KATHARINE G. YOUNG

Curriculum Vitae

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APPOINTMENTS

Boston College Law School

Associate Dean for Faculty and Global Programs (2021 -); Professor of Law and Dean’s Distinguished Scholar (tenure awarded, 2018); Associate Professor of Law, 2013-2020

Courses: Contracts; Feminist Legal Theory; Human Rights and Inequality; Interdisciplinary Human Rights Seminar; Independent Study; Externship Supervision

Faculty Service: Chair of Working Group on Climate Change and Migration, Boston College Initiative on Global Ethics and Social Trust; Chair, International Committee; Member, Appointments Committee; Faculty Affiliate, Boston College Center for Human Rights and International Justice; Faculty Mentor, International Law Society and Women’s Law Center

Australian National University (Canberra, Australia)

Associate Professor (with tenure), 2013; Senior Lecturer, 2010–2012

High Court of Australia

Law Clerk (Judge’s Associate), The Hon. Justice Michael Kirby AC CMG, 2001-02

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Doctor of Juridal Science (S.J.D), 2009
Dissertation: Constituting Economic and Social Rights (Frank Michelman (Chair))
Frank Knox Memorial Scholar, Harvard University (full tuition merit-based scholarship).

Harvard University, Masters of Laws (LL.M.), 2003 (degree waived for tuition purposes)
Frank Knox Memorial Scholar; Harvard Human Rights Program Scholarship
Thesis: Internationalist Constitutional Interpretation

University of Melbourne (Australia), Bachelor of Laws, LL.B. (Hons), 1999; Bachelor of Arts, B.A. 1999
Graduated First in Law Class of 281, awarded Supreme Court Prize (University Medal), 2000
World Cup Champion, Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2000
Editor-in-Chief, Melbourne University Law Review

University of Heidelberg (Germany), Law Exchange, 1999
Completion of law courses in German, incl. civil law (BGB), comparative law, German, European Union and international environmental law

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph

   • 49 Tulsa L. Rev. 527 (2013) (Eileen McDonagh)
   • 126 Harv. L. Rev. 868, 870 (2013) (Recent Publications)
• I-CONnect Book Reviews (2013) (Jamal Greene)
• 50(4) Collected Papers, Faculty of Law in Split 1025-1026 (2013) (Mia Bašić) (in Croatian)
• [2014] Public Law (UK) 163-170 (Jamie Burton)
• Cover endorsement: “A brilliant discussion of an extremely difficult subject of great importance to policy making and practical reasoning. Katharine Young’s lucidity is exemplary, and so is the originality of her approach to human rights.” (Amartya Sen)
• Launched at Human Rights Program & International Legal Studies Program, Harvard Law School, November 5, 2012

Casebook


Edited Volumes

3. The Oxford Handbook of Economic and Social Rights (Oxford University Press) (edited collection, with Malcolm Langford) (link) (preliminary publication, 23 entries available online; print edition forthcoming 2024)

   • (2019) 68 Journal of Legal Education JLE, 764–767 (Margaret Y. K. Woo)
   • (2019) 17 International Journal of Constitutional Law I•CON, 1354–1358 (Ingrid Leitjen)

5. The Public Law of Gender: From the Local to the Global (Cambridge University Press, 2016) (edited collection, with Kim Rubenstein). 630 pages. (link) Reviewed in:
   • (2018) 30(2) Denning Law Review, 197-206 (Ronli Sifris)
   • Launched at Annual Seminar on Comparative Constitutionalism, University of Oslo, Norway, Nov. 21, 2016; and ANU Gender Institute, Australian National University, Australia (by Commonwealth Sex Discrimination Commissioner Kate Jenkins), July 8, 2016

Articles


8. Human Rights Originalism, 110 GEO. L. J. 1097 (2022)


   • Reviewed by Lee Anne Fennell, Questioning the Queue, JOTWELL (October 17, 2017) https://property.jotwell.com/questioning-the-queue/


   - *SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: EDITED COLLECTION* (Sandra Fredman and Meghan Campbell, eds., Edward Elgar, 2016)
   - *ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS AS HUMAN RIGHTS* (Olivier De Schutter, ed., Edward Elgar, 2013) 337
   - Featured in Opinio Juris Online Symposium (2008) (link)

Book Chapters


Recent Book Reviews, Blogs & Other Contributions


34. *Securing Health through Rights*, in INCENTIVES FOR GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH 357 (Thomas Pogge, Matthew Rimmer & Kim Rubenstein, eds., Cambridge University Press, 2010) (link)


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46. *Human Rights and the Duties of Government*, OpenGlobalRights blog, Nov. 6, 2019

47. *The Government Shutdown: Another Step toward the Constitutional Precipice*, VERFASSUNGSBLOG (On Matters Constitutional) (Germany), Jan. 19, 2019


