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2023 Visiting Researcher, Centre for Bioethics and Medical Humanities  
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## OVERVIEW

***Publications:*** Over 60 sole-authored articles and 5 books: *Constructing Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering*, (2022). *The Human Rights State* (2016); *Human Rights as Social Construction* (2012) [translation 作为社会建构的人权 in 2020 by 中国人民大学出版社]; *Thick Moralities, Thin Politics* (2003); and *Coping in Politics with Indeterminate Norms* (2003). Work has been translated into German, Portuguese, Italian, Japanese, and Chinese.

***Teaching:*** Teaches bioethics, including political bioethics and political AI-studies, informed by philosophy and sociology, at the University of Texas at Austin as well as occasionally in Germany (Frankfurt), Austria (Linz and Innsbruck), Sweden (Lund), Japan (Tokyo and Hokkaido), China (Beijing), and Brazil (Goiânia). The College of Liberal Arts Committees on Research and Teaching awarded him the Silver Spurs Fellowship in recognition of outstanding scholarship and teaching. Has conducted graduate master classes at the Universidade Federal de Goiás in Brazil, at the Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg in Germany, at the University of Hokkaido in Japan, and at the University of Glasgow in the UK.

***Research:*** Current research agenda proceeds along several tracks that intersect at points: political bioethics; political challenges of artificial intelligence; and human rights as social science, not theology or metaphysics.

***Grants:*** Has received grants, in 2024, for research on reception of Darwin's theory of evolution in Southeast Asia and North Africa; in 2023, for establishing university-to-university-level collaboration with the Center for Bioethics, Faculty of Medicine, Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia; in 2023-25, from the National Science Foundation, for collaboration with laboratory scientists, on ethical issues of the new technology and how they may be addressed through new design features: "Building a Cell from Scratch: Design and Ethics"; in 2021/2022, as the Fulbright Distinguished Chair in Public International Law at Lund University, Sweden; in

2022, as a visiting researcher at the Centre for Biomedical Ethics, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore: “Might the Bioethical Principle of Individual Decisional Autonomy Have a Politically Liberalizing Effect on Soft Authoritarian Communities?”; in 2019, as a visiting researcher at the Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen: “Beyond Due Diligence: The Human Rights Corporation”; in 2018, as a visiting researcher at the Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics and at the Ethox Centre, both University of Oxford: “Creating Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering.”

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### ***SOLE-AUTHORED BOOKS***

• Gregg, B. 2022. *Creating Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering*. New York: Cambridge University Press. <https://www.cambridgeblog.org/author-profile/benjamin-gregg/>

† cf. blog (2022): Should We Modify Future Persons – and Our Entire Species – Genetically? in *Fifteen Eighty Four, Academic Perspectives from Cambridge University Press*: <https://www.cambridgeblog.org/2022/10/should-we-modify-future-persons-and-our-entire-species-genetically/>

† cf. article (2022) in *Life & Letters Magazine*: <https://lifeandletters.la.utexas.edu/2022/10/creating-human-nature-government-professor-benjamin-gregg-delves-into-the-fraught-politics-of-genetic-engineering/>

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• Gregg, B. 2012. *Human Rights as Social Construction*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Among Cambridge University Press’ top ten bestsellers in political theory, 2012. Interviewed on PBS station KLRU, 2012. On the syllabus of the honors bachelor’s degree curriculum in Politics, Psychology and Sociology Tripos (PPS) at Cambridge University. First hardcover printing sold out seven months after publication; second printing, sold out August 2012; two additional printings of hardcover; paperback edition published 2013.

• Gregg, B. 2003. *Thick Moralities, Thin Politics: Social Integration across Communities of Belief*. Duke University Press. Durham. Focus of special issue (2012) *Comparative Sociology*, 11(5), “Comparative Perspectives on Social Integration in Pluralistic Societies: Thick Norms versus Thin.”

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### **MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS**

- *Indigeneity as Social Construct and Political Tool: Critique of a Contested Concept in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (under review)
- *21<sup>st</sup> Century Indigenisms: Peoples, Corporations, Genetics, Artificial Intelligence* (in draft)

### **MANUSCRIPTS IN CONCEPTUAL GESTATION**

- *Bioethics for Indigenous Peoples in India* (fieldwork 2024 and 2025)
- *AI's Responsibility to Our Species: Constructing Humanity's Political Future* (fieldwork 2026 and 2027)

### **SOLE-AUTHORED, PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

- Gregg, B. 2024, forthcoming. The Human Genome as a Knowledge Commons: Governance through Mutual-Benefit Participatory Democracy, in D. Gindis and P. Kuchař, eds. *Governing Corporate Knowledge Commons*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Gregg, B. 2024, forthcoming. How to Evaluate an Individual's Decision Whether to Vaccinate During a Pandemic: Better by a Knowledge Commons than by Luck Egalitarianism. *American Journal of Bioethics*.
- Gregg, B. 2024, forthcoming. Human Genetic Engineering and Artificial Intelligence: Biotic Justice in the Anthropocene? In M. Goldstein, M. Costello, S. Elias, eds. *Encyclopedia of the Anthropocene*, 2nd Edition. Oxford, UK: Elsevier. Revised and updated version of text published in *Encyclopedia of the Anthropocene*, vol. 4:351-359 (2018).
- Gregg, B. 2024. Might the Bioethical Principle of Individual Decisional Autonomy Have a Politically Liberalizing Effect on Soft Authoritarian Communities? *Politics and the Life Sciences*. 43 (1):132-151.
- Gregg, B. 2023. AI-Based Medical Solutions Can Threaten Physicians' Ethical Obligations Only If Allowed to Do So. *American Journal of Bioethics* 23 (9):84-86.
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- Gregg, B. 2022 Political Bioethics. *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy* 47 (4):516–529.
- Gregg, B. 2022. Regulating Genetic Engineering Guided by Human Dignity, Not Genetic Essentialism. *Politics and the Life Sciences*. 41 (1):60-75.
- Gregg, B. 2022. The Parameters of Possible Constitutional Interpretation, in R. Wuthnow, ed. *Vocabularies of Public Life: Empirical Essays in Symbolic Structure*. London: Routledge:207-233. Originally published 2002.
- Gregg, B. 2021. Il contenimento di Covid-19: diritto alla privacy contro diritto alla salute pubblica [Containing COVID-19: A Right to Privacy versus a Right to Public Health]. Trans. P. Monti and C. Rebuffo. *Lessico di etica pubblica* [Lexicon of Public Ethics] 2021 (1): 125-163. ISSN 2039-2206.
- Gregg, B. 2021. Against Essentialism in Conceptions of Human Rights and Human Nature. *Human Rights Quarterly* 43:313–328.
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  - Gregg, B. 2010. Enlightened Localism in Comparative Perspective. *Comparative Sociology* 9 (5):563-593.
  - Gregg, B. 2009. *Familiendämmerung in Amerika? [Twilight of the American Family?]*. In S. Caspar und C. Gehrke, eds. *Familien-Bande [Families as Idiosyncrasies]*. Tübingen, Germany: Konkursbuch Verlag:321-329.
  - Gregg, B. 2008. Translating Human Rights into Muslim Vernaculars. *Comparative Sociology* 7 (4):457-483.
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### **CO-AUTHORED PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES**

- Du Li, Wang Zhangyu and B. Gregg. 2024, forthcoming. Regulatory Barriers to US-China Collaboration for Generative AI Development in Genomic Research. *Cell Genomics*.

- Wolfsteller, René and B. Gregg. 2017. A Realistic Utopia? Critical Analyses of *The Human Rights State* in Theory and Deployment: Guest Editors' Introduction. *The International Journal of Human Rights* 21 (3):219-229.

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### **BOOK REVIEWS**

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- Gregg, B. 2022: Review of *Becoming Human: A Theory of Ontogeny* by Michael Tomasello (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2019). *International Dialogue* 12:117-121.  
<https://doi.org/10.32873/uno.dc.ID.12.1.1200>

- Gregg, B. 2022. Review of *Righting Health Policy: Bioethics, Political Philosophy, and the Normative Justification of Health Law and Policy* by D. Robert MacDonald (Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2022). *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries* 60 (1).

- Gregg, B. 2022. Review of *Governing through Expertise: The Politics of Bioethics* by Annabelle Littoz-Monnet (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2020). *Political Science Quarterly* 137 (2): 419-421.

- Gregg, B. 2021. Review of *Artificial Life After Frankenstein* by Eileen Hunt Botting (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2021). *Perspectives on Politics* 19 (3):979-981.

- Gregg, B. 2020. "A Socialism beyond Human Rights yet in Partnership with Them," Review Essay on *Not Enough: Human Rights in an Unequal World* by Samuel Moyn (Harvard UP 2018). *Kritikon Litterarum* 47 (3-4):376-381.

- Gregg, B. 2019. Review of *Contestability and Its Limits* by Nancy Kim (Cambridge University Press, 2019). *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries* 57 (3), #57-1143.
- Gregg, B. 2019. Review of *Enhanced Beings: Human Germline Modification and the Law* by Kerry Lynn Macintosh (Cambridge University Press, 2018). *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries*, 56 (5), #56-2123.
- Gregg, B. 2018. Review of *The Moral Conflict of Law and Neuroscience* by Peter Alces (University of Chicago Press, 2018). *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries* 55 (11), #55-4221.
- Gregg, B. 2018. Review of *The Promise of Human Rights: Constitutional Government, Democratic Legitimacy, and International Law* by Jamie Mayerfield (2016). *Contemporary Political Theory* 17 (S1):S30-S34.
- Gregg, B. 2015. Review of *Making Human: World Order and the Global Governance of Human Dignity* by Matthew Weinert (2015). *Human Rights Quarterly* 37:1101-1104.
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### **BOOK REVIEW IN PROGRESS**

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- Gregg, B. 1986. “The Search for ‘Normality’ in the Relationship between Germans and Jews,” by Sigrid Meuschel. *New German Critique* 38:39-56.

