

# EDWARD H K SONG

## *Curriculum Vitae*

Department of Philosophy  
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### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Moral and Political Philosophy

### AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Applied and Professional Ethics, Philosophy of Law, Philosophy of Race, Philosophy of Public Policy, Philosophy of Religion

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

WESTMONT COLLEGE, Santa Barbara, CA

- **Associate Professor**, Department of Philosophy, 2015 to present.
- **Associate Director**, Center for Social Entrepreneurship, 2021 to present.
- **Interim Director**, Center for Social Entrepreneurship, 2019, 2020.
- **Director of Internships**, Center for Social Entrepreneurship 2017-21.
- **Scholar in Residence**, 2013-2015.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, Baton Rouge, LA

- **Associate Professor**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, 2012-13.
- **Assistant Professor**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, 2006-12.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, Lloyd Postdoctoral Fellow in Moral and Political Philosophy, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, 2005-6.

### EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

PhD, Department of Philosophy, May 2005

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

MA, Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, June 1998

YALE UNIVERSITY, New Haven, Connecticut

BA, Philosophy, May 1994

## SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

- “Fairness, Benefits, and Voluntary Acceptance,” *The Journal of Moral Philosophy*, Vol. 20, No. 3-4 (July 2023): 268-289.
- “Preemptive Anonymous Whistleblowing” (co-authored with James Rocha), *Public Affairs Quarterly*, Vol. 26, No. 4 (October 2012): 257-271.
- “Acceptance, Fairness and Political Obligation,” *Legal Theory*, Vol. 18, No. 2 (June 2012): 209-229.
- “Rawls’s Liberal Principle of Legitimacy,” *The Philosophical Forum*, Vol. 43, No. 2 (Summer 2012): 153-173.
- “Political Naturalism and State Authority,” *Journal of Social Philosophy*, Vol. 43, No. 1 (Spring 2012): 64-77.
- “Giving Credit When Credit is Due: The Ethics of Authorship,” *International Journal of Applied Philosophy*, Vol. 25, No. 1 (Spring 2011): 1-13.
- “Strong and Weak Legitimacy,” *The Southwest Philosophy Review*, Vol. 27, No. 1 (January 2011): 167-174.
- “Subjectivist Cosmopolitanism and the Morality of Intervention,” *Journal of Social Philosophy*, Vol. 41, No. 2 (Summer 2010): 137-151.
- “The Commodification of Everything,” *The Hedgehog Review* 5 (Summer 2003) (issue co-editor).
- “Commodification and Consumer Society: A Bibliographic Review,” *The Hedgehog Review* 5 (Summer 2003): 109-121.
- “The Democratic Ideal: a Brief Review,” *The Hedgehog Review* 2 (Spring 2000): 140-155.

## CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- “Is There an Independent Principle of Fairness,” Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society, Seventh Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2023.
- “In the Beginning: Neglect, Trauma, and the Roots of Poverty,” Justice Network Annual Summit, Houston, TX, September 2023.
- “Justice, Justice Shalt Thou Pursue,” Free Methodist in the United States, General Conference 2023, Orlando, FL, July 2023.
- “The Principle of Fairness,” Santa Barbara City College, April 2023.
- “Fairness, Acceptance, and the Benefits Problem,” American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Denver, CO, February 2023.
- “Legitimacy as Affirmation,” Western Political Science Association, The Extremity of Affect Panel, Portland, OR, March 2022.
- “Legitimacy as Affirmation,” Southern Political Science Association, Theories of Justice Panel, San Antonio, TX, January 2022.
- “Fairness and Voluntary Acceptance,” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, Vancouver, Canada, April 2019.
- “Liberal Democracy and the Value of Autonomy,” Workshop in Christian Political Thought, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, July 2014.
- Commentator, Session on Political Philosophy and the Question of Democracy, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, February 2013.

- “Fairness and Voluntary Acceptance,” Indiana Philosophical Association, November 2012.
- Commentator, Session on Social and Political Philosophy, Southwest Philosophical Society, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2012.
- Chair, Colloquium on Justice, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, April 2012.
- Commentator, Colloquium on Political Obligation and Social Contract Theory, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, February 2012.
- “Voluntarism and Associative Political Obligations,” Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2012.
- Chair, Session on Moral Theory, Southwest Philosophical Society Conference, Austin, Texas, November 2011.
- “Acceptance, Fairness, and Political Obligation,” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, San Diego, California, April 2011.
- “Three Theories of Global Justice,” Hope College Philosophy Department, January 2011.
- Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2011.  
Commentator, Session on “Global Justice in Comparative Perspective.”
- “Strong and Weak Legitimacy,” Southwest Philosophical Society Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2010.
- “Acceptance, Fairness and Political Obligation,” American Political Theory Conference, Portland, Oregon, October 2010.
- “Legitimacy as Affirmation,” Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, Boulder, Colorado, August 2010.
- “Coercion and Global Basic Structures,” The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual International Social Philosophy Conference, North American Society for Social Philosophy, Toronto, Canada, July 2010.
- “Is the State a Cooperative Scheme?” The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, March 2010.
- “Acceptance, Fairness and Political Obligation,” North Carolina Philosophical Society, Charlotte, North Carolina, February 2010.
- “Peoples v. Persons,” The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual International Social Philosophy Conference, North American Society for Social Philosophy, Portland, Oregon, July 2008.
- “Legitimacy as Affirmation,” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, Pasadena, California, March 2008.
- “Rawls on Stability, Legitimacy and Affirmation,” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 2006.
- “Cosmopolitan Sovereignty and the Morality of Intervention,” American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, Illinois, April 2005.
- “Basic Structures and International Obligation,” Department of Philosophy, University of Montana, Missoula, Montana, February 2005.
- “Cosmopolitan Sovereignty and the Morality of Intervention,” Southwestern Philosophical Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2004.
- “Rawls, Rights and Right Order: Comments on Nicholas Wolterstorff’s ‘Two Conceptions of Justice,’” Center on Religion and Democracy, University of Virginia, April 2004.
- “How *Not* to Think About Religion in the Public Square,” Center on Religion and Democracy, University of Virginia, March 2004.

- “State Autonomy and Intervention,” Department of Philosophy, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, February 2004.

#### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- Adjunct Teaching Award, Westmont College, May 2015.
- Robert L. Amborski Distinguished Honors Professor Award, Louisiana State University, May 2013.
- Tiger Athletic Foundation Undergraduate Teaching Award, Louisiana State University, May 2012.
- President’s Award, Southwest Philosophical Society Meeting, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2010 (best paper by a junior faculty member).
- National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Scholar, “Philosophical Perspectives on Liberal Democracy and the Global Order,” Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, June 2010.
- Tiger Athletic Foundation Undergraduate Teaching Award, Louisiana State University, May 2010.
- Tiger Athletic Foundation Undergraduate Teaching Award, Louisiana State University, May 2009.
- Manship Summer Research Stipend, Louisiana State University, July 2007.
- Dr. Frank W. Finger Graduate Fellowship for Teaching, University of Virginia, May 2003.
- Seven Society Graduate Fellowship for Superb Teaching, University of Virginia, May 2003.
- CIVITAS Scholar, Center for Public Justice, Washington, DC, June 2001.
- Pew Younger Scholars, June 1999.

#### **SERVICE**

##### **College**

- Admissions Committee, 2021 to present.
- Faculty Advisor, Law and Society Club, 2019 to present.
- Director of Fellowship Advising, 2017 to present.
- Pre-Law Advisor, 2017 to present.
- Westmont Student Leader Retreat Speaker, Westmont College, August 2021.
- Westmont Asian Student Association Faculty Panel, “Increase of Hate Crimes Against the AAPI Community and the Atlanta Shooting,” April 2021.
- Westmont College Title IX Adjudicator, 2020-22.
- Advisory Board, Center for Technology, Creativity, and Moral Imagination, 2019-21.
- Augustinian Scholars Honors Program, 2018-21.
- Westmont College Diversity Committee, 2018-21.
- Westmont College Diversity Committee, 2018-2020.
- NetVUE Program on Career and Calling Director, Westmont College, 2015 to 2017.
- National Endowment for the Humanities, Humanities Connections Grant Co-Author, Westmont College, 2016.

- Global and International Student Association Faculty Advisor, Westmont College, 2016.
- Westmont Student Leader Channel Island Retreat Speaker, Westmont College, August 2016.
- Louisiana State University, Honor's College Board, 2011 to 2013.
- Moderator, Louisiana State University's, Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship Program, School of Engineering, Ethics Brown Bag Lunch Series, Spring 2008 to present.
- Chancellor's Future Leaders in Research Mentoring Program, 2008-12.
- Manship Summer Research Fellowship Funding Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Spring 2008.
- Louisiana State University Faculty Senate, 2007-10.

### **Department**

- Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Philosophy, Louisiana State University, 2010-13.
- General Education Re-certification Proposal for PHIL2020, Ethics, January 2009.
- Ethics Cluster Hire Committee, Fall 2007.
- Graduate Admissions Committee, 2007-9.

### **Profession**

- External Reviewer, *Social Theory and Practice*, 2021.
- External Reviewer, *Legal Theory*, 2017.
- External Reviewer, *Philosophy, Politics and Economics*, 2017.
- External Reviewer, *Political Studies*, 2017.
- External Reviewer, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, 2016.
- External Reviewer, Oxford University Press, 2013.
- External Reviewer, Indiana Philosophical Association, 2013.
- Conference Organizer, Southwest Philosophical Society Annual Meeting, 2012.
- External Reviewer, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 2012.
- External Reviewer, *Human Rights Review*, 2011.
- External Reviewer, *Legal Theory*, 2011.
- National Endowment for the Humanities, Review Panelist, Enduring Questions Grant Program, November 2010.
- External Reviewer, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, 2010.
- External Reviewer, *Journal of Political Philosophy*, 2009.
- External Reviewer, Oxford University Press, 2009.

### **Community**

- Board of Administration, Free Methodist Church in the United States, 2023 to present.
- Study Commission on Doctrine, Free Methodist Church in the United States, 2019 to present.

- Board of Administration, Free Methodist Church of Southern California, 2019 to present.
- Local Board of Administration, Free Methodist Church of Santa Barbara, 2018 to present.
- Board, Santa Barbara Alliance for Community Transformation, 2018 to present.
- Yale Alumni Schools Committee, 2009 to present.
- Delegate, Free Methodist Church in the United State, General Conference, 2019 and 2023.
- Lecturer, “Doing Right, Being Good,” Last Lecture Series, Mortar Board National College Honor Society and Omicron Kappa Delta Honor Society, Louisiana State University.

## REFERENCES

- Jesse Covington, Professor of Political Science, Westmont College.
- James Davison Hunter, La Brosse-Levinson Distinguished Professor of Religion, Culture, and Social Theory, University of Virginia.
- Bryan McGraw, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Dean of Social Sciences, Wheaton College.
- Mark Nelson, Professor, Department of Philosophy, Westmont College.
- Jim Taylor, Professor, Department of Philosophy, Westmont College.
- Rachel Winslow, Director, Faculty Development, and Associate Professor, History and Politics Department, George Fox University.
- Nicholas Wolterstorff, Noah Porter Professor Emeritus Philosophical Theology, Yale University