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## **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

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**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**

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**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**

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### **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"

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**

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

#### **University of Notre Dame**

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

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

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“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**

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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**

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### **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**

2020-2022

University of Notre Dame

### **Short Story Contest Judge**

Canadian Writers’ Association

2020

## **SKILLS**

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Programming: LATEX

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

## **SPECIAL TRAINING**

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### **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**

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

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