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## EMPLOYMENT

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**Roseman University of Health Sciences**

Aug. 2024 -

Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track Equivalent)

*Department of Bioethics, Humanism, & Policy*

*College of Medicine*

Graduate Faculty

*Biomedical Sciences MS Program*

*College of Graduate Studies*

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## EDUCATION

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**PhD**, Philosophy, *University of Florida*

Aug. 2024

Graduate Certificate in Ethics of Technology

Graduate Certificate in Women’s Studies

**MA**, Philosophy, *University of Western Ontario*

Aug. 2018

**BA**, Philosophy, *University of Tehran*

Aug. 2016

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## RESEARCH AREAS

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**AOS:** Bioethics (broadly construed)

**AOC:** Feminist Philosophy

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### Published Articles

3. “Education, A Thin Concept with A Thick Skin: What Do Supervillains and Anti-Heroes Teach Us About Virtuous Action-Guidedness?” *Episteme* 22(4): [1055-1073](#). 2025
2. “Toward a Feminist Model for Women’s Healthcare: The Problem of False Consciousness and the Moral Status of Female Genital Cosmetic Surgery” *International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics* 17(2): 28–54. 2024
1. “From Gender Segregation to Epistemic Segregation: A Case Study of the School System in Iran” *Journal of Philosophy of Education* 57(4-5): 901–922. 2023

### Book Review

“Review of The Ethics of Inclusive Education: Presenting a New Theoretical Framework” [\*Philosophical Inquiry in Education\* 30\(1\): 85-88.](#) 2023

### Other Publication

2. “Interview with New Associate Editor of the Women in Philosophy Series” 2025  
[\*Women in Philosophy Series, Blog of the APA\*](#)

1. “Religion and Secularism in Turkey, and The Turkish Elections,” 2023  
[\*E-International Relations\*](#). Reprinted in [\*Culturico\*](#).

### Media

“Episode 5: Shadi Heidarifar” [\*FAB Gab Pod\*](#) 2025  
The Podcast of the International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics (IJFAB)

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### GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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**7. Educating Character Initiative Professional Development Grant** 2024  
The Program for Leadership and Character, Wake Forest University  
PI for the project “From Code to Character: Reimagining AI Ethics Education for Future Professionals”

**6. Association for Academic Women’s Emerging Scholar Award** 2024  
University of Florida

**5. CLAS Dissertation Fellowship** 2024  
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, University of Florida

**4. Best Graduate Paper Award** 2022  
Political Science Department, University of Florida

**3. Summer Research Scholarship** 2022  
Philosophy Department, University of Florida

**2. University Graduate Scholarship** 2018-19  
Philosophy Department, University of Guelph

**1. Western Graduate Research Scholarship** 2017-18  
Philosophy Department, University of Western Ontario

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### INVITED TALKS

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| 6. “Queer Medicine, and the Future of Healthcare Access for All: Lessons from AIDS Crisis<br>NLM Exhibit, Roseman University  | Oct. 2025              |
| 5. “Beyond Competence: Practicing Cultural Humility, Establishing Cultural Safety, and Addressing Issues of Health Equity”<br>Pediatric Residency Grand Rounds, University of Nevada, Las Vegas<br>W/ Judy Hanrahan | Jul. 2025              |
| 4. “The Politics of Gender Segregation and Women’s Mobilization in SWANA”<br>CPO3713 – Women and Politics in the Modern Middle East, University of Florida  | Sep. 2023              |
| 3. “Why Data Science Needs Feminism?”<br>PHI3681: Ethics, Data, and Technology, University of Florida   | Aug. 2023              |
| 2. “Social Movements and the Continuation of Women’s Resistance in SWANA”<br>2. Women’s History Month Speaker, Alma College (Online)<br>1. ENG6016: Figures of Desire, University of Florida                        | Mar. 2023<br>Nov. 2022 |
| 1. “Women, Law and Social Change in SWANA”<br>WS 2270B: Women, Law & Social Change, University of Western Ontario   | Jan. 2018              |

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**PRESENTATIONS, PANELS & WORKSHOPS**

