

Pulled Up Short with Stanton Wortham

## Is expertise dangerous?

***Featuring Marina McCoy with Stanton Wortham (host) and Aleandra Mich (commentator)***

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### Stanton Wortham

Welcome to another episode of Pulled Up Short. Thanks to all who joined us here today to have a conversation about expertise and its implications. So, it's so good to have Aleandra Mich here, who is related to the University of Pennsylvania and is doing research on this. Thank you so much for joining us today. We will appreciate it. As usual,



tok o a d to edu ate sel a out issues Pa ti ula l i ade o a , that's i po ta t e ause e  
hoose the people ho a eou leade s a d e o te also the people ho a e de idi ho eall  
ou tsasa e pet.

I thi k the e s also ada e o the side o thee pe ts l a e pe t thi k that heo sheal ead k o s  
e e thi that she ead stok o , it a lea eape so losed to e odel so pa adi s espe iall  
pa adi s that a e o t a to thei o a o thi ki . So e a ple l tea ha ou

e auseheote oks o a o - i a isio o hat o stitutesk o led e He's a ous o ,  
a o othe thi s it i zi the lead i politi ia sa dpoetso hisda , ho,i hisda , eethe  
edu ato s o thei la ko k o led ea dthei istake se seo e pe tise. A dthe he ouldsa that  
he as ise e ausehek e othi . To thisissupe e apeati to people ho ead Plato o the  
st ti e a dee these o da d thi d ti e e ause he So atessa sthis the o te do 't die e  
hi . The o te thi k that this a So atessai , "I do 'tk o a thi ," o eall "Just o l  
isdo tok o that I do 'tk o ," he e leal hehadsto ie sa out ho toli e hehada  
etai u desta di o i tue, i ludi thi slike ou a ea djusti e, a d ot o de i  
i o e t people to death. Yet he eis lai i ot tok o that people ill thi k he's i o i , ude,  
o o te tious žut l thi ka tual so ethi ea o

MarinaMcCoy  
l' e e e t l i t t e

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ou sel ese pe ts a d eo te a te pe tise to othe people ho a elikeus-people o ou atio  
o people ho look like us We a so eti esdis issi di idualsasso eho ote pet- o e a ple,  
ottaki seiousl e ou hado to o ala e hoisape so o do eauseo aist  
p esuppositio so hat e pe tise should look like, pe hapsso eo e hois hite! o esel , e  
ould also a sol eo eo eou







sai that people update their models. What their individual has a spot to the 5 a k u t  
o eis do i s d a o othe people. So the ea et o aspe ts he e that a edi ee t o hat ou'e  
sai . O eis that the pe so ist a spo tedi toadi ee t o te t, hi hisa o - o iti e a o  
aki the pe so a a eo hiso he li itatio s l't's like the e a ple ou oup the ou tai , a di  
ou ha edi ee t pe spe ti e s it's the ou tai . l't's a ie . The othe thi is that hat the e e ial  
out o eis ota updated odel, a o i odel, a o eh u le odel o the old. It is ou  
d a i othe people it's a so ial dist i uted, o - o iti e odel o e pe tise

### Marina McCoy

Yeah, so that's interesting. So so all, I a t tot toe u late hat l' esid is ood to do, hi his  
to e ei lea out ho ethi ka dt tolea o othe people. So l eall app eiate ou poi ts  
alot, a di pa ti ula l app eiate the poi tsa out eedi to ha eap a ti al, ota a sta te e t,  
a d the ate ial ultu e aspe to it. It isa i po ta t poi ttoi ludethat the e saso ial ate ial  
o te t o all this l ould still a ueit's o iti e, i ht? Ź ut that the e ould e a es o ial  
ate ial a that e ould e ou a e that o iti e e a i to take pla e. So l o ki a ade ia,  
i ht? So o e, the thi s that a eto i di te so o a izatio al pie es ould ethi s like  
this he ead it o edi e s e lasses o stude ts-stude ts o di ee t states o di ee t  
ak ou ds, o di ee t pa tso the old, o di ee t a ial ide tities, o di ee tso ial  
lasses- that isa ate ial o ditio , ou i ht sa, o the o a izatio . l't's a deli eate pa ti e, ut  
that isa tuall pa to hat leadsto the ki ds o dialo ue that l' hopi take pla e a u i e sit . l  
do 't ea dialo ue, si pl , "l' oi to talk to so e od else." l ea , so ethi like p t s ts

jo s the do 't do it, e ause the thi k the a e thee pe ts So the e is the alueo tea o k the e is  
a o sta t ood o edu atio o tea o k the ea ei e ti esa out tea o k a d the e is the  
e pe ie e that o ki e

So does it feel like it's doing that... or is it just a...  
or is it?

**Marina McCoy**

Yeah, it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a...  
it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a...  
it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a...  
it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a...  
it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a... it's a...

**Alexandra Michel**

Yeah, e i teesti .Tha k ou.

**Marina McCoy**

Tha k ou.Tha ks o ou e dle tpoi ts

**Stanton Wortham**

This is eat.I eall appeiate ou o ti utio .Sotha k ou,Ale a d aS i hel a dS ai a  
S ! o.This has ee ap o o ati eepisode, a d etti e e eto apla eo tak toasu eo o  
so ethi , e e o aha eto thi kt i eTha k ou all o joi i us o this episode o aeT aiT