

# Curriculum Vitae

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### ***Education***

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[DPhil Candidate in Politics, University of Oxford](#)

**MPhil** in Politics (Political Theory), University of Oxford, 2018

**Msc.** in Politics (Political Theory), London School of Economics, 2015

**B.A** in Politics and Philosophy (1<sup>st</sup>), University of Sheffield, 2014

### ***Thesis & Research Interests***

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DPhil Supervisor – Dr Stuart White

**Radical Democratic Theory After Social Media: Technics, Ontology and the Political**

*The dissertation concerns the relationship between political organisation and the technical configuration of social life (specifically how social media reproduces ideology) and its relevance for the emancipatory projects of radical democratic theory.*

*Research interests:*

*History of Political Thought - receptions of Rousseau, history of anarchism*

*Radical Democratic Theory - expansive accounts of democracy, political ontology, critical theory*

*Digital Politics – the politics of social media, ideologies on the internet, politics of speed and time*

*Memory Politics – interdisciplinary approaches to politics, history and space*

### ***Teaching Experience***

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**Senior Postgraduate Teaching Assistant (UCL)** – ‘PUBL0018: Theoretical Foundations of Human Rights: Dr Saladin Meckled-Garcia’ [September 2022 –]

**Seminar Tutor (St Benet's Hall)** – ‘Plato to Rousseau’ and ‘Bentham to Weber’ paper revision sessions (2022).

**PPE Intake Assessor (Jesus)** – 2020 and 2022 intakes.

**(DPIR) History & Politics BA Thesis Assessor** – 2022.

**Video Contributor to Springboard Oxford School Lecture Series (Balliol)** – 2022.

### ***Journal Articles***

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Towards A Resonant Theory of Memory Politics (2023) *Memory Studies* – forthcoming (co-authored by Will Ranger)

'Slow Down! Digital Deceleration Towards A Socialist Social Media', (2020) *tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique*, 18:1, pp.254-267

### **In Preparation:**

Under revision: Technics and the Political: Radical Democracy Beyond Social Weightlessness

### **Book Reviews:**

(2022) Review of: Spectacle and Diversity - Transnational Media and Global Culture by Lee Artz, *tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique*, 20:1, pp.138-142.

(2022) Review of: Psychoanalysis and Digital Culture – Audiences, Social Media, and Big Data by Jacob Johanssen & Event Horizon – Sexuality, Politics, Online Culture, and the Limits of Capitalism by Bonni Rambatan & Jacob Johanssen, *tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique*, 20:1, pp. 37-44.

(2021) Review of: Tanner, G. (2020) The Circle and the Snake: Nostalgia and Utopia in the Age of Big Tech, *tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique*, 19:2, pp. 301-306.

(2021) Review of: Brand, U. & Wissen, M. (2021) The Imperial Mode of Living: Everyday Life and the Ecological Crisis of Capitalism, *tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique*, 19:2, pp. 277-286.

(2020) Review of: Bory, P. (2020) The Internet Myth: From The Internet Imaginary to Network Ideologies, *tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique*, 18:2, pp.556-559.

(2019) Review of: Rendueles, C. (2017) Sociophobia: Political Change in the Digital Utopia, *Marx & Philosophy Review of Books* [https://marxandphilosophy.org.uk/reviews/16618\\_sociophobia-political-change-in-the-digital-utopia-by-cesar-rendueles-reviewed-by-james-ranger/](https://marxandphilosophy.org.uk/reviews/16618_sociophobia-political-change-in-the-digital-utopia-by-cesar-rendueles-reviewed-by-james-ranger/)

(2019) Review of: Hands, J. (2019) Gadget Consciousness: Collective Thought, Will and Action in the Age of Social Media, *Marx & Philosophy Review of Books* [https://marxandphilosophy.org.uk/book/18030\\_gadget-consciousness-collective-thought-will-and-action-in-the-age-of-social-media/](https://marxandphilosophy.org.uk/book/18030_gadget-consciousness-collective-thought-will-and-action-in-the-age-of-social-media/)

### **Conference Papers:**

“Resonance as a Political Concept” video presentation – “*The Time Is Now*” conference, Political Studies Association Early Career Network, July 4-8<sup>th</sup> 2022

“Social Acceleration as a Condition of Frenzied Politics” – Cultural, Social and Political Thought Annual Graduate Student Conference, *University of Victoria, Canada* – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

“Stiegler and the Political: The Techno-Political Structure of Rupture and Continuity” - *UCLA Graduate Political Theory Conference*- 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021:  
[https://www.academia.edu/48866459/Stiegler\\_and\\_the\\_Political\\_The\\_Techno\\_Political\\_Structure\\_of\\_Rupture\\_and\\_Continuity](https://www.academia.edu/48866459/Stiegler_and_the_Political_The_Techno_Political_Structure_of_Rupture_and_Continuity)

“Social Media as an Ideological State Apparatus” – *Rothermere Institute, University of Oxford* – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017:  
[https://www.academia.edu/48866614/Social\\_Media\\_as\\_an\\_Ideological\\_State\\_Apparatus](https://www.academia.edu/48866614/Social_Media_as_an_Ideological_State_Apparatus)

“Morphology without Ideology: Populism as a Rhetorical Strategy”, *Populism and ‘Constructing a People’: Ideology and Discourse Analysis Conference*, University of Essex – 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2017:  
[https://www.academia.edu/48866651/Morphology\\_without\\_Ideology\\_Populism\\_as\\_a\\_Rhetorical\\_Strategy](https://www.academia.edu/48866651/Morphology_without_Ideology_Populism_as_a_Rhetorical_Strategy)

### **Academic Blogging:**

“Proxies as Ideology: The Hidden Social Violence of Delegation” (2022) *Blue Labyrinths*,  
<https://bluelabyrinths.com/2022/02/23/proxies-as-ideology-the-hidden-social-violence-of-delegation/>

“Peter Sloterdijk: Living in the Mountains of Imperial Foam” (2021) *Blue Labyrinths*,  
<https://bluelabyrinths.com/2021/07/18/peter-sloterdijk-living-in-the-mountains-of-imperial-foam/>

“The Politics of Living in a World of Foam” (2021) *OxPol*, <https://blog.politics.ox.ac.uk/the-politics-of-living-in-a-world-of-foam/>

“European Super League: is it time for fan ownership of football?” (2021) *Thomson-Reuters Foundation*,  
<https://news.trust.org/item/20210422113451-uwov6/>

“On The Politics of Window Smashing: Black Lives Matter and White Allyship” (2019), *Ceasefire Magazine*, <https://ceasefiremagazine.co.uk/politics-window-smashing-black-lives-matter-white-allyship/>

“Harried Subjects”, (2019) *Oxford Political Review*, Issue 1, pp.34-36

“What is the Political, and why should we care?” (2019) *OxPol*, <https://blog.politics.ox.ac.uk/what-is-the-political-and-why-should-we-care/>

““The revolution will be self-parody!”: Pepsi, Kendall and the Recuperation of Protest” (2017), *Ceasefire Magazine*, <https://ceasefiremagazine.co.uk/the-revolution-self-parody-pepsi-kendall-recuperation-protest/>

“Snapshot: Pierre-Joseph Proudhon” (2015) *The Philosopher’s Magazine*, Issue 71, pp.70-71

### ***Current Roles, Societies & Awards***

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***[March 2022- September 2022]***

***Digital Communications Officer at UCL  
Policy Lab (4 days per week)***

***[February 2022- August 2023]***

***Blog Series Editor at OxPol (3 hrs per  
week)***

2021-	New School Theory Collective (remote contributor)
2020-2021-	Machine Politics Reading Group
2018-2020 –	Culture & Ideas Editor of the Oxford Political Review
2018 -	Avril Bruten Award for Creative Writing at St. Hugh’s College, Oxford

## ***References***

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**Dr. Stuart White**  
**[DPhil Supervisor]**

**Dr. Laura Valentini**

**Dr. Johan Olsthoorn**

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