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| 13. Beneath the Concept: The Quiet Norms That Make a Mind<br>The International Society for the Philosophy of the Mind Sciences (ISPSM),<br>Online   | Oct. 2025              |
| 12. Adaptive Preferences and the Question of Marginalized Women in Medicine:<br>A Case for Localizing Agency<br>2. Workshop on Gender and Philosophy (WOGAP) 25 <sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary<br>Meeting Cambridge, MA<br>1. Mentoring Workshop for Early Career Women Faculty in Philosophy,<br>Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO | Jun. 2025<br>Jun. 2025 |
| 11. Cultivating Compassion in Medical Education: A Virtue-Based Approach for<br>Faculty Development and Student Assessment<br>Symposium for Innovation in Medical Education, University of California<br>San Diego, San Diego, CA   | May. 2025              |
| 10. From Code to Character: Reimagining AI Ethics Education for Future Professionals<br>2. Educating Character Across Differences: Cultivating Communities of<br>Character in the University, Winston-Salem, NC<br>1. The Academy for Professionalism in Health Care Virtual Conference, Online   | Dec. 2024<br>Nov. 2024 |

9. What is Islamic Feminism?  
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting  
(Commentator), New York City, New York Jan. 2025
8. Toward a Feminist Model for Women’s Healthcare  
3. American Society for Bioethics and Humanities Annual Conference,  
St. Louis, MO Sep. 2024  
2. The Association for Practical & Professional Ethics Annual Conference,  
Portland, OR Mar. 2023  
1. Florida Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Sarasota, FL Feb. 2023
7. The Politics of Complexity, The Question of Nonviolence, and The Practice of  
Transnational Feminist Solidarity  
5. International Social Ontology Society Annual Meeting, Duke University,  
Durham, NC Jul. 2024  
4. American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Concerned  
Philosophers for Peace, New York City, NY Jan. 2024  
3. The Complexity Theory, Social Ontology, and Social Change Workshop,  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA Oct. 2023  
2. Critical Theory Annual Conference, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL Mar. 2023  
1. Panel Organizer and Facilitator, National Women’s Studies Association  
Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN Nov. 2022
6. Education: A Thin Concept with A Thick Skin  
2. American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Association  
for Philosophy of Education, New York City, NY Jan. 2024  
1. North American Association for Philosophy & Education Annual  
Conference, Mundelein, IL Oct. 2023
5. From Gender Segregation to Epistemic Segregation  
5. Applied Epistemic Injustice Panel, Philosophy, Politics, and Economics  
Society Seventh Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA Nov. 2023  
4. Panel Organizer and Facilitator, National Women’s Studies Association  
Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD Oct. 2023  
3. North American Association for Philosophy & Education Annual  
Conference, Mundelein, IL Oct. 2022  
2. Ethics Workshop, Philosophy Department, University of Florida,  
Gainesville, FL Oct. 2022  
1. International Conference on the Philosophy of Education, Manila, Philippines Apr. 2022
4. Cognitive Injustice, Marked Embodiment & Gender  
3. Minorities & Philosophy Conference, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH May. 2023  
2. New Voices Annual Conference, University of Paderborn, Paderborn, Germany Mar. 2023  
1. Florida Philosophical Association Annual Conference, Miami, FL Feb. 2022
3. SWANA as Ethnoracial Category  
Philosophers of Color Association, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT Nov. 2022

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| 2. The Ethics of Inclusive Education<br>Author Meets Critics Panel, North American Association for Philosophy & Education Annual Conference, Mundelein, IL           | Oct. 2022 |
| 1. Thinking About Rawls, Feminism & the Family: New Critics, New Direction<br>The 6 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Gender Studies, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia | Jun. 2019 |

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### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Lead Instructor**

College of Graduate Studies, Roseman University of Health Sciences  
MS600: Fundamentals of Biomedical Research (\*2) (Co-instructor)

College of Medicine, Roseman University of Health Sciences  
MED 5200 Clinical Practice II (Co-instructor)  
MED 5100 Clinical Practice I (Co-instructor)  
MED 5210 Foundations F2A (Co-instructor)  
MED 5120 Foundations F1B (Co-instructor)  
MED 5110 Foundations F1A (Co-instructor)

Philosophy Department, University of Florida  
PHI2010: Introduction to Philosophy (\*2)  
PHI3681: Ethics, Data & Technology

#### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Philosophy Department, University of Florida  
PHI3641: Ethics & Innovation  
PHI2010: Introduction to Philosophy (\*6)  
PHI3681: Ethics, