

EMPLOYMENT

Post-Doctoral Researcher, University of Vienna 2025–
Member: Knowledge in Crisis

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley 2025
Dissertation: *Metaphor in Mind and Language*
Committee: John MacFarlane and Seth Yalcin (co-chairs), Amy Rose Deal (external)

B.A. in Philosophy, University of Chicago 2016
General and Special Honors
Thesis: *Excursus on Wittgenstein's Rule-Following Considerations*
Advisors: James Conant (primary), David Finkelstein (secondary)

SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of language, philosophy of mind, history of analytic philosophy (esp. Wittgenstein)

COMPETENCE

Social philosophy, feminist philosophy

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Metaphor, Truth, and Composition: Against Non-Cognitivism
Inquiry: advance online (2026)

Deadnaming, Taboo, and Linguistic Authority
Mind 134 (536): 1015-1039 (2025)

The Impact of Deadnaming
Philosophical Quarterly: advance online (2025)

Metaphor and Ambiguity
Philosophical Studies 181 (11): 3059-3087 (2024)

Distinguishing Two Kinds of Fictionalism: Metaphor, Autism, and the Imagination
Synthese 204 (128): 1-23 (2024)

Semantic Dispositionalism and the Rule-Following Paradox
Metaphilosophy 53 (5): 685-695 (2022)

Resolution in §201 of the *Philosophical Investigations*
Australasian Journal of Philosophy 98 (2): 393-402 (2020)

Excursus on Wittgenstein's Rule-Following Considerations
Nordic Wittgenstein Review 6 (1): 53-83 (2017)

BOOK REVIEW

Wittgenstein and the Possibility of Meaning by Alexander Miller
Review of Metaphysics 78 (3): 554-556 (2025)

OTHER WRITING

Why I Withdrew From a Faculty Position at Texas A&M
Chronicle of Higher Education

Deadnames and the Philosophy of Language
Blog of the APA

Let Me Open a Treasure Chest to Explain How Metaphor Works
Psyche

Preventing Trans People From Deciding Their Own Names Threatens All Americans
San Francisco Chronicle

Metaphor: Simple Semantics, Complex Coordination
New Work in Philosophy

TALKS

(† = invited, * = refereed)

What Is Metaphor Anyway?
Pint of Science, Polkadot Bar upcoming May 2026

(Rejected) Names and (Social) Norms
Will to Philosophy Research Forum † upcoming April 2026

Slurs: The Sound and the Fury
Language Group, University of Vienna December 2025

What Is Wrong With Deadnaming?

Pacific APA, San Francisco *	April 2025
Queer and Trans Philosophy DeCal, U.C. Berkeley	April 2025
Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference, U.C. Boulder *	April 2024
Slurs Are Pronunciation Sensitive (with Edward Schwartz)	
USC-UCLA Graduate Conference, University of Southern California *	April 2025
Eastern APA, New York *	January 2025
Berkeley-Stanford-David Conference, U.C. Berkeley *	April 2024
Deadnaming, Taboo, and Linguistic Authority	
Research Colloquium, Auburn University †	February 2025
Research Colloquium, Texas A&M †	February 2025
Research Colloquium, U.C. Berkeley	November 2024
Philosophy Forum, U.C. Berkeley	October 2024
Language + Meaning Sciences Workshop, U.C. Berkeley	September 2024
Metaphor and Ambiguity	
Hand, Brain, and Speech Conference, University of Naples *	October 2023
Fictionalism About Metaphor and the Problem of Semantic Entailment	
Congreso Internacional de Doctorandos en Filosofía, P.U.C. de Chile *	September 2023
Semantic Dispositionalism and the Rule-Following Paradox	
Berkeley-London Graduate Conference, University of London *	May 2022
Non-Verbal Metaphor	
Mark L. Shapiro Graduate Conference, Brown University *	March 2021
COMMENTS	
On “Conversational Implicature Is Testimony” by Mutsumoto Shohei	
Berkeley-Stanford-David Conference, U.C. Berkeley	April 2024
On “Mary Midgley’s Scholarly Neglect” by Ellie Robson	
Berkeley-London Graduate Conference, U.C. Berkeley	May 2023
On “Insinuations and Speech Acts” by Antonio Monaco	
Pacific APA, San Francisco	April 2023
AWARDS	
University of California, Berkeley	
Travel Stipend (American Philosophical Association)	2025
Department of Philosophy Travel Grant (x2)	2025
Berkeley Connect Fellowship	2024-25
Graduate Division Summer Dissertation Writing Grant	2024

Universal Design for Learning Fellowship	2024
Graduate Division Travel Grant (x2)	2023-24
Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2023-24
Outstanding GSI Award	2022
Summer Stipend Award	2018-19, 2021
Regents Fellowship	2017-19

University of Chicago

Lee Family Essay Prize	2016
Dean's Fund Award	2016
Dunn Summer Research Fellowship	2015

SERVICE

Referee, <i>Australasian Journal of Philosophy</i> (x2), <i>Ergo</i> , <i>Erkenntnis</i> , <i>Nordic Wittgenstein Review</i> (x2), <i>Noûs</i> , <i>Philosophical Studies</i> (x2), <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research</i>	
Organizer, 48th International Wittgenstein Symposium	2027
Organizer, Language Group Meeting (Knowledge in Crisis)	2025
Referee, Berkeley-Stanford-David Conference	2018-19, 2024
Indexer, <i>The Entanglement</i> (Alva Noë)	2023
Panelist, Berkeley Connect	2023
Head GSI	2022-23
Coffee Czar	2018-20

MEMBERSHIPS

Knowledge in Crisis	2025–
Slurring Terms Across Languages Network	2024–
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division	2023-25

LANGUAGES

Native fluency: English
 Reading competence: French, German

TEACHING

University of Vienna

Conversation and Speech Acts	Spring 2026
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University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley Connect	Fall 2024, Spring 2025
Nature of Mind	Summer 2023

As assistant instructor

Feminism and Philosophy

Spring 2024

Philosophical Methods

Spring 2023

Nature of Mind

Summer 2022

Philosophy of Language

Spring 2022

Merleau-Ponty

Fall 2021

Modern Philosophy

Spring 2021

Introduction to Logic

Summer 2020, Fall 2020

Philosophy of Mind

Spring 2020

Theory of Meaning

Summer 2019

Political Philosophy

Spring 2019

REFERENCES

Olivia Bailey

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, U.C. Berkeley

Hannah Ginsborg

Willis S. and Marion Slusser Professor of Philosophy, U.C. Berkeley

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Professor of Philosophy, U.C. Berkeley

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Seth Yalcin

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