# Molly Elizabeth Gardner
Curriculum Vitae

## Academic Degrees

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin-Madison, May 2013
M.A., Philosophy, Northern Illinois University, May 2006
B.A., Music, Grinnell College, May 2000

## Academic Positions

Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, University of Florida, August 2020 – present

Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, Bowling Green State University, Ohio,
August 2015 – May 2020

Research Assistant Professor, Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Program, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, July 2013 – July 2015

Adam Smith Guest Professor, Philosophy and Economics Program, University of Bayreuth, Bayreuth, Germany, 2014 summer term

## Research Interests

Ethical Theory

## Publications

Books:
- *The Ethics of Policing and Imprisonment,* anthology coedited with Michael Weber, Palgrave Macmillan 2018.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:
- "Persons, Animals, and Psychological Unity," *Philosophical Studies* 2023, 180(4): 1197 – 1209.
- "Suffering and Meaning in the Lives of Wild Animals," *Midwest Studies in Philosophy* 2022, 46: 355 – 371.
- "David Boonin on the Non-Identity Argument: Rejecting the Second Premise," *Law, Ethics, and Philosophy* 2019, 7: 29 – 47.
- "When Good Things Happen to Harmed People," *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* 2019, 22: 893 – 908.
- "On the Strength of the Reason Against Harming," *Journal of Moral Philosophy* 2017, 14(1): 73 – 97.
- "Beneficence and Procreation," *Philosophical Studies* 2016, 173(2): 321 – 336.
- "A Harm-Based Solution to the Non-Identity Problem," *Ergo* 2015; 2(17): 427 – 444.
- "How Lives Measure Up," (with Justin Weinberg), *Acta Analytica* 2013; 28(1): 31 – 48.

Book Chapters:
- "A Deontological Approach to Future Consequences," in *The Oxford Handbook of Intergenerational Ethics,* ed. Stephen Gardiner (Oxford) forthcoming.
- "What is Harming?" in *Principles and Persons: The Legacy of Derek Parfit,* eds. Jeff McMahan, Tim Campbell, James Goodrich, and Ketan Ramakrishnan (Oxford) 2021, pp. 381 – 395.
- "Artificial Intelligence in *Black Mirror*: Is Your Cookie You?" (with Robert Sloane) in *Black Mirror and Philosophy,* ed. David Kyle Johnson (Blackwell) 2019, pp. 282 – 291.

- "Introduction" (with Michael Weber) in *The Ethics of Policing and Imprisonment,* eds. Molly Gardner and Michael Weber (Palgrave Macmillan) 2018, pp. 1 – 6.
- "The Interspecies Killing Problem," in *The Moral Rights of Animals,* eds. Mylan Engel, Jr. and Gary Comstock (Lexington Books) 2016, pp. 119 – 140.
- "Well-Being and the Non-Identity Problem," in *The Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Well-Being,* ed. Guy Fletcher (Routledge) 2015, pp. 429 – 38.

Book Reviews:
- Review of David Boonin, *Dead Wrong: The Ethics of Posthumous Harm, Ethics* 132(4): 886 – 889, July 2022.
- Review of Espen Gamlund and Carl Tollef Solberg, eds., *Saving People From the Harm of Death, Bioethics* 34(9): 996 – 997, 2020.
- Review of F. M. Kamm & ed. Eric Rakowski, *The Trolley Problem Mysteries, Ethics* 126(4): 1105 – 1110, July 2016.
- Review of David Boonin, *The Non-Identity Problem and the Ethics of Future People, Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, 2015

Peer Commentaries:
- "Retribution, Deterrence, and Organ Donation," *The American Journal of Bioethics* (11:10) 2011, pp. 7 – 9.
- "Cut the Fat! Defending Trans Fat Bans" (with Nathan Nobis) *The American Journal of Bioethics* (10:3) 2010, pp. 39 – 40.

**Presentations**

***Invited Papers:***

"Nonconsequentialism and the Long Term"
- Workshop on Longtermism and Non-Consequentialist Moral Philosophy, Global Priorities Institute, Oxford University, August 4 – 5, 2022

"Meaning and Well-Being in the Lives of Nonhuman Animals"
- Edinburgh/Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, University of Edinburgh, July 12 – 14, 2022

"Can Wild Animals Have Meaningful Lives?"
- Wild Animal Ethics Conference, University of St. Andrews, United Kingdom, September 22 – 23, 2021

"On Deciding Whom to Create and Whom to Save"
- Keynote for the Southeastern Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Florida, April 16 – 17, 2021

"Individuating the Causes of Harm"
- Workshop on Ethics and Metaphysics, College of William and Mary, March 6 – 7, 2020

"Can We Compensate for Environmental Degradation?"
- Sustainability and Future People Workshop, Umea University, Sweden, February 13 – 14, 2020

"Is there a Non-Identity Problem in Different-Species Cases?"
- Workshop on the Non-Identity Problem, Institute for Future Studies, Stockholm, February 10 – 12, 2020

"Is There an Egalitarian Reason to Promote Animal Well-Being?"
- Workshop on Utilitarian Approaches in Animal Ethics, Oxford University, September 9 – 11, 2019

"Doing Harm, Allowing Harm, and the Trolley Problem"
- Keynote address for the 26th University of Waterloo Annual Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Waterloo, Canada, March 19 – 20, 2019

"Doing Harm, Allowing Harm, and Future Generations"
- Workshop: Do Deontological Distinctions Survive Future Generations? at the University of Southampton, U.K., September 6, 2018
- Ohio Normativity Workshop, Ohio State University, September 2018

"Animal Welfare, Harm, and Death"
- Workshop on Translational Bioethics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, August 2018

"Deontological Approaches to Animal Ethics"
- Workshop on Translational Bioethics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, August 2018

"Why the Numbers Don't Count, But the Reasons Do"
- Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, July 2018
- DeCamp Bioethics Seminar, Princeton University, November 2017
- Research Seminar in Practical Philosophy at Stockholm University, August 2016
- Colloquium in the department of philosophy at Siena Heights University, April 2016
- Oxford Theoretical Population Ethics Conference, November 2015

"Harming, Doing Harm, and Causation"
- Symposium on the Nature and Significance of Harm, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division, March 2018

"Revisiting the Strength of the Reason Against Harming"
- Association for Practical and Professional Ethics Annual Conference, March 2018

"What's the Harm?"
- Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, July 2017

"Should Laboratory Animals Be Compensated for their Suffering?"
- Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, March 2017

"Doing Right by Future Generations"
- California State University Long Beach Applied Ethics Forum, March 2017

"The Problem of Justified Harm"
- Workshop on Harm: The Concept and Its Relevance, Uppsala University, August 2016
- Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network, July 2016

Author Meets Critics Session on *The Moral Rights of Animals*
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2016

"Inconsequentiality and Climate Change"
- Workshop on Ethics and Adaptation, University at Buffalo, May 2015

"Are There Some Environmental Losses for Which We Cannot Be Fully Compensated?"
- Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, July 2015

"Harm and the Non-Identity Problem"
- Visiting Professor Workshop, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, August 2014
- Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, July 2014

"Doing, Allowing, and Causation"
- Bled Conference on Ethics, June 2014

"Counterfactuals, Harm, and Selecting for Disability"
- Research Forum, Philosophy and Economics Program, University of Bayreuth, Germany  (invited), June 2014
- Colloquium in the department of philosophy at University of South Carolina, Columbia (invited), November 2013

"On the Strength of the Reason against Harming"
- Visiting Professor Workshop, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, August 2013

"How to Count Value" (with Justin Weinberg)
- Bled Conference on Ethics, June 2012

### *Refereed Papers:*

"On Deciding Whom to Create and Whom to Save"
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2021

"Doing Harm, Allowing Harm, and the Trolley Problem"
- 93rd Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, July 2019

"Inconsequentiality and Climate Change"
- Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference XIX, April 2016

"Doing, Allowing, and Causation"
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2015 (poster presentation)

"Headaches, Lives, and Value" (poster presentation)
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2014

"Causes, Conditions, and Harming"
- North Carolina Philosophical Society, February 2014

"The Case against Politicians" (with Justin Weinberg)
- South Carolina Society for Philosophy, February 2014

"On the Strength of the Reason against Harming"
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2013

"Value Monism and Incomparability"
- Midsouth Philosophy Conference, February 2013

- Joint Meeting of the South Carolina Society for Philosophy and the North Carolina Philosophical Society, February 2012

"Inevitability, Misfortune, and Personal Value"
- Iowa Philosophical Society, October 2012

"The Comparative Account of Misfortune" (poster presentation)
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2012

"Beneficence and Procreation"
- South Carolina Society for Philosophy, February 2012

"The Problem of Too Much Harm" (poster presentation)
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, August 2011

"Time Travelers Who Kill Their Younger Selves: They're Closer Than You Think"
- Central States Philosophical Association, September 2010

"Situationism and Autonomy"
- Wisconsin Philosophical Association, April 2010

## *Invited Lectures:*

"On Deciding Whom to Create and Whom to Save"
- Meeting of the Bioethics Society at the University of Florida, March 21, 2023.

"Guess Who's Back: The Philosophy of Time Travel" (with Chris Dorst)
- Food and Talk, Department of Philosophy, University of Florida, March 15, 2022.

"What Is Bioethics?"
- Meeting of Alpha Epsilon Delta at the University of Florida, October 12, 2021

"Environmental Degradation and Our Duties to Future Persons"
- Lunch and Learn series, sponsored by the Parr Center for Ethics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, October 2013

"Rights, Wrongs, and Killing Nonhuman Animals"
- Philosopher's Corner series, sponsored by the Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values, Coastal Carolina University, October 2013

## Commentaries Presented at Workshops and Conferences:

- Comments on Trevor Hedberg, "A Defense of Reducetarianism," Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress 2023
- Comments on Justin Klockseim, "Doing Harm and Failing to Benefit: Reply to Carlson, Johansson, and Risberg," Kansas/Minnesota Workshop on Well-Being, July 2023
- Comments on Dan Haybron, "Excellence and Beauty," Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, July 2019
- Comments on John Symons, "On the Possibility of a Prudentially Valuable, Happy, but Meaningless Life," Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, August 2018
- Comments on Michael Bishop, "Studying Happiness: Closing the Philosophy-Psychology Gap," Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, July 2017

- Comments on Patricia Marino, "Value Pluralism, Challenges to Consequentialism, and the Law and Economics Movement," Workshop on Methodology in Applied Ethics, February 2017
- Comments on Scott Forschler, "Two Mistaken Strategies of Deontology," Ohio Philosophical Association, 2016
- Comments on Joshua May, "The Death of Double Effect," Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2015
- Comments on Stephen Campbell and Joseph Stramondo, "Disability, Well-Being, and the Complicated Question of Neutrality," Kansas Well-Being Workshop, 2015
- Comments on Alicia Hall, "Making Good Choices: Theories of Well-Being and Conflict between Autonomy and Beneficence," Midsouth Philosophy Conference 2015
- Comments on Chris Heathwood, "Which Desires are Relevant to Well-Being?" Kansas Workshop on Well-Being, 2014
- Comments on Zac Cogley, "Fortifying the Self-Defense Justification of Punishment," Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2014
- Comments on Thomas Bontly, "Causation, Harm, and the Non-Identity Problem," American Philosophical Association Pacific Division, 2014
- Comments on Aaron Wolf, "Reviving Concurrentism about Death," American Philosophical Association Central Division, 2014
- Comments on Caleb Ontiveros, "Abortion, Other-Defense, and the Infantist," Online Undergraduate Ethics Conference, Coastal Carolina University, 2013
- Comments on Steven Weimer, "Toward a Flexible Historical Theory of Autonomy," Midsouth Philosophy Conference 2013
- Comments on Duncan Purves, "The Non-Identity Problem and the Leveling-Down Objection," Illinois Philosophical Association, 2012
- Comments on Jason Hanna, "Doing, Allowing, and the Moral Relevance of the Past," Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2012
- Comments on Christopher E. Franklin, "Event-Causal Libertarianism, Functional Reduction, and the Disappearing Agent Argument," APA Central Division, 2012
- Comments on Robert Osborne, "Why Death is a Loss," Illinois Philosophical Association, 2011
- Comments on Hallie Liberto, "Moral Perpendiculars," Central States Philosophical Association, 2011
- Comments on Melinda Roberts, "Variabilism and the Asymmetry," Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2011
- Comments on Lori Gruen, "Ethics of Captivity," Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2010
- Comments on Robyn Gaier, "Hey, You, What's So Special About the Second Person Perspective?" Central States Philosophical Association, 2009
- Comments on John Brunero, "Consistency in Belief and Intention" Central States Philosophical Association 2008

## Teaching Experience

### Undergraduate Courses:

#### *At the University of Florida:*
- PHI 2630: Contemporary Moral Issues (Fall 2023, 35 students)
- PHI 4930: Special Topics: Ethics and Humanity's Future (Spring 2023, 22 students)
- PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2023, 52 students; Spring 2022, 64 students; Spring 2021, 63 students)
- PHI 3650: Moral Philosophy (Fall 2021, 65 students; Fall 2020, 64 students)
- PHI 3633: Bioethics (Fall 2023, 35 students; Fall 2021, 31 students; Fall 2020, 26 students)
- PHI 4662: Ethical Theory I (Spring 2021, 20 students)

*At Bowling Green State University:*
- PHIL 2420: Medical Ethics (Spring 2020, 136 students; Spring 2019, 120 students; Spring 2018, 187 students; Spring 2017, 52 students)
- PHIL 1250: Contemporary Moral Issues (Fall 2015, 35 students; Fall 2018, 30 students; Fall 2019, 36 students)
- PHIL 1010: Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2017, 28 students)
- PHIL 3030: Symbolic Logic (Fall 2017, 13 students; Fall 2019, 10 students)
- HNRS 2010: Introduction to Critical Thinking (Fall 2015, 21 students; Fall 2016, 24 students)
- PHIL 4250: Topics in Moral Philosophy (Spring 2016, 15 students)

*At the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill:*
- The Ethics of Peace, War, and Defense (Spring 2015)
- Practical Ethics (Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015)
- Introduction to Philosophy (Online, Fall 2014)
- Morality and Law (Fall 2013, Spring 2014)
- Bioethics (Fall 2013, Fall 2014)

*At the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh:*
- Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2012)

*At the University of Wisconsin-Madison:*
- Contemporary Moral Issues (Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2010, Fall 2009)
- Elementary Logic (Fall 2010)

*At the University of Bayreuth, Germany:*
- Moral Psychology (Summer 2014)
- Metaphysics and Ethics (Summer 2014)

**Graduate Courses:**

*At the University of Florida:*
- PHI 6698: Bioethics & Biotechnology (Spring 2022, 8 students)

*At Bowling Green State University:*
- PHIL 7800: Metaphysics and Ethics (Spring 2020, 9 students)
- PHIL 7800: The Future of Humanity (Spring 2019, 9 students)
- PHIL 7800: Harm (Spring 2018, 11 students)
- PHIL 6210: History of Moral Philosophy (Spring 2017, 8 students)
- PHIL 7800: Metaphysics and Ethics (Spring 2016, 7 students)

**Service**

*UF Philosophy Department*
- Graduate Committee Member                                            2022 – present
- Ad Hoc Bylaw Review Committee                                        2022 – 2023
- Undergraduate Committee Member                                       2021 – 2022
- Colloquia Committee Member                                           2020 – 2021
- Alumni Relations Officer                                             2020 – 2021

*UF*
- Faculty Mentor for University Scholars Program       2022 – present
- CLAS Faculty Council Member       2021 – 2023
- Judge for 5th Annual Diversity Graduate Research Symposium       2021

*BGSU Philosophy Department*
- Doctoral Committee Member: Erica Nichols, Nathan Mulch, Timothy Walsh, Tatiana Gracyk, Andrew Erickson, Alexander Bearden, Amitabha Palmer, Scott Simmons
- Colloquium Committee       2016 – 2019
- Graduate Committee       2017 – 2018
- Personnel Committee       2015 – 2019
- Undergraduate Committee       2015 – 2016
- Co-Chair of Workshop Committee, Bowling Green Workshop in Applied Ethics and Public Policy       2015 – 2016

*BGSU*
- Judge for Shanklin Research Excellence Award       2019
- Faculty Advisor for Honors Projects: Danielle Stager and Ashley Guenther       2017 – 2019
- Residential Faculty Mentor Program       2016 – 2017
- Doctoral Committee: Robert Krause (School of Educational Foundations, Leadership & Policy); Katelyn McKindles (Biological Sciences)       2016 – 2018
- VPRED Committee on Research Support       2016 – 2019

*Professional*
- Editorial Committee Member, *Utilitas,* 2023 – present
- Referee for *Acta Analytica; American Philosophical Quarterly; Analysis; Australasian Journal of Philosophy; Canadian Journal of Philosophy; Environmental Ethics; Ergo; Estetika; Ethics; Ethics, Policy, & Environment; Inquiry; Journal of Applied Philosophy; Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy; Journal of Moral Philosophy; Journal of Controversial Ideas; Journal of Philosophy; Journal of the American Philosophical Association; Nous; Pacific Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophical Review; Philosophical Studies; Philosophy and Phenomenological Research; Philosophy Compass; Ratio; Res Publica; Social Theory and Practice; Society and Animals; Southwest Philosophy Review; Synthese; Utilitas*
- Program Committee Member, American Philosophical Association Central Division, 2019 – 2020
- Reviewed grant application for the Israeli Science Foundation, 2021
- Reviewed grant application for the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2019
- Refereed bioethics textbook proposal for W. W. Norton & Company, 2019
- Refereed book manuscript for Oxford University Press, 2017
- Refereed book proposal for Routledge, 2016
- Workshop referee, Ohio Philosophical Association, 2016 – 2018
- Workshop referee, North Carolina Philosophical Society, 2015
- Contributor to Wireless Philosophy, www.wi-phi.com, 2015

*Community*
- Helped facilitate discussions of issues in applied ethics among high school students at Maumee Valley Country Day School, Toledo       2017 – 2019
- Helped facilitate a philosophy discussion group at a North Carolina detention facility for juvenile offenders (through the Parr Center for Ethics)       Fall 2014
- Helped facilitate a philosophy discussion group at a North Carolina retirement community (through the Parr Center for Ethics)       Fall 2013 – Spring 2014

- Volunteered as a judge for the National High School Ethics Bowl 2013 – 2015
- Lecturer, Senior Summer School (a private company that offers educational vacations to senior citizens) 2008 – 2010

**Honors & Awards**
- Nominated for University of Florida CLAS Faculty Teaching Award 2021 – 2022
- 2017 Editors' Choice Award, PEA Soup blog, $200 2017
  *This award was for my paper, "On the Strength of the Reason Against Harming," which was one of the papers discussed on the blog.*
- Singer Summer Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Philosophy, UW 2011
  *A competitive summer dissertation fellowship for UW-Madison graduate students in philosophy.*
- Nominee for Dana-Allen Dissertation Fellowship in the Humanities, UW 2011
  *A one-semester dissertation fellowship for UW-Madison graduate students in the humanities.*
- Phi Beta Kappa, Grinnell College 2000
- Mentored Advanced Project Grant, Grinnell College 1999
- United Technologies Corporation Scholarship, Grinnell College 1996 – 2000