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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION: Business Ethics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE: Applied Ethics; Philosophy of Economics

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA
Department of Legal Studies and Business Ethics, The Wharton School
Visiting Graduate Student, Spring 2026
Sponsor: Brian Berkey

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, NORMAN
PhD, Philosophy Spring 2026 (expected)
Dodge Family Fellow
Qualifying exam taken on Political Philosophy and Ethics April 2022
Committee: Stephen Ellis, Nancy Snow, Wayne Riggs, Zev Trachtenberg
Dissertation: *A Teleological Conception of Financial Markets*

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, NORMAN
M.A. Philosophy, May 2021
Advisor: Stephen Ellis
Thesis: *False Idols: The Perils of 'Democratizing' Financial Markets* [link]

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK
B.A. Political Science, May 2018

EMPLOYMENT

University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK — Summer 2024 – Current
M.A. and PhD Assistantship, Philosophy; Adjunct, Finance Department — Fall 2019 – Summer 2023

Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH — May 2023 – May 2024
Adjunct, Philosophy Department
Associate Director, Center for Ethics in Society
Programs: Healthcare Ethics & Policy, Ethics in Business and Governance, Housing in NH

Native Nations Center at the University of Oklahoma — Spring 2021 – Spring 2022
Graduate Research Associate, Native Nations Center

Department of Population and Health Policy at Mount Sinai — Fall 2019 – Spring 2020
NCI Research Assistant on Grant R25E CA236636:
"Training Cancer Care Providers to Use Sensitive Practice When Treating Adult Survivors of Sexual Violence"

Goldman Sachs, New York, NY — Summer 2018 – Fall 2019
Stock Loan Trading Analyst at Goldman Sachs — Summer 2017
Securities Intern at Goldman Sachs
FINRA CRD#: 6829916
Previous Registrations: Series 7, 63, 57

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2026 Mercatus Center Alexis de Tocqueville Fellowship: Exploring the Intersection of Bitcoin and Philosophy ($1,000)
2026 Institute for Humane Studies Residency Funding Grant ($6,000)
2025 Nancy L. Mergler Dissertation Completion Fellowship
2025 Dodge Family Dissertation Completion Fellowship (declined)
2025 Society of Business Ethics Emerging Scholars Program
2023 University of Oklahoma Department of Philosophy Hugh H. Benson Research Award

2021 University of Oklahoma Graduate College Alumni and Foundation Recruitment Fellowship (additional $20,000)
2020 University of Oklahoma Provost's Certificate of Distinction in Teaching Award
2017 Columbia University Kenan Thesis Fellowship ($6,000)
2014 Columbia University Thomas and Nancy Cornacchia Family Scholar (full tuition for 4 years)

TEACHING

University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK

Primary Instructor

FIN5472 Ethics in Finance (Online)	Summer 2024, Fall 2024, Summer 2025
PHIL 1263 Intro to Ethics in Healthcare	Spring 2025
PHIL 1273 Intro to Business Ethics	Fall 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
PHIL 1233 Contemporary Moral Issues	Fall 2021, Fall 2022
OLLI Continued Education Program on Ethics in Sport	Summer 2022
PHIL 1273 Intro to Business Ethics (Online)	Summer 2021, Summer 2022

Graduate Teaching Assistant

PHIL 3753 Philosophy of Race	Spring 2021
PHIL 1273 Intro to Business Ethics (Head TA)	Fall 2020
PHIL 1273 Intro to Business Ethics	Fall 2019, Spring 2020

Online Course Development

FIN 5472 Ethics in Finance: I was invited to develop and teach a course in financial ethics for the University of Oklahoma's M.S. in Finance online degree program. The first course will be taught in the summer of 2024.

PHIL 1273 Intro to Business Ethics: In the Spring of 2023, I collaborated with my dissertation advisor to create an online template for an accelerated summer course on Business Ethics for OU, including lecture slides, online lectures, quiz and exam materials, digital reading materials that meet accessibility guidelines, and Canvas modules to be used by other instructors for the foreseeable future.

Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH

Primary Instructor

PH333 Seminar on Business Ethics	Spring 2024
PH107-I Ethics Seminar on Contemporary Moral Problems	Fall 2023

DISSERTATION ABSTRACT

My dissertation, *A Teleological Conception of Financial Markets,* argues that financial markets have a specific purpose—allocating risk to enable growth—and that this purpose shapes how we should evaluate their function and ethics. The project has three aims: First, to argue that financial markets differ from other markets commonly analyzed by philosophers in ways that existing theories fail to account for– specifically, the aforementioned propensity for distributing risk. Second, I argue that the purpose of financial markets (in contrast to other markets) is to distribute risk in such a way as to enable growth in the economy while managing volatility. Given that finance is an institution which impacts broader society, I make the claim that the risk taken on by financial markets is worth collective, democratic deliberation. This claim links my project directly to questions of environmental philosophy, since climate change presents paradigmatic cases of risk allocation across generations and across global populations, where financial institutions play a crucial role in directing investment.

