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**Employment**

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

* Hecht-Levi Postdoctoral Fellowship August 2017 - Present

**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**

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

**Areas of Competence**

History of Ethics, Metaethics, Feminism

**Publications**

* “Responsibility and the Shallow Self,” *Philosophical Studies*, forthcoming
* “Are Pediatricians to Blame for Unnecessary Genital Surgeries?” (With Elizabeth Reis), *American Medical Association Journal of Ethics*, August, 2017

For abstracts and papers under review, see <http://www.samuelreisdennis.com/research.html>

**Honors, Awards, and Fellowships**

* 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**

* “Anger: Scary Good” at Eastern Division Meeting of the APA; Savannah, GA (Winter, 2018)
* ‘“I *Love* Women’: The Conceptual Inadequacy of ‘Implicit Bias’” at Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress (RoME); Boulder, CO (Summer 2017)
* “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**

*Instructor of Record*

* 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)

For syllabi, see <http://www.samuelreisdennis.com/teaching.html>

**Professional Activities & Services**

* Coach, UNC Collegiate Ethics Bowl Team (2014-2016) (National Championship qualifier in 2015-2016 season)
* 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**

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