

# Daniel Hooley

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## Education

**PhD in Philosophy – University of Toronto** 2010 – 2018  
Committee: Tom Hurka (supervisor), Amy Mullin, Wayne Sumner  
“The Political Status of Nonhuman Animals”

BA, Philosophy & International Relations – Calvin College, MI 2005 – 2009

**Area of Specialization:** Ethics, Applied Ethics

**Area of Competence:** Environmental Ethics, Political Philosophy, Bioethics

## Employment

### Simon Fraser University

Beedie School of Business	Term Instructor	Spring 2018 – Summer 2019
Philosophy Department	Sessional Instructor	Fall 2017
Faculty of Environment	Sessional Instructor	Fall 2017, Fall 2016

### Langara College

Philosophy Department	Sessional Instructor	Summer 2018
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### Kwantlen Polytechnic University

Philosophy Department	Sessional Instructor	Spring 2017 – Fall 2017
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### University of the Fraser Valley

Philosophy Department	Sessional Instructor	2016 – 2018
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## Publications

### ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS

**“Animals and Political Standing”** 2018

In *The Handbook of Philosophy and Public Policy* (Palgrave MacMillan)

**“Political Agency, Citizenship, and Nonhuman Animals”** 2017

In *Res Publica*

**“A Moral Argument for Veganism”** (with Nathan Nobis) 2016

In *Philosophy Comes to Dinner: Arguments on the Ethics of Eating* (Routledge),  
p. 92-108.

**“Eating Animals and the Environment”** (with Nathan Nobis) Forthcoming  
 Under contract for Ben Hale and Andrew Light (eds.) the *Routledge Companion to Environmental Ethics*.

#### BOOK REVIEWS

**Review of *Political Animals and Animal Politics*** 2016  
 In *Journal of Animal Ethics*, 6 (2), p. 236-237.

**Review of *The Moral Rights of Animals*** 2016  
 In *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*.  
<http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/the-moral-rights-of-animals/>

**Review Article, Mark Rowlands’ *Can Animals Be Moral?*** 2014  
 In *Journal of Animal Ethics*, 4 (2), p. 86-92.

#### Works in Progress

**“A Problem for the Special Moral Status of Persons”** (Draft available on request, 8,000 words)

**“Protected Wild Animal Territories”**

#### Honors and Awards

Associate Fellow, Oxford Centre for Animal Ethics 2013-  
 Michael J. Herman Fellowship 2015 – 2016  
 University of Toronto, Graduate Fellowship 2010 – 2015

#### Teaching

**Martha Lile Love Award for Excellence in Teaching** 2014  
 Awarded to graduate instructor in philosophy department at the University of Toronto for originality in course design and effectiveness. Awarded for Bioethics Summer 2014 class.

**Advanced University Teaching Preparation Certificate** 2016  
 A peer-training program at the University of Toronto. Fulfillment requires attendance at 10 teaching workshops, submission of teaching dossier, and teaching practicum that includes in-class observation.

#### COURSES TAUGHT

Bioethics	(University of Toronto, Langara)	2014, 2018
Business Ethics	(SFU, KPU)	2017, 2018
Critical Thinking	(UFV)	2016
Environmental Ethics	(SFU)	2016, 2017
Financial Ethics	(SFU)	2018

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Intro to Ethics	(UFV, SFU, Langara)	2016 - 2018
Intro to Philosophy	(University of Toronto)	2015
Philosophy of Law	(UFV)	2016

\*Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU), Langara College (Langara), Simon Fraser University (SFU), University of the Fraser Valley (UFV).

## Talks

<b>“Political Representation for Nonhuman Animals”</b> <i>Peer-reviewed</i>	2017
Workshop: Representing the Unrepresented, University of Fribourg, Switzerland, Department of Philosophy, Institute for Ethics and Human Rights	
<b>“Political Agency, Citizenship, and Nonhuman Animals”</b>	2017
Kwantlen Polytechnic University	
<b>“Animals, Political Agency, and Political Inclusion”</b> <i>Invited Speaker</i>	2016
Workshop: Political Animals: Agency, Participation, and Representation, Centre de Recherche en Éthique CRE, Montreal, Co-sponsored by Animals in Politics, Philosophy, Law and Ethics Research Group Queen’s University.	
<b>“Political Standing for Animals”</b> <i>Peer-reviewed</i>	2013
Conference: Canadian Political Science Association / Canadian Philosophical Association, Victoria, BC.	

