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EDUCATION

**University of Arizona**, Tucson, AZ  
Doctor of Philosophy (in progress), Philosophy, 2017-present

**Brandeis University**, Waltham, MA  
Master of Arts, Philosophy, 2017  
Masters paper: *In Praise of Gratitude: Reevaluating the Moral Significance of Positive Reactive Attitudes for Moral Responsibility*  
Supervisors: Berislav Marušić and Marion Smiley

**University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA  
Master of Liberal Arts, 2014  
Areas of concentration: Philosophy, Creative Writing, and Religion  
Capstone project: *Pragmatic Encroachment and the 'Word' of God*  
Capstone advisor: Karen Detlefsen

**Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University**, Carlisle PA  
Juris Doctor, 1997  
Comments Editor, Dickinson Law Review

**Lafayette College**, Easton PA  
Bachelor of Arts, Government & Law, 1993

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Brandeis University**, Waltham, MA  
Teaching Assistant  
Science on Trial (Dan Breen) Fall 2015  
Philosophy of Law (Andreas Teuber) Spring 2016, Spring 2017  
Intro to Philosophy (Andreas Teuber) Fall 2016  
Biomedical Ethics (Eli Hirsch) Spring 2017

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA  
Teaching Assistant  
Intro to Philosophy (Andreas Teuber) Summer 2016  
Intro to Law and Contemp. Legal Debates (Sharon Fray-Witzer)  
Summer 2016 and 2017

**University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA  
Teaching Assistant / Teaching Staff  
Modern American Poetry (ModPo) MOOC (Al Filreis) Fall 2012-present

- Selected to be one of seven TAs who formed core teaching staff and helped develop experimental Massive Open Online Class on modern American poetry on Coursera platform (offered every fall semester)

- Took part in over one hundred video-recorded close reading discussions of poems that comprise the primary course content
- Facilitate student learning through in-person meetings, live webcasts, online discussion forums, and social media; answer questions and discuss interpretations, poetry, and literary theory

GRADUATE  
COURSEWORK  
(† = audit)

Kant's Moral Theory (Kate Moran, Brandeis) Spring 2017†  
 Mathematical Logic (Jennifer Marušić, Brandeis) Spring 2017†  
 Aristotle (Palle Yourgrau, Brandeis) Spring 2017†  
 Philosophy of Action (Berislav Marušić, Brandeis) Fall 2016  
 Ethical Theory: Derek Parfit's *On What Matters* (Eli Hirsch, Brandeis) Fall 2016  
 Seminar: Knowledge and Skepticism (Jonathan Vogel, Brandeis) Spring 2016  
 Reasons (Berislav Marušić, Brandeis) Spring 2016  
 Social Contract Theory (Marion Smiley, Brandeis) Spring 2016  
 Locke, Berkeley & Hume (Jennifer Marušić, Brandeis) Spring 2016†  
 Causation and Blame (Marion Smiley, Brandeis) Fall 2015  
 Prosem: Evolutionary Debunking Arguments (Jennifer Marušić, Brandeis) Fall 2015  
 Idea of God (Palle Yourgrau, Brandeis) Fall 2015  
 Plato (Palle Yourgrau, Brandeis) Fall 2015†  
 Intro to Logic (Kristian Olsen, UMass-Amherst) Winter 2014-15  
 Epistemology Seminar: Norms for Belief (Dan Singer, Penn) Spring 2015†  
 Political Philosophy (K.C. Tan, Penn) Fall 2014†  
 Epistemology Seminar: Normativity in Epistemology (Dan Singer, Penn) Fall 2014†  
 Philosophy of Language (Josh Armstrong, Penn) Fall 2013  
 Brain, Mind, and World (Gary Purpura, Penn) Spring 2013  
 The Social-Political Philosophy of Education (Karen Detlefsen, Penn) Spring 2013

PRESENTATIONS

“In Praise of Gratitude: Evaluating the Moral Significance of Positive Reactive Attitudes for Moral Responsibility,” FSU Free Will Conference, 10/7/2017

“Thomas Nagel and the Scientification of Intelligent Design,” Graduate Speaker Series, Brandeis University, 3/24/2017

“Restoring Equanimity: Treating Positive and Negative Reactive Emotions Symmetrically for Moral Responsibility,” Graduate Speaker Series, Brandeis University, 11/11/2017

“ModPo and Open Education” panel discussion (video produced as resource for educators on ModPo course site), 9/4/2014

Presentation on ModPo at Advancing Language Education: Beyond the Classroom symposium, Penn Language Center Educator Series, University of Pennsylvania, 12/8/2012

PUBLICATIONS:  
PEER-REVIEWED  
AND LEGAL WORKS

[MOOC Evolution and One Poetry MOOC's Hybrid Approach](#), EDUCAUSE Review Online, November 24, 2014

Carl D. Poplar & David E. Poplar, Editorial, [The Fallacy Of In Re Wilson](#), 156 N.J.L.J.559 (May 17, 1999)

Comment, [Tolling the Statute of Limitations for Battered Women After \*Giovine v. Giovine\*: Creating Equitable Exceptions for Victims of Domestic Abuse](#), 101 Dick. L. Rev. 161 (Fall 1996)

PUBLICATIONS:  
CREATIVE WORKS

[Navigation by Spotlight](#) (poem), Cleaver Magazine (September 2013)  
[Pray It Forward](#) (humor), Winner, HumorPress.com Writing Contest (October 2012)  
[Clear Acrylics](#) (poem), Apiary Magazine Online (2012)  
[Café Sunshine](#) (flash fiction), Boston Literary Magazine (Summer 2011)  
[Kool-Aid Haiku: An Elegy to Discontinued Flavors](#) (poem), PennAppetit (Fall 2011)  
[Doorstep](#) (flash fiction), Winner, Gotham Writers Workshop 100 Word Story Writing Contest (Summer 2009)

SCHOLARSHIPS  
AND AWARDS

Merit Scholarship, Brandeis University  
Woolsack Academic Honor Society, Dickinson School of Law

ADDITIONAL  
WRITING  
EXPERIENCE

Assistant Poetry Editor, Cleaver Magazine, Fall 2013  
Founder, Philadelphia International Guild of Humor Writing, 2013  
Historical Researcher for author Stephen Fried, 2013-2014  
Juniper Summer Writing Institute, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 2011  
One Story literary magazine summer writing program, Brooklyn, NY, 2011  
Numerous creative writing workshops (University of Pennsylvania and elsewhere)  
2009-2015

PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE

**Carl D. Poplar, PA**, Cherry Hill, NJ  
Attorney (1998-2011)

- Litigated civil and criminal cases at all levels of federal and state courts in New Jersey and Pennsylvania
- Argued before U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Appellate Division of the N.J. Superior Court, and trial courts at all levels of federal, state, and municipal government
- Conducted and defended depositions of witnesses, parties and technical experts in various fields
- Counseled individuals and entities under criminal investigation; provided legal advice to clients about various legal, professional, and business issues
- Represented clients accused of professional ethics violations before administrative boards
- Researched and wrote extensively on various legal issues including employment law, professional malpractice, consumer fraud, corporate defense, personal injury, civil rights, tax foreclosure, and various types of criminal defense cases including white collar crime, possession/distribution of controlled substances, criminal fraud, cybercrime, and political corruption

**Plutona LLC**, Philadelphia, PA  
Co-founder & Co-owner (2007-2017)

- Acquire, rehab, and manage residential real estate in Philadelphia area
- Experience with residential construction, remodeling, and property management

EARLY  
CAREER  
EXPERIENCE

**U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey**, Camden, NJ  
Judicial Law Clerk to the Hon. Joseph H. Rodriguez, U.S.D.J. (1997-1998)

**United States Attorney's Office**, Harrisburg, PA  
Legal Intern (1996-1997)

**Federal Public Defender's Office**, Camden, NJ  
Legal Intern (Summer 1996)

**Philadelphia District Attorney's Office**, Philadelphia, PA  
Legal Intern (Summer 1995)

**New Jersey Democratic State Committee**, Trenton, NJ  
Campaign Staff, 1993

**Sea Isle City Police Department**, Sea Isle City, NJ  
Class I Special Officer (Summer 1991, 1992)

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