

Tom O'Shea

Areas of Specialisation and Competence

AOS: Political Theory.

AOC: History of Political Thought; Moral and Social Philosophy.

Education

- 2011 Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Sheffield.
 Thesis: 'Autonomy and the Foundations of Normativity'
 Supervisors: Prof. Robert Stern and Prof. Christopher Hookway.
- 2006 MA in Philosophy, University of Sheffield.
 Pass with Distinction.
- 2005 BA in Philosophy (Hons.), University of Leeds.
 First Class.

Academic Appointments

- 2022— Lecturer in Political Theory.
 School of Social and Political Science. University of Edinburgh.
- 2017–22 Senior Lecturer in Philosophy.
 School of Humanities. University of Roehampton.
- 2013–17 Associate Lecturer in Political Theory.
 Department of Politics. University of York
- 2010–13 Senior Postdoctoral Researcher.
 Essex Autonomy Project. Department of Philosophy. University of Essex.

Publications

Journal Articles

'Eugene Debs and the Socialist Republic', *Political Theory* 50:6 (2022), 861-88.

'Godless Conscience', *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 14:3 (2022), 95-114.

'Sexual Desire and Structural Injustice', *Journal of Social Philosophy* 52:4 (2021), 587-600.

'Radical Republicanism and the Future of Work', *Theory & Event* 24:4 (2021), 1050-67.

'What is Economic Liberty?', *Philosophical Topics* 48:2 (2020), 203-22.

'In Defence of Public Ownership: A Reply to Frye', *Political Theory* 48:5 (2020), 581-87.

'Socialist Republicanism', *Political Theory* 48:5 (2020), 548-72.

'Are Workers Dominated?', *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 16:1 (2019), 1-24.

'A Civic Republican Analysis of Mental Capacity Law', *Legal Studies* 38:1 (2018), 147-63.

'Modern Moral Conscience', *International Journal of Philosophical Studies* 26:4 (2018), 582-600.

'Disability and Domination: Lessons from Republican Political Philosophy',
Journal of Applied Philosophy 35:1 (2018), 133-148.

'Civic Republican Medical Ethics', *Journal of Medical Ethics* 43:1 (2017), 56-69.

'A Law of One's Own: Self-Legislation and Radical Kantian Constructivism',
European Journal of Philosophy 23:4 (2015), 1153-73.

'Autonomy and Orthonomy', *Journal of Moral Philosophy* 12:5 (2014), 619-37.

'Hidden Substance: Mental Disorder as a Challenge to Normatively Neutral Accounts of Autonomy', *International Journal of Law in Context* 9:1 (2013), 53-70
(with Fabian Freyenhagen).

'An Unblinkered View of Best Interests', *British Medical Journal* 345:e8007 (2012), 1-3
(with Wayne Martin, Fabian Freyenhagen, Antal Szerletics, Vivienne Ashley).

Book Chapters

'Self-Development and Shorter Working Hours', *Debating a Post-Work Future: Perspectives from Philosophy and the Social Sciences* (London: Routledge, in press),
Denise Celentano, Michael Cholbi, Kory Schaff, and Jean-Philippe Deranty (eds.).

'Republican Global Economic Justice', *Oxford Handbook of Republicanism* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, in press), Frank Lovett and Tim Sellers (eds.).

'The Limits of Self-Legislation', *Theoretical and Practical Reason in Modernity* (Wilmington: Vernon Press, in press), Daniel Herbert and Paniel Cardenas (eds.).

'Civic Republican Disability Justice', *Oxford Handbook of Philosophy and Disability* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020), Adam Cureton and David Wasserman (eds.), 212-28.

'Freedom Yet to Come', *Labour's New Economics* (London: New Socialist, 2018),
Tom Gann and Wendy Liu (eds.), 149-53.

'Historical Perspectives in Medical Ethics', *Routledge Handbook of the Ethics of Consent* (London: Routledge, 2018), Peter Schaber and Andreas Müller (eds.), 261-71.

Book Reviews

'Autonomy and Mental Disorder, Lubomira Radoilska (ed.)', *European Journal of Philosophy* 25:2 (2017), 564-9.

'German Idealism: Contemporary Perspectives, Espen Hammer (ed.)', *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 17:2 (2009), 440-4.

'Hegel's Practical Philosophy: Rational Agency as Ethical Life, Robert B. Pippin', *The Philosophers' Magazine* 45:2 (2009), 110-1.

Reports for Public Audiences

'The Future of Work: Radical Republican Perspectives' (Athens: ENA Centre, 2022), 1-15.

'Critics of Autonomy' (Colchester: Essex Autonomy Project, 2012), 1-26.

'Deprivation of Liberty' (Colchester: Essex Autonomy Project, 2011), 1-42 (with Antal Szerletics).

'Autonomy and Value' (Colchester: Essex Autonomy Project, 2011), 1-28.

'Consent in History, Theory and Practice' (Colchester: Essex Autonomy Project, 2011), 1-35.

Other Publications for Non-Specialists

Public essays for openDemocracy, Aeon, New Socialist, and Institute of Art and Ideas.

Conferences, Workshops, and Research Seminars

Selected Papers and Presentations

'Socialist Republicanism and Abstract Domination', *Historical Materialism*, SOAS (2023).

'The Heart Wants What It Wants?', *Leeds Love Month*, University of Leeds (2023).

'Anti-Oligarchic Republicanism', *Socialist Political Philosophy*, University of Edinburgh (2023).

'Domination at Work', *Ethics Seminar*, University of Edinburgh (2023).

'From Chattel Slave to Wage Slave?', *Imagining Emancipation in the Atlantic World, 1750-1888*, University of Exeter (2023).

'Anti-Oligarchic Republicanism', *Political Theory Research Group*, University of Edinburgh (2022).

Invited discussant for Stuart White's 'Must Republicans Be Socialists? The Workplace Democracy Argument', *Republicanism and Labour Justice*, Universitat de Barcelona (2022).

'Realist Republican Responses to Oligarchy', *MANCEPT*, University of Manchester (2022).

'Anti-Oligarchic Republicanism: Plebeian versus Socialist Strategies', *Association of Social and Political Philosophy*, Durham University (2022).

'Disability, Domination, and Dependency', *Conditions of Autonomy*, University of Exeter (2022).

'Technology and Domination within Contemporary Work', *The Significance of Work*, Tilburg University (2021).

'Plutocracy and Republicanism in Eugene Debs', *MANCEPT*, University of Manchester (2021).

'Bascara's Republicanism', *Centre for Social Philosophy*, University of Nottingham (2021).

'Class and Philosophy', *Centre for Engaged Philosophy*, University of Sheffield (2021).

'Eugene Debs' Socialist Republicanism', *The Venice World Multidisciplinary Conference on Republics and Republicanism*, Venice International University (2021) .

'Socialist Republicanism and Property-Ownng Democracy', *Predistribution and Property-Ownng Democracy*, University of Minho (2021).

Keynote Lecture: 'Mental Health and Forgotten Freedoms', *Law, Ethics, and Mental Health Conference*, University College Dublin (2020).

'Radical Republican Economic Liberty', *Radical Republicanism Workshop*, Queen's University Belfast (2019) .

'Self-Development and Leisure in Labour Republicanism', *Challenging the Work Society Conference*, Birkbeck (2019).

'Sexual Desire and Structural Injustice', *Society for Applied Philosophy*, University of Cardiff (2019).

'Labour Republicanism and Economic Freedom', *Association for Social and Political Philosophy*, University of Newcastle (2019).

'On Conscience', *Centre for Philosophy of Religion*, University of Roehampton (2019).

'Dependency and Domination in the Ethics of Care', *Rethinking Dependency (British Academy Workshop)*, University of Nottingham (2019).

'Labour Republicanism and the Future of Work', *MANCEPT*, University of Manchester (2018).

'Structural Domination', *Freedom and Autonomy Conference*, Birkbeck (2017).

'Civic Republicanism and Disability Justice', *Inter-Disciplinary Ethics Applied Centre*, University of Leeds (2016).

'Constructivism After Kantianism', *Political Theory Workshop*, University of York (2016).

'In Defence of Moralistic Excess', *Moralism: The Boundaries of Moral Thinking*, University of Essex (2016).

'Constructivism After Kantianism', *White Rose Early Career Ethics Researchers Workshop*, University of York (2016).

'Self-Legislation in Hegelian Constructivism', *Normativity and German Idealism: Contemporary Perspectives*, University of Sussex (2015).

'Liberty, Automation, and Work', *Freedom After Neoliberalism*, University of York (2015).

'Disability and Domination: Lessons from Republican Political Philosophy', *Morrell Centre for Toleration*, University of York (2014).

'Personal Integrity and Social Conceptions of Conscience', *The Integrity Project: Integrity Lost, Integrity Regained*, Newcastle Literary and Philosophical Library (2014).

'Against Radical Self-Legislation: A Critique of Onora O'Neill's Kantian Constructivism', *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division*, San Francisco (2013).

'The Metaphysics of Mental Capacity', *Capacity Assessments: Ethical, Political and Metaphysical Issues*, University of Essex (2012).

'Self-Legislation and Radical Constructivism', *Philosophy Research Colloquium*, University of Essex (2011).

