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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota Law School & Center for Bioethics, Minneapolis, MN
J.D/M.A. in Bioethics; Joint Degree Program in Law, Science, and Technology (expected 2020)

University of Minnesota, Morris, Morris, MN
B.A. in Political Science, minor in History (2013); Distinction; Honors
Political Science Thesis: “The revolution of neurolaw: A Foucauldian critique.”
History Thesis: “An historiography of Hubert Humphrey’s role in the DFL merger and 1948 schism.”
Honors Thesis: “A different direction for political theory: An evolutionary understanding of the social contract.”

EMPLOYMENT & AFFILIATIONS

University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis, MN
Research Assistant, Shen Neurolaw Lab, 2016 – Present

Minnesota Army National Guard, Minneapolis, MN
Specialist (E-4), 11B Infantry, 2016 – Present

Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX
Assistant Managing Editor, Journal of Science and Law, 2014 – Present
Research Fellow, Center for Science and Law, 2012 – 2016

Columbia University Bioethics Program, New York, NY
Staff Writer, Voices in Bioethics (voicesinbioethics.org), 2014 – 2016

University of Minnesota Social Science Department, Morris, MN
Teaching Assistant, 2009 – 2011.
Courses: American Government and Politics; Introduction to U.S. History

PUBLIC SERVICE

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
Professional Student Representative, Board of Regents, 2017 – Present
Morris Student Representative, Board of Regents, 2012 – 2013
Co-Founder; Morris Representative, Minnesota Student Legislative Coalition, 2011 – 2013
Morris Representative; Vice-Chair; Chairman, University of Minnesota Student Senate, 2010 – 2012

Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party, St. Paul, MN
DFL Party Historian, History Committee, 2016 – Present

At-Large Director, State Executive Committee, 2012 – 2014
Co-Chair, Communications Director Search Committee, 2013
College Caucus Chair, Minnesota Young DFL, 2010 – 2012

Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps, Duluth, MN
Crew Leader, Historic Preservation Corps, 2015 (one season)

Clean Up the River Environment, Montevideo, MN
Director; Chairman, Board of Directors, 2009 – 2013

AWARDS, HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS:

Consortium Student Scholar Award, UMN Consortium on Law and Values, 2017-18.

Legacy Research Fellowship, Minnesota Historical Society, 2017.

Hinge Arts Residency, Springboard for the Arts, 2016.

Invitation, History Textbook Review Panel, Texas Education Agency, 2014.

Mondale Research Fellowship, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, 2013.

Rural Arts and Culture Grant, Springboard for the Arts, 2013.

President's Distinguished Scholarship, University of Minnesota (2009-2013)

Invitation, National Rural Youth Assembly, National Rural Assembly, 2011.

Invitation, Clinton Global Initiative University, Clinton Global Initiative, 2011.

Leroy Welfare Scholarship, University of Minnesota, 2011.

Nathan Goldberg Scholarship, University of Minnesota, 2010, 2011

Phi Kappa Phi: National Honor Society, 2011.

Pi Sigma Alpha: The National Political Science Honor Society, 2011.

University of Minnesota Morris' Dean's List (6 semesters).

PUBLISHED SCHOLARLY ARTICLES:

["The Limited Effect of Electroencephalography Memory Recognition Evidence on Assessments of Defendant Credibility,"](#) *Journal of Law and the Biosciences* (May 2017) (Co-author).

["The Legal Implications of Detecting Alzheimer's Earlier,"](#) *AMA Journal of Ethics* 18(12): December 2016. (Co-author).

["Senator Allan Spear and the Minnesota Human Rights Act,"](#) *Minnesota History* 65(3): Fall 2016.

["Translating Sinclair Lewis into English: Two Poems,"](#) *Sinclair Lewis Society Newsletter* 23(1): Fall 2014.

["The Colonel Surrenders in Minnesota,"](#) *Newsletter of the Kandiyohi County Historical Society*: March 2013.

