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DOCTORAL STUDIES:

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

PhD, Political Science (field exams: Political Theory and Comparative Politics), expected June 2026

Dissertation project: *Beyond White Citizenship: A Study of Political Responsibility in American and Jewish Politics*

Committee: Neil Roberts and Melissa S. Williams (co-supervisors), Menaka Philips

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Visiting PhD Student, Department of Political Science, 2025-2026

Faculty Supervisor: Linda Zerilli

EDUCATION:

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Master of Arts, Social Sciences, Concentration: Political Theory, August 2020

Advisor: Eric L. Santner

Carleton College, Northfield, MN

Bachelor of Arts, *Magna Cum Laude*, Major: Political Science, Minor: Middle East Studies, June 2018

Advisor: Mihaela Czobor-Lupp

SCHOLARSHIP:

Books/Edited Volumes

Hannah Arendt on Race and Racism. With Jana Schmidt and Jess Feldman. DeGruyter Press, forthcoming, 2026.

Peer Reviewed Articles

“Judging the Masses: Spectatorship, Action, and Politics in Arendt’s Critique of the Masses.”

HannahArendt.net: Journal for Political Thinking, August 2024. <https://doi.org/10.57773/hanet.v13i2.565>.

Revise and Resubmit

“Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic Jewish Politics and the Potential of Jewish Nationality.”

Revision requested at *Perspectives on Politics*.

Book Chapters

“Introduction: Hannah Arendt on Race and Racism.” With Jana Schmidt and Jess Feldman. *Hannah Arendt on Race and Racism*. De Gruyter Press, forthcoming, 2026.

“Hannah Arendt.” *Elgar Encyclopedia of Nationalism*, eds. Jonathan Hearn, Daphne Halikiopoulou and Gezim Krasniqi, forthcoming, 2026.

Working Papers

“Theorizing Political Responsibility or, Acting Responsibly with Hannah Arendt.” August 2025.

“From Equality to Privilege: Hannah Arendt and the Critique of Racial Citizenship.” November 2024

Public Writing

“Israel’s War with Iran Exposes the Fragility of Jewish Supremacy.” *Common Dreams*, June 18, 2025. <https://www.commondreams.org/opinion/israel-war-iran-fragility>

“The Antisemitism Awareness Act is Bad for American Jews—Here’s Why.” *The Hill*, May 12, 2024. <https://thehill.com/opinion/congress-blog/4657119-the-antisemitism-awareness-act-is-bad-for-american-jews-heres-why/>

“Racism and a Politics Without Responsibility.” *Hannah Arendt Center Quote of the Week*, August 6, 2023. <https://medium.com/quote-of-the-week/racism-and-a-politics-without-responsibility-8f322e124550>

“If Biden Wants Equality in America, He Must Worry About Equality in Palestine.” (in Hebrew) *Mekomit*, January 27, 2021. <https://www.mekomit.co.il/אם-בידן-רוצה-שויון-באמריקה-הוא-חייב-ל/>

“AOC’s Approach to Israel Aid Has Been Tried and Tested—by Bush and Reagan.” *Newsweek*, July 2, 2020. <https://www.newsweek.com/aoc-israel-palestine-aid-annexation-1515118>.

“Zionism on the Edge.” *Haaretz*, December 18, 2015. <https://www.haaretz.com/opinion/.premium-zionism-on-the-edge-what-i-saw-at-haaretzq-1.5378989>.

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS:

- 2025: **Elaine Stavro Essay Prize in Critical Theory**, University of Toronto
Summer Teaching Opportunity Program, University of Toronto Department of Political Science
Dissertation Travel Research Award, University of Toronto Department of Political Science
- 2024: **School of Graduate Studies Research Travel Grant**, University of Toronto
Centre for Ethics Returning Fellowship, University of Toronto Centre for Ethics
- 2023: **Race, Ethics, and Power Doctoral Fellowship**, University of Toronto Centre for Ethics
- 2021: **Jackman Junior Fellowship**, University of Toronto Jackman Humanities Institute
- 2019: **Maroon Scholar Research Award**, University of Chicago
Director’s Fellowship, University of Chicago

INVITED LECTURES:

