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RESEARCH INTERESTS

AOS: Political Theory, Political Philosophy, Climate Ethics, Markets, Theories of Justice, Normative Ethics, Applied Ethics.

AOC: Environmental Economics, Philosophy of Economics, Climate Policy and Governance.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

McGill University 2018 – 2020
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of Political Science

Yale University 2016 – 2018
Postdoctoral Fellow - MacMillan Center
Lecturer - Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

University College London, Department of Philosophy 2012 – 2017
Ph.D.
Thesis title: *Justice in a Non-Ideal World*.
Primary Supervisor: Professor Jonathan Wolff

Yale University, MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies 2015
Visiting Fellow

University of Montreal, Department of Philosophy 2010 – 2012
M.A. (Research). Distinction.
Dissertation title: *Global Justice and its Relation to International Practices: two Approaches to Poverty Eradication*.
Supervisor: Professor Peter Dietsch

University of Montreal, Department of Philosophy 2006 – 2010
B.A. Distinction. Dean's list

GRANTS, PRIZES AND AWARDS

SSHRC Connection Grant (R) - Principal Investigator March 2019
Value: \$11,600.00
Conference Project: Building the Canadian Green Economy: A Just Transition (Sept. 2019)

McGill University Dean of Arts Development Fund (R) - Principal Investigator Value: \$2,000.00 Conference Project: Building the Canadian Green Economy: A Just Transition (Sept. 2019)	March 2019
FRQSC Star Researcher Prize (W) Value: \$1,000.00	May 2016
YALE-UCL Bursary Award (W) Value: \$5,850.00	Fall 2015

SELECTED SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship (W) Annual Value: \$45,000.00	2018 – 2020
FRQSC Postdoctoral Fellowship (W) Annual Value: \$30,000.00	2016 – 2018
FRQSC Doctoral Scholarship (W) Annual value: \$20,000.00	2013 – 2016
UCL Overseas Research Scholarship (W) Annual value: \$33,450.00	2013 – 2016
SSHRC Master’s Scholarship – J.A. Bombardier Scholarship (W) Value: \$17,500.00	2010 – 2011
GRIPP Fellowship (W) Value: \$2,000.00	2011 – 2012

PUBLICATIONS

Book – Single-authored monograph

- (2019) Gajevic Sayegh, A., “Justice in a Non-Ideal World. Bridging the Gap Between Political Theory and Real-World Politics”. London: Rowman and Littlefield International, 256 pages.

Book Chapter

- (2018) Gajevic Sayegh, A., “Climate Finance: Moral Theory and Political Practice”, T. Jafry (Ed.), The Routledge Handbook of Climate Justice. London: Routledge.

Single-authored publications in scholarly journals

- (2019) Gajevic Sayegh, A., “Pricing Carbon for Climate Justice”, Ethics, Policy & Environment. Selected as Target Article.
- (2018) Gajevic Sayegh, A., “Climate Justice After Paris: A Normative Framework”, Journal of Global Ethics, 13(3). pp.344-365.
- (2017) Gajevic Sayegh, A., “A Case of Non-Ideal Guidance: Tackling Tax Competition”, Moral Philosophy and Politics, 4(1). pp.141-171.
- (2016) Gajevic Sayegh, A., “Justice in a Non-Ideal World: the Case of Climate Change”, Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy. pp. 1-22.

(Under Review)

- “Collective Action and Polycentric Climate Governance: A Normative Cartography”, Environmental Politics.
- Market Forces, Moral Duties and Climate Action, Journal of Politics.

Book reviews

- (Forthcoming) Book Review. Economics & Philosophy. “Taxation”, O’Neill and Orr (eds.), Oxford University Press, 2018.
- (2016) Book Review. Ethical Theory and Moral Practice. “Climate Justice: Vulnerability and Protection” by Henri Shue, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2014.
- (2016) Book Review. Contemporary Political Philosophy. “Catching Capital: The Ethics of Tax Competition” by Peter Dietsch, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2015.

BOOK SUMMARY

Gajevic Sayegh, A. (2019) “Justice in a Non-Ideal World. Bridging the Gap Between Political Theory and Real-World Politics”. London: Rowman and Littlefield International, 256 pages. This book explores the methodology and content of an action guiding political theory. While reviewing the roots of the ideal and non-ideal theory debate from Plato to Rawls, it casts light on the concepts that occupy the space between political morality and real-world politics, which are often used as reasons to obstruct the progression of social justice, e.g. feasibility, fact-sensitivity, compliance and path-dependence. Its contributions fall mainly on three levels: the examination of the method by which action guiding political principles are formulated (metatheoretical); the presentation of a normative framework regulating contemporary questions of tax competition and climate change (theoretical); and the demonstration of how a political theory guides real-world politics (practical).

SELECTED TALKS

- **“Pricing carbon and its Political Acceptability”** June 2019
International Public Policy Association Annual Conference,
Concordia University.
- **“Revisiting Intergenerational Climate Justice”** Mars 2019
New Directions in Environmental Law Conference, Faculty of Law and
FES, Yale University.
- **“Market Forces, Moral Duties and Climate Action”**, Feb 2019
American Philosophical Association, *Central Division Meeting*,
Denver.
MANCEPT Workshop, *The Political Philosophy of Harm-Reduction*,
University of Manchester.
MANCEPT Workshop, *Climate Change Mitigation and Imperfect
Duties*, University of Manchester.
- **“Collective Action, Self-Interest and Polycentric Climate Governance”**
Annual Postdoctoral Symposium, Yale University June 2018

