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EMPLOYMENT

2022-present. Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Wyoming 2018–2022. Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Wyoming

2017–2018. Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, Fordham University 2014–2017. Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Baylor University

EDUCATION

2014. University of Notre Dame, Ph.D., Philosophy

2008. Biola University, M.A., Philosophy of Religion and Ethics

2004. Crown College, Bachelor of Science

AOS

Metaphysics, Philosophy of Religion, Cryptocurrency

AOC

Epistemology, Philosophy of Language, Ethics

Воокѕ

Under contract. *The Problem of a Personal God*, Cambridge University Press (with Andrew M Bailey)

Under contract. Resistance Money: The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of Bitcoin, Routledge (with Andrew M Bailey and Craig Warmke)

ARTICLES

Invited. "Truthmaking and Properties", Routledge Handbook on Properties, ed. Anna-Sofia Maurin, Alexander Fisher

2021. "Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of Cryptocurrency: The Moral Landscape of Monetary Design", *Philosophy Compass* (with Andrew M. Bailey and Craig Warmke)

2021. "Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of Cryptocurrency: Money Without State", *Philosophy Compass* (with Andrew M. Bailey and Craig Warmke)

2021. "Ways of Thinking about Ways of Being", Analysis 80(4): 712-722

2020. "Epistemic Duties and Implicit Bias", *Epistemic Duties*, Kevin McCain & Scott Stapleford (eds.). Routledge: New York. (with Lindsay Rettler)

2019. "Quantification in the Ontology Room", dialectica 73(4): 563-585

2019. "Bundle Theory and the Identity of Indiscernibles", *Res Philosophica* 96(4): 495-508 (with Philip Swenson)

- 2018. "Mereological Nihilism and Puzzles about Material Objects", *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 99(4): 842-868
- 2018. "Analysis of Faith", *Philosophy Compass* 13(9): e12517, https://doi.org/10.1111/phc3.12517
- 2017. "Object", Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (with Andrew M. Bailey)
- 2017. "Grounds and 'Grounds"', Canadian Journal of Philosophy 47(5): 631-655
- 2017. "A Possible Worlds Solution to the Puzzle of Petitionary Prayer", European Journal for Philosophy of Religion 9(1): 178-186 (with Ryan Matthew Parker)
- 2016. "The General Truthmaker View of Ontological Commitment", *Philosophical Studies* 173(5): 1405-1425
- 2015. "Review of Ontology and Metaontology: A Contemporary Guide", Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews
- 2012. "McTaggart and Indexing the Copula", *Philosophical Studies* 158(3): 431-434

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

- 2022. "Bitcoin is For Anyone Left or Right", *USA Today* (with Andrew M Bailey and Craig Warmke)
- 2022. "Bitcoin Stands Apart from other Cryptocurrencies", Cointelegraph
- 2022. "Bitcoin's Not a Right-Wing Plot", Julie Mason Mornings
- 2022. "Bitcoin FAQ", Progressive Bitcoiner Podcast
- 2022. "Philosophy of Stateless Money," What is Money?
- 2021. "Governments should invest in the Bitcoin Network", Newsweek (with Andrew M Bailey)
- 2021. "An Orange New Deal", Bitcoin Magazine (with Andrew M Bailey)
- 2021. "Hard Forks are Fan Fiction", CoinDesk
- 2021. "The Richer Get Richer, the Poor Get Bitcoin", Institute for Arts and Ideas
- 2021. "Another Way to Think about Bitcoin's Value", Bitcoin Magazine
- 2021. "On Confidently Misunderstanding Bitcoin", Bitcoin Magazine
- 2021. "On Having Fun Staying Poor", CoinDesk
- 2020. "Why Bitcoin Needs Philosophy", CoinDesk (with Andrew M Bailey and Craig Warmke)
- 2021. "How Bitcoin can Help the Poor", Scott Melker Channel
- 2021. "Bitcoin and Philosophy as a Way of Life", Digital Money Advisor Podcast
- 2021. "Bitcoin and Epistemic Trespassing". Cigars and Crypto Podcast
- 2021. "Why Bitcoin has More Ideological Flexibility than You Think." The Breakdown with NLW Podcast, (with Andrew M Bailey and Craig Warmke)
- 2021. "Bitcoin Philosophy". Smart People Sh*t Podcast, (with Craig Warmke)

- 2021. "Bitcoin: Is it Money and Is it Good?" Open to Truth Podcast (with Andrew M Bailey)
- 2021. "This Week in Bitcoin", BitcoinMeister
- 2021. "Introduction to Religious Disagreement". Wallop Civic Engagement Project, for WY middle/high schoolers
- 2021. "Introduction to Bitcoin". Wallop Civic Engagement Project, for WY middle/high schoolers

TEACHING

Philosophy of Language, Wyoming, F2022, F2019

First Year Seminar: Philosophy as a Way of Life, Wyoming, F2022, F2020 Introduction to Philosophy, Wyoming, S2022, S2020, F2018; Notre Dame, S2013

Philosophy of Religion, Wyoming, S2022, S2021, S2019; Baylor, S2017, F2016, F2015

Philosophy & Science Fiction (Online Asynchronous), Wyoming, F2021, F2020

Metaphysics, Wyoming, F2021, F2018; Fordham, S2018; Baylor, F2014

Seminar: Money, Wyoming, S2021

Seminar: Divine Hiddenness, Wyoming, S2020

Critical Thinking, Wyoming, F2019

Seminar: Metametaphysics, Wyoming, S2019

Philosophy of Human Nature, Fordham, S2018 (2 sections)

Philosophical Ethics, Fordham, F2017 (3 sections)

Logic, Baylor, S2016

Moral Problems, Notre Dame, S2014 (2 sections), F2013 (2 sections)

TALKS ('*' = INVITED)

- 2022. "A Perpetual Argument from Hiddenness: The Problem of Divine Hiddenness in Ted Chiang's 'Hell is the Absence of God", *Union College**
- 2022. "Properties as Truthmakers", Properties: an online philosophy workshop*
- 2022. "Privacy in a Public Ledger", University of Chicago*
- 2022. "Digital Currencies: The Philosophy behind the Technology", University of Wyoming
- 2020. "Four Arguments from Divine Hiddenness", *University of Liverpool**
- 2020. "Four Arguments from Divine Hiddenness", Fordham University* (Rescheduled)
- 2019. "Is There an Object/Property Distinction?", Midwestern Annual Workshop in Metaphysics*
- 2017. "Is There an Object/Property Distinction?", Junior Metaphysics Workshop*
- 2017. "A Dozen or so Metaphysics of the Eucharist", *California Metaphysics Conference**

- 2016. "Mereological Nihilism and Puzzles about Material Objects", University of North Florida*
- 2015. "Four Arguments against Truthmaker Necessitarianism", Alabama Philosophical Society
- 2015. "Prolegomena to an Analysis of Faith", Central APA, SCP Group Meeting*
- 2014. "A Simple Coincidence Puzzle", Pacific APA
- 2014. "Generalism and Particularism in Teaching Applied Ethics", BAPT*
- 2013. "The Fundamental Quantifier is Restricted", Pacific APA
- 2013. "The Fundamental Quantifier is Restricted", *Junior Metaphysics* Workshop*
- 2013. "Substances are Truthmakers", University of Geneva*
- 2012. "A Truthmaker View of Ontological Commitment", Pacific APA
- 2012. "A Simple Coincidence Puzzle", Illinois Philosophical Association
- 2012. "How to think about Grounding", Central States Philosophical Association
- 2012. "How to Think about Grounding", Baylor Philosophy of Religion Conference*
- 2012. "A Truthmaker View of Ontological Commitment", *University of Texas*
- 2010. "No Epistemic Norm of Assertion", Central APA
- 2010. "No Epistemic Norm of Assertion", University of Colorado
- 2009. "Simple Persistence", USC-UCLA
- 2009. "No Epistemic Norm of Assertion", Central States Philosophical Association
- 2009. "Presentism and Fatalism Revisited", Northwest Philosophy Conference
- 2009. "Presentism, Minkowski, and Quantifier Variance", Biola
- 2009. "Simple Persistence", Pacific APA
- 2008. "Simple Persistence", Western Michigan University
- 2007. "'Ought Implies Can' Implies Indeterminism", Northwest Conference for Philosophy
- 2007. "Divine Timelessness and the A-Theory", Pacific SCP

Guest Lectures

- 2022. "Ethics and the Internet: Cryptocurrency", New York University*
- 2020. "Can Petitionary Prayer Be Effective?", University of Missouri*
- 2016. "Does God have a Gender?" Baylor Undergraduate Philosophy Club*
- 2016. "Should we all be Vegetarians?" Baylor Undergraduate Philosophy Club*
- 2015. "Is Faith Compatible with Doubt?" Baylor Undergraduate Philosophy Club*
- 2015. "The Metaphysics of Race", Baylor Undergraduate Philosophy Club*

COMMENTS

- 2022. Comments on Kenneth Pearce's "Monistic Metaphysical Rationalism Requires Grounding Indeterminism", *Central APA*
- 2021. Comments on Aradhana Gupta's "Sums and Wholes: Alike But Different", Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference
- 2020. Comments on Craig Warmke's "What are [Bitcoin] Chain Splits?", *Metaphysics on the Mountain*
- 2019. Comments on Li Kang's 'The Interdependence of All Things: A Contemporary Construct of Huayan Buddhism', *Early Career Metaphysics Workshop*
- 2018. Comments on James Darcy's 'Grounding Necessitarianism and Composition", Eastern APA
- 2018. Comments on Jonathan Barker's 'Grounding and Ontological Innocence", Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference
- 2016. Comments on David Fisher's 'A Conflict Between van Inwagen's Ontology and Metaontology', Central States Philosophical Association
- 2016. Comments on Anne Peterson's 'A Methodological Mess: Formulating the Universal/Particular Distinction', *Junior Metaphysics Workshop*
- 2016. Comments on Daniel McKaughan's 'Action-Centered Faith, Doubt, and Rationality', Faith Conference
- 2015. Comments on Aaron Griffith's 'The Metaphysics of Social Construction: A Grounding Account', *Junior Metaphysics Workshop*
- 2015. Comments on Jeremy Goodman's 'Williamson's Earrings', *Pacific APA*
- 2014. Comments on Ryan Preston-Roedder's 'Three Varieties of Faith', *Nature of Faith Conference*
- 2013. Comments on David Hunt's 'Fatalism for Presentists', *Philosophy* of Time Society Group Meeting, Eastern APA
- 2011. Comments on Sara Bernstein's 'Overdetermination and Counterfactual Sensitivity', *Pacific APA*
- 2011. Comments on Luke Elwonger's 'Physical Constants and Essentialist Arguments for Necessitarianism', Central APA
- 2007. Comments on Daniel Callcut's 'Mill, Sentimentalism and the Problem of Moral Authority', Northwest Philosophy Conference

Grants and Awards

- 2022. College of Arts and Sciences Research and Creative Activity Grant, \$5,900
- 2021. WIHR (Wyoming Institute for Humanities Research) Humanities Research Group Faculty Fellowship, \$3,000 + 1 course reduction
- 2021. Provost Strategic Investment Fund Grant, \$5,000. "Next-Generation Secure Digital Ecosystems at the Nexus of Climate and Energy". PIs Soheil Saraji (Petroleum Engineering), Mike Borowczak (Computer Science)
- 2021. UW Grand Challenges Initiative Grant, \$20,000. "Next-Generation Secure Digital Ecosystems at the Nexus of Climate and Energy". PIs

Soheil Saraji (Petroleum Engineering), Mike Borowczak (Computer Science).

2021. UW Extraordinary Merit in Research Award Finalist

2019. PIE Award (Promoting Intellectual Engagement in the First Year)

2013. Graduate Student Professional Development Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, Notre Dame, \$850

2013, 2014. Analytic Theology Summer Institute, Travel Grant, 2 x \$1000 2010. St Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion, Summer

Stipend and Travel Grant, \$3,000

2008, 2010. Metaphysical Mayhem, Travel Grant, 2 x \$800

2008-2014. APA Graduate Student Travel Stipend. 4 x \$300

2008-2014. Notre Dame Philosophy Travel Grant, 20 x \$500

Referee Work Presses: Oxford University Press (3), Routledge

Journals (45 total): American Philosophical Quarterly (3), Analysis (3), Analytic Philosophy, Australasian Journal of Philosophy (3), Canadian Journal of Philosophy (3), dialectica (2), Ergo (3), Erkenntnis (3), European Journal of Analytic Philosophy, European Journal for Philosophy of Religion, Faith and Philosophy, Mind (3), Oxford Bibliographies, Philosophia, Philosophical Papers, The Philosophical Quarterly (3), Philosophical Studies (2), The Philosophical Review, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research (3), Religious Studies, Res Philosophica (2), Synthese (3), The Thomist Conferences: Canadian Philosophical Association, Florida Philosophical Association, Junior Metaphysics Workshop, Notre Dame/Northwestern Epistemology Conference (3)

SERVICE

2022-2023. Program Committee, 2023 Central APA

2022-present. Member, UW Strategic Planning Team

2022-present. Curriculum Committee, Philosophy & Religious Studies

2022. Thesis Committee Member, Finlay McIlwaine (M.S. in Computer Science)

2022. Associated Students of the University of Wyoming Financial Wellness Event. "Blockchain, NFTs, Cryptocurrencies, and Bitcoin"

2021. Wallop Civic Engagement Project. "Bitcoin"

2021. Wallop Civic Engagement Project. "Religious Disagreement"

2020. Organizer, Early Career Metaphysics Workshop (postponed due to COVID-19)

2019. Member, Philosophy and Religious Studies Search Committee, Buddhism

2018-present. Faculty Advisor, Philosophy Club

2018-present. Area editor, PhilPapers, "Simples and Gunk"

2016. APA Blog: How to Chair a Q&A

2010-2012. Class Representative to the Philosophy Department, ND

ACTIVITY

- 2022, 2020, 2017, 2016. Ranch Metaphysics Workshop, Invited Participant and Chair
- 2019-2021. Philosophy as a Way of Life Project, Invited Participant
- 2014-2016. Junior Metaphysics Workshop, Steering Committee
- 2015, 2014. Baylor Works-in-Progress Reading Group, Organizer
- 2015, 2014. Summer Seminar on the Nature and Value of Faith, Invited Participant
- 2013, 2012. 1st and 2nd Annual California Metaphysics Conferences, Assistant to the Organizers
- 2012, 2011. St. Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology, Assistant to the Organizers
- 2010, 2008. Metaphysical Mayhem, Travel Grant and Invited Participant
- 2010. St. Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology, Invited Participant
- 2010. Logos, Invited Participant