**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Visiting Academic Appointments: (for permanent appointments, see above)**

Visiting Lecturer, University of Pavia, Science, Technology and Law (March 2020) (disrupted by Covid)

Visiting Lecturer, Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University, Turku/Åbo, Finland, (2013-2018)

Visiting Lecturer, Dejusticia, Bogota, Colombia (2016)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Boston University School of Law (2008-09)

**Legal Practice:**

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP (Paul, Weiss), New York

*Summer Associate* (2005, offer extended)

Allens Arthur Robinson, Solicitors (Allens), Melbourne, Australia (2000-01)

*Articled Clerk* (pre-admission first year attorney) in antitrust law, working under former head of the Trade Practices Commission, now Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (agency equivalent to the US Federal Trade Commission).

Admitted to Supreme Court of Victoria; Clerk of High Court of Australia (2000)

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Bonn, Germany (Summer 1999) (intern)

John Brumby M.L.A. (Opposition Leader, later Premier (Governor) of State of Victoria, Australia) (1997) (intern)
INVITED PRESENTATIONS (SELECTION ONLY)


Participant, Global Perspectives on the Regulation of Networks, Platforms, and Utility Enterprises, Vanderbilt University, June 3-5, 2024 (upcoming)

Chair and Presenter, Economic and Social Rights as Human Rights, American Philosophical Association, Society for the Philosophy of Human Rights, 2024 Pacific Division Meeting, March 20-23, 2024 (upcoming)

Participant, Future of Constitutionalism Workshop, Yale Law School, Jan. 19-20, 2024 (upcoming)

Keynote, Symposium: Misappropriation and Human Rights Implosion, Thematic Week: Human rights in times of multiple challenges - perspectives from science and society, Hannover, Germany, November 6-8, 2023 (upcoming)

Co-Moderator and Organizer, Democracy’s Geographical Guardrails: State Supreme Courts in Comparative Perspective (working title), Clough Center for the Study of Constitutional Democracy and Boston College Law School, Nov. 14, 2023 (upcoming)

Presenter, Pandemics and Proportionality, in Panel Meetup, Restricting Rights in the Name of Health, Foundation Brocher (Geneva) Nov. 2, 2023 (upcoming)

Dobbs and Human Rights, Oct. 26 (If/When/How chapter, Boston College) (upcoming)

Panelist and Organizer, The Plural Worlds of Economic and Social Rights, Center for Human Rights and International Justice, Boston College, Oct. 2, 2023

Commentator, US. China and the Global South, Center for the Study of Contemporary China at the University of Pennsylvania, Sept. 21-22, 2023

Discussant, Constitutional Heroines? Female Chief Justices and Constitutional Court Presidents in Comparative Perspective (Erin Delaney & Rosalind Dixon), 8–12 July 2023, Queenstown NZ (Zoom)

Panel Organizer and Chair, The Plural Worlds of Economic and Social Rights, International Society for Constitutional Law, Annual Conference, Wellington NZ, July 2023


Presenter, Human Rights and Climate Change, International Research Collaborative on Human Rights and Sustainability (IRC 58), Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Puerto Rico, June 1-3, 2023

Discussant, Casebook Workshop on Comparative Constitutional Law, Malyi Center on Legal and Institutional Integrity at the University of Chicago, May 2023

Presenter, Symposium: Deliberations on Human Rights Change: Theories and Practice, Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen, Nov. 24, 2022

Commentator, IACL 2022 Junior Scholars Forum, Social Rights Adjudication and the Role of the Judiciary, Sept. 13, 2022 (Zoom)

Discussant, Junior Faculty Forum for South Asian Law Teachers, Aug. 28, 2022 (Zoom)

Participant, Georgetown Roundtable on Comparative Constitutional Law, July 2022 (London)

Presenter, Socio-Economic Rights, (Re)Distribution and Judicial Competence, Housing Commissions Conference on a Referendum on Housing in Ireland in The UCD Sutherland School, May 11, 2022 (Zoom)

Presenter, 2nd Colloquium on The Inter-American System of Human Rights, Nov. 2021, UNAM (Zoom)

Presenter, Jurisgenesis Across Borders, at The Life and Work of Robert M. Cover, Touro Law School, October 5-6, 2021 (Zoom, recording)

Presenter, Proportionality, Backsliding and Economic and Social Rights, Presenter (concurrent translation into Spanish), Supreme Court of Mexico, September 21, 2021 (Zoom, recording)

Guest Presenter, The Art of Social Change, Harvard Law School, April 22, 2021 (Zoom)