- 2025: “Jewish Politics Beyond Sovereignty,” Trinity College
- 2024: “Escape From Politics: Personal Responsibility and White Citizenship in American Society,” University of Toronto Centre for Ethics
- 2023: “Beyond White Citizenship: Authoritarian White Sovereignty in Contemporary American Politics,” University of Toronto Undergraduate Society of American Studies

SELECTED CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- 2025: “Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic Jewish Politics and the Potential of Jewish Nationality,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference
- 2025: “Theorizing Political Responsibility or, Acting Responsibly with Hannah Arendt,” American Political Science Association Annual Conference

- 2025: “Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic Jewish Politics and the Potential of Jewish Nationality,” University of Chicago Political Theory Working Group
- 2025: “Considering Political Responsibility for Racial Citizenship with Hannah Arendt,” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference
- 2024: “Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic Jewish Politics and the Potential of Jewish Nationality,” Association for Political Theory Annual Conference
- 2024: “Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic Jewish Politics and the Potential of Jewish Nationality,” University of Toronto Political Theory Research Workshop
- 2024: “From Equality to Privilege: Hannah Arendt as a Critic of White Citizenship,” American Political Science Association Annual Conference
- 2024: “Escape from Politics: White Citizenship and Abdications of Political Responsibility,” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference
- 2023: “Beyond White Citizenship: Approaching Racial Difference Without Hierarchy,” University of Toronto Political Theory Research Workshop
- 2023: “Escape from Politics? White Supremacy, Politics of Rule, and Judgement,” Text Seminar: Arendt and/on Race, Hannah Arendt Center at Bard College
- 2023: “Escape from Politics: Liberalism, Judgement, and White Supremacy in the United States,” University of Toronto Political Theory Conference
- 2023: “Judging the Masses: Recovering the Democratic Potential of Arendt’s Conception of Mass Politics,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference
- 2023: “Liberalism as Interpretive Frame in Israel/Palestine,” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference
- 2022: “Between Sovereignty and Exile: Hannah Arendt on Jewish Politics and Binationalism,” Work of Hannah Arendt Conference, University of Toronto

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*

Coordinator, Political Theory Research Workshop, University of Toronto, 2023 – 2025

Convener, University of Toronto Contemporary Theory Reading Group, 2022-2024

Co-Organizer, University of Toronto Political Theory Conference, 2023

Associate, Association for Global Political Thought, 2022 – present

Graduate Student Affiliate, University of Chicago Center on Democracy, 2019 - 2020

TEACHING:

Course Instructor – University of Toronto

2025: “Privilege and Race in Global Perspective” (Advanced political theory course for which I developed an original syllabus)

In-Class Guest Lectures:

2025: “Jewishness and Zionism,” in Black and Indigenous Political Thought, Trinity College

2023: “Race, Indigeneity, Settler-Colonialism,” in Privilege and Race in Global Perspective, University of Toronto,

2023: “Race, Identity, and Political Thought,” in Global Politics and Global Political Thought, University of Toronto

Teaching Assistant - University of Toronto

2025: “The Politics of Crime,” Professor Andrew McDougall

2025, 2023: “Privilege and Race in Global Perspective,” Professor Matthew Walton

2025: “Borders, Migrants, and Refugees,” Professor Martha Balaguera

2025: “Democracy, Justice, and Power,” Dr. Ella Street

2024: “US Foreign Policy in a Complex World,” Professor Arnd Jurgensen

2024: “Politics and Social Justice,” Professors Martha Balaguera and Naomi Adiv

2024: “Foundations of Justice, Citizenship and Power,” Professor Margaret Kohn

2023-24: “Modernity and Resistance,” Professors Emily Nacol and Jaby Mathew

2023: “Global Politics and Global Political Thought,” Professor Matthew Walton

2022-23, 2021-22: “Political Theory: Visions of the Good/Just Society,” Professor Matthew Walton

2022: “Media, Politics, and the 2022 Midterm Elections in the USA,” Professor Sam Tanenhaus

2022: “Contemporary Challenges to Democracy: Democracy in the Social Media Age,” Professor Ronald Deibert

Writing Intern - University of Chicago Humanities Core

2021: “Media Aesthetics,” Professor Leah Feldman

2020: “Philosophical Inquiry,” Professor Thomas Pashby

RESEARCH SKILLS:

Textual Analysis, Primary Source Analysis, Qualitative Methods, Social Science Theories

Languages: Hebrew (Advanced), Arabic (Beginner), Spanish (Beginner)