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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics, Ethics of Technology, Bioethics

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Social/Political Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy, Epistemology

## EMPLOYMENT

- 2021 - Assistant Professor of Philosophy  
 Santa Clara University, Philosophy Department
- 2020 - 21 Postdoctoral Fellow in Embedded EthiCS  
 Harvard University, Philosophy Department

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Philosophy, Boston University, 2020  
 Dissertation – “Growing Pains: The Family in the Era of Technology”  
 Committee – Daniel Star, Victor Kumar, and Harry Brighouse (UW- Madison)
- B.A. Philosophy, University of Wisconsin – Madison, 2012

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2022 Visiting Research Residency (postponed due to Covid)  
 Brocher Foundation in Geneva, Switzerland
- 2020 - Director of Ethics and Policy Branch  
 Institute for Medical Artificial Intelligence

## CERTIFICATES

- 2018 Yale Interdisciplinary Center for Bioethics  
 Sherwin B. Nuland Bioethics Summer Institute

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 Kennedy, S. “Willing Mothers: Ectogenesis and the Role of Gestational Motherhood”  
*Journal of Medical Ethics*, 2020;46:320-327.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 “Responsible Embedded AI”  
 SciTinyML: Scientific Use of Machine Learning on Low-Power Devices Workshop,  
 International Centre for Theoretical Physics - Trieste, Italy

- 2021 “AI and Ethics in Education” – Panel  
The Culture of Trustworthy AI: Public Debate, Education and Practical Learning, AI4EU Workshop, Island of San Servolo Venice, Italy
- 2021 “Ethics of the Attention Economy” with Meica Magnani  
Summer Program at Northeastern University
- 2021 “Responsible AI”  
CRESTLEX (Creating Effective STEM Learning Experiences) Virtual Workshop, Navajo Technical University, Harvard, Google and Edge Impulse
- 2020 “Ethics of AI in Medicine”  
AI in Medicine series, Ludwig Maximillian University of Munich
- 2020 “Artificial Wombs and the Value of Motherhood”  
Students Uniting Spirituality and Health, Harvard Divinity School
- 2020 “Ethics and Philosophy in Computer Science” with Meica Magnani  
Centre for Research Training in Digitally-Enhanced Reality (D-REAL), Science Foundation Ireland

#### REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 “Dual Axis Approach to Anticipating Value Change”  
Changing Values, Changing Technologies International Conference, Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands
- 2021 “Mitigating Harmful AI: A Professional Licensing Scheme for Data Scientists”  
Association for Practical and Professional Ethics
- 2021 “Unmet Needs: Gender Injustice in Reproductive Health Infrastructure” (Date TBD)  
Philosophy of Technology Conference, Northern Arizona University
- 2020 “Ageism, Autonomy and Dementia: Person-Centered Care Reconsidered”  
Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Atlanta
- 2020 “Potential Uses and Limitations of In-class Simulations”  
AAPT/APA Teaching Hub – Teaching Core Texts: The Social Contract and its Critics, Central APA
- 2019 “From Procreation to Parenthood: Simply a Matter of Convention?”  
1) Swedish Congress of Philosophy, Umeå University  
2) Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Baltimore
- 2019 “Resurrecting the Child’s Right to an Open Future”  
Manchester Centre for Political Theory – Postgraduate Workshop
- 2018 “Re-Defining the Relationship Between Procreation and Parenthood”  
International Conference on Applied Ethics, Kyoto University
- 2018 “Defining the Relationship Between Procreation and Parenthood in the Context of Assisted Reproductive Technologies”  
Philosophy of Science Association – MAP Cognate Session, Seattle

- 2018 "Procreation and Parenthood: A Liberty Right to Parent One's Biological Child"  
Yale Medical School Bioethics Poster Session
- 2018 "Re-Defining the Role of Women Qua Mothers:  
Society for Women in Philosophy – Ireland, University College Dublin

