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## Areas of Specialization

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Epistemology, Philosophy of Religion

## Areas of Competence

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Philosophy of Mind, Decision Theory, Social Philosophy, Applied Ethics

## Appointments

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### **Ryerson University**

2020–Present Assistant Professor of Philosophy

### **Australian National University**

2019–2020 Research Fellow (level B3), School of Philosophy

Supervisor: Alan Hájek

(Australian Research Council project on Ethics & Risk, with Seth Lazar, Alan Hájek, Lara Buchak, Philip Pettit, Frank Jackson, and Katie Steele.)

## Education

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### **University of Notre Dame**

Ph.D. in Philosophy, May 2019

Dissertation: Belief and Credence: A Defense of Dualism

Committee: Robert Audi (co-advisor), Ted Warfield (co-advisor), Daniel Nolan, Blake Roeber, Lizzie Fricker, Lara Buchak (external member, U.C. Berkeley)

M.A. in Philosophy, May 2016

### **Kansas State University**

B.S. in Philosophy, *magna cum laude*, May 2013

## Publications

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### *Journal Articles*

(Forthcoming) **Probing the Mind of God: Divine Beliefs and Credences** (with Justin Mooney). *Religious Studies*.

(Forthcoming) **A Permissivist Defense of Pascal's Wager**. *Erkenntnis*. doi: 10.1007/s10670-021-00454-1

(Forthcoming) **Epistemic Akrasia and Belief-Credence Dualism** (with Peter Tan). *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*. doi: 10.1111/phpr.12810

- (Forthcoming) **Why Credences Are Not Beliefs.** *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*. doi: 10.1080/00048402.2020.1867210
- (Forthcoming) **Belief, Credence, and Moral Encroachment.** (with Jamie Fritz). *Synthese*. doi: 10.1007/s11229-020-02799-6
- (Forthcoming) **Settling the Unsettled: Roles for Belief.** *Analysis*. (Critical Notice on Julia Staffel's *Unsettled Thoughts*.) doi: 10.1093/analys/anab025
- (2023) **Faithfully Taking Pascal's Wager.** *The Monist*. (Special issue on Faith, Hope, and Trust; Finlay Malcolm, ed.). Forthcoming in January 2023.
- (2022) **On the Independence of Belief and Credence.** *Philosophical Issues* (a supplement to *Noûs*) 32. Forthcoming in late 2022.
- (2021) **Belief, Faith, and Hope: On the Rationality of Long-Term Commitment.** *Mind*. 130(517): 35–57. doi: 10.1093/mind/fzaa023
- (2021) **The Ethics of Religious Belief.** *Religious Studies Archives* 4: 1–11.
- (2021) **A Defense of Intrapersonal Belief Permissivism.** *Episteme*. 18(2): 313–327. doi: 10.1017/epi.2019.19
- (2021) **Children, Fetuses, and the Non-Existent: Moral Obligations and the Beginning of Life.** *The Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*. 46(4): 379–393. doi: 10.1093/jmp/jhab012
- (2020) **Credence: A Belief-First Approach.** (with Andrew Moon). *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 50(5): 652–669. doi: 10.1017/can.2020.9
- (2020) **The Relationship Between Belief and Credence.** *Philosophy Compass* 15(6): 1–13. doi: 10.1111/phc3.12668
- (2020) **Belief, Credence, and Evidence.** *Synthese* 197(11): 5073–5092. doi: 10.1007/s11229-018-01965-1
- (2019) **How Belief-Credence Dualism Explains Away Pragmatic Encroachment.** *The Philosophical Quarterly* 69(276): 511–533. doi: 10.1093/pq/pqz006
- (2019) **Belief and Credence: Why the Attitude-Type Matters.** *Philosophical Studies* 176(9): 2477–2496. doi: 10.1007/s11098-018-1136-1
- (2019) **Belief, Credence, and Faith.** *Religious Studies* 55(2): 153–168. doi: 10.1017/S0034412518000446  
(Winner of the *Religious Studies* Post Graduate Essay Prize)
- (2019) **Salvaging Pascal's Wager** (with Andy Rogers). *Philosophia Christi* 21(1): 59–84. doi: 10.5840/pc201921110
- (2016) **Wagering Against Divine Hiddenness.** *The European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 8(4): 85–108. doi: 10.24204/ejpr.v8i4.1757

*Textbook*

- (2021) *Applied Ethics: An Impartial Introduction* (with Tyron Goldschmidt, Dustin Crummett, and Rebecca Chan). Indianapolis, IN: Hackett Publishing.

*Book Chapters (under contract)*

- (under contract) **Pragmatic Arguments for Theism.** In *The Cambridge Handbook of Religious Epistemology* (John Greco, Tyler McNabb, and Jonathan Fuqua, eds.). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- (under contract) **Faith and Reason.** In *The Handbook of Philosophy of Religion* (Mark A. Lamport, ed.). Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.
- (under contract) **Permissivism, Underdetermination, and Evidence** (with Margaret Turnbull). In *The Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Evidence* (Clayton Littlejohn and Maria Lasonen-Aarnio, eds.). New York: Routledge.
- (under contract) **Faith, Hope, and Justification.** In *Propositional and Doxastic Justification* (Luis R.G. Oliveira and Paul Silva, eds.). Routledge Studies in Epistemology. New York: Routledge.

*Book Chapters (published)*

- (2022) **What's Epistemic about Epistemic Paternalism?** In *Essays in Epistemic Autonomy* (Kirk Lougheed and Jonathan Matheson, eds.), pp. 132–150. Routledge Studies in Epistemology. New York: Routledge.
- (2021) **Dilemmas, Disagreement, and Dualism.** In *Epistemic Dilemmas: New Arguments, New Angles* (Kevin McCain, Scott Stapleford, and Matthias Steup, eds.), pp. 217–231. Routledge Studies in Epistemology. New York: Routledge.
- (2020) **Epistemic Paternalism, Epistemic Permissivism, and Standpoint Epistemology.** In *Epistemic Paternalism Reconsidered: Conceptions, Justifications, and Implications* (Amiel Bernal and Guy Axtell, eds.), pp. 201–215. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.
- (2020) **The Nature and Rationality of Faith.** In *The New Theists* (Joshua Rasmussen and Kevin Vallier, eds.), pp. 77–92. New York: Routledge.

*Other Publications*

- (Forthcoming) **Epistemology.** In *The T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Christian Theology* (Paul Allen and Beth Dodd, eds.). New York: T&T Clark/Bloomsbury.
- (2021) **Pascal's Wager: A Pragmatic Argument for Belief in God.** In *1000-Word Philosophy: An Introductory Anthology*.
- (2019) Review of *Problems of Religious Luck: Assessing the Limits of Reasonable Religious Disagreement*, by Guy Axtell. Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews.
- (2018) **A Defense of Belief-Credence Dualism.** In the *Proceedings of the Fifth Conference of the Brazilian Society of Analytic Philosophy* (João Luis Pereira Ourique, ed.), pp. 77–78. Pelotas, Brazil: Série Dissertatio de Filosofia.

## Works in Progress

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(under review)	“An Epistemic Version of Pascal’s Wager”
(under review)	“The Epistemic Axiology of Theism”
(under contract)	<i>Must Beliefs and Evidence Agree? A Debate</i> , Routledge (with Scott Stapleford)
(commissioned)	Entry on Faith for the <i>Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i>
(commissioned)	Entry on Faith and Hope for the <i>Blackwell Companion to Epistemology</i>
(commissioned)	Entry on Agnosticism for the <i>Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (with Paul Draper)

## Select Presentations and Talks (\*Invited)

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### **TBD**

February 2022	*Central APA, Symposium on Belief and Credence
May 2022	*University of St. Andrews, Department of Philosophy (online)

### **“Credal Functionalism”** (with Justin D’Ambrosio)

TBD	Lewis: Representation in Mind and Language, University of Leeds
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### **“How Low Can You Go? A Defense of Believing Philosophical Theories”**

December 2021	*Philosophy with Attitude Conference, New Mexico State University
October 2021	*Midwest Epistemology Workshop, University of Iowa
January 2021	*Eastern APA, Symposium on Belief and Credence (online)

### **“The Rationality of Faith Meets the Axiology of Theism”**

November 2021	*Keynote Address, Philosophy of Religion Workshop, Virginia Commonwealth
June 2021	*Tyndale Philosophy of Religion Conference (online)

### **“Interpersonal Faith and Self-Fulfilling Beliefs”**

October 2021	Inaugural Princeton Project in Philosophy and Religion Conference
September 2020	*Pepperdine University (online)