Paper Presenter, Human Rights Originalism, Duke Law School, Feb. 2023; Law Futures Centre, Griffith Law School, Queensland, Australia, May 6, 2022; Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies, Melbourne Law School, April 26, 2022; Colloquium on International Law and Politics, University of Berkeley, (Zoom), Jan. 28, 2022; Global Constitutionalism Colloquium, WZB Berlin Social Science Center, (Zoom), Jan. 26, 2022; The
University of Texas School of Law Faculty Colloquium, Nov. 2021 (Zoom); Seminar, Faculty of Law, Izmir University of Economics, Istanbul, April 8, 2021 (Zoom)

Presenter, Post-COVID Economic and Social Rights, International Project on Social and Economic Rights, March 26, 2021, (Zoom)

Commentator, Law and Political Economy Workshop, Spring 2021 (Zoom)

Presenter, COVID and Democracy, Zoom, University of Pretoria, South Africa, Fall 2020 (Zoom)

Paper Presenter, Inequality and Rights, 10th Symposium on Critical Analysis of Law, Universidade Estadual do Norte do Paraná (UENP), Brazil, Nov. 2, 2020 (Zoom)


Presenter, Clough Center for the Study of Constitutional Democracy, Boston College, Constitution Day Webinar, We the Women, Sept. 18, 2020 (Zoom, [recording](#))

Keynote Presenter, Privatization of Health Care, University of Ottawa, April 6-5, 2018


Paper Presenter: International Law Workshop, Harvard Law School, Nov. 1, 2019

Guest Presenter: ICON-S Mexican Chapter, Equality and Social and Economic Rights, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), Sept. 25-6, 2019

Organizer (with Malcolm Langford), Theories of Economic and Social Rights, Workshop at the Clough Center for Constitutional Democracy, collaboration between University of Oslo and Boston College, Sept. 6, 2019

Presenter: Economic and Social Rights as an Interdisciplinary Research Field, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 31, 2019

Presenter: The New Managerialism, Harvard Law School Workshop on Constitutionalism and Effective Governance, May 2019

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, Populism and Democracy? (Jan-Werner Müller, Jim Cronin and Amilcar Antonio Barreto), Clough Center for Constitutional Democracy, Boston College, April 12, 2019

Presenter: Solidarity and Human Rights: Conference in Honor of Wiktor Osiałyński, University of Connecticut, April 2019

Moderator: Human Rights in Aid of Development in Jinxed Africa, Presentation by Raymond Atuguba, Clough Center for Constitutional Democracy, Boston College, March 27, 2019

Panelist, Book Talk, Mark Tushnet, Sanford Levinson and Mark Graber, Constitutional Democracy in Crisis?, Harvard Law School, Oct. 2018

Paper Presenter, Rights and Queues, Yale Legal Theory Workshop, Yale Law School, Nov. 17, 2017; International Law Colloquium, The University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, April 4, 2017; Constitutions and Inequality Conference, The University of NSW, August 2017; Junior Faculty Exchange, The University of California, Hastings College of the Law, April 7, 2017; Rights Reading Group, University de los Andes, Colombia, Oct. 27, 2016; Harvard/Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum, Yale Law School, June 28-29, 2016; Prague Colloquium on Philosophy and the Social Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic, May 18, 2016

**Representative Community Service**


**ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS**

- American Society of International Law; The Association of American Law Schools; International Society of Public Law (ICON-S); Law and Society Association; American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy
• Economic and Social Rights Working Group (University of Connecticut); International Social & Economic Rights Project (iSERP); Member, Collaborative Research Network, Law and Society Association, Economic and Social Rights

GRANTS, PEER REVIEW AND OTHER SERVICE

• Doctoral dissertation examiner, George Washington University Law School, Monash University Law School, Stellenbosch Law School (South Africa), McGill University; Tenure review (anon)
• Grant reviews: Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) Grant review: 2021-2022; National Research Foundation (NRF) South Africa: Grant review 2021; Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order Reviewer; National Science Foundation (NSF) (United States) Grant review: 2016, 2014;
• Academic presses review: Oxford University Press; Cambridge University Press; Rowman & Littlefield; University of Toronto Press
• Grants and Awards: Race, Gender, and Representation, Institute of Liberal Arts, Boston College Law School, 2023; Global Ethics and Social Trust Initiative at Boston College, Porticus, 2022; Consultant, Open Society Foundation London Economic Justice Program, 2019; Affordable Course Materials Initiative, Boston College, 2016; The Bellagio Center, Italy, The Rockefeller Foundation, 2013, 2006; Australian Capital Territory Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Research Project, Australian Research Council Linkage Project Scheme, 2009-10 (with Hilary Charlesworth & Andrew Byrnes); Safra Graduate Fellow in Ethics, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, 2007-2008; Research Fellow, Project on Justice, Welfare & Economics, Chaired by Amartya Sen, Harvard University, 2005-2006; Graduate Fellow, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 2004-2005

LANGUAGES

English (first language) · German (advanced) · French (basic)

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