

# PASCAL BRIXEL

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## Employment

### **Clemson University**

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Clemson University, 2020–

## Education

### **University of Chicago**

Ph.D. Philosophy, 2020

### **Tufts University**

M.A. Philosophy, 2011

### **University of Oxford**

B.A. Philosophy, Politics and Economics (First Class Honors), 2009

## Specialization

*AOS* Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy, Marx

*AOC* Philosophy of Race, Feminist Philosophy, Nineteenth Century Philosophy

## Awards

1. **Humanities Hub Research Fellowship**  
Clemson University, Summer 2021
2. **Vigneron Dissertation Fellowship**  
University of Chicago, 2018–2019
3. **Ph.D. Fellowship**  
University of Chicago, 2011–2016
4. **M.A. Tuition Remission**  
Tufts University, 2009–2011

## Selected Work in Progress

- **Autonomy and Coercion**  
Under review
- **Freedom, Desire, and Necessity: Autonomous Activity as Activity for Its Own Sake**  
Under review
- **Equality Is Not Enough: Rule by the Market and the Limits of Workplace Republicanism**  
In preparation
- **Two Faces of Alienated Labor in Marx**  
In preparation

## Presentations

### *Peer-Reviewed Talks*

1. **Incentives Compromise Autonomy: The Unfreedom of Extrinsically Motivated Activity**  
Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, January 2022, scheduled
2. **Equality Is Not Enough: Freedom, Work, and the Limits of Republicanism**  
Workshop on Labor Justice and the Transformation of Work, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain, July 2021
3. **Incentives Compromise Autonomy**  
Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and Mind Association, U.K., July 2021
4. **Two Faces of Alienated Labor: Why “Meaningful Work” Is Not Enough**  
Annual Conference of the Marx and Philosophy Society, June 2021
5. **Why We Work**  
Colloquium on the Ends of Autonomy, Monash University, Australia, December 2020
6. **Why We Work**  
Workshop on Ethical Issues in Today’s Turbulent World, Georgia Philosophical Society, October 2020

### *Invited Talks*

7. **Title TBD**  
Workshop on Marx and Marx-Related Philosophy, University of Chicago, date TBD, postponed due to pandemic
8. **What Is Wrong with Coercion?**  
Department of Philosophy and Religion, Clemson University, March 2020

### *Invited Commentaries*

9. **On Wayne Wapeemukwa, “Cedric Robinson’s ‘Black Idealism’ and W.E.B. Du Bois’ ‘Black Marxism’”**  
Symposium at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, January 2022, cancelled
10. **On Paul Katsafanas, “Nietzsche and Murdoch on the Moral Significance of Perceptual Experience”**  
Council on Advanced Studies Visiting Speakers Series, University of Chicago, February 2015

### *Talks at Graduate Workshops and Conferences*

11. **Freedom as Activity for Its Own Sake**  
Philosophy Graduate Research Symposium, University of Chicago, December 2019
12. **Species of External Unfreedom and Their Unity**  
Practical Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, May 2018
13. **Freedom and Instrumentality**  
Practical Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, February 2017

14. **The Philosophical Insignificance of Intuitions about Moral Responsibility**  
Practical Philosophy Workshop, March 2015
15. **Contextualism and the Very Idea of a Philosophical Theory**  
Wittgenstein Workshop, University of Chicago, March 2014

## Teaching

### *Instructor of Record, Clemson University*

- **Nineteenth Century Philosophy**  
Fall 2021
- **Introduction to Ethics**  
Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022
- **Introduction to Logic**  
Fall 2020

### *Instructor of Record, University of Chicago*

- **Freedom and Its Absence**  
Spring 2018
- **Moral Luck**  
Fall 2015

### *Instructor of Record, School of the Art Institute of Chicago*

- **Introduction to Feminist Philosophy**  
Fall 2016

### *Thesis Advising, University of Chicago*

- **B.A. Preceptor**  
Advising Philosophy majors on B.A. Theses, 2017–2018

### *Teaching Assistant, University of Chicago*

- **Medical Ethics: Central Topics**  
Daniel Brudney, Winter 2020
- **Character and Commerce: Practical Wisdom in Economic Life**  
Candace Vogler, Winter 2020
- **History of Philosophy I: Ancient Philosophy**  
Agnes Callard, Fall 2017
- **Introduction to Political Philosophy**  
Ben Laurence, Spring 2017 and Spring 2018
- **Human Rights: Philosophical Foundations**  
Ben Laurence, Spring 2017
- **Racial Injustice**  
Anton Ford and Ben Laurence, Winter 2017

- **Introduction to Ethics**  
Ben Callard, Spring 2015
- **Agency and Self-Knowledge**  
David Finkelstein, Winter 2015
- **Karl Marx's Theory of History**  
Anton Ford, Spring 2014

*Teaching Assistant, Tufts University*

- **Metaphysics**  
Brian Epstein, Spring 2011
- **Ethical Theory**  
Avner Baz, Fall 2010
- **Global Justice**  
Lionel McPherson, Spring 2010

Service

- **Chair of the Departmental Curriculum Committee**  
Department of Philosophy and Religion, Clemson University, 2021–
- **Departmental Representative on the College Curriculum Committee**  
College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities, Clemson University, 2021–
- **Webmaster**  
Department of Philosophy and Religion, Clemson University, 2021–
- **Undergraduate Advisor**  
Department of Philosophy and Religion, Clemson University, 2021–
- **Chair's Advisory Committee**  
Department of Philosophy and Religion, Clemson University, 2020–2021
- **Mentor in the Minorities and Philosophy Undergraduate Mentorship Program**  
University of Chicago, 2019–2020
- **Coordinator of the Practical Philosophy Workshop**  
University of Chicago, 2016–2017
- **Coordinator of the Wittgenstein Workshop**  
University of Chicago, 2015–2016
- **Co-Facilitator of the Philosophy Club**  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. College Preparatory High School, Chicago, 2011–2012

Languages

German (native), Spanish (reading knowledge)

Up to date as of: January 3, 2022