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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION Ethics, Metaethics, Social & Political Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE Philosophy of Law, Applied Ethics, PPE

EMPLOYMENT SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Oxford, Sept. 2025 – July 2027
- Non-Stipendiary Research Fellow, Nuffield College, Jan. 2026 – July 2027

Lecturer, Philosophy, University of Western Australia, July 2027—
- Honorary position: Adjunct Lecturer, Dec. 2025 - July 2027

EDUCATION McGill University: PhD in Philosophy, 2020-2025
Dissertation: *Equal in Dignity*
Committee: Chris Howard & Daniel Weinstock (co-supervisors); Kieran Setiya,
Pablo Gilabert, & Jacob T. Levy (examiners)

Concordia University: M.A. in Philosophy, 2018-2020
Supervisor: Katharina Nieswandt

University of Guelph: Hons. B.A. in Philosophy, 2014-2018
Supervisor: John Hacker-Wright

PUBLICATIONS Love and the Basis of Dignity
European Journal of Philosophy. (online first)

Nonideal Theory as Ideology
Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy. 30, no. 1 (2025): 74-97.

The Aptness of Envy
American Journal of Political Science. 69, no. 1 (2025): 330-340.

The Best Available Parent and Duties of Justice
Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy. 23, no. 2 (2022): 304-311.

Is There Reason to Believe the Principle of Sufficient Reason?
Philosophia. 50, no. 2 (2022): 777-787.

On the Efficiency Objection to Workplace Democracy
Ethical Theory and Moral Practice. 24, no. 3 (2021): 803-815.

Reply to Machery: Against the Argument from Citation
International Journal of Philosophical Studies. 29, no. 2 (2021): 181-184.

BOOK REVIEWS

On the Right to Have Rights
Human Rights Quarterly 43, no. 2 (2021): 398-403.

WORK IN PROGRESS

A paper on love and the value of humanity
A paper on duties to the dead (R&R, *CJP*)
A paper on obligations to past, present, and future generations (R&R, *PPR*)
A paper on value and time (ms. in progress)
A paper on misanthropy (ms. in progress)

SELECTED

FELLOWSHIPS,

AWARDS, &

HONORS

SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship, \$140,000. 2025-2027
RGCS Lin-Oliver Fellowship, \$10,500. 2024-2025
McGill Faculty of Law CLR Workshop: Best Contribution Award, 2024
Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire Sur la Normativité, \$3,000. 2022-2023
Le Centre de Recherche en Éthique, \$5,000. 2022-2023
Misc. Travel Awards and Grants, \$8,500. 2022-2025
Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Doctoral Scholarship, Semi-Finalist, 2022
SSHRC CGS to Honour Nelson Mandela, 2021-2024
Joseph-Armand Bombardier SSHRC Doctoral Scholarship, \$105,000. 2021-2024
Adam Smith Fellowship, \$5,000. 2021-2022
Don Lavoie Fellowship, \$1,250. 2021
McGill Macdonald Philosophy Award, \$13,700. 2020-2021, 2025
Research Group on Constitutional Studies Doctoral Fellow, 2020-2025
GRIPP Doctoral Fellow, \$12,000. 2020-2025
Le Centre de Recherche en Éthique, \$5,000. 2019-2020
Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire Sur la Normativité, \$3,000. 2019-2020
Concordia Merit Scholarship, \$10,000. 2018-2019
Concordia Dean of Arts and Science Award, \$2,500. 2018-2019

SELECTED TALKS

“What’s Wrong with Misanthropy?”

* = NON-REFEREED

- Early Career Work in Progress Seminar, Oxford, May 26, 2026*

“Longtermism and the Dead”

- Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society, London, July 9, 2026
- Workshop für Politische Philosophie, University of Graz, Jan. 9-10, 2026
- Oxford Ethics in AI Work-in-Progress Seminar, Dec. 2, 2025*

- King's College London, Department of Political Economy, May 15, 2025*
- University of Guelph, Department of Philosophy, Apr. 25, 2025*
- International Association for the Philosophy of Death and Dying, Apr. 19, 2025
- Pacific Division, American Philosophical Association, Apr. 18, 2025
- Fordham University, The Future of Philosophy Conference, Mar. 28-29, 2025
- Université de Montréal, Graduate Research Workshop, Mar. 27, 2025
- Nuffield College, University of Oxford, Feb. 10, 2025*
- Purdue University, Department of Philosophy, Feb. 3, 2025*
- Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire en Philosophie Politique, Jan. 14, 2025*
- University of Pennsylvania, Zicklin NBE Workshop, Dec. 6, 2024
- McGill Work-in-Progress Seminar Series, Nov. 4, 2024*

“What We Owe to The Dead”

- University of Sheffield, Workshop on Evaluative Attitudes, Sept. 10-11, 2026*
- Oxford Social Philosophy Workshop, June 24, 2026*
- Eastern Division, American Philosophical Association, Jan. 8-11, 2025
- Harvard University Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Oct. 25-26, 2024
- Université de Fribourg, ASU at 50, Sept. 1-6, 2024
- Canadian Philosophical Association, Montréal, June 18-21, 2024
- Canadian Political Science Association, Montréal, June 12-14, 2024
- McGill Faculty of Law CLR Workshop, Mar. 21, 2024
- Brown University, Mark L. Shapiro Graduate Conference, Feb. 17-18, 2024
- McGill Work-in-Progress Seminar Series, Jan. 25, 2024*

“Naïve Humanism”

