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Jenny Clark Schiff, PhD, MA, MA is the Clinical Ethics Fellow at the Stanford Center for Biomedical Ethics. She has research interests in reproductive ethics, disability ethics, and bioethical issues in sport (especially in the youth/pediatric setting). As part of her fellowship training, she is an Ethics Consultant and member of the Ethics Committee for both Stanford Health Care and Stanford Children's Health.

Dr. Schiff completed her PhD in Philosophy at The Graduate Center of The City University of New York in 2024. Her dissertation focused on poorly understood medical conditions that are, in large part, "invisible" but can be profoundly disabling to patients (e.g. myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome, Long COVID, and postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome). She is interested in how to improve the doctor-patient relationship in settings of uncertainty, and how to better design healthcare systems and medical education to care for patients with poorly understood medical conditions in a more just and humane manner.

While pursuing her PhD, she was an Ethics Fellow, and then a Senior Ethics Fellow, at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, where she facilitated ethics didactic sessions for medical students and various residency programs. She has also taught or assistant taught bioethics and philosophy courses to graduate students at New York University and undergraduate students at The City College of New York.

Dr. Schiff was a four-year member of the Varsity Women's Lacrosse team as an undergraduate at Columbia and served as Co-Captain her senior year. She is a cellist in the Stanford Medicine Orchestra and enjoys following international women's soccer.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Fulbright Scholar (Graduate Student Category), research project in Philosophy and Education, affiliated with University of Naples Federico II and University of Padua (2014-2015)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- PhD, The Graduate Center, City University of New York , Philosophy (2024)
- MA, Columbia University (Teachers College) , English Education (2018)
- MA, Columbia University (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences) , Italian Literature (2017)
- BA, Columbia University (Columbia College) , Philosophy (2012)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Why Pediatric Ethics Needs a Theory of Goodness.** *The Hastings Center report*
Tate, T., Schiff, J. C., Grekov, K., Burford, A.
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- **Pregnancy Testing Without Consent in the Emergency Department.** *JAMA*
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