### **“Explaining Evil and Pragmatic Belief”**

August 2021	*Capturing Christianity Conference, Houston, TX
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### **“Probing the Mind of God: On Divine Beliefs and Credences”** (with Justin Mooney)

July 2021	*Colloquium at Goethe University Frankfurt (online)
June 2021	*Colloquium at Lisbon LanCog Research Group (online)

### **“The Epistemic Axiology of Theism”**

June 2021	*Ryerson Axiology of Theism Conference (online)
May 2021	Princeton Philosophy of Religion Incubator Conference (online)

### **“Faithfully Taking Pascal’s Wager”**

April 2021	*Pacific APA, Society of Christian Philosophers (online)
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### **“Should You Believe in God?”**

March 2021	*Biola University, Talbot Speaker Series (online)
October 2020	*Houston Baptist University (online)
October 2020	*Concordia University (online)
February 2020	*Hope College, Holland, MI
October 2019	*Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI

*Presentation and Talks (cont.)*

**“Dilemmas, Disagreement, and Dualism”**

- November 2020 \*CONCEPT/University of Cologne, Department Colloquium (online)  
November 2020 \*Athenas in Action, Epistemology Work-in-Progress group (online)  
August 2020 Social (Distance) Epistemology Workshop (online)

**“Belief-Credence Dualism and Moral Encroachment”**

- July 2020 \*Encroachment at Home Work-in-Progress Group (online)

**“An Epistemic Version of Pascal’s Wager”**

- July 2020 \*The Analytic Collective Work-in-Progress Group (online)  
December 2019 \*Ryerson University, Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group

**“Permissivism, Encroachment, and Practical Reasons for Belief”**

- June 2020 \*Encroachment at Home Work-in-Progress Group (online)

**“Faith, Hope, and Justification”**

- March 2020 \*Junior Workshop in Philosophy of Religion, Chicago

**“Belief, Credence, and Graspability: Why Credences Are Not Beliefs”**

- February 2020 Central APA, Chicago (Colloquium paper)  
November 2019 Probability in Philosophy Conference, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne

**“Faith, Belief, and Religious Experience”**

- October 2019 Religious Experience and Description, Valparaiso University

**“Some Considerations Against Epistemic Paternalism”**

- October 2019 Public Philosophy Network Conference, Michigan State University  
September 2019 \*Australian National University, Moral/Social/Political Seminar  
June 2019 \*Symposium at the Canadian Philosophical Association, Vancouver

**“Epistemic Akrasia and Belief-Credence Dualism” (with Peter Tan)**

- October 2019 Central States Philosophical Association, Washington University St. Louis  
April 2019 Pacific APA, Vancouver (Colloquium Paper)  
March 2019 \*University of Virginia, Philosophy Department Colloquium

**“On the Independence of Belief and Credence”**

- October 2019 \*Australian National University, Philosophy Department Seminar  
July 2019 Ninth Workshop on Combining Probability and Logic, Frankfurt, Germany  
May 2019 St. Louis Conference on Reasons and Rationality  
February 2019 \*Belief in Context Workshop, University of Hamburg, Germany

**“A Permissivist Defense of Pascal’s Wager”**

- June 2019 Canadian SCP at the Canadian Philosophical Association, Vancouver  
September 2015 Eastern SCP, Messiah College (different title)

*Presentation and Talks (cont.)*

**“How Belief-Credence Dualism Explains Away Pragmatic Encroachment”**

February 2019 Central APA, Denver (Colloquium Paper)  
October 2018 Central States Philosophical Association, University of Buffalo  
August 2018 The World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, China  
May 2018 \*Women in Philosophy Workshop, Chicago (WIPHICA)  
February 2018 Central APA, Chicago (Diversity Institute Alumni Symposium)

**“Credence: A Belief-First Approach”** (with Andrew Moon)

September 2018 What are Degrees of Belief Workshop, University of Leeds

**“Belief, Faith, and Hope”**

August 2018 \*The World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, China  
March 2018 Perspectives on Faith: 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Conference, Boston College

**“Permissivism and Underdetermination”** (with Margaret Turnbull)

April 2018 Open-mindedness in Philosophy of Religion, Weatherford College

**“A Defense of Intrapersonal Belief Permissivism”**

February 2018 Central APA, Chicago (Colloquium Paper)  
June 2017 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Epistemology Conference, University of Edinburgh  
March 2017 Pacific SCP, Biola University  
November 2016 Iowa Philosophical Society, Simpson College (different title)

**“Belief and Credence: Why the Attitude-Type Matters”**

November 2017 Indiana Philosophical Association, Purdue University  
June 2017 New Trends in Epistemology Workshop, University of Pavia, Italy

**“Belief, Credence, and Evidence”**

October 2017 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Philosophers’ Cocoon Conference, University of Tampa

**“Belief, Credence, and Faith”**

July 2017 \*Kaufman Institute Interfaith Workshop, Amman, Jordan  
November 2016 Indiana Philosophical Association, DePauw University  
October 2016 Eastern SCP, Rutgers University  
June 2016 \*Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion, University of St. Thomas

**“The Nature and Rationality of Faith”**

August 2016 \*The New Theists Conference, Wake Forest

**“Wagering Against Divine Hiddenness”**

September 2015 British Society for Philosophy of Religion, Oxford University  
March 2015 Midwest SCP, University of South Alabama (different title)

**“Salvaging Pascal’s Wager”** (with Andy Rogers)

December 2014 New Insights and Directions Formal Epistemology Workshop, Oxford University  
May 2014 Northwest Student Philosophy Conference, Western Washington University  
April 2014 Graduate Epistemology Conference, Texas Tech

## Comments

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- January 2020      On “A Strike Against a Striking Principle” by Dan Baras  
Eastern APA, Philadelphia
- July 2019        On *On Being A Believer* by David Hunter  
Author Meets Critics, Friedrich-Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany
- November 2018    On *Salvation by Allegiance Alone* by Matthew W. Bates  
Author Meets Critics, Analytic Theology Consultation at the ETS, Denver
- October 2018     On “Conservatism in Epistemology” by Matthias Steup  
12<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Epistemology Workshop
- September 2018    On “Warranted Christian Resurrection Belief” by Stephen Wykstra  
40<sup>th</sup> Annual SCP Conference, Calvin College
- April 2018        On “Acquittal from Knowledge Laundering” by Juan Piñeros Glasscock  
8<sup>th</sup> Annual Notre Dame Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
- April 2018        On “An Argument Against the Normativity of Rational Requirements”  
by Clayton Littlejohn; University of Cologne, Germany
- January 2018      On “The Bayesian Challenge to Faith” by Matthew Lee  
Eastern APA, Savannah
- October 2017     On “Locking to the Properties of Fodorian Doorknobs” by Brittney Currie  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual Philosopher’s Cocoon Conference, Tampa
- March 2017        On “Is Evidentialism Prudent?” by Christopher Stephens  
Central APA, Kansas City
- January 2017      On “Deontological Evidentialism and the Principle that Ought Implies Can”  
by Luis Oliveira; Eastern APA, Baltimore
- November 2016    On “A Conflict Between van Inwagen’s Ontology and his Metaontology”  
by David Fisher; Indiana Philosophical Association
- October 2016     On “First and Second Order Theories: Williamson on Knowledge by Imagination”  
by Ben Henke; Central States Philosophical Association, Lincoln
- September 2016    On “When Faith Meets Counterevidence” by Lara Buchak  
The Virtue of Faith Conference, Bellingham
- April 2016        On “Living on the Edge: Against Epistemic Permissivism” by Ginger Schultheis  
6<sup>th</sup> Annual Notre Dame Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
- April 2016        On “Harder, Better, Faster, Stronger: Epistemic Standards and Moral Beliefs”  
by Nicole Dular; Pacific APA, San Francisco
- January 2016      On “Transformation, Faith, and Rational Commitment” by Rebecca Chan  
The Nature and Value of Faith Conference, San Antonio

## **Teaching and Advising**

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### *Teaching at Ryerson University*

Spring 2022 SSH 105: Critical Thinking (2 sections)  
Fall 2021 PH 8101: Graduate Seminar on Evidence (online)  
Fall 2021 PHL 550: Knowledge, Truth, and Belief (online)  
Spring 2021 SSH 105: Critical Thinking (2 sections, online)  
Fall 2020 PHL 550: Knowledge, Truth, and Belief (online)

### *Advising at Ryerson University*

2021–Present Advisor, MA Thesis: Samantha Arthurs (topic: divine gender and pronouns)  
2021–Present Second Reader, MA Thesis: Joel Erhardt (topic: religious luck), Alexey Maevskiy (topic: causal decision theory), Dale Glover (topic: the evil God challenge)

