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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE 2007 — present
Associate Professor of Government at Dartmouth College, July 2015 – present
Assistant Professor of Government at Dartmouth College, July 2007 – July 2015
Tenure clock stopped 2009-2010 and 2010-2011

EDUCATION

YALE UNIVERSITY, Ph.D. with Distinction, Political Science 2007
Dissertation: *Machiavelli's Political Pluralism*
Committee: Steven B. Smith (chair), Ian Shapiro, Bryan Garsten

TUFTS UNIVERSITY, B.A. in Philosophy and Political Science, summa cum laude 2001

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

1. Clarke, Michelle T. 2018. *Machiavelli's Florentine Republic*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Clarke, Michelle T. 2023. "Curing Virtue: Epicureanism and Erotic Fantasy in Machiavelli's *Mandragola*." *Political Theory* 50 (6): 913-938.
2. Clarke, Michelle T. 2023. "Boni Gone Bad: Cicero's Critique of Epicureanism in *De finibus* 1 and 2." *POLIS: The Journal for Ancient Greek and Roman Political Thought* 40 (1): 25-43.
3. Clarke, Michelle T. 2022. "Machiavelli's Virtuous Princes: Rhetoric, Power, and the Politics of Ironic Historiography." *Journal of Politics* 84 (1): 483-495.
4. Clarke, Michelle T. 2021. "Machiavelli: Menace to *Societas*." In *The Ciceronian Tradition in Political Theory*, edited by Daniel Kapust and Gary Remer, 86-102. Madison, WI: University of Minnesota Press, 2021).
5. Clarke, Michelle T. and Vickie Sullivan. 2016. "Machiavelli's Political Thought." *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*, 27 July 2016, <http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199756223/obo-9780199756223-0176.xml>.
6. Clarke, Michelle T. 2015. "Machiavelli and the Imagined Rome of Renaissance Humanism." *History of Political Thought* 36 (no 3): 452-470.
7. Clarke, Michelle T. 2014. "Doing Violence to the Roman Idea of Liberty? Freedom as Bodily Integrity in Roman Political Thought." *History of Political Thought* 35 (no. 2): 211 – 233.

8. Clarke, Michelle T. 2013. "The Mythologies of Contextualism: Method and Judgment in Skinner's *Visions of Politics*." *Political Studies* 61 (4): 317-329.
9. Clarke, Michelle T. 2013. "The Virtues of Republican Citizenship in Machiavelli's *Discourses on Livy*." *Journal of Politics* 75 (2): 317 – 329.
10. Clarke, Michelle T. 2008. "Uprooting Nebuchadnezzar's Tree: Bacon's Criticism of Machiavellian Imperialism." *Political Research Quarterly* 61 (3): 367 – 378.
11. Clarke, Michelle T. 2005. "On the Woman Question in Machiavelli." *Review of Politics* 67 (2): 229 – 256.

JOURNAL ISSUES EDITED

1. Clarke, Michelle T., Daniel Kapust and John T. Scott. 2023. *POLIS: The Journal of Greek and Roman Political Thought* 40 (1). Special issue on "A Memorial in Honor of Rex Stem, Scholar and Friend."

BOOKS AND ARTICLES IN PREPARATION

1. *The Oxford History of Political Thought, Volume 5: The Renaissance (1400-1517)*. Under contract at OUP.
2. *Rival Republicanisms: Machiavelli and the Ciceronian Tradition*. In progress.
3. "Style is the Man Himself: Eloquence and the Revival of Roman Virtue in Renaissance Humanism." Article for a special issue of *The Good Society: A Journal of Civic Studies*.
4. "Liberty and Republican Constitutionalism in Cicero's *Pro Rabirio perduellionis reo*." Article for a special issue of *POLIS: A Journal of Greek and Roman Political Thought*.
5. "Statecraft as Seduction in Machiavelli's *Mandragola*." Book chapter for *Between Factions and Empires: Machiavelli's Renaissance and its Legacies*, ed. David Ragazzoni and Gabriele Pedullà (Oxford University Press).

BOOK REVIEWS AND RESPONSES

1. Response to Yves Winter. Critical Dialogue in *Perspectives on Politics* 17, no. 2 (2019): 505.
2. Review of Yves Winter's *Machiavelli and the Orders of Violence*. Critical dialogue in *Perspectives on Politics* 17, no. 2 (2019): 505-507.
3. Review of John McCormick's *Reading Machiavelli: Scandalous Books and Suspect Engagements*. *Law and Liberty*, August 26 2019. <https://lawliberty.org/book-review/makeover-reading-machiavelli-john-mccormack-review/> (Picked up by RealClearPolicy)
4. Review of Dan Kapust's *Flattery in the History of Political Thought*. *Perspectives on Politics* 17, no. 2 (2019): 560-562.
5. Review of Catherine Zuckert's *Machiavelli's Politics*. *Political Theory* June 20, 2018.
6. Review of Benjamin Straumann's *Crisis and Constitutionalism: Roman Political Thought from the Fall of the Republic to the Age of Revolution*. *New England Classical Journal* 44, no. 2 (2017): 123-26.