SELECTED POPULAR WRITING & JOURNALISM:

- “The General Public is Neutral on ‘Neurolaw,’” *Voices in Bioethics Newswire*: March 11, 2015.
- “[‘Said God, Scratching His Naked Belly in a Kitchen’: Charles Bukowski to Robert Bly](#),” *Empty Mirror*: January 2, 2015.
- “[Leaked Documents Raise Questions Over Defense Department’s Forced Medication of Detainees](#),” *Voices in Bioethics Newswire*: December 12, 2014.
- “How Not to Report the News, Food Stamp Fraud Edition,” *MinnPost Blog Cabin*: August 26, 2014.
- “[Gillian Bennett & Physician-Assisted Suicide](#),” *Voices in Bioethics Newswire*: September 16, 2014.
- “Bioethical Expertise and Government,” *Voices in Bioethics Newswire*: August 7, 2014.
- “[US v. Hendrickson: Sentencing the Addict’s Brain](#),” *Voices in Bioethics Newswire*: July 24, 2014.
- “When Sinclair Lewis Met Floyd B. Olson at Northern Minnesota’s Breezy Point Lodge,” *MinnPost Blog Cabin*: January 3, 2014.

SELECTED BOOK REVIEWS:

- “[Unfair: The New Science of Criminal Injustice \(2015\) by Adam Benforado](#),” *Journal of Science and Law* 2(1): 2016.
- “[It Can Happen Here: Jack London, Sinclair Lewis, Philip Roth \(2013\) by Claire Sprague](#),” *Sinclair Lewis Society Newsletter* 23(2): Spring 2015.
- “[Expect Delays \(2014\) by Bill Berkson](#),” *Rain Taxi Review*: 2015.
- “*On Human Nature* (2014) by Edward O. Wilson,” *The Humanist*: July/August 2015.
- “*A Particular Weight* (2014) by Thressa Johnson,” *Rain Taxi Review* 20(2), Summer 2015.
- “[Buoyancies: A Ballast Master’s Log \(2014\) by Joseph A. Amato](#),” *Rain Taxi Review* 19(4), Winter 2014.

SELECTED CREATIVE WRITING

- “The Sun is Leaving the Hill Now: Four Poems,” *Literary Orphans*: April 20, 2016.
- “Exodus of the Dead,” *Popshot Magazine* 13: 2015.
- “Orville Wright and the Bomb,” *MAYDAY Magazine* 8: Summer 2014.
- “Who Said Science Isn’t Poetry?” *The Humanist*: July 11, 2014.
- “A Song Written for a Rain Shower,” *Semicolon* 3.1 (Boulder, CO: Semicolon Press): 2013.
- “To Know a Place,” in *Naked on the Roads* (St. Joseph, MN: Bruno Press): 2013.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES, & PANELS:

University of Minnesota Center for Cognitive Sciences, Minneapolis, MN, April 2017.

Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature, East Lansing, MI, June 2016.

Midwestern History Association Conference, Grand Rapids, MI, June 2016.

“You Are Here Conference: An Interdisciplinary Conference on Place, Space, and Embodiment,”

Creighton University, Omaha, NE, March 2016.

FreeThought Blogs Conference, Online, January 2014.

Rural Arts and Culture Summit, Morris, MN, June 2013.

Undergraduate Research Symposium, Morris, MN, April 2013.

Rural Policy Leadership Institute, Dallas, TX, April 2013.

Midwest Political Science Undergraduate Research Conference, Mankato State University, Mankato, MN, March 2013.

Political Science Senior Seminar, University of Minnesota, Morris, MN, April 2012.

Honors Seminar, University of Minnesota, Morris, MN, March 2012.

Blandin Foundation Conference, Brainerd, MN, October 2010.

Midwest Rural Assembly, Sioux City, NE, August 2010.

Blandin Foundation Conference, Duluth, MN, November 2009.