

MIKO N. ZELDES-ROTH

DOCTORAL STUDIES:

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

PhD, Political Science (field exams: Political Theory and Comparative Politics), expected May 2027

Dissertation project: *Beyond Racial 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

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 and Anti-Politics. With Jana Schmidt and Jess Feldman. Forthcoming.

Peer Reviewed Articles

“Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic and Diasporic Jewish Politics and the Egalitarian Potential of Jewish Nationality.” **Accepted at *Perspectives on Politics***.

“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>.

Book Chapters

“Introduction: Hannah Arendt on Anti-Politics.” With Jana Schmidt and Jess Feldman. *Hannah Arendt and Anti-Politics*. Forthcoming.

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

Working Papers

“Political Responsibility Under Multiracial Authoritarianism.” April 2026.

“Racial Innocence: the Moral Psychology of Racial Citizenship.” December 2025.

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

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-ביידן-רוצה-שוויון-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:

2026: **University Doctoral Excellence Award**, University of Toronto School of Graduate Studies

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:

2026: “Jewish Politics After Sovereignty or, Jewish Freedom Beyond Safety,” Carleton College

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

2026: “Political Responsibility Under Multiracial Authoritarianism,” University of Toronto Political Theory Research Workshop

2025: “Beyond Sovereignty or Exile: The Limits of Exilic and Diasporic Jewish Politics and the Egalitarian 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: “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 Teaching/Lectures:

2026: “Responsibility to Protect and Gaza,” in Introduction to International Relations, Carleton College

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

Teaching Assistant – University of Chicago

2026: “Self, Culture, Society I,” Professor Molly Cunningham

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)

REFERENCES:

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