7. Review of Nicholas Scott Baker and Brian Jeffrey Maxon, eds. *After Civic Humanism: Learning and Politics in Renaissance Italy*. *Speculum* 92, no. 3 (2017): 789-791.
8. Review of Waller Newell's *Tyranny: A New Interpretation*. *Contemporary Political Theory* 16, no. 1 (2017): 165-168.
9. Review of Joy Connolly's *The Life of Roman Republicanism*. *Perspectives on Politics* 14, no. 1 (2016): 213-216.
10. Review of Jan H. Blits's *The Heart of Rome: Ancient Rome's Political Culture*. *Review of Politics* 78, no. 1 (2016): 156-59.
11. Review of Paul Rahe's *Against Throne and Altar: Machiavelli and Political Theory Under the English Republic*. *Perspectives on Political Science* 38, no. 2 (2009): 118-119.

WORKSHOPS AND INVITED TALKS (since 2013)

1. Keynote Speaker, *The Reception of Roman Ideas and Practices*. European Research Council and the University of Padua Law School. Padua, March-April 2023.
2. Invited Speaker, *The Literary, Historical, and Philosophical Sources of Machiavelli's Thought and Works*. Villa Vigoni: The German-Italian Centre for European Dialogue. Menaggio, March 2023.
3. Invited Speaker, *New Directions in Roman Political Thought*. Ashland OH, September 2022.
4. Invited Speaker, *Elections, Partisanship, and Political Reform in America*. Tocqueville Forum at Georgetown University. Zoom, April 2022.
5. Invited Speaker, *FISIER (Fédération Internationale des Sociétés et Instituts pour l'Étude de la Renaissance) Seminar*. Zoom, December 2021.
6. Invited Speaker, *Multi-University History of Political Thought Seminar*. Zoom, May 2021.
7. Invited Speaker, *UW Madison Political Theory Workshop*. Zoom, May 2021.
8. Plenary Speaker, *Inaugural Conference of the International Machiavelli Society*. Rome, December 2020 (cancelled, rescheduled for 2022).
9. Invited Speaker, *Harvard Early Modern Workshop, Harvard Political Theory Colloquium, and Colloquium for Intellectual History*. Harvard University, November 2019.
10. Invited Speaker, *International Conference for the Study of Political Thought*. Yale University, May 2019.
11. Respondent, *Center for the Study of Representative Institutions*. Yale University, February 2019.
12. Invited Speaker, *Mandragola at 500*. University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 2018.
13. Invited Speaker, *Hamlet in Wittenberg: Civic and Princely Education in Early Modern Europe*. Institute for Philosophy at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, September 2018.
14. Invited Speaker, *Conference Honoring Vickie B. Sullivan, Cornelia M. Jackson Professor of Political Science*. Tufts University, October 2017.
15. Invited Panelist, *Inauguration of the Churchill Institute*. Trinity College, April 2017.

16. Workshop Participant, *Yale Political Theory Workshop*, February 2017.
17. Invited Speaker, *The Italian Roots of Modernity: Machiavelli and Galileo*. Harvard University and Tufts University, November 2016.
18. Invited Speaker, *Second John C. Rouman Symposium: Political Thought and Political Engagement in the Roman Empire*. University of New Hampshire, October 2016.
19. Invited Speaker, *Center for the Study of Representative Institutions*. Yale University, May 2016.
20. Workshop Participant, *Dartmouth Medieval Studies Colloquium*, April 2016.
21. Invited Speaker, *Speaker Series on Republicanism*. Holy Cross, January 2016
22. Workshop Participant, *UCSD Political Theory Workshop*. University of California at San Diego, March 2015
23. Workshop Participant, *Georgetown Political Theory Workshop*. Georgetown University, November 2014
24. Invited Speaker, *Ancient Republics: An International Workshop* (second of three conferences on ancient republicanism hosted by Durham University, UW-Madison, and UCSD). University of Wisconsin at Madison, April 2015.
25. Invited Speaker, *UC Davis Speaker Series: Machiavelli and the Atlantic Republic Tradition, Revisited*. University of California at Davis, January 2014.
26. Invited Speaker, *A Conference on the 500th Anniversary of the Writing of Niccolò Machiavelli's Prince*. Harvard University, September 2013.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (since 2013)

