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### **RESEARCH AREAS**

Ethics, Politics, and Policy in Computing (esp. Privacy and AI Governance); Philosophy of Technology; Science and Technology Studies (STS)

### **APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS**

Cornell University

2023→ Associate Professor (tenure track), Department of Information Science  
Field Faculty, Media Studies

Center for Democracy & Technology

2023-25 Non-resident Fellow

Penn State University

2023→ External Affiliated Faculty, Rock Ethics Institute

2021-23 Haile Family Early Career Professor

2018-23 Assistant Professor, College of Information Sciences & Technology  
Research Associate and Core Faculty Member, Rock Ethics Institute  
Affiliated Faculty, Philosophy Department / Bioethics Program / Center for Socially  
Responsible AI / Institute for Computational and Data Science / Law, Policy, and Engineering  
Program

San Jose State University

2016-18 Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department

New York University

2015-16 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Information Law Institute  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Media, Culture, and Communication

## EDUCATION

- 2009-15 M.A., Ph.D., *with distinction*, Stony Brook University (SUNY)  
Philosophy (Advisor: Eduardo Mendietta; Chair: Don Ihde)
- 2003-07 B.A., *magna cum laude*, The George Washington University  
Computer Science and Philosophy (with special honors)

## AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 George J. McMurtry Junior Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, Penn State University
- 2019 Dean's Teaching Excellence Award, Penn State University
- 2018 IAPP Best Paper Award, Privacy Law Scholars Conference
- 2014-15 Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Dissertation Fellowship, Stony Brook University
- 2007 Gauss Prize in Philosophy, The George Washington University
- 2007 Cruikshank Award in Computer Science, The George Washington University
- 2006-07 Enosinian Scholar, The George Washington University
- 2006-07 Matthew Reynolds Fellowship, The George Washington University
- 2003-07 Presidential Scholarship, The George Washington University

## PUBLICATIONS

Note: In computer and information science, papers published in major conference proceedings are double-anonymously peer reviewed and recognized as equivalent research contributions to journal articles.

### *Articles, chapters, and major proceedings*

1. **Daniel Susser**. "Exploitation in the Platform Age." In Beate Roessler and Valerie Steeves (eds.), *Being Human in the Digital World: Interdisciplinary Perspectives*. Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.
2. Laura Y. Cabrera, Jennifer K. Wagner, Sara Gerke, and **Daniel Susser**. "Tempered Enthusiasm by Interviewed Experts for Synthetic Data and ELSI Checklists for AI in Medicine." *AI and Ethics*, 2025.
3. Jennifer K. Wagner, Laura Y. Cabrera, Sara Gerke, and **Daniel Susser**. "Synthetic Data and ELSI-focused Computational Checklists—A Survey of Biomedical Professionals' Views." *PLOS Digital Health* 3(11), 2024, 1-19.
4. **Daniel Susser** and Jeremy Seeman. "Critical Provocations for Synthetic Data." *Surveillance & Society* 22(4), 2024, pp. 453-459.
5. **Daniel Susser**, Daniel S. Schiff, Sara Gerke, Laura Y. Cabrera, I. Glenn Cohen, Megan Doerr, Jordan Harrod, Kristin Kostick-Quenet, Jasmine McNealy, Michelle N. Meyer, W. Nicholson Price II, and Jennifer K. Wagner. "Synthetic Health Data: Real Ethical Promise and Peril." *Hastings Center Report* 54(5), 2024, pp. 8-13.
6. Jeremy Seeman and **Daniel Susser**. "Between Privacy and Utility: On Differential Privacy in Theory and Practice." *ACM Journal on Responsible Computing* 1(1), 2024, pp. 1-18.
7. **Daniel Susser** and Laura Y. Cabrera. "Brain Data in Context: Are New Rights the Way to Mental and Brain Privacy?" *American Journal of Bioethics (AJOB) Neuroscience* 15(2), 2024, pp. 122-133.
8. **Daniel Susser**. "From Procedural Rights to Political Economy: New Horizons for Regulating Online Privacy." In Sabine Trepte and Philipp Masur (eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Privacy and Social Media*. Routledge, 2023, pp. 281-290.

