Borderland: The Ukrainian Elections of 2004.' *Theory & Event* 8.2, 2005.

TRANSLATIONS

Judith Butler. 'Violence, non-violence: Sartre, à propos de Fanon.' *Actuel Marx*, no. 55 (2014): 13-35.

Michel Feher. 'Self-Appreciation; or, The Aspirations of Human Capital.' *Public Culture*, 21.1 (2009): 21-41.

Wendy Brown. 'Le cauchemar américain: le néoconservatisme, le néolibéralisme et la dé-démocratisation des États-Unis.' *Raisons politiques*, no. 28 (2007): 67-89.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

C21 Fellowship, Center for 21st Century Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2014-2015.

Global Studies Fellow, Center for International Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2013-2014.

Resident First Year Student Choice Award, University Massachusetts-Amherst, 2010.

Mark Rozance Award for Dissertation in Political Theory, UC Berkeley, 2006.

Phi Beta Kappa Graduate Fellowship, Alpha Chapter of California, 2004-5.

Department of Political Science Graduate Fellowship, UC Berkeley, 2004-5.
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley, 2003.
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1997-2000.
Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship for the study of Azeri, Baku Azerbaijan, 1997.
Berkeley Program in Post-Soviet Studies. Graduate Fellowship, 1996-1997.
Goldsmith Research Award, Joan Shorenstein Barone Center for the Press and Public Policy, Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, 1996.
Phi Beta Kappa (Elected as a Junior), Brown University, 1992.

INVITED LECTURES

The Portfolio Society, Oakland Book Festival, Oakland, May 2016.
From *Homo aeconomicus* to *Homo probabilis*, Cultures of Finance Group, Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University, April 2016.
La société portefeuille, ou le mode de prédiction capitaliste. École Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Paris, March 2016.
Portfolio Society: On the Capitalist Mode of Prediction. Department of Geography, University of California, Berkeley. October 2015.
The Fetishism of Securities and the Capitalist Mode of Prediction. Social Theory Workshop, University of Chicago, February 2015.
'Moneybags Must be So Lucky': Inside the Hidden Abode of Prediction. McGill University. January 2015.
After *Capital*. Center for International Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, April 2014.
Capitalism: A Horror Story. Political Theory Workshop, SUNY, Albany. April 2010.
We Are All Occasional Politicians. The Johns Hopkins University. December 2007.
Le métier et la vocation de politique. École d'études politiques, Université d'Ottawa, January 2007.
Vocation as Politics. Department of Rhetoric, University of California, Berkeley, January 2007.
Bringing Order Out of Chaos: On Max Weber's Definition of the State. University of San Francisco, November 2006.
Bringing Order Out of Chaos: On Max Weber's Definition of the State. University of Pennsylvania, November 2006.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

The Fetishism of Securities. 7th Critical Finance Studies Conference, Copenhagen. August 2015.
From Vagabond to Subprime. Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, April 2015.
Capital in the 21st Century. 6th Critical Finance Studies Conference, University of Amsterdam, August 2014.
Neoliberalism and the Fetishism of Security, Western Political Science Association, Seattle, April 2014.
Speculative Finance and The Capitalist Mode of Prediction. Conference on Calculative Devices in a Digital Age, Durham University, Durham UK. November 2013.
Roundtable on "An Offer We Must Refuse: Resisting the Persuasive Power of Capital." American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2013.
Vampires, Zombies, and the Specter of Capitalism. Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, April 2013.
The Fetishism of Securities. Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.
Roundtable on 'Universities in Crisis and the Vocation of Political Theory.' American Political Science Association, Seattle. September 2011.
The Return of the Commodity Fetish. Western Political Science Association, San Antonio. April 2011.

Max Weber and the ‘Spirit’ of *The Protestant Ethic*. Western Political Science Association, San Francisco. April 2010.

Born in the USA: Obama, Nationalism and the Original Sin of Slavery. International Studies Association, New York, February 2009; Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, March, 2009.

Freedom™ or What’s in a Brand. Association for Political Theory, Wesleyan University, October 2008.

The Power of Branding: The Making of the Working Class. Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.

On Max Weber’s *Politik als Beruf*. Association for Political Theory, London, Ontario, October 2007.

Übersetzung als Beruf: Max Weber on the Task of the Translator. Association for Political Theory, Saint Louis, October 2005.

All the Wor(l)d’s a Stage: Marx and the Metaphor of Theater. European Consortium for Political Research, Granada, Spain, April 2005.

Max Weber and the Linguistic Turn. Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2005.

Marx and the Tragedy of Critique. Western Political Science Association, Oakland, March 2005.

Lost (and Found) in Translation: Reading Marx After Derrida. Association for Political Theory, Colorado Springs, October 2004.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer, *Polity, Theory & Event*; *Contemporary Political Theory*, *Theory, Culture & Society*; *Journal of Information Technology & Politics*; Continuum Books; New York University Press; Independent Social Research Foundation.

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Peng Yu (UWM), Assistant Professor of Political Science at Earlham College (UWM PhD July 2015)

Claire Brault, Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellow, Cogut Center for the Humanities, Brown University (starting Fall 2016) (UMass PhD August 2015)

Andrés Fabian Henao Castro, Assistant Professor, University of Massachusetts-Boston (UMass PhD July 2014)

Matthew Lepori, Visiting Faculty, National University of Singapore (UMass PhD, received April 2015)

Lauren Handley, Department Chair and Associate Professor of Political Science, Santa Cruz Community College (UMass ABD)

Jeremy Wolff, Visiting Lecturer, Smith College (UMass PhD, July 2015)

Randolph Miller, History Department, UWM (ABD)

LANGUAGES

French (native), Russian, Spanish, German (reading), Turkish (beginning).