- "Divine and Conquer: Machiavelli's Criticism of Cicero in *Discourses* 1.52" (RSA, March 2023)
- "Curing Virtue in Machiavelli's *Mandragola*" (NEPSA, April 2022; APSA, August 2019)
- Roundtable on James Hankins's *Virtue Politics* (APSA, September 2021)
- "Machiavelli and Cicero" (International Society for the History of Rhetoric, July 2019)
- Roundtable on Dan Kapust's *Flattery in the History of Political Thought* (SPSA, January 2019)
- Roundtable on Michelle Clarke's *Machiavelli's Florentine Republic* (SPSA, January 2019).
- Roundtable on Alison McQueen's *Political Realism in Apocalyptic Times* (APSA, August 2018)
- "Machiavelli's Virtuous Princes" (APSA, August 2016; WPSA, April 2015; NPSA, November 2014)
- "Rome, Real or Imagined? Machiavelli's Rejoinder to Humanism in the *Discourses on Livy*" (APSA, August 2014; WPSA, April 2014)
- "Liberty as Civility: Machiavelli's *Vivere Civile* and its Basis in Roman Political Thought" (APSA, August 2013)

OTHER CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION (since 2013)

Chair and Discussant, Reason, Rhetoric, and Narrative in the Formation of Community (APSA, August 2019)

Director, Machiavelli and Montesquieu: History, Virtue, and Liberty (Liberty Fund, August 2019)

Participant, Socratic Leadership Conference (Liberty Fund, June 2019)

Discussion Leader, Democracy and the Problem of Demagoguery (Liberty Fund, February 2019)

Participant, Philo and Josephus (Liberty Fund, August 2017)

Participant, Hero Worship, Intellectuals, and Freedom (Liberty Fund, June 2017)

Participant, Domination in Roman Political Thought (Liberty Fund, March 2017)

Participant, Thomas Mann's *Magic Mountain* (Liberty Fund, September 2016)

Participant, Grotius and Natural Law (Liberty Fund, January 2016)

Participant, Prudence and Practical Wisdom in Gracian and Schopenhauer (Liberty Fund, October 2015)

Discussant, Comparative Perspectives on 'Advice for Rulers' (APSA, August 2015)

Discussant, Machiavelli, the Laws, and Liberty (APSA, August 2015)

Participant, Machiavelli and Erasmus (Liberty Fund, August 2015)

Participant, Seneca and Tyranny (Liberty Fund, March 2015)

Participant, Adam Smith (Liberty Fund, August 2014)

Participant, Academic Skepticism in Cicero and Montaigne (Liberty Fund, June 2013)

Discussant, Political Ontologies (NEPSA, May 2013)

Discussant, Machiavelli and the Foundations of Representative Republican Government (MPSA, April 2013)

MEDIA

Interviewed for "Machiavelli: The Prince of Paradox" on *Ideas with Paul Kennedy*, Canadian Public Broadcasting, 11/6/2013 (shortlisted for the New York Festival's International Radio Competition)

GRANTS

2009 Dewey Crawford '63 Endowment Fund for Forums in Professional Ethics
 2009 Rockefeller/McNulty Faculty Research Grant

FELLOWSHIPS AND PRIZES (since 2013)

2020 Agpar Award for Innovative Teaching
 2019 Senior Fellowship at the Institute for Advanced Study, Central European University (declined)
 2015 Elizabeth R. and Robert A. Jeffe 1972 Fellowship
 2015 Walter and Constance Burke Junior Faculty Research Award
 2014 Walter and Constance Burke Junior Faculty Research Award

COURSES

Political Ideas
Humanities I and II
Democratic Theory
Roman Political Thought
Machiavelli and Machiavellianism
Classical Political Realism: Power and Statecraft in the Ancient World
The Political Philosophy of Nietzsche
An Intellectual History of Racism
Republicanism: An Alternative
The Political Theory of *Game of Thrones*
Government Honors Program

OFFICES AND AFFILIATIONS

Executive Council for the New England Political Science Association (2013-15)
NEPSA Political Theory Section Chair (2013)
American Political Science Association
Foundations of Political Theory (organized section of APSA)
Association for Political Theory
Yale Elizabethan Club

REVIEWER SERVICE

American Journal of Political Science
American Political Science Review
Classical Review
Columbia University Press
Harvard University Press
Journal of Classical Philology
Journal of the Philosophy of History
Journal of Politics
History of Political Thought
I Tatti Studies in the Italian Renaissance
Lexington Press
National Endowment for the Humanities
POLIS
Political Research Quarterly
Political Studies
Polity
Polity Press
Review of Politics
Routledge
Theoria: A Journal of Social and Political Theory
University of Chicago Press
Department of Political Science, Skidmore College (external review committee)