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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Baruch College, City University of New York, New York, NY 2025 -
Department of Political Science, Assistant Professor

Gustavus Adolphus College, Saint Peter, MN 2023-2025
Department of Political Science, Assistant Professor

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN 2023
Ph.D., Political Science

Fields: Political Theory & International Relations
Graduate Minor in Film, Television, and Theatre

M.A., Political Science 2020

Brock University, St. Catharines, ON 2017
B.A., Political Science & Economics (with honors)

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

1. *Native American Political Theory and Neo-Aristotelianism: Nature, Ethics, and Sovereignty From Las Casas to the Supreme Court* (manuscript completed)

Journal Articles

11. "The Transhumanist Challenge to Liberal Individuals." *Politics & Poetics*. Forthcoming

10. "Plagues and Pantheism." *History of European Ideas*. 1-4. 2025

9. "Nature in Native American Political Thinking" *American Political Thought*. Vol. 13, No. 1. pp.1-29 2024

8. "Critical Theory and North American Indigenous Thinking"

- European Journal of Political Theory* Vol. 00, No. 0, pp. 1-22 2023
7. “Modern Constitutionalism, Treaty Federalism, Indigenous Peoples, and the Problem of Envy
Politics & Poetics. Vol.5, pp. 21-50. 2023
6. “Indigenous Sovereignty, Common Law, and Natural Law”
American Journal of Political Science. Vol. 0, No. 0, pp. 1-13 2023
5. “From Navajo ‘Holy Wind’ to Spinoza’s Divine Nature: Viola Cordova’s Comparative
Approach to Indigenous Thought”
The Journal of Politics. Vol. 85, No. 4, pp. 1444-1456 2023
4. “To Hell with Both of You: the Dantean Roots of Mary Shelley’s *Frankenstein*”
The Political Science Reviewer Vol 46, No. 2, pp. 170-197. 2022
3. “Nothing Short of Murder”: How Civilian Leaders Can Diminish Military Capacity
Security Studies Vol. 31, No. 2, pp. 318-350. 2022
2. “Petites Histoires, Meta-perspective: Meaning and Narrative in Julian Barnes”
Papers on Language and Literature Vol. 57, No. 3, pp. 275-301. 2021
1. “Coming into the Country: An Arendtian Analysis of Nationalism and Narrative”
Arendt Studies Vol. 4, pp.153-175. 2020

Edited Volumes

1. *Far-Right Newspeak and the Future of Liberal Democracy*
(with A. James McAdams)
Routledge 2024

Chapters in Edited Volumes

1. “Liberalism’s Vulnerabilities and Two Paths for the Future”
in *Far-Right Newspeak and the Future of Liberal Democracy*, pp. 233-259. 2024

Under Review

1. “The Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Spartan *Politeia*: Factionalism, War, and the Laws
of the Ancestors” (with Susan D. Collins)

In Progress

1. Liberalism’s Last Foundations (book project)
2. Indigenous Nations, the Holy Roman Empire, and Conditions of Persisting Sovereignty
3. Apocalypticism and Hope in North American Indigenous Thought (chapter for an edited
volume)

5. The Seven Deadly Sins and Native American Political Traditions (chapter for the *Cambridge Companion to the Seven Deadly Sins*)
6. Native Americans and Localist Traditions in the United States (chapter for the *Cambridge Companion to Localism*)
7. New Materialism, Harm, and Hierarchies in Nature

Public-Facing

- “Illiberalism, the Environment, and Native American Political Thought”
 Illiberalism.org 2025
- “A Sleepless Year in a Sleepy Town” (translated into French as “Un an sans sommeil dans une petite ville endormie”)
Friends of Canadian Broadcasting, 2019
- “Bring Back the Draft!” (translated into French as “Pour un retour de l’enrôlement obligatoire!”)
Friends of Canadian Broadcasting, 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Gustavus Adolphus College

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| Journalism and Politics | AY 24/25 |
| Legal and Political Thinking | AY 24/25 |
| Intro to Native American Politics | AY 24/25 |
| Tyranny and Leadership from Antiquity to America | AY 24/25 |

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| Intro to Native American Politics | AY 23/24 |
| Racial Politics | AY 23/24 |
| Legal and Political Thinking | AY 23/24 |

University of Notre Dame

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| Journalism as Political Theory | AY 21/22 |
| Native American Politics and Philosophy | AY 22/23 |

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| Senior Thesis Advisor | AY 21/22 |
| (One advisee received departmental award for best thesis) | |