- Madison Metaethics Workshop, Sept. 25-27, 2026
- Central Division, American Philosophical Association, Mar. 1, 2025
- Princeton University, 3PR, Philosophy, Religion, and Love, May 11-12, 2024
- Canadian Philosophical Association, Toronto, May 29, 2023
- Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire Sur la Normativité, May 12, 2023*
- Human Dignity: Theory and Practice, McGill and Concordia, Apr. 28, 2023*
- Brown University, Mark L. Shapiro Graduate Conference, Feb. 18-19, 2023
- SSHRC Lightning Talks, McGill Faculty Club, Jan. 26, 2023
- Le Centre de Recherche en Éthique, Jan. 26, 2023*

“Non-ideal Theory as Ideology”

- Britain and Ireland Association for Political Thought, Cambridge, Jan. 4-6, 2024
- McGill University, PSA, Jan. 18, 2023*
- Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire en Philosophie Politique Nov. 14, 2022*
- Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society, New Orleans, Nov. 3-5, 2022

“The Aptness of Envy”

- University of Oxford, Politics and Poetics Conference, Aug. 11-12, 2022
- Northeast Normativity Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, May 12-13, 2022
- Harvard University Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Apr. 8, 2022
- Duke University Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Feb. 24-25, 2022
- John Rawls’ Legacy in the 21st Century, University of Bucharest, Nov. 6, 2021
- Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire en Philosophie Politique, Oct. 22, 2021*

COMMENTARY

All Souls College, Oxford: “Value, Justice, and Humankind’s Common Culture Heritage” by Cécile Fabre, Nov. 25, 2026
GRIPP, McGill: “Feasibility: On What is Possible in Politics” by Nicholas Southwood, Feb. 7, 2025
CRÉ, Dimensions of Gratitude Workshop: “Much obliged: On Gratitude and Obligation” by Stephen Darwall, Apr. 27, 2024
CPA, Toronto: “Kant, Korsgaard, and Duties to Non-human Animals” by Alex Drusda, May 30, 2023
Eastern APA, Montreal: “Lotteries, Queues, and Secondary Goods” by Gil Hersh and Thomas Rowe, Jan. 5, 2023

PUBLIC WRITING

“Longtermism and its Limits.” *Blog of the APA*. Oct. 9, 2025
“APA Member Interview.” *Blog of the APA*. Aug. 22, 2025
“Let Them Eat Oysters.” (Letters), *London Review of Books*. Oct. 19, 2023
“The Aptness of Envy.” *New Work in Philosophy*. Aug. 21, 2023
“Privation.” *Oxford Public Philosophy*. Issue 3, 2023
“The Politics of Subscriptions.” *Oxford Political Review*. Jan. 17, 2022

TEACHING

Instructor of Record, Phil 348: Philosophy of Law, McGill, 2023
Teaching Assistant, Phil 230: Introduction to Moral Philosophy, McGill, 2021
Teaching Assistant, Phil 230: Introduction to Moral Philosophy, McGill, 2020
Teaching Assistant, Phil 210: Critical Thinking (Online), Concordia, 2020
Teaching Assistant, Phil 220: Philosophy of Science, Concordia, 2019
Teaching Assistant, Phil 210: Critical Thinking (Online), Concordia, 2019
Teaching Assistant, Phil 235: Bioethics (Online), Concordia, 2019
Teaching Assistant, Phil 235: Ethics, Concordia, 2018

PEDAGOGICAL
TRAINING

Georgetown Workshop on Teaching Professional Business Ethics, May 2025
Teaching Philosophy (12-week pedagogy seminar), McGill, Fall 2024

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| PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES | Referee for: <i>American Political Science Review</i> ; <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> (x2); <i>Bioethics</i> ; <i>Economics and Philosophy</i> ; <i>Ergo</i> ; <i>Journal of Global Ethics</i> ; <i>Journal of Social Philosophy</i> (x2); <i>Journal of Value Inquiry</i> ; <i>Philosophical Studies</i> ; <i>Political Studies</i> ; <i>Political Studies Review</i> ; <i>Philosophical Psychology</i> ; <i>Res Publica</i> ; <i>Synthese</i> ; <i>Theoria</i> ; <i>Thought</i> | |
| CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION | Workshop on Duties to the Dead, Oxford (Nuffield College), Apr. 15-16, 2027 - Co-organized with Constantin Luft and Felix Aiwanger Workshop on Love and Respect, Oxford (Nuffield College), Jan. 7-8, 2027 - Co-organized with Jeremy David Fix Human Dignity: Theory and Practice (McGill and Concordia), Apr. 28-29, 2023 - Co-organized with Pablo Gilabert and Daniel Weinstock Co-organizer, CRÉ, Normativity and Social Critique, May 1-2, 2023 Co-organizer, CRÉ, Éthique, Justice et Connaissance, May 12, 2020 Co-organizer, Canadian Society for Epistemology Conference, Nov. 2019 | |
| SELECTED SERVICE | Political Theory Professionalization Seminar, Oxford, Trinity Term, 2026 Research Group on Constitutional Studies, Student Representative, 2023-2025 Canadian Philosophical Association, Local Arrangements Coordinator, 2024 Co-organizer: McGill Philosophy Work-in-Progress Seminar Series, 2022-2023 McGill Vice President Academic Affairs, PPSAMU, 2023-2024 McGill Graduate Studies Ambassador (x2), 2023-2024 McGill TA Orientation Workshop Leader (x2), 2022-2023 McGill PGSA Social Coordinator, 2020-2024 | |
| OUTREACH | Mentor: McGill Directed Reading Program in Philosophy, 2024 Co-organizer: McGill Directed Reading Program in Philosophy, 2022-2023 | |
| PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS | American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy, PPE Society, The Association for Political Theory, The Britain and Ireland Association for Political Thought, The Aristotelian Society, Oxford Philosophy Society | |
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