9. Anne Barnhill, Matteo Bonotti, and **Daniel Susser**. “Vaccine Passports and Political Legitimacy: A Public Reason Framework for Policymakers.” *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* 26(5), 2023, pp. 667-687.
10. **Daniel Susser**. “Data and the Good?” *Surveillance & Society* 20(3), 2022, pp. 297-301.
11. Kiel Brennan-Marquez and **Daniel Susser**. “Privacy, Autonomy, and the Dissolution of Markets.” Knight First Amendment Institute, 2022, pp. 1-35.
12. **Daniel Susser**. “Decision Time: Normative Dimensions of Algorithmic Speed.” *Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAcT)*, 2022, pp. 1410-1420.
13. **Daniel Susser**. “Pandemic Surveillance: Ethics at the Intersection of Information, Research, and Health.” In Margaret Hu (ed.), *Pandemic Surveillance: Privacy, Security, and Data Ethics*. Edward Elgar, 2022, pp. 187-196.
14. **Daniel Susser**. “Predictive Policing and the Ethics of Preemption.” In Ben Jones and Eduardo Mendieta (eds.), *The Ethics of Policing: New Perspectives on Law Enforcement*. NYU Press, 2021, pp. 268-292.
15. **Daniel Susser** and Vincent Grimaldi. “Measuring Automated Influence: Between Empirical Evidence and Ethical Values.” *Proceedings of the AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society (AIES)*, 2021, pp. 242-253.
16. **Daniel Susser**. “Ethical Considerations for Digitally Targeted Public Health Interventions.” *American Journal of Public Health* 110(s3), 2020, pp. S290-S291.
17. Kiel Brennan-Marquez, Karen Levy, and **Daniel Susser**. “Strange Loops: Apparent vs. Actual Human Involvement in Automated Decision-Making.” *Berkeley Technology Law Journal* 34(3), 2019, pp. 745-772.
18. **Daniel Susser**, Beate Roessler, and Helen Nissenbaum. “Online Manipulation: Hidden Influences in a Digital World.” *Georgetown Law Technology Review* 4(1), 2019, pp. 1-45.
  - IAPP Best Paper Award at the 2018 Privacy Law Scholars Conference
  - Reviewed in [JOTWELL](#)
19. **Daniel Susser**, Beate Roessler, and Helen Nissenbaum. “Technology, autonomy, and manipulation.” *Internet Policy Review* 8(2), 2019, pp. 1-22.
20. **Daniel Susser**. “Invisible Influence: Artificial Intelligence and the Ethics of Adaptive Choice Architectures.” *Proceedings of the AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society (AIES)*, 2019, pp. 403-408.
21. **Daniel Susser**. “Notice After Notice-and-Consent: Why Privacy Disclosures are Valuable Even if Consent Frameworks Aren’t.” *Journal of Information Policy* 9, 2019, pp. 37-62.
22. **Daniel Susser**. “Transparent Media and the Development of Digital Habits.” In Yoni Van Den Eede, Stacey O’Neal Irwin, and Galit Wellner (eds.), *Postphenomenology and Media: Essays on Human-Media-World Relations*. Lexington Books, 2017, pp. 27-44.
23. **Daniel Susser**. “Information Privacy and Social Self-Authorship.” *Techné: Research in Philosophy and Technology* 20(3), 2016, pp. 216-239.
24. **Daniel Susser**. “Ihde’s Missing Sciences: Postphenomenology, Big Data, and the Human Sciences.” *Techné: Research in Philosophy and Technology* 20(2), 2016, pp. 137-152.
25. **Daniel Susser**. “Artificial Intelligence and the Body: Dreyfus, Bickhard, and the Future of AI.” In Vincent C. Müller (ed.), *Philosophy and Theory of Artificial Intelligence*. Springer, 2013, pp. 277-287.

*Workshop and symposium proceedings*

26. Sarah Rajtmajer and **Daniel Susser**. “Automated Influence and the Challenge of Cognitive Security.” *Proceedings of the ACM Symposium on Hot Topics in the Science of Security (HoTSoS)*, 2020, pp. 1-9.
27. Kiel Brennan-Marquez and **Daniel Susser**. “Obstacles to Transparency in Privacy Engineering.” *Proceedings of the IEEE International Workshop on Privacy Engineering (IWPE)*, 2016, pp. 49-52.

