

Abigail C. Bergeron

Education

- **Trent University, Canada — Bachelors in Philosophy (BA) 2017-2022**
 - Trent University Full Scholarship 2018-2019
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- **Swansea University, UK — Bachelors in Law (LLB) 2019-2022**
- **Ontario Secondary School Diploma (A-Levels Equivalent) 2017**
 - A*** (Equivalent): History (97%), Philosophy (90%), Sociology (92%), Equity Studies (92%), Adv. Literature (92%), Canadian Indigenous Studies (92%), Global Politics (90%)
- Ontario Scholar Certification — 2017

Academic Awards

- **Trent University Dean's List Award — 2021**
- **Trent University Academic Excellence Award — 2020**
- **Trent University Dean's List Award — 2020**
- **James Middleton Humanities Award (1st Place Essay) — 2019**
- **Trent University Dean's List Award — 2019**
- **Bruce Barrett Memorial Prize in Philosophy — 2018**

Publications

- “Impoverished Bees: A Critical Analysis of Heidegger’s Conception of Man As World-Forming and the Animal as Poor-In-World” *Compos Mentis: Undergraduate Journal of Cognition and Neuroethics*. Vol. 8 Issue 2. June 2021. University of Michigan-Flint.

Research Experience

- **Research Internship:** Swansea University Criminology Department "Privacy and Cybersecurity Post-COVID-19: Researching the impact of “Track and Trace” — July 2021
 - Employed as a student intern to aid with finding and compiling research for the project.
- **Undergraduate Dissertation:** “Paying Homage to a Rebel: An Examination of Nietzsche’s Thought and its Relation to Anarchist Theory” — April 2021
 - An examination of Friedrich’s Nietzsche’s thought in the context of classical anarchism and post-modern anarchist theory.
- **Undergraduate Dissertation:** “On John Part II: The Soul’s of Sponges” — December 2020
 - An examination of Rene Descartes’s thought regarding consciousness and nonhuman minds, considering contemporary relevancy and related theories of access consciousness and higher-order-thought theory.

Conferences and Presentations

- **Trent University Philosophy Society Student Symposium: Keynote Presenter — 2021**
 - Selected to present my short thesis “Epistemic Injustice and Subjectivity” at the annual Symposium, and participate in a mock “defence” of my thesis.
- **Trent University Philosophy Society Student Symposium: Keynote Presenter — 2019**
 - Selected to present my short thesis “John: On Fish” at the annual Symposium, and participate in a mock “defence” of my thesis.

Teaching Experience

- **Swansea University Senior PASS (Peer Assisted Study Scheme) Leader — 2021 - 2022**
 - Supervising and mentoring student PASS leaders to better facilitate effective and interactive sessions for students
- **Swansea University PASS (Peer Assisted Study Scheme) Student Leader — 2020 - 2021**
 - Mentoring and providing resources, study skills, and support to first-year law students.
 - Collaborating with other PASS leaders to create interactive and engaging activities for students to enhance legal skills and understanding.

Extracurricular Positions of Responsibility

- **Elected President of the Swansea University Feminist Society — 2021 - 2022**
- **Elected President of the Swansea University Canadian Law Society — 2021 - 2022**
- **Elected Women's Officer for the Swansea University Student Union — 2021 - 2022**
- **Trent University Philosophy Society — 2017 - 2019**

Other Work Experience

- **City of Toronto Parks and Recreation, Camps and Childcare Division — 2018 -2019**
 - Experienced with childcare for a wide range of ages and backgrounds, including toddlers, youth, and children with disabilities, (summer camps, after-school programs, and drop-in programs)
- **City of Toronto Parks and Recreation, Recreation and Active Living Division — 2015 - 2019**
- Experienced with organizing, managing, and instructing a wide variety of child, family, and adult public sport programs (such as ice skating, drop-in sports, and league organized sports)
- **City of Toronto Parks and Recreation, Aquatics and Lifeguarding Division — 2014 - 2017**

About Me

I am a Canadian student simultaneously completing two undergraduate degrees (BA & LLB) in five years. I am a dedicated and resilient student who is very passionate and determined. I am interested in pursuing a career in teaching and academia, or legal research.

My areas of interest include:

- **Law:** animal welfare, agricultural laws and regulations, environmental regulations and planning permission, nature conservation law, privacy and cybersecurity and cybercrime.
 - **Philosophy:** twentieth-century metaphysics, meta-ethics, existentialism, philosophy of mind and consciousness, radical theories such as anarchism and deep green ecology, feminist theory, disability theory (ASD)
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