### **RECENT VISITING RESEARCH AND FELLOW POSITIONS**

2023 Visiting Researcher, Centre for Bioethics and Medical Humanities, Faculty of Medicine, Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia

2022 Visiting Researcher, Centre for Biomedical Ethics, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore. Project: article titled “Evaluating Bioethical Regulation in a Non-Liberal State”

2021-2022 Fulbright Distinguished Chair in Public International Law at Lund University, Sweden. Joint appointment with Law School and Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law. Project: book titled *The Human Rights Regulation of Human Genetic Engineering*

2019 Visiting Researcher, Centre de Recherches Interdisciplinaires, Université Paris 5 René Descartes, Paris, France

2019 Visiting Researcher, Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen, Denmark

2018 Visiting Researcher, Centre for Sami Studies, University of Tromsø, Norway

2018 Visiting Fellow, Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics and the Ethox Centre, Nuffield Department of Population Health, University of Oxford, UK

2016 Visiting Researcher, Interdisciplinary Center for Bioethics, Yale University, New Haven, CT

2016 Visiting Researcher, The Hastings Center, Garrison, NY

2016 Fulbright Professor, Johannes-Kepler-Universität, Linz, Austria

### **INVITED PROFESSOR, INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE MASTER CLASSES**

2019 Universidade Federal de Goiás [Federal University of Goiás], Programa de Pós- Graduação Interdisciplinar em Direito Humanos [Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Human Rights]. Goiânia, Brazil.

2019 University of Halle, Research Cluster “Gesellschaft und Kultur in Bewegung” [Society and Culture in Motion]. Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg [Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg]. Halle, Germany.

2016 University of Hokkaido, School of Law. Sapporo, Japan.

2015 University of Glasgow, Human Rights Network. Scotland, UK.

## **SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS**

### ***INVITED TALKS***

“Governance and Regulation in the Construction of Synthetic Cells: Bioethical Challenges.” First Synthetic Cell Global Summit, Shenzhen Institutes of Advanced Technology, Academia Sinica, Shenzhen, China. October 2024.

“Governance Potential of the Human Genome as a Knowledge Commons: Unleashed through Mutual-Benefit Participatory Democracy.” Workshop on Governing Corporate Knowledge Commons, Cambridge University Press, King’s College London, UK. February 2024.

“A Right to Privacy versus a Right to Health.” Law, Ethics and Technology Research Circle, Faculty of Law, University of Macau, Taipa, Macau SAR, China. November 2023.

“Bioethical Aspects of *in vitro* Fertilization.” Plenary Session, Third Makassar Obstetrics and Gynecology Update, Makassar, Sulawesi, Indonesia. November 2023.

“Are There Good Reasons to Genetically Modify Future Persons — and Our Entire Species?” Tower Fellows Program, McCombs School of Business, University of Texas at Austin. September 2023.

“What Is Bioethics and Why Is It Important to Medical Education and to Clinical Practice?” Department of Biomedical Sciences, School of Medicine, Universitas Padjadjaran, Bandung, Java, Indonesia. June 2023.

“What is Bioethics and Why is It Important to Medical Education and to Clinical Practice?” Bioethics and Medical Humanities, School of Medicine, Universitas Diponegoro, Semarang, Java, Indonesia. June 2023.

“The Forensic Potential of Epigenetics.” Fakultas Kedokteran, Universitas Pattimura, Ambon, Maluku, Indonesia. June 2023.

“What is Bioethics and Why is It Important to Medical Education and to Clinical Practice?” Fakultas Kedokteran, Universitas Pattimura, Ambon, Maluku, Indonesia. June 2023.

“Artificial Intelligence Lacks the Political Capacity of Mutual Responsibility-Taking in Medicine and Politics.” Forensic Medicine and Medico-Legal Studies, School of Medicine, Universitas Hasanuddin, Makassar, Sulawesi, Indonesia. June 2023.

“Could There Be a Human Right to Freedom from Genetic Disability?” Bioethics and Humanities, School of Medicine, Universitas Hasanuddin, Makassar, Sulawesi, Indonesia. June 2023.

“Moral and Legal Guidelines for the Genetic Editing of Individuals.” Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Udayana, Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia. June 2023.

“Deploying Epigenetics to Identify Responsibility for Genetically Influenced Health Inequalities.” Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Udayana, Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia. June 2023.

“Genetically Informed Personalized Education.” Prodi Magister Ilmu Biomedik, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Java, Indonesia. May 2023.

“Analog to Human Genetic Engineering: How Artificial Intelligence Threatens the Political Capacity of Human Intelligence.” Program Magister Bioetika, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Java, Indonesia. May 2023.

“Moral and Legal Guidelines for the Genetic Editing of Individuals.” Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities, Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Java, Indonesia. May 2023.

“Deploying Epigenetics to Identify Genetically Influenced Social Injustices.” Kelompok Kerja (Pokja) Genetik, Unit Riset Translasional (URT), Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Java, Indonesia. May 2023.

“A Brief Introduction to *Creating Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering*.” Professur für Ethik der Medizin, Medizinische Fakultät, Universität Augsburg, Germany. April 2023.

“A Right to Privacy versus a Right to Health.” The Kerala Law Academy Law College in association with Centre for Advanced Legal Studies and Research, Trivandrum, India. December 2022.

“Moral and Legal Guidelines for the Genetic Editing of Individuals.” Cluster of Excellence CIBSS: Centre for Integrative Biological Signaling Studies, University of Freiburg, Germany. November 2022.

“How Artificial Intelligence May One Day Threaten the Political Capacity of Human Intelligence.” Faculty of Law, Kuala Lumpur, Universiti Malaya, Malaysia. August 2022.

“A Right to Privacy versus a Right to Health.” Centre for Legal Theory and Centre for Asian Legal Studies, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore. August 2022.

“A Human Right to Freedom from Genetic Disability.” Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Law, Kuala Lumpur, Universiti Malaya, Malaysia. August 2022.

“Genetic Engineering Where Severe Cognitive Disability is Indicated: Toward Enabling the Future Person’s Capacity for Participation in Political Community.” Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Law, Kuala Lumpur, Universiti Malaya, Malaysia. August 2022.

“Human Nature as Social Construct, Human Dignity as Decisional Autonomy: Moral and Legal Guidelines for the Genetic Editing of Our Species.” Department of Medical Ethics & Law, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Sungai Buloh Campus, Selangor, Malaysia. August 2022.

“Genetic-Editing Regulation Guided by Human Dignity as Decisional Autonomy.” University of Granada, Spain. May 2022.

“How Artificial Intelligence May One Day Threaten the Political Capacity of Human Intelligence.” Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Istanbul Medipol University, Turkey. May 2022.

“Regulating Genetic Engineering Guided by Human Dignity, Not Genetic Essentialism.” Institut für Biomedizinische Ethik und Medizingeschichte [Institute of Biomedical Ethics and History of Medicine], Universität Zürich, Switzerland. May 2022.

“Human Nature as Social Construct, Human Dignity as Decisional Autonomy: Moral and Legal Guidelines for the Genetic Editing of Our Species.” Saints Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje, North Macedonia. April 2022.

“Containing COVID-19: A Human Right to Privacy versus a Human Right to Health.” Saints Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje, North Macedonia. April 2022.

“Against Essentialism in Conceptions of Human Rights and Human Nature.” Instituto de Filosofia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal. April 2022.

“Against Essentialism in Conceptions of Human Rights and Human Nature.” Centre for Research Ethics and Bioethics, Uppsala University; Department of Philosophy, Stockholm University; and Stockholm Centre for Health Care Ethics, Sweden. March 2022.

“How Artificial Intelligence May One Day Threaten the Political Capacity of Human Intelligence.” Institut für Information Systems Engineering, Technische Universität Wien, Vienna, Austria. March 2022.

“Genetic Engineering Where Severe Cognitive Disability is Indicated: Toward Enabling the Future Person’s Capacity for Participation in Political Community.” Department of Philosophy, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. March 2022.

“A Human Right to Freedom from Genetic Disability.” Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics, Department of Philosophy, University of Oxford, UK. March 2022.

“Genetic Engineering Where Severe Cognitive Disability is Indicated: Toward Enabling the Future Person’s Capacity for Participation in Political Community.” Ethox Centre and Wellcome Centre for Ethics and Humanities, University of Oxford, UK. February 2022.

“Genetic Engineering where Severe Cognitive Disability is Indicated: Toward Threshold Capacities for Political Participation in Liberal Democratic Communities.” Department of Political Science, Lund University, Sweden. February 2022.

“Marx’s Challenge to China Today: For a Free Press and Democratic Political Participation, Against Ideological Distortions and Authoritarian Governance.” School of Marxism, Xiamen University, China. December 2021.

“Human Nature as Social Construct, Human Dignity as Decisional Autonomy: Moral and Legal Guidelines for the Genetic Editing of Our Species.” Fulbright Distinguished Chair Inaugural Address, School of Law, University of Lund, Sweden. December 2021

“Gene-Editing for Cognitive Disability.” Health Law Research Centre of the Faculty of Law, University of Lund, Sweden. September 2021.

“Human Rights as a Politics of Imagination: Morality Beyond Tradition, Solidarity Without Nationalism, Justice Authored by Its Addressees,” Globalizing Education Faculty Learning Community, a collaboration between Hemispheres Consortium at UT Austin and International Programs at Austin Community College (virtual). October 2020.

Keynote Address. “How to Oppose Authoritarian Democracy in Brazil: A Guide for Citizens.” Direitos Humanos em tempos neoliberais e antihumanistas [Human Rights in Neoliberal and Antihumanist Times]. Universidade Federal de Goiás [Federal University of Goiás]. Goiânia, Brazil. September 2019.

“Political Challenges of Regulating Human Genetic Engineering.” Centre de recherches interdisciplinaires [Center for Interdisciplinary Research], Université de Paris. Paris, France. July 2019.

“The Coming Political Challenges of Artificial Intelligence.” Information Technology University of Copenhagen, Denmark. June 2019.

“Beyond Due Diligence: The Human Rights Corporation.” Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen, Denmark. June 2019.

“Political Bioethics: Deciding Difficult Bioethical Issues Under Conditions of Value Pluralism and Deep Disagreement.” Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg. [Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg]. Halle, Germany. May 2019.

“The Coming Political Challenges of Artificial Intelligence.” Institut für Geschichte und Ethik der Medizin, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg [Institute for History and Ethics of Medicine, Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg]. Halle, Germany. May 2019.

“Deploying Epigenetics to Identify Genetically Influenced Social Inequalities.” Nuffield Department of Population Health, Ethox Centre, University of Oxford, UK. December 2018.

“Political Bioethics.” St. Cross Lecture in Ethics, Department of Philosophy, University of Oxford, UK. November 2018.

“Can Corporate Profit-Seeking Accord with Human Rights-Promotion?” Adam Smith School of Business, University of Glasgow, Scotland. September 2018.

“Human Rights Advocacy as Bottom-Up Politics that Deploys the Rule of Law, Democracy, Cosmopolitan Declarations and International Law.” Bayerische Amerika-Akademie, Stiftung Bayerisches Amerikahaus [Bavarian American Academy, Bavarian Center for Transatlantic Relations]. Munich, Germany. July 2018.

“Therapie und Enhancement der Human-Intelligenz: Was leisten die Menschenrechte?” [Genetic Therapy and Genetic Enhancement of Human Intelligence: What Regulatory Guidance Might

Human Rights Provide?] Katholische Hochschule für Sozialwesen [Catholic University of Social Services]. Berlin, Germany. April 2018.

“Why the Difference Between Two Forms of Engineered Intelligence Matters: AI and Genetically Manipulated Humans.” School of Psychology, National University of Ireland, Galway. February 2018.

“Can Biological Science Advance Social Justice?” School of Psychology, Psi Chi Honours Society, National University of Ireland, Galway. February 2018.

“Social Theory at the Margins of the Social: Epigenetics, Artificial Intelligence, and the Anthropocene.” Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville. October 2017.

“Social and Political Challenges of Human Genetic Engineering.” Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville. October 2017.

“Self-Authored Human Rights.” IESB Centro Universitário [Higher Education Institute of Brasília]. Brasília, Brazil. August 2017.

“A Human Right Not to Democracy but to the Rule of Law.” IESB Centro Universitário [Higher Education Institute of Brasília]. Brasília, Brazil. August 2017.

“On The Human Rights State and Latin America.” Universidade de Brasília [University of Brasília]. Brasília, Brazil. August 2017.

“The Role of Organized Civil Society in Constructing a Human Rights State in Brazil.” OAB-DF [Order of Attorneys of Brazil-Distrito Federal (Brazilian Bar Association, Federal District)]. Brasília, Brazil. August 2017.

“Genetically Informed Personalized Education: Promises and Perils for Social Justice.” The Hastings Center, Garrison, NY. August 2016.

“A Human Rights Framework for Evaluating the Genetic Engineering of Intelligence.” The Hastings Center, Garrison, NY. July 2016.

“Human Rights as Social Construction: In Dialogue with the Jesuit Tradition.” Human Rights Institute, University of Deusto, Bilbao, Spain. June 2016.

“The Human Rights Challenges Posed by Human Genetic Engineering.” Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo, Norway. June 2016.

“Die menschliche Natur als Technologieprodukt: Träume und Albträume der Genmanipulation” [Human Nature as a Product of Technology: Promises and Perils of Human Genetic Manipulation]. University of Linz, Austria. June 2016.

“The Human Rights Challenges of Human Genetic Engineering.” Erik Castrén Institute of International Law and Human Rights, Helsinki, Finland. May 2016.

“The Human Rights State: Political Community Beyond the Nation State.” Institute of Philosophy, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Prague. May 2016.

“Human Genetic Engineering: Pressing Issues of Law, Medicine, and Ethics.” DeCode Genetics (biopharmaceutical company known for its discoveries in human genetics). Reykjavík, Iceland. April 2016.

“Genetically Informed Personalized Education: Promises and Perils for Social Justice.” Higher Seminar in Practical Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Lund University, Sweden. April 2016.

“The Human Rights Challenge of Genetic Engineering.” Raul Wallenberg Institute, Lund University, Sweden. April 2016.

“The Relationship between Human Rights and Democracy.” Department of Political Science, University of Missouri. Columbia. September 2015.

“Human Rights as Constructs: Without Religion or Metaphysics.” Centre for Contemporary Aristotelian Studies in Ethics and Politics, London Metropolitan University, UK. May 2015.

“Fundamental Questions for Political Community Posed by Genetic Manipulation.” University of the West of Scotland, Paisley, UK. May 2015.

Keynote Address. “Challenges to Human Rights Theory and Practice.” Glasgow Human Rights Network, University of Glasgow, Scotland. May 2015.

“Do Human Rights Require Democracy and the Rule of Law?” International Political Science Association World Congress, Montréal, Québec, July 2014.

Keynote Address. “Advancing Human Rights by Bringing Them Down to Earth.” Student World Assembly. Norwalk, CT. November 2014.

“The Pathology of the Surveillance State: On Reading My Stasi File.” British Studies Seminar, University of Texas at Austin. October 2013.

“Self-Granted Human Rights.” University of Nebraska, Lincoln. January 2011.

“Aufgeklärte Eugenik oder Eugenik wider Gleichheit?” [Enlightened Eugenics or Eugenics Undermining Equality?] Société suisse de Sociologie [Swiss Sociological Association]. Bern, Switzerland. September 2010.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

### ***PARTICIPATION IN ROUNDTABLES ON AUTHOR’S BOOKS***

“Roundtable on B. Gregg’s, *The Human Rights State*.” Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Austin, TX. January 2019.

“Roundtable on B. Gregg’s *The Human Rights State*.” Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden. April 2016

“Author-Meets-Critics Roundtable on B. Gregg’s, *Human Rights as Social Construction*.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA. August 2014.





### *CONFERENCE PAPERS*

“Technologies that Make Themselves Independent of Political Will: The Future Danger of Artificial Intelligence, Anticipated Already in Marx’s Late Theory.” Università degli Studi Roma Tre, Rome, Italy (virtual). June 2022.

“The Human Rights State as a Means to Global Justice beyond Nation States.” Manchester Centre for Political Theory, University of Manchester, UK (virtual). September 2021.

“Containing COVID-19: A Human Right to Privacy versus a Human Right to Health.” European Consortium for Political Research, General Conference. Colchester, UK (virtual). September 2021.

“Containing COVID-19: A Human Right to Privacy versus a Human Right to Health.” International Conference on the “Ethics of the Covid-19 Pandemic.” Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway (virtual). June 2021.

“Against Self-Isolation as a Human Right of Indigenous Peoples.” Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico. January 2020.

“Indigeneity as Social Construct and Political Tool.” Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico. January 2020.

“Against Self-Isolation as a Human Right of Indigenous Peoples.” Philosophy, Politics, Anthropology & Allied Disciplines Conference. University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. May 2019.

“Epigenetics as a Political Theory of Genetically Influenced Social Inequalities.” 24th World Congress of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Beijing University, China. August 2018.

“Epigenetics as a Political Theory of Genetically Influenced Social Inequalities.” International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Study of Biology, Institute of Biosciences, University of São Paulo, Brazil. July 2017.

“Genetic Engineering of Human Intelligence: Moral, Legal, and Political Issues.” Humanities Research Award Symposium, University of Texas at Austin. March 2017.

“Vom Nutzen und Nachteil der Biotechnik: Zur normativen Einschätzung der Humangenmanipulation” [“On the Use and Abuse of Biotechnology: The Normative Evaluation of Human Genetic Manipulation”]. Fifth Annual International Hartheim Conference on “Genetische Optimierung: Gentechnik und Fortpflanzungsmedizin” [Genetic Perfection: Gene Technology and Reproductive Medicine]. Alkoven, Austria. November 2016.

(Accepted but Declined.) “Genetic Justice: A Political Framework for Regulating Human Genetic Enhancement.” European Consortium for Political Research General Conference. Charles University, Prague, Czechia. September 2016.

“Fetus Ex Machina: The Political Challenge of Genetic Engineering.” Annual Meeting of the Association for Politics and the Life Sciences. University of Wisconsin, Madison. October 2015.

“Social Inequalities in the Enhancement of Health through Genetic Manipulation.” European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, Standing Group on Political Theory. Université de Montréal, Canada. August 2015.

“Genetic Diversity Among Humans: A Human Rights Issue?” International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Study of Biology. Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada. July 2015.

“A Human Right Not to Democracy but to the Rule of Law.” Annual Conference of the Association for Social and Political Philosophy, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. June 2015.

“The Body as Human Rights Boundary.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. San Francisco. August 2014.