### WORKS IN PROGRESS

- (Under review) "Widening Access to Applied Machine Learning with TinyML" with Reddi et al.,  
draft available on arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.04008>
- (Under review) "Artificial Wombs, Justice, and Gestators' Rights"
- (In preparation) "Mitigating Harmful AI: A Professional Licensing Scheme for Data Scientists"
- (In preparation) "Ageism, Autonomy, and Dementia: Person-Centered Care Reconsidered"
- (In preparation) "Unmet Needs: Gender Injustice in Reproductive Health Infrastructure"

### AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018-19 *Graduate Writing Fellowship*, Boston University College of Arts and Sciences Writing Program
- 2018 *GRS Summer Research Fellowship*, Boston University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
- 2017-18 *Dissertation Research Fellowship*, Boston University Department of Philosophy
- 2013-18 *Ph.D. Scholarship*, Boston University Department of Philosophy

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### **Instructor of Record at Santa Clara University, Philosophy Department**

- 2021 Ethics in the Digital Age

#### **Instructor for Interface Education Services**

- 2021 AI for Social Good, co-taught with Meica Magnani

#### **Guest Lecturer for Embedded EthiCS at Harvard University**

- 2020 Module: "Democracy and the Digital Public Sphere" with Meica Magnani  
Course: Introduction to Computer Science David Malan

- 2020 Module: "Privacy in Context"  
Course: TinyML Vijay Reddi

#### **Guest Lecturer for EdX at Harvard University**

- 2020 "Responsible AI: Design"  
Course: Fundamentals of TinyML Vijay Reddi, Laurence Moroney
- 2021 "Responsible AI: Development"  
Course: Applications of TinyML Vijay Reddi, Laurence Moroney,  
and Pete Warden
- 2021 "Responsible AI: Deployment"  
Course: Deploying TinyML Vijay Reddi, Laurence Moroney,  
and Pete Warden
- 2021 "Responsible AI: Scaling"  
Course: Scaling TinyML

**Instructor of Record at Boston University, College of Arts and Sciences Writing Program**

2020 Bioethics  
 2019 Ethics of Information and Technology  
 2019 Political Philosophy: Justice  
 2018 Epistemology: Unveiling Knowledge

**Instructor of Record at Boston University, Philosophy Department**

2017 Great Philosophers

**Teaching Fellow at Boston University**

2018	Existentialism	Walter Hopp
2017	Medical Ethics	Russell Powell
2016	Introduction to Philosophy	Monica Link
2015	Medical Ethics	Chong Choe-Smith
2015	Introduction to Ethics	Daniel Star
2014	Reasoning & Argumentation	Judson Webb

**Invited Presentations**

2018 "Biomedicine and Normative Ethics: Ectogenesis Technology"  
 Simmons University, Joseph Gamache

**ACADEMIC SERVICE**

2021- Mentor, Thesis for the University Honors Program, Santa Clara University  
 2020-21 Advisor, Master's Thesis on Educational Justice at Harvard  
 2020 Peer Reviewer, American Journal of Bioethics, Hypatia  
 2019-20 President, Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Chapter at Boston University  
 2019 Peer Reviewer, American Journal of Bioethics  
 2019 Referee, Eastern APA  
 2017 Graduate Student Panel Member for PIKSI – Boston  
 2016-19 Co-organizer, Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Chapter at Boston University  
 2016-18 Member of the Diversity, Inclusion and Climate Committee, Boston University  
 2016-17 Organizer of Undergraduate Outreach for Philosophy, Boston University  
 2016-17 Co-president of Boston University Philosophy Graduate Students  
 2016-17 Member of the Graduate Academic Affairs Committee, Boston University  
 2016 Selection Committee, Boston University History of Philosophy Graduate Conference

**LANGUAGES**

French (intermediate)

**REFERENCES**

Daniel Star	Victor Kumar	Walter Hopp
Associate Professor of Philosophy	Assistant Professor of Philosophy	Associate Professor of Philosophy
Boston University	Boston University	Boston University
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