*Other papers*

28. Seliem El-Sayed, Canfer Akbulut, Amanda McCroskery, Geoff Keeling, Zachary Kenton, Zaria Jalan, Nahema Marchal, Arianna Manzini, Toby Shevlane, Shannon Vallor, **Daniel Susser**, Matija Franklin, Sophie Bridgers, Harry Law, Matthew Rahtz, Murray Shanahan, Michael Henry Tessler, Arthur Douillard, Tom Everitt, and Sasha Brown. “A Mechanism-Based Approach to Mitigating Harms from Persuasive Generative AI.” Google DeepMind, 2024, pp. 1-55. <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2404.15058.pdf>

**FUNDING**

- 2024      LinkedIn/Bowers CIS  
            “Navigating Ethics and Policy Uncertainty with Privacy-Enhancing Technologies”  
            Central NY Humanities Corridor  
            “AI and Human Values,” with Jonathan Herington, Johannes Himmelreich, and Jens Kipper
- 2022      National Institutes of Health  
            “Mapping the Ethics of Synthetic Data,” with Jennifer Wagner (PI), Sara Gerke, and Laura Cabrera  
            Rock Ethics Institute  
            “Mapping the Ethics of Synthetic Data,” with Jennifer Wagner, Sara Gerke, and Laura Cabrera
- 2021      Microsoft  
            “An Ethical Framework for Human-Machine Decision-Making”
- 2020      Penn State Institute for Computational and Data Sciences  
            “Empirical Evaluation of Causal Inference-Based Tests of Algorithmic Fairness,” with Vasant Honavar, Sarah Rajtmajer, and Jose Soto  
            Penn State Center for Security Research and Education  
            “Attributing Deepfake Authorship: Technical Strategies and Social Implications,” with Dongwon Lee (PI)
- 2019      Penn State-Monash University Collaboration Fund  
            “Ethical, Policy, and Legal Frameworks to Address Effects of Digital Influence,” with Matteo Bonotti, Jonathan Marks, and Suzy Killmister  
            Penn State Center for Security Research and Education  
            “Understanding Privacy in Learning Analytics in Higher Education,” with Dongwon Lee, Shyam Sundar, Aiping Xiong, Stephanie Winkler
- 2018      Penn State Center for Security Research and Education  
            “Understanding the Impact of Self-Disclosure on Cognitive Security,” with Sarah Rajtmajer
- 2017      San Jose State University  
            Professional Development Grant  
            San Jose State University  
            Winter Research Grant  
            San Jose State University  
            Research Travel Grant

2016 San Jose State University  
Summer Research Grant

### INVITED TALKS / PANELS / WORKSHOPS

- 2025 [Upcoming] Author-Meets-Critics session for Robert Noggle's *Manipulation: Its Nature, Mechanisms, and Moral Status*, American Philosophical Association / Invited commenter  
[Upcoming] NYC Privacy Day / Invited speaker  
[Upcoming] Research@LINC seminar, CNIL France / Invited speaker  
"Abductive Inference" workshop, University of Applied Arts Vienna / Invited speaker  
"Law & Technology Theory and Methods" workshop, UC Irvine School of Law / Invited participant
- 2024 Program on Data Governance, Ohio State University College of Law / Data Points Lecture  
"Inference in Machine Learning" workshop, London, UK / Invited speaker  
Don Ihde Memorial Conference, Stony Brook University / Invited speaker  
Dagstuhl seminar on "Trustworthiness and Responsibility in AI" / Invited participant  
Center for Ethics, Society, and Computing, University of Michigan / Invited speaker  
Michigan Institute for Data Science, University of Michigan / Invited speaker
- 2023 "INTERACT!" conference, Ruhr University Bochum / Invited speaker  
"AI Persuasion" workshop, Google DeepMind / Invited expert  
Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium / Invited speaker
- 2022 Tel Aviv University Buchmann Faculty of Law / Invited speaker  
"Technological Influence" workshop, Google DeepMind / Invited expert  
Fordham University School of Law / Invited speaker  
"Political Theory of AI" workshop, New York University / Invited participant  
Digital Life Initiative, Cornell Tech / Invited speaker  
Book symposium for Scott Skinner-Thompson's *Privacy at the Margins*, Law & Society Association / Invited speaker  
"AI: Mitigating Bias and Disinformation" workshop, European Network of Human-Centered AI / Invited expert  
Loyola Consumer Law Review Symposium, Loyola University Chicago School of Law / Invited commenter
- 2021 Philosophy Department, University of Amsterdam / Invited speaker  
"Being Human in the Digital World" workshop, University of Ottawa / Invited participant
- 2020 Tel Aviv University Buchmann Faculty of Law / Invited speaker  
Global Privacy Enforcement Network / Invited speaker  
Office of Technology Research & Investigation, US Federal Trade Commission / Invited speaker  
Philosophy Department, Monash University / Invited speaker
- 2019 Philosophy Department, Rochester Institute of Technology / CLA Hale Lecture  
Digital Life Initiative, Cornell Tech / Invited speaker  
Center for Ethics and Human Values, Ohio State University / Invited panelist
- 2018 International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP) Conference / Invited speaker  
Conference for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities, UC San Diego / Invited panelist
- 2016 College of Education, Penn State University / Invited speaker

### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

- 2025 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
Society for Philosophy and Technology Biennial Meeting  
American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting
- 2024 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
Privacy and Public Policy Conference
- 2023 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
Association of Internet Researchers Conference  
Symposium on Applications of Contextual Integrity  
International Communications Association Conference  
Platform Governance Research Network Conference
- 2022 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency  
Exploitation and Exploitations: Theory and Practice Symposium  
Symposium on Applications of Contextual Integrity
- 2021 AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society  
Society for Philosophy and Technology Biennial Meeting  
We Robot  
Law and Society Association
- 2020 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting  
Society for Social Studies of Science Conference  
Knight First Amendment Institute “Data and Democracy” Symposium
- 2019 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society  
Berkeley Center for Law and Technology “Symposium on Governing Machines”  
Society for Philosophy and Technology Biennial Meeting  
Northeast Privacy Scholars Workshop
- 2018 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
Amsterdam Privacy Conference  
Association of Internet Researchers Conference  
Internet Law Works-in-Progress Conference
- 2017 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
We Robot  
ECREA Digital Culture and Communication Conference  
Southeast Ethics and Philosophy of Technology Workshop
- 2016 Privacy Law Scholars Conference  
IEEE International Workshop on Privacy Engineering  
Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference  
Internet Law Works-in-Progress Conference
- 2013 Association for Political Theory Annual Conference
- 2011 Philosophy & Theory of Artificial Intelligence Conference

2010 Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy Conference

### **WORKSHOPS / SYMPOSIUMS / PANELS ORGANIZED**

- 2025 “AI and Human Values” manuscript workshop  
Cornell University/Central NY Humanities Corridor
- 2023 Co-organized symposium, “Toward Responsible Biomedical AI”  
Penn State University  
Co-organized panel, “Recovering Critique in a Datafied World”  
International Communication Association Annual Conference  
Co-organized 2nd workshop, “Understanding and Combating Online Manipulation: Setting an Interdisciplinary Research Agenda”  
Cornell Tech
- 2020 Co-organized 1st workshop, “Understanding and Combating Online Manipulation: Setting an Interdisciplinary Research Agenda”  
Online  
Organized and chaired panel, “Philosophical Approaches to Data Justice”  
American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting

### **TEACHING**

#### *Cornell University*

INFO 1200: Information Ethics, Law, and Policy

INFO 4250: Surveillance and Privacy

INFO 6940: Graduate seminar on Ethics and Politics in Computing

#### *Penn State University*

DS 435: Data Ethics

IST 590: PhD Colloquium

IST 597: Graduate seminar on Privacy

IST 597: Graduate seminar on Foundations of Technology Ethics and Policy

#### *San Jose State University*

PHIL 110: Science, Technology, and Human Values

#### *Stony Brook University*

PHIL 100: Concepts of the Person

PHIL 101: Historical Introduction to Western Philosophy

PHIL 104: Introduction to Moral Reasoning

PHIL 105: Politics and Society

PHIL 108: Logical and Critical Reasoning

PHIL 277: Political Philosophy

## **ADVISING**

### *Current Postdocs*

Severin Engelmann

### *Current PhD Students*

Jamie Lu (IS), advisor

Joshua Greenberg (IS), advisor

Jae June Lee (IS), co-advisor with Helen Nissenbaum

Farhad Taraz (Philosophy), committee member

Dibyendu Mishra (IS), committee member

Yu-Chia Tseng (IS), committee member

Albert Lin (HCD), committee member

Tianqi Kou (IST, Penn State), external committee member

### *Graduated PhD Students / Penn State*

2024 Rebecca Jonas (IST), committee member

2023 Jerome Clarke (Philosophy and African American Studies), committee member

2023 Heidi Biggs (IST), committee member

2022 Douglas Kulchar (English), committee member

2021 Bikalpa Neupane (IST), committee member

2021 Aria Khademi (IST), committee member

2020 Ning Ma (IST), committee member

2020 Richard Canevez (IST), committee member

### *Graduated MA & PhD Students / External Committee Member or Examiner*

2023 Sarah Carter (PhD, Philosophy and Data Science), University of Galway

2021 Siavosh Sahebi (MA, Philosophy), Macquarie University

### *Undergraduate Independent Study / Cornell*

2024 Kathleen Anderson (IS)

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

### *Service to Cornell University*

2024→ IS PhD Admissions chair

2024→ Faculty advisor to Responsible AI Network student organization

2023→ IS Graduate Committee

2023-24 Dept. of Global Development Hiring committee for TT position in Ethics of Technology in Development, external member

### *Service to Penn State University*

2023 REI Stand Up Awards selection committee

2023 REI Ad hoc committee on Graduate Student Recruitment

2022-23 IST Ad hoc committee on Promotion & Tenure

2022-23 IST Hiring committee for TT position in Human-Centered AI

2022 IST PhD Qualifying Exam panelist

2021-23 IST Course Committee chair (DS435)  
 2021-23 IST Course Committee (IST402)  
 2021-23 IST Doctoral Program Recruitment task force  
 2021-22 IST New SOI major development committee chair  
 2021-22 IST Hiring committee for TT position in Data Science/Artificial Intelligence  
 2021-22 IST Hiring committee for Assistant Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion  
 2020-21 IST Hiring committee for TT position in Social Justice Informatics  
 2020-21 IST Hiring committee for TT position in Social and Organizational Informatics  
 2020-21 IST Graduate Recruitment Committee  
 2020 IST PhD Qualifying Exam panel chair  
 2019-21 IST Graduate Advisory Committee  
 2019-21 University Privacy Council Learning Analytics taskforce  
 2019-20 University Digital Liberal Arts Advisory Board  
 2019-20 REI Engineering, Technology, and Ethics research initiative convener  
 2019-20 REI Hiring committee for TT position in Neuroethics  
 2019 IST PhD Qualifying Exam panelist

*Service to San Jose State University*

2017-18 Hiring committee for TT position in Philosophy of Race  
 2016-18 Philosophy Department Curriculum Committee  
 2016-18 College of Humanities and the Arts Curriculum Committee  
 2016-18 University Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee  
 2016-17 Hiring committee for TT position in Philosophy of Law

**SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

*Organizational Leadership*

2025→ Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Mentorship Committee chair  
 2024 Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Awards Committee  
 2022→ Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Executive Committee  
 2022→ Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Program & Planning Committee  
 2020-22 Association for Philosophy and Computing, founding member and co-coordinator  
 2020-21 Academic Data Science Alliance, Code of Ethics Working Group  
 2018-20 American Philosophical Association, Committee on Philosophy and Computers

*Editorial Work*

2024→ Associate Editor, *Communications of the ACM*  
 2019-22 Associate Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Technology and Society*

*Peer Review*

Journals: *AI & Society; Digital Society; Ethics & Information Technology; First Monday; Hypatia; IEEE Transactions on Technology & Society; Journal of the American Philosophical Association; Journal of Applied Philosophy; Journal of the Association for Information Science & Technology; Journal of Law & Political Economy; Journal of Political Philosophy; Journal of Sociotechnical Critique; Jurisprudence; MIS Quarterly; Patterns; Review of Social Economy; Surveillance & Society; Techné: Research in Philosophy & Technology; Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction*. Books: Oxford University Press. Conferences: Association of Internet Researchers Conference (AoIR); ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI); ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW); iConference; Conference on Neural

Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) Ethics Review. Grants: Dutch Research Council (NWO); European Research Council (ERC); National Science Foundation (NSF); Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC).

*Program Committees*

ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAcCT) (2021, 2022, 2025)

Symposium on Applications of Contextual Integrity (2023, 2024)

AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society (AIES) (2020, 2023)

ACM Designing Interactive Systems (DIS) (AC 2023)

IEEE International Symposium on Technology and Society (ISTAS) (2021)

International Society for the Study of Information (IS4SI) Annual Summit (2021)

Computer Ethics-Philosophical Enquiry (CEPE/IACAP) (2019, 2021)

Consortium for Socially Relevant Philosophy of/in Science and Engineering (SRPoiSE) (2020)

IEEE International Workshop on Privacy Engineering (IWPE) (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)

ACM New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW) (2019)