RESEARCH

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Violet Victoria & Nikko Osaka. "A Bootstrapping Problem and Likely Future of Crypto Regulation." Book chapter for a forthcoming volume titled *Practical Extended Reality Technologies: Global Voices on Deployment and Regulation.* forthcoming. CRC Press, Taylor and Francis Group.

Alana Moore, Orly Morgan, Violet Victoria, Armen Henderson, Guy Montgomery, k Supino, Shivangi Parmar, Joshua Laban. "People Experiencing Homelessness in Miami: Insurance Enrollment Rates, Hypertension Trends." *The American Journal of Accountable Care.* 12:2 (2024)

Joshua Laban, Shivangi Parmar, Orly Morgan, Boris Yang, Violet Victoria, Suhas Seshadri, Armen Henderson, Stefan Kenel-Pierre."Surgical Risks and Care Trends: a Cross Sectional Study of People Experiencing Homelessness Presenting at a Free Clinic Care in Miami-Dade County." *Surgery in Practice and Science.* 17 (2024): 100244

Boris Yang, Violet Victoria, Radhika Rastogi, Zequan Yang. Intraoperative Liposomal Bupivacaine Does Not Reduce Opioid Use vs Ropivacaine: A Systemic Review. *Journal of Surgery* 7:12. ISSN 2572-9760

OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

Violet Victoria, "Chaos is bad for business, like it is for government and politics." Tulsa World. March 1st, 2025. subsequently featured in Oklahoma Policy Institute daily briefing (in federal policy section)

Co-authored for Saint Anselm Center for Ethics in Society. "Annual Statewide Survey of Voter Attitudes on Affordable Housing." August 21st, 2023.

Jerry Green, Violet Victoria, Guy Crain "Teaching the Uninterested." *Blog of the American Philosophical Association* September 5th, 2023.

Violet Victoria, "Understand ESG before making criticisms." *Tulsa World.* February 17th, 2023.

Violet Victoria, "On Mask Mandates: Opposing views are using the same justification. Whose personal liberty should we infringe upon?" *The Oklahoman.* September 12th, 2021.

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

"Metaphysical Issues in Carbon Credit Markets"
"Geographic Preferences and Employment Disadvantages"
"Issues in the 'Democratization' of Financial Markets"
"Cryptocurrencies and the Intractable Issue of Trust"
"The Conceptual Incoherence of Gentrification" co-authored with Kirun Sankaran

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

2023

New Hampshire Zoning Atlas presented to the New Hampshire Manufactured Housing Association on November 17th, 2023.

"Robinhood, Meme Stocks, and Flash Boys: How Financial Markets Fail to Achieve their Telos" Philosophy department colloquium at Saint Anselm College on November 7th, 2023

"Environmental Ethics: An Indigenous Perspective" presented for Access Academy, an after-school academic program serving Manchester, NH high school students typically underrepresented in higher education on October 31st, 2023

"Navigating Truth in a Digital Age: Ethical Foundations of Media" presented for the Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications at Saint Anselm College on September 27th, 2023

"New Hampshire Voters Statewide Survey on Housing Sentiment" presented to Housing Action NH on September 8th, 2023

New Hampshire Zoning Atlas presented for the Mount Washington Valley Housing Coalition on June 29th, 2023

New Hampshire Zoning Atlas presented for the Lakes Region Board of Realtors on June 22nd, 2023

"Fixing the Wealth Gap? Meme Stocks, Robinhood, and Financial Markets" presented for the Center for Ethics in Society at Saint Anselm College on March 27th, 2023

2018

"Reclaiming Stories: Indigenous Pedagogy through Zine Creation" Zine workshop for Native American Heritage Month programming at Columbia University on November 11th, 2018

2016

"AlterNATIVE Education Seminar: Native American Histories, Resistances, & Futures" United Nations Fifteenth Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous May 9th, 2016

Conference Presentations

2026

"Self-Sacrifice and Institutional Virtue Ethics: A Challenge for the Capabilities Approach." forthcoming presentation at the Eighth International Conference on Philosophy and Meaning in Life on March 26th, 2026.

2025

"The Conceptual Incoherence of Gentrification." presented at the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Philosophy, Politics & Economics Society on November 13th, 2025

"Issues in 'Democratizing' Financial Markets." presented at the Society for Business Ethics in Copenhagen on July 26th, 2025

"Schumpeter as a Social Contract Theorist." at a panel on Schumpeter at the Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society's First International Meeting in London. Forthcoming at King's College London on July 18th, 2025

"Opacity as a Virtue in Banking" at a panel on Banking at the Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society's First International Meeting in London. Forthcoming at King's College London on July 17th, 2025
"Opacity as a Virtue in Banking" at the The Association for Social and Political Philosophy Annual Conference. Forthcoming at the University of Glasgow School of Social and Political Sciences on July 15th, 2025

"Cryptocurrenies and Intractable Issue of Trust" at the The Association for Social and Political Philosophy Annual Conference. presented at the University of Glasgow School of Social and Political Sciences on July 15th, 2025

"Issues in 'Democratizing' Financial Markets." presented at the Faculty Ethics Workshop; Georgetown McDonough School of Business, Institute for the Study of Markets and Ethics on March 14th, 2025

2024

"Should We Democratize Carbon Credit Markets?" presented at a panel on Moral Deficits in Climate Finance at the 2024 Eighth Annual Meeting of the Philosophy, Politics & Economics Society on November 16th, 2024

"Issues in 'Democratizing' Financial Markets." presented at a session of the Zicklin Center Normative Business Ethics Workshop at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania on September 20th, 2024

2023

"A Bootstrapping Problem and Likely Future of Crypto Regulation." presented at the 2023 6th Transatlantic Conference on The Ethics of Business, Trade, & Global Governance at University of St Andrews, Scotland and the 2024 Association for Practical and Professional Ethics in Cincinnati, Ohio

"Building Systems Resilient to Biased Epistemic Agents"
presented at the 2023 Great Lakes Philosophy Conference

"Teaching Roundtable" 2023 University of Central Oklahoma's Philosophy Day

"Fixing the Wealth Gap: Why Democratizing Financial Market Might Do the Opposite"
presented at the 2022 Saint Anselm Conference on The Ethics of Business, Trade, & Global Governance

"Grappling with the Authoritarian Nature of Public Health"
presented at the 9th Annual Graduate Student Workshop in Applied Philosophy, Bowling Green State University (online)

"Pitfalls in Financial Democratization"
presented at the 13th International Conference in Theoretical and Applied Ethics at St. Petersburg University, Russi

"Ethical Failures in the Democratization of Finance"
presented at the 31st Annual Association for Practical and Professional Ethics Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio

"Contradictions in Public Health – Degrees of Authoritarianism in Democratic Society"
presented at the 6th International Transdisciplinary Symposium in Bioethics and Aporia of Psyche in Zagreb, Croatia

"Mapping Skin Conditions in the Unsheltered Community of Miami-Dade"
presented by co-authors at the 2022 ACU Conference on Resilience and Transformation in Care in Washington, D.C.

Guest Lectures

"Normative Questions in Developing Sustainability Policy" presented for 34:833:680:0 Energy Sustainability and Policy at Rutgers University on October 21st, 2025 and September 19th, 2024

"Racial Justice and Local Zoning: How (im)perfectly competitive markets contribute to homelessness in Charlotte, NC" presented for LIBA 101: The Good, the Bad, the Pretty, the Ugly! at Wofford College on November 9th, 2023

"Does retail trading behave according to models of rational behavior?" presented for PHIL3273 Ethics in Business at University of Oklahoma, on November 6th, 2023.

"Is Elon Musk Good or Bad?" presented for Ethics in Our World Faculty-Student dinner discussion at Saint Anselm College on October 26th, 2023.

Conference Posters (Medical Ethics only)

2024

Violet Victoria, Orly Morgan, Julie B. Schnur, Abbie Begnaud, Minal Kale. "Systemic Review of Literature Investigating Barriers to Cancer Screening in American Indian and Alaska Native Communities." Accepted with scholarship to the 2024 Society of General Internal Medicine Annual Meeting on May 17th, 2024

Parmar S, Morgan O, Yang B, Victoria V, Seshadri S, Henderson A, Kennel-Pierre S, Laban J. "Surgical Risks and Care Trends: a Cross Sectional Study of People Experiencing Homelessness Presenting at a Free Clinic for Care in Miami-Dade County" accepted for presentation at Academic Surgical Congress 2024

2023

Taha Rasul, Megan Mathew, Orly Morgan, Violet Victoria, Jackson Anderson, Brian W. Morrison.
"Treating Skin Conditions in the Unsheltered Community of Miami-Dade." Accepted at:
Association of Clinicians for the Underserved (ACU) Annual Conference: Resilience in Transformation and Care

Morgan O, Moore A, Montgomery G, Victoria V, Henderson A, Varshney J, Supino M, Laban J. "Insurance Enrollment and Hypertension Trends in People Experiencing Homelessness in Miami-Dade County, Florida" Accepted as a GREAT abstract award finalist at: Emergencies in Medicine Conference 2023

Boris Yang, Violet Victoria, Radhika Rastogi, Zequan Yang. Intraoperative Liposomal Bupivacaine Does Not Reduce Opioid Use vs Ropivacaine: A Systematic Review. accepted for presentation Academic Surgical Congress 2023

Chockshi M, Morgan O, Parmar S, Victoria V,, Schnur J, Margolies L, Montgomery G. "The Potential for Resource Management and Optimization with Breast Arterial Calcification Reporting with Patient Mammography" Accepted for presentation at American Primary Care Research Conference 2023

2022

Taha Rasul, Orly Morgan, Violet Victoria, Armen Henderson, Brian W. Morrison.
"Telehealth Use in Skin Condition Treatment in the Unsheltered Community of Miami-Dade." Accepted at:
United Against Inequities in Disease Conference 2022: Health Equity - Investing in Community Health

Comments

2026

Comments on "The Gendered Automation Curse" by Kate Yuan for the Penn-Georgetown Digital Ethics Workshop

2025

Comments on "Aspirational Affordances of AI" by Sina Fazelpour & Meica Magnani for the Penn-Georgetown Digital Ethics Workshop

2023

Comments on "Articulating the Metaverse as Neoliberal" by Nicholas Osaka for the The Center for Collaboration and Ethics at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Digital Worlds Conference

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal reviewer for Journal of Business Ethics, Spring 2026
Journal reviewer for Journal of Business Ethics, Fall 2025
Indigenous Pedagogy Practicum, Center for Faculty Excellence, Fall 2025
Led OU Philosophy department reading group on *Reasons and Persons*, Fall 2025
Faculty Representative for graduate students in OU philosophy, 2024-2025 academic year
Member of Saint Anselm College Bioethics Committee to approve animal experiments
Led Saint Anselm Philosophy department reading group on Nicomachean Ethics, Spring 2024

Chaired Keynote address by Phillip Brey for the Information Ethics Roundtable at Northeastern in Boston, MA, April 2023
Endowed Kingfisher College Chair Job Search Committee 2022-2023
Instructional Competencies Certificate Program Peer Mentor Leader, Spring 2023
Led OU Philosophy department reading group on Cryptocurrency, Spring 2023
President, OU Graduate Philosophical Association, 2020-2022
Conference Organizer, 2022 Virtue Ethics Conference Honoring Dr. Linda Zagzebski in Norman, OK
Journal reviewer for Constellations, December 2021

ADMINISTRATION

Coordinating the Saint Anselm Center for Ethics in Society's 6th Annual Housing We Need Forum, which brings together policy makers, affordable housing advocates, and impacted members of the community. This includes organizing a talk with Dr. Jim O'Connell, a medical doctor at Harvard and President of Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program
Leading administration and use of $2.5 million Tyco International settlement grant for our Saint Anselm's Ethics in Business and Governance programming and research. Responsible for annual reporting to the New Hampshire Secretary of State
Organized talk with Dr. Thema Bryant, president of the American Psychological Association for the college's flagship fall speaker event "Seeds of Hope: Mental Health in Our Communities" for all members of Saint Anselm community

SPECIAL SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Polling Inspector, Oklahoma Election Board (2022 – Present)
Finance Committee Chair and Board Member, Adam J Elkadem Foundation (2024 – Present)
Division I Rowing, Columbia University, 2014-2016 (medically retired)
US Rowing Junior National Team (2013 & 2014)
National Championship in Youth Lightweight 4+ (2014)
Head of the Charles Regatta medallist in Youth 8+ (2013 & 2014)

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

Symbolic Logic II
Survey of Social and Political Philosophy
Seminar in Epistemology
Global Urban Politics & Theory (Political Science Department)
Philosophy of Social Sciences
Seminar in Social and Political Philosophy
Sovereignty, Law and Policy (Native American Studies Department)
Analytic Aesthetics and Philosophy of Art
Independent Study in Philosophy of Economics
Early Chinese Philosophy
Seminar in History of Philosophy
Metaphysics
Philosophy of Mind
The Problem of Death
Seminar in Ethics
Seminar in Social and Political Philosophy: Politics as Niche Construction

REFERENCES

Dr. Stephen Ellis, University of Oklahoma (dissertation chair)
Dr. Vikram R. Bhargava, George Washington School of Business
Dr. Brian Berkey, The Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania
Dr. Amy Sepinwall, The Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania
Dr. Santiago Mejia, Gabelli School of Business, Fordham University.
Dr. Julie Schnur, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai