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1. Interests

Areas of Specialization: Ancient Philosophy, Ethics

Areas of Competence: Kant, Normative Epistemology, Political Philosophy

2. Employment and Research Fellowships

2009-today	Professor of Philosophy, Columbia University
2006-2009	Associate Professor of Philosophy, Columbia University
2002-2006	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Columbia University
2000-2002	Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin, Humboldt-Universität
1998-2000	Research Fellowship, Universität Göttingen
1997	VG-Wort Manuscript Preparation Fellowship

3. Education

Dissertation: *Language and Action in Pyrrhonian Scepticism*

Graduate: Munich (HfP and LMU), Dr. phil. 1996/97

Undergraduate: Munich (HfP and LMU), M.A. 1992

4. Publications

4.1 Books

Book project *Desiring the Good*.

Belief and Truth: A Skeptic Reading of Plato, forthcoming from *Oxford University Press* (2012).

Pyrrhonian Skepticism in Diogenes Laertius: Pyrrho (DL 9.61-116). Text and Translation (Greek-English) with Commentary and Essays, ed. Katja Vogt, *SAPERE* Vol. XXVII, scheduled for 2014. Contributors: Richard Bett, Lorenzo Corti, Christiana Olfert, Elisabeth Scharffenberger, David Sedley, Katja Vogt, James Warren.

Law, Reason, and the Cosmic City: Political Philosophy in the Early Stoa, New York: Oxford University Press (2008).

Skepsis und Lebenspraxis: Das pyrrhonische Leben ohne Meinungen, Symposion 111, Freiburg und München: Alber Verlag (1998).

4.2. Papers and Articles

“I Shall Do What I Did: Stoic Views on Action,” in Ricardo Salles and Pierre Destrée (eds.), *Up To Us* (Academia, forthcoming).

“Appearances and Assent: Skeptical Belief Reconsidered,” *Classical Quarterly* (forthcoming).

“The Good of Others: A Stoic Reading of Plato,” in Alex Long (ed.), *Plato in the Stoa* (CUP, forthcoming).

“Plato on Madness and the Good Life,” in William Harris (ed.), *Mental Disorders in Antiquity* (forthcoming).

“Academic Scepticism,” in Frisbee Sheffield and James Warren (eds.), *Routledge Companion to Ancient Philosophy*, (Routledge: forthcoming).

“The Aims of Sceptical Investigation,” in Diego Machuca (ed.), *Pyrrhonism in Ancient, Modern, and Contemporary Philosophy*, (Springer 2011).

“Ancient Skepticism,” *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Spring 2010 edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/skepticism-ancient/>>.

“Scepticism and Action,” in Richard Bett (ed.), *The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Greek Scepticism*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 2010), 165-180.

“Why Pleasure Gains Fifth Rank: Against the Anti-Hedonist Interpretation of the *Philebus*,” in John Dillon and Luc Brisson (eds.), *Plato’s Philebus*, (St. Augustin: Akademie Verlag, 2010), 250-255.

“Belief and Investigation in Plato’s *Republic*,” *Plato* 9 (2009), 1-24.

“Sons of the Earth: Are the Stoics Metaphysical Brutes?” *Phronesis* 54 (2009), 136-154.

“The Good is Benefit. On the Stoic Definition of the Good,” *Proceedings of the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy*, (Leiden: Brill, 2008), 155-174.

“Freundschaft,” in Stefan Gosepath, Wilfried Hinsch and Beate Rössler (eds.), *Handbuch der Politischen Philosophie und Sozialphilosophie*, (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2008), 342-345.

“Duties to others: Demands and Limits,” in Monika Betzler (ed.), *Kant’s Ethics of Virtue*, (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2008), 219-243.

“Seneca,” *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Fall 2007 edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed), URL = <<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/seneca/>>.

“Anger, present injustice and future revenge in Seneca’s *De Ira*,” in Gareth Williams and Katharina Volk (eds.), *New Developments in Seneca Studies. Columbia Studies in the Classical Tradition*, (Leiden: Brill, 2006), 57-74.

“Skeptische Suche und das Verstehen von Begriffen,” in Christof Rapp and Tim Wagner (eds.), Proceedings of *Wissen und Bildung in der antiken Philosophie*, Erster Kongress der Gesellschaft für antike Philosophie, (Stuttgart: Metzler, 2006), 325-339.

“Plutarch über Zenons Traum. Ist die politische Philosophie der frühen Stoa kosmopolitisch?,” in Marcel v. Ackeren and Jörn Müller (eds.), *Antike Philosophie Verstehen – Understanding Ancient Philosophy*, (Darmstadt: WBG, 2006), 196-217.

“Gibt es eine Lebenskunst? Politische Philosophie in der frühen Stoa und skeptische Kritik,” *Zeitschrift für Philosophische Forschung* Nr. 59, Heft 1 (2005), 1-21.

“Wahrheitskriterium,” *Historisches Wörterbuch der Philosophie*, eds. J. Ritter, K. Gründer and G. Gabriel (Basel, 2004/5).

“Wahrscheinlichkeit I,” *Historisches Wörterbuch der Philosophie*, eds. J. Ritter, K. Gründer and G. Gabriel (Basel, 2004/5).

“Urteilsenthaltung und Handlung in der pyrrhonischen Skepsis,” in Ansgar Reckermann and Dominik Perler (eds.), *Reclams Klassiker der Philosophie*, (Stuttgart: Reclam Verlag, 2004), 80-99.

“Die frühe stoische Theorie des Werts,” in Ch. Schröer and F.-J. Bormann (eds.), *Abwägende Vernunft*, (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2004), 61-77.

“Die stoische Theorie der Emotionen,” in Barbara Guckes (ed.), *Zur Ethik der älteren Stoa*, (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2004), 69-93.

“Moralische Überforderung und Theorie der Gerechtigkeit,” *Zeitschrift für Philosophische Forschung* Nr. 56, Heft 3 (2002), 346-364.

Nine separate entries in: *Wörterbuch der antiken Philosophie*, eds. Christoph Horn and Christof Rapp (München: Beck Verlag, 2002) (*euthumia, galênê, ou mallon, pathos, proêgmenon, tropos, epechein / epochê, isostheneia, skepsis*).

“Freundschaft, Unparteilichkeit und Feindschaft,” *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* (4/2001), 517-532.

4.3 Papers in Preparation

“The Good is the Good Life.”

“Taking the Same Things Seriously and Not Seriously,” for conference on *Epicetus and Stoicism: Continuing Influences and Contemporary Relevance*, Rochester Institute of Technology.

“All Sense-Perceptions are True: Epicurean Responses to Skepticism and Relativism,” presented at conference on *Lucretius and Modernity*, NYU Fall 2011.

“From Investigation to Doubt: The Beginnings of Modern Skepticism,” for conference on *Latin Philosophy*, organized by Gareth Williams and Katharina Volk, Columbia University 2012.

“Desiring the Good: A Socratic Reading of Aristotle,” presented at Penn University and Yale University, part of book project *Desiring the Good*.

“Are Human Beings Rational? Theory of Action in Plato’s *Symposium*,” presented in Paris and at Sam Scheffler’s seminar NYU, part of book project *Desiring the Good*.

“Other Minds in the *Odyssey*,” presented at conference *The Many Worlds of the Odyssey*, Columbia University.

4.4 Discussion Articles

Michael Frede, A Free Will (2011), *Classical Philology* (forthcoming).

“A Virtue For Madmen? A Discussion of Susanna Braund, Seneca, De Clementia,” *Ancient Philosophy* (2012).

4.5 Reviews

Sadi Bartsch and David Wray (eds.), Seneca and the Self (2009), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2010), URL = <<http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=20147>>.

Ricardo Salles (ed.), God and Cosmos in Stoicism (2009), *Journal of Hellenic Studies* (2011).

Harold Thorsrud, Ancient Scepticism (2009), *Aestimatio*, URL = <http://www.ircps.org/publications/aestimatio/pdf/Volume6/2009-12_VogtBW.pdf>.

Barbara Herman, Moral Literacy (2007), *Ethics* (July 2008), 726-30.

Brad Inwood, Seneca: Selected Philosophical Letters (2007), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2008), URL = <<http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=12927>>.

Brad Inwood, Reading Seneca. Stoic Philosophy at Rome (2005), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2006), URL = <<http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=6502>>.

Teun Tieleman, Chrysippus' On Affections. Reconstruction and Interpretation (2003), *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 87 (2005), 211-215.

Francesca Alesse, La Stoa e la Tradizione Socratica, *Gnomon* Bd. 76 (2004), 558-560.

Jörg Hardy, Theorie des Wissens in Platons *Theaitet*, *European Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. 11 nr. 1 (2003), 121-125.

Friedemann Buddensiek, Die Theorie des Glücks in Aristoteles' Eudemischer Ethik, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, 84. Bd (2002), 95-99.

5. Awards and Scholarships

- Spring 2010 Senior Research Fellow, Topoi Excellence Cluster HU-Berlin, project on Hellenistic Physics (invited by research group on "Place, Space, and Motion")
- 2009-2010 Columbia University—Paris 1 Alliance Program Grant for joint project with Dimitri El Murr, "Desiring the Good in Plato"
- Fall 2007 Lenfest Columbia Distinguished Faculty Award
- Spring 2006 Chamberlain Fellowship, Columbia University
- 2004 Columbia Summer Research Grant, Rome, La Sapienza
- 1998-2000 DFG-fellowship
- 1999 Alfred-Delp-Preis (award for dissertation)
- 1998 VG-Wort grant for manuscript preparation
- 1995-1996 Dissertation Fellowship from Bavarian State
- 1993 Full scholarship (DAAD) for Ph.D.-program in Oxford – not accepted
- 1993 Alfred-Delp-Förderpreis (award for M.A.-thesis)
- 1987 Max-Planck-Award for Arts

6. Professional Activities

Member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Philosophy*

Chair of *Classical Studies*, an interdepartmental graduate program at Columbia University
<<http://classicalstudies.columbia.edu/>>

Member of the Steering Committee of Columbia University's *Center for the Ancient Mediterranean*

Member of the Board of Columbia University's *Society of Fellows*

Member of Advisory Board of a book series entitled *Éthica. International Studies in Ancient Practical Philosophy*, Academia Verlag, eds. Pierre Destrée, Christoph Horn, and Marco Zingano

Member of Advisory Board of a book series entitled *Topoi: Berlin Studies in the Ancient World*

Referee for: *American Political Science Review*, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *Brill (evaluation of proposal for new journal)*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Classical Philology*, *Columbia University Press*, *Continuum Books*, *Journal of the History of Ideas*, *Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *Law and Philosophy*, *Oxford University Press (Philosophy)*, *Oxford University Press (Classics)*, *Philosophers Imprint*, *Polis*, *Routledge Press*, *Swiss National Science Foundation*, *Volkswagen Stiftung*.

Founding member of the *GANPH* (Society for Ancient Philosophy), Board Member 2001-03

7. Invited Talks and Presentations

08/19-24/12 "Disagreement and in Plato's *Euthyphro* and *Theaetetus*," Summer School on Disagreement, Switzerland.

05/24/12 "I Shall Do What I Did: Stoic Views on Action," *Ancient Philosophy of Action* conference, Uppsala University.

04/26/12 "Taking the Same Things Seriously and Not Seriously," conference on *Epictetus and Stoicism* at Rochester Institute of Technology.

04/04/12 TBA, Chicago Ancient Philosophy Reading Group.

03/24/12 "From Investigation to Doubt: The Beginnings of Modern Skepticism," Conference *Latin Philosophy*, Columbia University.

12/27/11 "Are Human Beings Rational? Theory of Action in Plato's *Symposium*," APA Washington.

- 12/06/11 "Pleasure is the Good," Café Humanities, Columbia University.
- 10/27/11 "All Sense-Perceptions are True: Epicurean Responses to Skepticism and Relativism," *Lucretius and Modernity*, NYU.
- 10/20/11 "I Shall Do What I Did: Stoics Views on Action," Conference *Up To Us*, Universidad de México.
- 09/09/11 "Other Minds in the *Odyssey*," Conference *The Many Worlds of the Odyssey*, Columbia University.
- 09/06/11 "Aristotle's *Nicomachean Ethics* and *Politics*," Core Curriculum, Columbia University.
- 08/02/11 "The Good is the Good Life," St. Andrews University Scotland, Reading Party on Kant and Aristotle.
- 11/17/10 "Are Human Beings Rational? Theory of Action in Plato's *Symposium*," Sam Scheffler's seminar, NYU
- 11/10/10 "Plato's *Symposium*," for Literature-Humanities instructors at Columbia University
- 10/16/10 "Plato on Madness and the Good Life," Conference on Mental Disorders in Antiquity, Columbia University
- 10/02/10 "Why Beliefs Are Never True: A Reconstruction of Stoic Epistemology," Chicago Area Conference in Ancient Philosophy
- 09/29/10 "Can Beliefs Be True? A Socratic Reading of Plato's *Theaetetus*," University of Notre Dame, Ancient Philosophy Workshop
- 09/07/10 "Aristotle's *Nicomachean Ethics*," for Contemporary Civilization instructor's at Columbia University
- 04/16/10 "Desiring the Good Forever: Theory of Action in Plato's *Symposium*," Paris 1, as part of the Paris conference of "Desiring the Good in Plato," a project that Dimitri El Murr and I are conducting jointly
- 04/26/10 "Why the Stoics Don't Do Metaphysics," HU Berlin, Topoi Research Project
- 04/12/10 "Can Beliefs Be True? A Socratic Reading of Plato's *Theaetetus*," HU Berlin, Philosophy Department
- 01/29/10 "Desiring the Good: A Socratic Reading of Aristotle," Ancient Philosophy and Moral Philosophy Reading Group, Yale University

- 01/19/10 “What is Enlightenment? The Turn to Human Reason,” Core Curriculum course-wide lecture at Boston University (on Kant’s *Groundwork* and Voltaire’s *Candide*)
- 2009 Commentator for Johanna Wolff, “Grasping the Noble,” session on Ancient Ethics, APA, New York
- 2009 “Is Patriotism Crazy? How the Stoics Think We Should Relate to Cosmos and Country,” Conference on Patriotism, Dartmouth School of Government
- 2009 “Desiring the Good: A Socratic Reading of Aristotle,” Penn University, Philosophy Department
- 2009 “Pleasure, Pain, and Law: Epicurean Naturalism,” panel on *stasis*, *Society of Ancient Greek Philosophy* conference, Fordham University
- 2009 “Stoic Political Philosophy?” Respondent to Philip Mitsis and Richard Sorabji at opening session, *Society of Ancient Greek Philosophy* conference, Fordham University
- 2009 “Do Human Beings Have Non-Relative Value?” Union College, Philosophy Department
- 2009 Commentator for Danielle Allen, “Plato’s Cunning,” Lionel Trilling Seminar, Columbia University
- 2009 Commentator for Gabriel Lear, “Aristotelian Practical Wisdom as Leisurely Ideal,” Fordham Wisdom Conference
- 2009 “Wisdom and Poetry in Early Stoic Thought,” conference on Wisdom in Ancient Thought, Columbia University (co-organizer with Wolfgang Mann)
- 2009 “Aiming at the Good,” San Francisco and Los Angeles, Columbia University College Days
- 2008 “Desiring the Good Forever: Theory of Action in Plato’s *Symposium*,” Columbia University, Teachers College
- 2008 “Stoic Cosmopolitanism and Ideal Deliberation,” Seminar Presentation, University of Toronto
- 2008 Seminar Presentation “Human Desire in Plato’s *Symposium*,” seminar on *Aesthetics and Politics*, Lydia Goehr, Columbia University
- 2008 Comments on “How Ethical Can an Ancient Sceptic Be?” by Richard Bett, NYU Conference on Scepticism at La Pietra, Florence

- 2008 “Philosophy, Poetry, and the Role of Knowledge in a Good Life,” *Philosophy and Education*, a series of talks organized by graduate students, Columbia, Philosophy Department
- 2008 “Kant’s *Groundwork*,” for Contemporary Civilization instructors in Columbia University’s Core Curriculum
- 2008 “Stoic Cosmopolitanism and Ideal Deliberation,” Columbia University Seminar
- 2007 “Sons of the Earth: Are the Stoics Metaphysical Brutes?” Session on Stoic Physics, APA Baltimore
- 2007 “Activity, Action, and Assent: On the Life of the Pyrrhonian Sceptic,” Princeton Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy
- 2007 “Socrates and the Sceptics,” Classics NYU
- 2007 “The Stoics’ World”—two talks at the University of Michigan. Talk 1: “Stoic Cosmopolitanism and Ideal Deliberation”; talk 2: “The Corporeal Soul”
- 2007 “Aristotle’s *Nicomachean Ethics* and *Politics*,” for Contemporary Civilization instructors in Columbia University’s Core Curriculum
- 2007 “Why Pleasure Gains Fifth Rank: Against the Anti-Hedonist Interpretation of the *Philebus*,” *International Plato Society VIII Symposium on the Philebus*, Dublin
- 2006 “Aristotle, *Metaphysics B 2*,” Aristotle Research Colloquium, Munich
- 2006 “Roman and Hellenistic Thought,” for Contemporary Civilization instructors at Columbia University’s Core Curriculum
- 2006 “The Life of Knowledge and the Life of Pleasure in Plato’s *Philebus*,” New York Area Ancient Philosophy Group, NYU
- 2005 “Meinungen über das Gute. Zur Unterscheidung von Meinung und Wissen in Platons *Politeia*,” University of Münster
- 2005 “Gerechtigkeit in Platons *Politeia*—Tugend oder eine Tugend?” University of Heidelberg
- 2005 “Can the Sceptic investigate? The use of concepts in Pyrrhonian Scepticism,” CUNY Center, New York
- 2004 “Plato’s *Symposium*,” for instructors of ‘Literature/Humanities’ at Columbia University

- 2004 “Skeptische Suche und das Verstehen von Begriffen,” Humboldt-Universität, Berlin, Conference on *Wissen und Bildung in der antiken Philosophie*
- 2004 “Anger, present injustice and future revenge in Seneca’s *De Ira*,” Columbia University, New York, Conference on New Developments in Seneca Studies
- 2003 “Early Stoics on Life in the Cosmic City,” New School, New York
- 2003 “Plato’s *Republic*,” for instructors of Contemporary Civilization at Columbia University
- 2002 “Politische Philosophie bei Zenon und Chrysipp,” University of Bonn: Conference of the Gesellschaft für antike Philosophie
- 2002 “The Stoics on emotion: weak assent, fresh opinion and excessive impulse,” Columbia University
- 2001 “Gerechtigkeitstheorie ohne Ethik: Rawls’ Methode der Vermeidung,” University of Hannover
- 2000 “*De memoria* 451a18-b22,” Munich, Conference on Aristotle’s *De memoria*
- 1999 “Freundschaft als Thema der Ethik,” University of Göttingen
- 1999 “*De motu animalium* 5,” Munich, Conference on Aristotle’s *De motu animalium*
- 1999 “Positive Pflichten und Gerechtigkeit,” Humboldt-University of Berlin
- 1998 “Projekte, Bindungen und Überzeugungen,” University of Göttingen
- 1997 “Grenzen moralischer Anforderungen,” University of Konstanz
- 1997 “Grenzen moralischer Anforderungen bei Kant,” University of Göttingen
- 1997 “Der Begriff des Dogmas bei Sextus Empiricus,” University of Erlangen, conference on Ancient Philosophy