“Human Rights and ‘Humanitarian’ Military Intervention.” Critical Sociology Conference. San Francisco. August 2014.

“The Local Construction of a Human Right to Democracy.” XVIII International Sociological Association World Congress, Yokohama, Japan. July 2014.

“What Cognitive Sociology Can Contribute to Human Rights Diffusion” XVIII International Sociological Association World Congress, Yokohama, Japan. July 2014.

“Human Rights Patriotism.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Chicago. September 2013.

(Accepted but Declined.) “Translating Human Rights into Local Muslim Vernaculars.” European Sociological Association Annual Conference. Università degli Studi di Torino, Italy. August 2013.

“International Relations in a Community of Human Rights States.” American Sociological Association, Conference on Re-Imagining Human Rights. New York, NY. August 2013.

“Developing Human Rights Commitment in Post-Communist Societies through Education.” Russian Political Science Association and International Political Science Association Research Committee. St. Petersburg, Russia. June 2013.

“The Human Rights State: Nongeographic ‘Borders’ Embedded in the Citizen.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April 2013.

“Human Rights Patriotism.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Chicago. September 2013.

“International Relations in a Community of Human Rights States.” American Sociological Association. New York, NY. August 2013.

“The Human Rights State: Nongeographic ‘Borders’ Embedded in the Citizen.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 2013.

“Abstracting from Human Bodies and National Boundaries via Electronically Mediated Communication: The Internet as Human Rights Resource.” Southern Sociological Society. New Orleans. March 2012.

“Für die Bildung einer kritischen Internet-Öffentlichkeit gegen politische Alltagsentfremdung und–asymmetrie” [Against Alienation and Asymmetry in Daily Life: Toward a Critical Public Sphere in the Internet]. Dritter gemeinsamer Kongress für Soziologie der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie, der Österreichischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie und der Schweizerischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie [Third Joint Congress for Sociology of the German Sociological Association, the Austrian Sociological Association, and the Swiss Sociological Association]. Innsbruck, Austria. October 2011.

“Menschenrechtsnormen als Subjekte des Strukturwandels der Weltöffentlichkeit: Auf dem Wege zu einem Pluralismus” [Human Rights Norms in the Structural Transformation of the Global Public Sphere: The Path to Human Rights Pluralism]. Dritter gemeinsamer Kongress für Soziologie der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie, der Österreichischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie und der Schweizerischen Gesellschaft für Soziologie [Third Joint Congress for Sociology of the German Sociological Association, the Austrian Sociological Association, and the Swiss Sociological Association]. Innsbruck, Austria. October 2011.

“The Genetic Self-Enhancement of the Human Species: Human Nature as Cultural Choice.” Political Studies Association. London, UK. April 2011.

“Rendering Human Rights Cosmopolitan Absent Universally Valid Norms.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington, DC. September 2010.

“Community, Security and Universalism: Conflicting Priorities in Early Modern Thought on International Relations.” With graduate student Peter Mohanty. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Toronto, Canada. September 2009.

“Not only Addressees: Individuals as Authors of Human Rights.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April 2009.

“Deploying Cognitive Sociology to Advance Human Rights.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April 2009.

“Human Rights: Political not Theological.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April 2008.

“Coping with Cultural Relativism in the Application of Human Rights.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Chicago. September 2007.

“Carl Schmitt and Constitutional Failure in Weimar Germany.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington, DC. September 2005.

“Citizen Rights and Obligations Beyond State Borders: Lessons from the European Union.” Biennial Conference of the European Union Studies Association. Austin, TX. April 2005.

“Responding to Globalization and Political Fragmentation by Softening Identities in State and Society.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Philadelphia. August 2003.

“Decoupling Political Culture from Majority Culture in the Normatively Thin State.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Philadelphia. August 2003.

## **COMPETITIVE RESEARCH GRANTS RECEIVED IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS**

### **2023/2024**

**College of Liberal Arts, UT-Austin**

**Description:** Grant to develop syllabus for I will offer a new Plan II Honors Social Science seminar on “Darwin’s Theory of Evolution: Major Controversies” to better prepare students to participate in respectful and constructive disagreement on important and complex topics, and to engage in civil discourse in the classroom; and to expose students to a range of perspectives gathered on one short trip to Southeast Asia (Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines) and on a second short trip to North Africa (Morocco, Tunisia) via filmed interviews canvassing a range of perspectives on Darwin’s theory not otherwise thematized in our North America and Europe-centered seminar

**Project Title:** “Darwin’s Theory of Evolution: Major Controversies in Reception Beyond the Christian West: Southeast Asia and North Africa”

**Amount:** \$10,000

**Deliverable:** New seminar that addresses the social and political challenges faced by developments in natural science in general, and by Darwin’s theory of evolution in particular, as well as research and publication on the theory’s troubled reception beyond the Christian West, specifically in parts of Southeast Asia and North Africa