The Fight Against Climate Change Conference, <u>Yale University</u>	Oct 2017
“Pricing Carbon for Climate Justice”	
ECPR General Conference 2017, <u>University of Oslo</u>	Sept 2017
The MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies Academic Exchange, <u>Yale University</u> .	Dec 2016
ESRC Conference on Climate Ethics and Climate Economics, <u>University of Nottingham</u> .	Apr 2016
Legal and Political Theory Graduate Conference, <u>University of Warwick</u> .	Feb 2016
“Climate Justice After Paris”	
Climate Ethics Workshop, <u>University of Washington</u>	May 2017
Priority in Practice Conference, <u>University of Oxford</u>	May 2017
“The Global Governance of Climate Change”	
New Topics on Global Justice Conference, <u>Yale University</u>	Oct 2016
“Relational Justice in a Non-Ideal World: Tackling Illicit Financial Flows”	
Relational Academic Symposium, <u>University of Cambridge</u> .	Sept 2015
“Justice in a Non-Ideal World: the Case of Climate Change”	
Doctoral Seminar Series, <u>Université Catholique de Lille</u> .	Jan 2015
“The Normative Foundations of Relational Justice” ,	
European Political Science Association (EPSA), <u>Royal Society Edinburgh</u> .	Jun 2014
Ethics Research Center (CREUM), <u>University of Montreal</u> .	Apr 2014
“Can Ideal Theory Guide Non-Ideal Theory? A Functionalist Account”	
Department of Philosophy Graduate Conference, <u>UCL</u> .	Sept 2013
The Brave New World Conference in Political Theory, <u>University of Manchester</u> .	Jun 2013
“Le Plan Nord: de la science à la société civile” (Plan Nord, from Science to Civil Society)	
80 th congress of the <u>Francophone Association for Knowledge (ACFAS)</u> , Montreal.	May 2012
“Distributive Justice and Tort-based Justice: A Practice-dependent Account for Global Poverty Eradication”	
Graduate Conference on Global Justice, <u>New York University (NYU)</u> .	Apr 2012
“Global Poverty Eradication: Ideal or Non-Ideal Theory?”	
Canadian Philosophy Association (CPA), Annual Congress, <u>University of New Brunswick</u> .	May 2011
“Aspects normatifs de la croissance économique” (Normative Aspects of Economic Growth)	
<i>Philopolis</i> at the <u>University of Quebec in Montreal (UQAM)</u> .	Mars 2011
“La justice globale” (Global Justice)	
<i>Philopolis</i> , <u>University of Quebec in Montreal (UQAM)</u> .	Mars 2010

TEACHING

Lecturer – Yale University

<i>The Ethics of Climate Change</i> , Departments of Political Science, Philosophy and School of Environment	Spring 2018
<i>Markets and Morals</i> , Department of Political Science and Philosophy	Spring 2018

<i>The Ethics of Climate Change</i> , Departments of Political Science, Philosophy and School of Environment	Spring 2017
Seminar Leader/PGTA – UCL	
<i>Global Justice and Health (3rd year)</i> , Department of Philosophy	Spring 2015
<i>Introduction to Political Philosophy (1st year)</i> , Department of Philosophy	Fall 2014
<i>Marxism (2nd year)</i> , Department of Philosophy	Fall 2014
<i>Global Justice and Health (3rd year)</i> , Department of Philosophy	Spring 2014
<i>Applied Ethics (2nd year)</i> , Department of Philosophy	Fall 2013
Teaching Assistant – University of Montreal	
<i>Ethics and Politics (1st year)</i> , Department of Philosophy	Spring 2012
<i>Bioethics: Fundamental Notions in Ethics (1st year)</i> , course offered by the Philosophy Department to the Department of Biomedical Science	Fall 2011
<i>Introduction to Political Theory (1st year)</i> , Department of Political Science	Spring 2011
<i>Bioethics: Fundamental Notions in Ethics (1st year)</i> , course offered by the Philosophy Department to the Biomedical Science Department	Fall 2010

ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT WORK

Senior Essay Supervisor Department of Political Science – Yale University	Spring 2018
Senior Essay Examiner (Second Reader) Department of Political Science – Yale University	2017-2018
Supervisor (Visiting Fellows in Climate Ethics) MacMillan Center – Yale University	Spring 2017

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Reviewer Book publishers: Routledge Academic Journals: Philosophical Papers; International Theory; The Ethics Forum.	2015-2018
Colloquia organization “Building the Canadian Green Economy: A Just Transition” (Project Director – SSHRC Grant Application), Department of Political Science, McGill University.	Sept 2019
“The fight against climate change: Can the law save us? Can politics save us? MacMillan Center and Department of Political Science, <u>Yale University</u> .	Oct 2017
“New Topics in Global Justice” MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, <u>Yale University</u> .	Oct 2016
“Plan Nord, benefits, inconveniences and alternatives to the development of the North of Québec”, 80 th congress of the <u>Association francophone pour le Savoir (ACFAS)</u> , Montreal.	May 2012

Research Assistant

Department of Philosophy, UCL. *Paying People to Act in Their Own Interests: Incentives versus Rationalization in Public Health*, Summer 2013
Published in Public Health Ethics, October, 2014.
Leading author: Prof Jonathan Wolff

SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT

Administrator, Federation of Students Associations of the University of Montreal Campus (FAÉCUM). 2009-2011
Sociopolitical Affairs Coordinator, University of Montréal Philosophy Students Association (ADEPUM). 2008-2010
Elected member of the University of Montreal Faculty of Arts and Sciences Council (CONFAS). 2009-2012

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Native: Portuguese and French
Fluent: English and Spanish