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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2021-2023 Research Associate, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, Williams College
- 2020-2021 Adjunct Lecturer, Social Research and Public Policy Program, New York University, Abu Dhabi
- 2018-2020 Visiting Scholar, Division of Social Science, New York University, Abu Dhabi

EDUCATION

- 2018 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2009 B.A. in Political Science and Philosophy, University of Chicago

AREAS OF INTEREST

Political Theory; Race, Ethnicity, and Politics; Legal Theory; History of Political Thought; Politics and Literature

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2019 Stahl, William. "The Exception and the Paradigm: Giorgio Agamben on Law and Life." *Contemporary Political Theory* 19(2): 233-250.
- 2018 Stahl, William. "To Err Is Human: Biography vs. Biopolitics in Michel Foucault." *Contemporary Political Theory* 17(2): 139-159.

Works in Progress

Stahl, William. *Untold Lives: A Democratic Theory of Biography*.
Manuscript in preparation.

ACADEMIC DISTINCTIONS

- 2017-2018 Dissertation Year Fellowship, UCLA Graduate Division
- 2012 Graduate Summer Research Mentorship, UCLA Graduate Division
- 2011-2015 Guaranteed Teaching Assistantship, UCLA Department of Political
Science
- 2010-2011 First Year Fellowship, UCLA Department of Political Science

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

- 2021-2022 The Lives of Infamous Men, Williams College
- 2020-2021 Modern Social Theory in Comparative Perspective, NYUAD
- 2017 Introduction to Political Theory, UCLA

Teaching Assistance

- 2011-2017 Department of Political Science:
American Political Development, Citizenship and Public Service,
Introduction to American Politics, Introduction to Political Theory, Islam
and Politics, Politics of American Suburbanization, World Politics
- Department of Sociology:
Contemporary Sociological Theory, Development of Sociological Theory

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Paper Presentations

- 2019 “Acts of Identity: A Political Theory of Biography,” Western Political Science Association Conference, San Diego, CA, April 18
- 2017 “Life, Literarity, and Equality for All: Biography as Democracy in Jacques Rancière,” American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, CA, September 1
- 2016 “‘One Hesitates to Call Them Living’: What Remains of the Human in Giorgio Agamben,” American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, September 2
- 2015 “The Miracle of Life: Hannah Arendt and the “Story-Form” of Human Being,” Western Political Science Association Conference, Las Vegas, NV, April 2-4
- 2012 “When Worlds Collide: Politics in and between Jacques Rancière and Hannah Arendt,” Midwest Political Science Association 70th Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 14

Invited Lectures & Workshops

- 2019 Presenter, “Acts of Identity: A Political Theory of Biography,” Philosophy Research Seminar, New York University, Abu Dhabi, May 13
- 2019 Invited Lecturer, “Acts of Identity: A Political Theory of Biography,” Pitzer College, Claremont, CA, April 11
- 2019 Presenter, “Acts of Identity: A Political Theory of Biography,” Identity Politics Working Group, New York University, Abu Dhabi, January 31
- 2017 Presenter, “The Exception and the Paradigm: Giorgio Agamben on Law and Life,” Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, UCLA, January 13
- 2013 Discussant, “Autonomy vs. Diversity: Kant and Hegel,” John McCumber, UCLA, Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, UCLA, October 4

2011 Discussant, "Dyadic Patterns in Empire-making," Roberto Farneti, Free University of Bozen, Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, UCLA, February 25

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association
Association of Political Theory

LANGUAGES

Advanced: German
Intermediate: French, Spanish
Elementary: Ancient Greek, Arabic, Latin, and Vietnamese

REFERENCES

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