AWARDS, GRANTS, & FELLOWSHIPS

External

Dalton Camp Essay Prize, Friends of Canadian Broadcasting, \$10,000	2019
American Political Science Association Travel Grant, \$200	2019
Southern Political Science Association Prestage-Cook Travel Grant, \$300	2019

University of Notre Dame

Department of Political Science, Excellence in Teaching Award	2021
Presidential Fellowship, \$6,000 annually	2018 – 2023
Nanovic Institute Research Resources Grant, \$300	2020
Nanovic Institute Language Study Grant, \$500	2020
Graduate Student Union Conference Presentation Grant, \$350	2019
Graduate School Professional Development Award, \$2000	2019

INVITED LECTURES

“Should We Revere the Founders?: Sparta, the Iroquois Confederacy, and America <i>Lansing Community College</i>	18 September, 2023
“Indigenous Sovereignty, Common Law, and Natural Law <i>University of Oklahoma, Institute for American Constitutional Heritage</i>	8 March, 2023
“Sovereignty and Indigenous Peoples” <i>University of Notre Dame Pre-College Program</i>	29 June, 2022
“Private Guilt, Public Realm” <i>Brock University</i>	12 March, 2020

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Hope in Native American and Aristotelian Philosophy	April 2025
Indigenous Ethics and Neo-Aristotelian Virtues Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago	April 2024
Native American Thinking and Neo-Aristotelianism Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans	January 2024
Native American Thinking and Neo-Aristotelianism Association for Political Theory Annual Meeting, Schenectady NY	October 2023
Nature, Law, and Indigenous Thinking APSA Annual Meeting, Los Angeles (panel withdrawn due to hotel strike)	September 2023
Nature in Native American Political Thinking Princeton Graduate Conference in Political Theory	April 2023

Nature in Native American Political Thinking WPSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco	April 2023
Indigenous Sovereignty, Common Law, and Natural Law APSA Annual Meeting, Montréal QC	September 2022
“Lockean and Indigenous Accounts of Envy in the ‘New World’” Politics and Poetics Annual Conference, Oxford UK	August 2022
“Critical Theory and Indigenous Thought” 14th International Critical Theory Conference of Rome	May 2022
“Navajo Holy Wind and Spinoza’s Divine Nature: Viola Cordova’s Comparative Approach to Indigenous Thought” Harvard Graduate Conference in Political Theory	April 2022
“Navajo Holy Wind and Spinoza’s Divine Nature: Viola Cordova’s Comparative Approach to Indigenous Thought” Duke Graduate Conference in Political Theory	February 2022
“Navajo Holy Wind and Spinoza’s Divine Nature: Viola Cordova’s Comparative Approach to Indigenous Thought” Canadian Political Science Association Annual Meeting	June 2021
“From Athens to Turtle Island: Indigenous Thought and Neo-Aristotelianism” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting	April 2021
“Reconciliation and Sentiment” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting (cancelled)	April 2020
“Arendtian Guilt” Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting	January 2020
“Memory, Forgetfulness, Guilt: Considering Transhumanism” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	September 2019
“Philosophic Affinities with Indigenous Political Theory” Canadian Political Science Association Annual Meeting	June 2019
“An Infernal Frankenstein: The Frozen Hells of Shelley and Dante” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting	April 2019
“Nationalism and Narrative: An Arendtian Analysis” Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting	January 2019

“Adrift in a Frozen Sea: Tragedy, Mourning, and Canada’s TRC”
Crossing Borders Conference, Niagara Falls, NY

March 2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Student Advisor

Native American Initiatives, University of Notre Dame

2022-2023

Editorial Assistant

Review of Politics

2020-2021

Research Assistant

A. James McAdams

2021

Eileen Hunt Botting

2019-2021

Manuscript Reviewer

Review of Politics

American Journal of Political Science

Brill Publishing

Political Theory Colloquium Coordinator

University of Notre Dame

2020-2022

Short Story Contest Judge

Canadian Writers’ Association

2020

SKILLS

Programming: LATEX

Languages: English (Native), French (advanced), Spanish (moderate), German (moderate),
Italian (basic), Potawatomi (basic)

SPECIAL TRAINING

Goethe Institute German Language Study

Intensive Four Week Course

July 2019

Intensive Four Week Course

December 2020

Potawatomi Language Class

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi

January 2022-present

Kaneb Centre for Teaching and Learning, Notre Dame

Teaching and Creating Lessons for Online Learning

2020

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

The Voice of Pelham, Pelham, CA	
Reporter/Staff Writer	2017-2018
Contributor	2018-2021
The Library of Parliament, Ottawa, CA	
Heritage Interpreter	2016-2017

REFERENCES

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