

Carolyn Jane Benson
Curriculum Vitae

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Nationality: Canadian
Languages: English, French,
German (reading knowledge)

Areas of Specialisation

Normative Ethics, Kant, Autonomy, Modern Philosophy

Areas of Competence

Political Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy, Feminist Ethics

Education

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| Sept. 2005 – Jan. 2010 | Ph.D. <i>Department of Philosophy, University of St Andrews, Scotland</i>
Supervisors: Dr Jens Timmermann and Prof. Sarah Broadie
Thesis: <i>Autonomy and Purity in Kant's Moral Theory</i> |
| Sept. 2004 – Sept. 2005 | M.Litt. <i>Department of Philosophy, University of St Andrews, Scotland</i>
Dissertation: <i>Rhetorical Harm: Autonomy, Expectation and Freedom of Expression</i> |
| Sept. 2003 – Sept. 2004 | M.A. <i>Department of Philosophy, Queen's University, Canada</i>
Thesis: <i>Strategies of Discovery: Alienated Emotions and the Struggle for Self-Understanding</i> |
| Sept. 1999 – May 2003 | B.A. (Hons) <i>Queen's University, Canada</i>
Concentration: Philosophy (minor in English Literature) |

Selected Academic Distinctions

- Overseas Research Students Awards Scheme (ORSAS) Award (awarded 2005)
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Doctoral Fellowship (awarded 2004)
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) (awarded 2003)
- Medal in Philosophy (Queen's University) (awarded 2003)

Publications

- 'Further Trouble for Unsettled Waters: Attention to Gender in the Debate on Black Reparations.' *Reparations: Interdisciplinary Inquiries*. Eds. Jon Miller and Rahul Kumar. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007.

Selected Presentations

- ‘Freedom and Virtue: A Reply to Ralph Walker,’ Paton Colloquium on Kantian Ethics, St Andrews, 2008.
- ‘Kant on the Ethical Order of Incentives,’ St Andrews Postgraduate Research Seminar, 2008.
- ‘Good and Evil in Kant’s *Religion*,’ St Andrews Postgraduate Reading Retreat, Isle of Skye, 2008.
- ‘On the Purity of the Moral Motive,’ Postgraduate Winter Reflectorium, University of St Andrews, 2008.
- ‘Kant on the Gentle Yoke of the Moral Law,’ St Andrews Postgraduate Research Seminar, 2007.
- ‘The Law Conception of Morality,’ Reasons and the Good: A Conference, University of St Andrews, 2007.

Recent Teaching Experience

August 2009	<i>Modern Philosophy</i> , St Andrews (author of an online distance learning module)
Feb. 2009 – May 2009	<i>Modern Philosophy</i> , St Andrews (Tutor); <i>Modern Philosophy</i> (evening degree module), St Andrews (Tutor)
Sept. 2008 – Feb. 2009	<i>Ancient Philosophy</i> , St Andrews (Tutor); <i>Morality and Human Nature</i> (evening degree module), St Andrews (Tutor)
Feb. 2008 – May 2008	<i>Modern Philosophy</i> , St Andrews (Tutor)

Professional Activities and Employment

August 2010 – Present	Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Vienna; European Research Council Project: ‘Distortions of Normativity.’
July 2008 – May 2009	Research assistant to Dr J. Timmermann in the production of a German-English edition of Kant’s <i>Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals</i> .
March 2009	Assistant group leader, St Andrews Philosophy Outreach Programme.
October 2008	Co-organised an international conference on John Broome’s <i>Weighing Lives</i> .
January 2008 – May 2009	Personal Tutor working with Student Support Services, University of St Andrews.
June 2007	Co-organised a conference on Roger Crisp’s <i>Reasons and the Good</i> .
Jan. 2002 – Jan. 2004	Research Assistant to Dr Rosemary Jolly, Department of English and the Southern African Research Centre, Queen’s University, Canada.