'On the Very Idea of Correlationism', *Transcendental Realism*, University of Warwick (2010).

Selected Conferences and Workshops Organised

Workshop: 'Unifying Against Oppression', Centre for Social Philosophy, University of Nottingham (2021).

International Conference: 'The Future of Republicanism: Liberal, Critical, Radical?', University of York (2017).

Conference: 'Autonomy: Defensible in Theory, Workable in Practice?', Senate House, University of London (2013).

Workshop: 'Capacity Assessment: Ethical, Political, and Metaphysical Issues', University of Essex (2012).

International Conference: 'Was Autonomy the Wrong Ideal?', Institute of Philosophy, (2011).

Workshop: 'Normative Neutrality and the Theory of Autonomy', University of Essex (2011).

Workshop: 'Consent at an Impasse', University of Essex (2010).

International Conference: 'The History of Autonomy', Institute of Philosophy (2010).

Grants, Awards, and Prizes

Nominee for EUSA Teacher of the Year (2023)

Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching (2019)

Grants secured for The Future of Republicanism conference: £7500

Funders: Mind Association; Society for Applied Philosophy; University of York (2017).

Department of Philosophy Scholarship. University of Sheffield.

Fees and maintenance grant for doctoral study (2007-11).

Arts and Humanities Research Council Award.

Fees and maintenance grant for MA study (2005).

Mangoletsi Prize in Theoretical Philosophy. University of Leeds (2005).

Teaching Experience

Courses Designed and Led

Freedom and Slavery in Political Thought (Undergraduate)
War and Justice (Undergraduate)
Political Thinkers (Undergraduate; non-convening lecturer)
Ethics and Public Policy (Undergraduate)
Practical Ethics (Undergraduate)
Metaethics (Undergraduate)
The Idea of Liberty (Undergraduate)
History of Political Philosophy (Undergraduate)
Topics in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (Undergraduate)
Contemporary Political Philosophy (Undergraduate and Masters)
Marx and Critical Theory (Undergraduate and Masters)
Ethics and World Politics (Masters)
Reason and Power in Modern European Thought (Masters)
Issues in Contemporary Political Philosophy (Masters)
Ethics, Politics, and Public Policy (Masters)
Practical Philosophy: Ethics and Society (Masters)
Practical Philosophy: Politics and Law (Masters)
Autonomy Summer School (Non-Academic Practitioners in Law and Medicine)

Seminar Teaching

Political Enquiry (Undergraduate)
History of Political Thought (Undergraduate)
Political Philosophy (Undergraduate)
Ethics (Undergraduate)
Reason and Argument (Undergraduate)
Philosophy of Religion (Undergraduate)
History of Philosophy (Undergraduate)

External Examining

Swansea University (2023—):

- Philosophy BA;
- Philosophy and Politics BA;
- Philosophy, Politics, and Economics BA

PhD Examining

Rachelle Dara Bascara, *Towards A Unified Theory of Oppression* (Birkbeck)

Murray Robertson, *The Messiness of Care* (University of Roehampton)

Other Teaching and Supervision Responsibilities

Academic guidance tutor for Politics, IR, Philosophy, and PPE students

Supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate dissertations in Philosophy, Politics, and IR

Administrative Experience

Convenor of the Political Theory Research Group (2023)

Programme Convenor for Practical Philosophy MA (2021-22)

Programme Convenor for Philosophy BA (2020)

Head of the Research Group in Public Philosophy (2018-20).

Admissions Tutor for the School of Politics, Economics, and Philosophy (2016-17).

Dean of Students for the Department of Politics (2014-16).

Departmental Seminar Lead (2013-14).

Essex Autonomy Project Events Organiser (2010-13)

Professional Activities

Journal Refereeing

British Journal of Political Science;

Capital and Class

Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy

European Journal of Philosophy

European Journal of Political Theory

Hegel Bulletin

International Journal of Philosophical Studies

Iride

Journal of Applied Philosophy

Journal of Ethics

Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy

Journal of Social Philosophy

Journal of Political Philosophy

Journal of the American Philosophical Association

Journal of Value Inquiry

Laws

Medicine, Health Care, and Philosophy

Moral Philosophy and Politics

New Political Economy

Philosophers' Imprint

Philosophy and Phenomenological Research

Political Studies

Political Theory

Polity

Res Publica

Review of Social Economy

Social Theory and Practice

The Southern Journal of Philosophy

Book Refereeing

Edinburgh University Press

Oxford University Press

Research Funding Refereeing

Independent Social Research Foundation

Professional Memberships and Affiliations

Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

Member of the Society for Applied Philosophy

Research Affiliate at *Autonomy* think tank.