## Graduate Courses

Animals and the Law (U of Toronto Law School, Lesli Bisgould)  
Aristotle Seminar: Aristotelian Ethics (Brad Inwood)  
Mind: Mind and Life (Evan Thompson)  
Philosophy of Economics (Joseph Berkovitz)  
Philosophy of Law (Sophia Moreau)  
Public Reason, Deliberation, and Justification (PoliSci, Simone Chambers)  
Seminar in Ancient Philosophy: Plato’s Ethics (Rachel Barney)  
Seminar in Epistemology (Jennifer Nagel and Jonathan Weisberg)  
Social Philosophy: Dependency, Vulnerability & Responsibility (Mullin)  
20<sup>th</sup> Century Continental Philosophy: “Political Theologies” (Comay)  
Teleology in Mind and World (Jennifer Whiting and Denis Walsh)

## Professional Affiliation and Service

Member, Animals in the Law & Humanities Group	2013 – 2015
Interdisciplinary working group at University of Toronto. Invited speakers and discussed works in progress relating to animals and the law.	
Co-organizer, Centre for Ethics Graduate Student Conference	2013 – 2014

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Planned graduate student conference: grant writing, secured keynote, organized vetting of submissions.

Graduate Associate, Centre for Ethics at the University of Toronto	2013 – 2015
Graduate Associate Co-coordinator, Centre for Ethics	2013 – 2014
Graduate Student Union Representative, Philosophy Department	2012 – 2014
Planning Committee, Philosophy Conference	2012
Member, Canadian Philosophical Association	2016-
Member, American Philosophical Association	2016-
Referee	2018 – present
<i>Between the Species</i>	
<i>Les Ateliers de l'éthique / The Ethics Forum</i>	
<i>Oxford University Press</i>	

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## Teaching References

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### **The Political Status of Non-human Animals**

My dissertation explores the place of non-human animals in the political sphere. Philosophers have seriously engaged ethical issues concerning animals for over four decades. Political theorists, however, generally have not considered whether our legal and political institutions should change to include other animals. And many animal ethics theorists have not fully appreciated the political dimension of our relations to other animals, which hampers efforts to fully articulate our positive, collective obligations to other animals. My dissertation defends the view that animals deserve political inclusion, and offers a new way to think about the political status of different kinds of animals (wild, 'liminal', and domesticated).

In the first part of my dissertation I argue that other animals are deserving of much greater political inclusion. I argue that animals have a moral right to life and rights not to be harmed by moral agents. Recognition of these rights, however, requires substantial changes to our legal and political institutions that go beyond simply prohibiting many of the practices that violate animal rights. I argue that all sentient animals deserve "full political standing," a form of political inclusion that includes legal rights, legal standing, and some form of institutionalized political representation. I argue that only by granting animals full political standing can we adequately protect and uphold their moral rights.

The second part of my dissertation considers the political status of different kinds of animals. A central motivation, here, stems from the fact that the negative moral rights of animals do not account for all our obligations to other animals. A satisfactory account of our positive and collective obligations to other animals, I argue, requires that we view this as a political question. Our focus must shift from one of personal ethics to the question of what obligations the state has to other animals. In *Zoopolis* (Oxford University Press, 2011), Donaldson and Kymlicka offer the first attempt to do this and argue that wild animals should be seen as living in sovereign territories; that liminal animals (i.e. urban wildlife) should be seen as denizens (a political status that involves a reduction of rights and responsibilities from citizenship); and that domesticated animals are our equal, co-citizens. While Donaldson and Kymlicka rightly focus on the political status of these groups of animals, I argue that the political categories used for humans are generally a poor fit for the unique interests of animals.

I propose new, better political categories for these groups of animals. In the case of domesticated animals, for example, I argue that they have been made members of our societies and as members should be seen as our fellow citizens, who have a right of residence and a claim on the distribution of a state's resources (including a right to health insurance, police protection, and state monitored guardianship). I argue that modern, liberal democracies are implicitly committed to thinking about membership and citizenship in these ways. When it comes to humans, we do not deny citizenship to individuals because they lack a certain level of intelligence or are incapable of engaging in various forms of political agency. Nevertheless, domesticated animals challenge us to rethink the nature of membership, and citizenship, in a political community. I argue that we must distinguish two types of citizenship: one a form of membership, the other a type of responsible, political agency. Domesticated animals (like some humans) are not responsible, political agents, but they are citizens nonetheless. I conclude by arguing that we must represent the interests of our animals in our political institutions, including a state's legislature, and consider ways this might be done.