### *Teaching at Other Institutions*

Spring 2020 Permissivism and Disagreement, Australian National University (Graduate seminar, online)  
Fall 2017 Social Philosophy, Notre Dame (200-level)  
Fall 2016 Introduction to Philosophy, Notre Dame (Teaching Assistant for Jeff Speaks)

### *Mentoring*

July 2018 Graduate Student Mentor, Rutgers Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy  
2016–17 Graduate Student Mentor, Notre Dame Philosophy Department

## **Funding, Awards, and Grants**

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### *Grant Activity*

2022–2023 Advisory Board, “Experimental Philosophy of Religion” John Templeton Foundation Grant (Ian Church, PI)  
2021–2026 Advisory Board, “Belief in Action” European Research Council Grant (Gabriele Gava, PI)  
July 2020 Participant, “Oxford Beliefs Workshop” (John Templeton Foundation Advisory)  
June 2018 Eudaimonia Institute Grant, Wake Forest University

### *Professional Development Funding and Awards*

Dec. 2019 Australian National University Early Career Research Travel Grant  
Sept. 2018 Notebaert Professional Development Award  
July 2018 *Religious Studies* Post Graduate Essay Prize, for “Belief, Credence, and Faith”  
April 2018 Nanovic Institute Graduate Professional Development Grant  
2015–2016 Professional Development Grant, Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion  
2017–2018 Travel Award, Notre Dame Graduate School Conference Presentation Grant (2x)

### *APA Funding*

2018–2019 APA Graduate Student Stipend (3x)  
2016–2019 Travel Award, APA Diversity Institute Alumni Fund (5x)

## **Memberships**

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American Philosophical Association (lifetime membership)  
Society of Christian Philosophers (lifetime membership)

## Seminars and Fellowships

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- July 2018 Selected Participant, Navigating Sexuality and Gender Studies: An Introduction  
The Berkeley Institute, Berkeley, California
- July 2018 Invited Graduate Student Participant, Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy  
Rutgers University (funding and stipend awarded)
- June 2018 Visiting Research Fellowship  
Eudaimonia Institute, Wake Forest University (funding and stipend awarded)
- July 2017 Invited Participant, Kaufman Institute Interfaith Workshop  
Amman, Jordan (funding awarded)
- August 2016 Selected Participant, Athena in Action Workshop for Graduate Women in Philosophy  
Princeton University (funding awarded)
- June 2016 Selected Participant, Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion  
University of St. Thomas (funding and stipend awarded)
- July 2014 Selected Participant, Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy  
Rutgers University (funding and stipend awarded)

## Service

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### *Editorial and Referee Service*

- 2018–Present Journal Refereeing: *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis* (4x), *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Mind* (2x), *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (2x), *Philosophia Christi*, *Philosophical Studies* (5x), *The Philosophical Quarterly* (2x), *Philosophy East and West*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Religious Studies*, *Res Philosophica*, *Social Epistemology* (2x), *Synthese* (6x), *Theoria* (2x)
- 2015–Present Other Refereeing: Society of Christian Philosophers 2021 Midwest Meeting, Axiology of Theism 2021 Workshop, Canadian Society for Christian Philosophers 2021 Meeting, John Templeton Foundation (SET Foundations Grant), Notre Dame/ Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
- 2019–Present PhilPapers Editor: Pragmatic Arguments for Theism, Pascal's Wager, Probability in Philosophy of Religion
- 2021 Guest Editor, 2021 issue of *The Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*
- 2021 Guest Editor, 2021 issue of *Religious Studies Archives* (topic: The Ethics of Religious Belief)
- 2015–16 Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Analytic Theology*

### *Service to the Profession*

- 2021–2024 Central Committee, Society of Christian Philosophers
- 2021–2022 Vice President, Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers

### *Departmental Service, Notre Dame*

- 2016–19 Organizer, Notre Dame Epistemology Reading Group
- 2015–19 Organizer, Notre Dame Graduate Student Recruitment Week
- 2015–16 Graduate Assistant, Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame

### *Conference Organization*

June 2021      Axiology of Theism Online Workshop (with Kirk Lougheed and Klaas Kraay)  
Dec. 2020      Philosophy of Religion Online Workshop, Ryerson University (with Klaas Kraay)  
2016, 2017      Notre Dame/Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference  
May 2016      Logos Conference (with Rachel Jonker)

### **References**

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Robert Audi, University of Notre Dame ([robert.audi.1@nd.edu](mailto:robert.audi.1@nd.edu))  
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