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**Employment**

*Alden March Bioethics Institute, Albany Medical College – Albany, NY*

Assistant Professor August 2019 - Present

*Berman Institute of Bioethics, Johns Hopkins University – Baltimore, MD*

Hecht-Levi Postdoctoral Fellow August 2017 – June 2019

**Education**

*University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill, NC*

Ph.D. in Philosophy May 2017

* Thesis: “On the Hook: Responsibility in Real Life”
* Committee: Susan Wolf (chair), Thomas E. Hill, Jr., Douglas MacLean, Geoffrey Sayre-McCord, Rebecca Walker

M.A. in Philosophy May 2013

* Thesis: “Blame”
* Committee: Thomas E. Hill, Jr. (chair), Gerald Postema, Ryan Preston-Roedder

*Cornell University - Ithaca, NY*

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, Magna Cum Laude May 2010

* Honors Thesis Supervisor: Derk Pereboom

**Areas of Specialization**

Bioethics, Normative Ethics, Moral Psychology, Free Will & Responsibility

**Areas of Competence**

History of Ethics, Metaethics

**Publications (**For abstracts and papers under review, see [http://www.samuelreisdennis.com](http://www.samuelreisdennis.com/research.html)**)**

* *Bioethics*
* “Rehabilitating Blame,” in *Ethics and Error in Medicine*, eds. Fritz Allhoff and Sandra Borden (Routledge, forthcoming)
* “What ‘Just Culture’ Doesn’t Understand About Just Punishment,” *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 2018
* “Freezing Eggs and Creating Patients: Moral Risks of Commercialized Fertility,” (With Elizabeth Reis), *The Hastings Center Report*, 2017
* “Are Pediatricians to Blame for Unnecessary Genital Surgeries?” (With Elizabeth Reis), *American Medical Association Journal of Ethics*, 2017
* “Gun Violence, Shame, and Social Change,” (With Nancy Berlinger), *Hastings Center Bioethics Forum*, 2018
* *Ethics*
* “Anger: Scary Good,” *The Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 2018
* “Responsibility and the Shallow Self,” *Philosophical Studies*, 2017

**Honors, Awards, and Fellowships**

* MAP Ethicist Prize for “I *Love* Women: The Conceptual Adequacy of Implicit Bias” (awarded at 2017 Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress; shared with Vida Yao)
* Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship (Accepted for 2016-17 academic year)
* Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (Awarded but declined for 2016-17 academic year)
* UNC Graduate School Dissertation Completion Fellowship (Awarded but declined for 2016-17 academic year)
* UNC Graduate School Mellon Fellowship (2011-16)
* Parr Center for Ethics Research Assistantship (2014-2015)
* Horace Williams Fellowship (2012-2014)

**Presentations**

* “Freezing Eggs and Creating Patients: Moral Risks of Commercialized Fertility” (With Elizabeth Reis) at Albany Medical College Reproductive Ethics Conference; Albany, NY; Spring 2019
* “Rehabilitating Blame” at Alden March Bioethics Institute; Albany, NY; Winter 2018
* “Culpable Unresentables” at Pacific Division Meeting of the APA; Vancouver, BC; Spring 2019
* “A Theoretical Challenge for Implicit Bias Research” (With Vida Yao) at Central Division Meeting of the APA; Denver, CO; Winter, 2019
* “Rehabilitating Blame” at Western Michigan University Medical Humanities Conference; Kalamazoo, MI; Fall, 2018
* “Medical Error: A Call to Listen” at Medical Error Mini-Conference at meeting of the Association of Practical and Professional Ethics; Chicago, IL; Spring, 2018
* “Rehabilitating Blame” at University of Texas, San Antonio; San Antonio, TX; Winter 2018
* “Anger: Scary Good” at Eastern Division Meeting of the APA; Savannah, GA; Winter, 2018
* ‘“I *Love* Women’: The Conceptual Inadequacy of ‘Implicit Bias’” (With Vida Yao) at Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress (RoME); Boulder, CO; Summer 2017 (Winner of the MAP Ethicist Prize for most meritorious paper regarding philosophy of gender, race, sexual orientation, class, disability, native language, etc.)
* “Anger: Scary Good” at Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference at the University of British Columbia; Vancouver, BC; Summer, 2017
* “Responsibility and the Shallow Self” at Pacific Division Meeting of the APA; Seattle, WA; Spring, 2017
* “Anger: Scary Good” at Rice Humanistic Ethics Workshop at Rice University; Houston, TX; Spring, 2017
* “Rehabilitating Blame: Responding to Medical Error” at Children’s Mercy Hospital, Center for Bioethics; Kansas City, MO; Winter, 2017
* “Responsibility and the Shallow Self” at Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress (RoME); Boulder, CO; Summer 2016
* “How Not To Argue About Blame” at Wittgensteinian Approaches to Moral Philosophy conference at Leuven University; Leuven, Belgium; Fall, 2016
* “Reality Television and Moral Philosophy” at Conference of the Southwest Popular/American Culture Association; Albuquerque, NM; Spring, 2015

**Teaching (**For syllabi, see <http://www.samuelreisdennis.com/teaching.html>**)**

*Instructor of Record*

* Basics of Bioethics (Johns Hopkins, Summer, 2018)
* Foundations of Bioethics for Masters of Bioethics Students (Johns Hopkins, Fall, 2017)
* Introduction to Philosophy, Main Problems (UNC, Summer, 2016)
* Ethics in Practice (UNC, Fall, 2015)
* Bioethics (UNC, Spring, 2014)
* Bioethics (UNC, Fall, 2013)

*Teaching Assistant*

* Introduction to Ethics (Spring, 2013)
* Making Sense of Ourselves (Fall, 2012)

**Professional Activities & Services**

* Member, Sinai Hospital Ethics Committee (2018-present)
* Member, Sinai Hospital Ethics Consult Team (2018-present)
* Advisor, Talia’s Voice (patient safety and advocacy non-profit) (2017-present)
* Reviewer: *The Australasian Journal of Philosophy,* *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Journal of Ethics, Journal of Moral Philosophy,* Johns Hopkins Press
* Coach, UNC Collegiate Ethics Bowl Team (2014-2016)
* National High School Ethics Bowl Case Writing Team (2014-Present)
* UNC Philosophy Hiring Committee, Graduate Student Representative (2015-2016)
* UNC Philosophy Graduate Committee (2015-2016)
* President, UNC Philosophy Graduate Students (2014-2015)
* Research Assistant, Parr Center for Ethics (2014-2015)
* Philosophy Outreach at Durham Academy (2014-2017)
* Judge, National High School Ethics Bowl (2012-2017)
* Judge, North Carolina Regional High School Ethics Bowl (2012-2017)
* Led Philosophy Discussion Group at C.A. Dillon Youth Correctional Facility (2011-2013)
* Member, American Philosophical Association

**References**

**Johns Hopkins University**

Jeffrey Kahn Gail Geller

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