### **2023**

**Office of Texas Global, UT-Austin**

**Description:** Faculty Travel Planning Grant to travel to Indonesia to establish a university-to-university-level collaboration with Gadjah Mada University and in preparation for application for a follow-up Texas Global funding opportunity

**Project Title:** “The Bioethical Principle of Individual Autonomy in Illiberal States: Challenges for Cross-National Gene-Editing Guidelines”

**Amount:** \$2500

**Deliverable:** university-to-university-level collaboration with the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities, Faculty of Medicine, Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Java, Indonesia

### **2023/2024/2025**

**National Science Foundation** (Principle Investigators: Professor Brian Belardi, Department of Chemical Engineering, and Professor Jeanne Stachowiak, Department of Biomedical Engineering, both UT)

**Project Title:** Synthetic Adhesome Cells: Engineering Interfaces Between Synthetic and Live Cells for Controlled Delivery

**Amount:** \$1,051,796 over three years [as of 2024: \$2,217,087]

**One Deliverable (others are expected):** Development of a new team-taught undergraduate course titled “Building a Cell from Scratch: Design and Ethics” (cross-listed in the Cockrell School of Engineering and the College of Liberal Arts), which in part considers ethical issues of the new technology and how these issues might be addressed through new design features

**My Role:** bioethics consultant on ethical implications of the research aims of the NSF project as well as developing the syllabus

## 2021/2022

2021-2022 **Fulbright Distinguished Chair** in Public International Law at Lund University, Sweden. Joint appointment with Law School and Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law

**Project title:** Human Rights and Human Genetic Engineering

**Amount:** 560,000 SEK

**Deliverables:**

(a) forthcoming March 2023. “Genetic Engineering Revolutions.” *Handbook of the Anthropocene*, C. Wulf and N. Wallenhorst, eds. London, Berlin, New York: Springer-Nature

(b) 2022. “The Person-Affecting/Identity-Affecting Distinction Between Forms of Human Germline Genome Editing Is Useless in Practical Ethics.” *American Journal of Bioethics* 22 (9):49-51

(c) 2022. “Political Bioethics.” *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy* 47 (4):516–529

(d) 2022. Regulating Genetic Engineering Guided by Human Dignity, Not Genetic Essentialism. *Politics and the Life Sciences*. 41(1):60-75

## 2022

**Office of the Vice President for Research & Creative Grants**, UT-Austin

**Description:** Visiting Researcher, Centre for Biomedical Ethics, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore

**Project Title:** “Evaluating Bioethical Regulation in a Non-Democratic State: Singapore”

**Amount:** \$10,000 (due to Covid pandemic, not accessed until summer 2022)

**Deliverable:** “Might the Bioethical Principle of Individual Decisional Autonomy Have a Politically Liberalizing Effect on Soft Authoritarian Communities?” Under revise and resubmit at *Politics and Life Sciences*.

## 2019

**Center for European Studies**, UT-Austin

**Description:** Research at the Danish Institute for Human Rights (Copenhagen), at the invitation of the research group “Human Rights and Business” to research practical strategies for going beyond the current corporate standard (due diligence) with respect to human rights observance

**Amount:** \$2000

**Deliverable:** 2020. “Beyond Due Diligence: The Human Rights Corporation.” *Human Rights Review*. 22:65-89.

## 2018

**Humanities Research Award**, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, UT

**Project Title:** Human Nature as Cultural Design: The Political Challenges of Genetic Enhancement

**Amount:** \$5000 for each of three years, 2014-2017; I was able to use a portion in 2018 to help make possible a visiting fellowship at Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics and at the Ethox Centre (Nuffield Department of Population Health), both University of Oxford

**Deliverable:** 2022. *Creating Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering*. New York: Cambridge University Press

**Center for European Studies, UT-Austin**

**Description:** One week visit to the Centre for Sami Studies at the University of Tromsø, Norway, to consult with scholars of Norway's Saami community with a focus on the operationalization of indigenous rights

**Amount:** \$2000

**Deliverables:**

**(a)** 2020. "The Indigenous Rights State." *Ratio Juris* 33(1):98-116

**(b)** 2019. "Indigeneity as Social Construct and Political Tool." *Human Rights Quarterly* 41(4):823-848

**Planet Texas 2050 Bridging Barriers**, Research Group "Resources, stress, and population dynamics in premodern urban environments"

**Amount:** \$6348 (for 2018/2019)

**Deliverables:**

**(a)** 2022. Chapter 10, "Genetic Engineering as a Technology of the Anthropocene," in Gregg. *Creating Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering*. New York: Cambridge University Press

**(b)** 2018. Human Genetic Engineering: Biotic Justice in the Anthropocene? In D. DellaSala and M. Goldstein, eds. *Encyclopedia of the Anthropocene*, vol. 4:351-359. Oxford, UK: Elsevier

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**Foreign languages:** French, German, Italian, Chinese