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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA

PhD in Political Science, 2008; A.M. in Political Science, 1991. Dissertation: *Radical Pluralism: Arguments for an Unconditional Basic Income in the United States*. Seminar papers: Foundations of Rousseau's Social Contract Theory in the *Discourse on the Origin and Foundations of Inequality Among Men*; Property and Rationality in Locke's *Two Treatises of Government*; Old and New Property Rights in Supreme Court Doctrine.

#### **Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ

A.B. in Politics, 1984. Senior Thesis: Political Compromise on Moral Issues in Government: Abortion as a Case Study.

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship, 1988 (three-year grant)

Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Prize Fellowship, 1988 (five-year grant)

Harvard University Center for European Studies Grant, 1991 (summer grant)

### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

"Gender Effects of a Basic Income," with Annie Miller and Toru Yamamori. Forthcoming in Malcolm Torry, ed., *The Palgrave International Handbook on Basic Income* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2019).

"Basic Income and the Alaska Model: Limits of the Resource Dividend Model for the Implementation of an Unconditional Basic Income," in Karl Widerquist and Michael W. Howard, eds., *Alaska's Permanent Fund Dividend: Examining its Suitability as a Model* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2012), pp. 141-55.

"The Capitalist Road to Communism: Are We There Yet?" in Axel Gosseries and Yannick Vanderborght, eds., *Arguing about justice: Essays for Philippe Van Parijs* (Louvain, Belgium: Presses Universitaires de Louvain, 2011), pp. 415-22.

"Basic Income in the United States: Redefining Citizenship in the Liberal State," in Karl Widerquist, Michael A. Lewis, and Steven Pressman, eds., *The Ethics and Economics of the Basic Income Guarantee* (Ashgate, 2005), pp. 109-21.

### **REFEREED ARTICLES**

“Lessons from Sweden: Solidarity, the Welfare State, and Basic Income,” *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 43:3 (September 2016), pp. 73-96.

“Feminist Political Theory and the Argument for an Unconditional Basic Income,” *Policy and Politics*, vol. 39, no. 1 (January 2011), pp. 27-42.

“Institutionalizing the Universal Caregiver through an Unconditional Basic Income?” *Basic Income Studies* 3:3 (December 2008), article 7.

“Targeting Benefit Levels to Individuals or Families?” *Basic Income Studies* 2:1 (June 2007), article 7.

“Basic Income in the United States: Redefining Citizenship in the Liberal State,” *Review of Social Economy*, 63:4 (December 2005): 633-48.

“Distributive Justice and the Argument for an Unconditional Basic Income,” *Journal of Socio-Economics*, 34:1 (February 2005): 3-15.

#### **BOOK REVIEWS AND OTHER WRITING**

“Ending Poverty in the U.S. with a Basic Income,” *Roosevelt House Faculty Journal* (September 2018).

“Work, Leisure, and Care: A Gender Perspective on the Participation Income,” *The Political Quarterly*, vol. 89, no. 2 (April–June 2018), pp. 273-79.

Review of Amy Downes and Stewart Langley, eds., *It’s Basic Income: The Global Debate*, forthcoming in *Community Development Journal* (2018).

Entry on “The New School” in Andrew F. Smith, ed., *Savoring Gotham: A Food Lover’s Companion to New York City* (Oxford University Press, 2015), p. 410.

Review of Charles Karelis, *The Persistence of Poverty: Why the Economics of the Well-off Can’t Help the Poor*, in *Basic Income Studies* 8:1 (August 2013), 139-41.

Review of Charles Murray, *In Our Hands: A Plan to Replace the Welfare State*, in *Basic Income Studies* 3:1 (June 2008), article 8.

Review of Ailsa McKay, *The Future of Social Security Policy: Women, work and a Citizens’ Basic Income*, in *Basic Income Studies* 1:2 (December 2006), article 13.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

“Historical Precedents of Contemporary Basic Income Movements: The Townsend Movement and NWRO Campaigns in the US.” Paper presented at the 18th Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN) Congress, Tampere, Finland, August 2018.

“Provocations Toward Utopia: Democracy, Transparency, and Sustainability in the Basic Income Society.” Invited talk at the Berggruen Workshop on Conceptualizing Justice in Comparative Perspective, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University, February 2018.

“Basic Income and Gender.” Invited talk at the CASH Conference, Economic Security Project, San Francisco Mint, October 19, 2017.

“What Can Basic Income Do for Gender?” Invited talk at the Basic Income Lab, McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society, Stanford University, October 18, 2017. Video available [here](#).

“Work, Leisure, and Care: A Gender Perspective on the Participation Income.” Seventeenth Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN) Congress, Lisbon, September 2017.

“Is Basic Income Capitalist, Socialist, or Something Else?” Seventeenth Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN) Congress, Lisbon, September 2017.

“Basic Income for Realists.” Sixteenth Annual North American Basic Income Grant Congress, Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work, New York, June 2017.

“Everyone a Capitalist? Basic Income and Redistribution.” Plenary Address, Sixteenth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Seoul, South Korea, July 2016. Video available [here](#).

“On the Contradictions of ‘Socialism with Chinese Characteristics.’” Sixteenth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Seoul, South Korea, July 2016.

“Basic Income: A Powerfully Simple Idea.” Workshop in Humanities and Social Sciences, NYU Shanghai, People’s Republic of China, April 2015.

“Lessons from Sweden: Solidarity, the Welfare State, and Basic Income.” Fifteenth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Montréal, Canada, June 2014.

“Which Way Forward for a Basic Income in the United States—Expand the EITC or Social Security?” Fifteenth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Montréal, Canada, June 2014.

Invited panelist, *Dissent* panel on Basic Income, New Left Forum, New York City, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 (with Lena Lavinas, Benjamin Kunkel, and Frances Fox Piven).

“Incremental Steps to a Basic Income in the United States.” Fourteenth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Munich, Germany, September 2012.

“Does a Resource Tax Eliminate the Exploitation Objection to a Basic Income Once and for All?” Eleventh Annual North American Basic Income Congress, Toronto, Canada, May 2012.

“Basic Income and the Alaska Model: Limits of the Resource Dividend Model for the Implementation of an Unconditional Basic Income.” Tenth Annual North American Basic

Income Congress at the Eastern Economics Association Annual Meeting, New York City, February 2011.

“Basic Income, Stakeholder Grants, and Resource Dividends: Limits of the Alaska Model.” Thirteenth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, São Paulo, Brazil, July 2010.

“Should Feminists Endorse a Basic Income? Institutionalizing the Universal Caregiver through an Unconditional Basic Income.” Twelfth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Dublin, Ireland, June 2008.

“Reconsidering Independence: Foundations of a Feminist Theory of Distributive Justice.” Twelfth International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network, Dublin, Ireland, June 2008.

“Is ‘The Plan’ a Basic Income? An Assessment of Charles Murray’s Proposal to Replace the Welfare State with an (Almost) Universal Grant.” Sixth Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network at the Eastern Economics Association Annual Meeting, New York City, February 2007.

Panel Moderator, “A Tribute to the Work of Robert Harris.” Sixth Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network at the Eastern Economics Association Annual Meeting, New York City, February 2007.

“Individual vs. Family Benefits: Equity, Efficiency, and Incentive Issues in the Implementation of a Basic Income.” Fifth Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network at the Eastern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, February 2006.

“A Feminist Critique of Reciprocity and Conditionality.” Plenary Panel with Nancy Folbre and Eva Feder Kittay on Women, Family, and the Basic Income Guarantee, Fourth Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network at the Eastern Economics Association Annual Meeting, New York City, March 2005.

“Distributive Justice and the Argument for Basic Income.” Second Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network at the Eastern Economics Association Annual Meeting, New York City, February 2003.

“Radical Pluralism: A Liberal Defense of Unconditionality.” Ninth International Congress of the Basic Income European Network, Geneva, Switzerland, September 2002.

“Basic Income in the United States: Redefining Citizenship in the Liberal State.” First Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network, CUNY Graduate Center, New York City, March 2002.

## **TEACHING APPOINTMENTS**

**New York University Shanghai**, Shanghai, People’s Republic of China, 2014-present

- Associate Professor of Practice, 2017-present

- Visiting Assistant Professor and Coordinator of *Global Perspectives on Society*, 2015-16
- Global Teaching Fellow, 2014-15

**The New School**, New York, 1996-98

- Instructor in Social Science

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA, 1990-94

- Teaching Fellow, Government Department, 1990-94
- Senior Thesis Advisor, Government Department, 1993-94, 1990-91

**COURSES**

- *Social Science Capstone Seminars* (Honors and Non-Honors tracks), 2016-present (on site, online, and blended formats)
- *Capitalism, Socialism, Communism: Theory and Practice*, 2016-present (on site, online, and blended formats)
- *Global Perspectives on Society* (Teaching Fellow and Coordinator), 2014-16
- *Radical Thought*, 1998-99
- *Workshop in Research and Writing Skills in the Humanities and Social Sciences*, 1996-98
- *Introduction to Political Philosophy* (Teaching Fellow), Spring 1993
- *Constitutional Democracy in America* (Teaching Fellow and Head Teaching Fellow), 1990-92

**UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE**

**New York University Shanghai**, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, 2014-present

- *Faculty Coordinator* (NY Office), 2017-present
- *Social Science Co-Area Leader*, 2016-present
- *Coordinator of Global Perspectives on Society*, 2015-16
- *Coordinator of Global Planning*, 2014-15

**The New School**, New York, NY, 1995-2011

- *Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, The New School for General Studies* (since renamed The New School for Public Engagement), 2009-11
- *Director of Academic Affairs*, 2005-09
- *Acting Chair, Department of Humanities*, 2003-04; 2000-01
- *Consultant to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs*, Fall 2001, Summer 2000
- *Acting Director of The New School Bachelor of Arts Program*, 1998-99
- *Assistant Director of The New School Bachelor of Arts Program*, 1997-98
- *Assistant to the Director of The New School Bachelor of Arts Program*, 1995-97

**Harvard University, Mather House**, Cambridge, MA, 1990-94

- *Assistant Senior Tutor for Fellowships*, 1990-94
- *Resident Tutor in Government and Social Studies*, 1990-94
- *Designated Sexual Harassment Adjunct Advisor*, 1992-94

**Harvard University, Government Department**, Cambridge, MA, 1990-94

- *Assistant Head Tutor*, 1990-94

#### **OTHER UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE**

**Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, NYU**, New York, NY, 2013-14

- *Visiting Scholar*, 2013-14

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA, 1994-95

- *Harvard University Art Museums Development Researcher*, 1994-95
- *Harvard Magazine Editorial Intern*, 1994-95

#### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

**Brookings Institution**, Washington, DC

- *Research Verifier*, 1986-88

**Leventhal & Senter**, Washington, DC

- *Paralegal*, 1984-86

#### **MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE**

Co-Chair, NYU Shanghai Study Away Site Committee, 2016-present

Member, NYU Shanghai Curriculum Committee, 2016-present

Coordinator, NYU Shanghai Faculty Lunch Speaker Series, 2015-17

Member, Board of Advisors, U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network, 2015-present

Member, International Advisory Board, Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN), 2014-present

Secretary-Treasurer, BIEN, 2012-14

Treasurer, BIEN, 2008-12

Conference Organizer, Twelfth Annual North American Basic Income Congress, May 9-11, 2013, New York City

Member, Conference Organizing Committee, Seventh Congress of the U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network, March 7-9, 2008, Boston, MA

Member, Coordinating Committee, U.S. Basic Income Guarantee Network, 2002-14

Associate Editor, *Basic Income Studies*

Referee, *Basic Income Studies*, *Journal of Socio-Economics*, *Feminist Economics*, *British Journal of Political Science*

#### **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Fluent French, reading knowledge of German and Italian, beginning Mandarin.