

Curriculum Vitae, W. Jared Parmer

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Areas of Research Specialization

Ethics (esp. meaning in life, ethics of technology), Philosophy of Action

Areas of Teaching Competence

Applied Ethics, Metaethics, Philosophy of Mind, Existentialism, Nietzsche

Employment

Postdoctoral Researcher in Applied Ethics, RWTH Aachen University. November 2021–October 2023.

Education

Ph.D. Philosophy, Stanford University. 2021.

- Dissertation: *Making Meaning*. Co-chairs: Nadeem J.Z. Hussain and Michael E. Bratman.

Visiting Researcher, Freie Universität Berlin. October 2020–September 2021.

Visiting Researcher, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. October 2018–December 2019.

M.S. Applied Economics, Florida State University. 2013.

B.A. Philosophy (*summa cum laude*), Florida State University. 2012.

Publications (* = anonymously refereed)

* “Nudges, Nudging, and Self-Guidance Under the Influence”, in *Ergo* (forthcoming).

“Manipulative Design Through Gamification”, in Fleur Jongepier and Michael Klenk (eds.), *The Philosophy of Online Manipulation* (New York: Routledge, 2022): 216–34.

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* “Meaning in Life and Becoming More Fulfilled”, in *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 20.1 (2021): 1–29.

* “Nietzsche and the Art of Cruelty”, in *Journal of Nietzsche Studies* 48.3 (2017): 402–29.

Papers Under Review or In Preparation

Paper on narratives and meaning in life, under review.

Paper on meaningful work in the context of increasing automation, under review.

“Play and Playfulness in Meaningful Activity”, in preparation.

“(How) Does Manipulation Threaten Autonomy?”, in preparation.

Presentations and Workshops (* = anonymously refereed)

“Meaningful Work and Achievement in Increasingly Automated Workplaces”

- * Ethics of Socially Disruptive Technologies (ESDiT 2022) in Leiden, Netherlands. October 2022.
- * Workshop on AI and Future of Work, TU Delft, Netherlands. September 2022.
- Colloquium, Forschungszentrum Jülich. March 2022.

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Presentations and Workshops (* = anonymously refereed)(cont.)

“Manipulativeness as Covert Non-Cooperation”

- * GAP 11, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. September 2022.
- * PERITIA Ethics of Trust and Expertise, American University of Armenia. May–June 2022.

“Meaning and the Shape of a Life” / “Meaningfulness as Final Personal Value of Lives”

- * Philosophy and Meaning in Life IV, University of Pretoria. January 2022.
- * Philosophy and Meaning in Life III, University of Birmingham (UK). July 2020.

“Manipulative Design Through Gamification”

- * *Manipulation Online* digital workshop series. March 2021.
- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, Freie Universität Berlin. February 2021.

“Nudges, Nudging, and Self-Guidance under the Influence”

- * Kongress der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Philosophie XXV, Friedrich-Alexander Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg. September 2021. (*delayed due to COVID-19; withdrew*)
- * European Congress of Analytic Philosophy 10, Universiteit Utrecht. August 2020.
- * Society for Applied Philosophy Annual Conference, University of Edinburgh. July 2020. (*cancelled due to COVID-19*)
- PPE Workshop, Stanford University. March 2020. (*cancelled due to COVID-19*)
- Work-in-Progress Lunch, Cologne Institute for Economic Research. July 2017.

“Living for the Future” / “Meaning, Luck, and the Good” / “Luck in Aspirational Agency”

- Colloquium in Practical Philosophy, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. May 2019.
- Colloquium in Practical Philosophy, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. November 2018.
- Moral/Political Philosophy Work-in-Progress Group, Stanford University. August 2018.

“Hard Choices, Practical Certainty, and Ignorance Masquerading as Parity”

- * Conference on Hard Cases and Rational Choice, Universität Bern. November 2017.

“The Ways of Valuing” / “Valuing and Evaluatively Believing”

- * Understanding Value VI, University of Sheffield. July 2017.
- Fourth-Year PhD Philosophy Student Talk Series, Stanford University. May 2017.

“Funniness, Motivation, and the Guise of a Reason”

- * Berkeley-Stanford-Davis Grad Conference, University of California-Davis. April 2017.

Academic Awards, Grants, Fellowships, and Honors

- Stanford-Freie Universität Berlin Exchange Fellowship. 2020–2021.
- DAAD Long-Term Research Grant. 2018–19.
- The Europe Center at Stanford University Research Grant. Summer 2016.
- The Patrick Suppes Fellowship in the Philosophy of Science. 2014–2018.
- Mikels and Shaffer Award. 2013.
- Kaul Foundation Graduate Assistantship. 2012–2013.
- Phi Beta Kappa. 2008.

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Teaching and Mentoring Experience

RWTH Aachen University (primary instructor):

- Philosophy and Ethics of Expertise. Interdisciplinary Master's seminar. Winter 2022–2023.
- Ethics of Manipulation. Interdisciplinary Master's seminar. Summer 2022.
- Wittgenstein's *Philosophical Investigations*. Interdisciplinary Master's book club. Summer 2022.

Supervision, RWTH Aachen University:

- Master's projects (in preparation for thesis): Niloofar Hashemi, Laila Wegner, and Suraj Shetty.

Stanford University (* = primary instructor; assistant leading discussion sections otherwise):

- * Love and Friendship. Lower-division tutorial. Winter 2018.
- Introduction to Moral Philosophy for Barry Maguire. Lower-division. Spring 2020.
- Philosophy and Literature for John Holliday and Héctor Hoyos. Lower-division. Winter 2020.
- Philosophy of Action for Michael Bratman. Upper-division. Winter 2018.
- Introduction to Philosophy for Nadeem Hussain. Lower-division. Spring 2016.
- Mind, Matter, Meaning for Nadeem Hussain. Lower-division. Autumn 2015.
- Mind, Matter, Meaning for Kenneth Taylor. Lower-division. Spring 2015.
- Philosophy of Language for Mark Crimmins. Upper-division. Autumn 2014.

Florida State University (teaching assistant):

- Introduction to Financial Economics for Milton Marquis. Upper-division. Summer 2013.
- Intermediate Macroeconomics for Don Schlagenhauf. Upper-division. Spring 2012.

Other teaching and mentoring:

- Mathematics tutor, Santa Fe College: pre-college algebra through college trigonometry and pre-calculus. Summer 2008 and Autumn 2012.
- Graduate-student resident mentor, Stanford-CCNY Exchange Program. Summer 2015. Aided exchange students from CCNY in transitioning to full-time research for their summer projects, including conflict mediation, writing mentorship, and fostering time-management skills.

Professional Service

Graduate-Student Faculty Liaison (with John Turman) at Stanford. 2015–16.

Event Coordinator for Grad Student Society in the Philosophy Department at Stanford. 2014–15.

Languages

English (native), German (intermediate, approximately CEFR B2)

References

Available upon request.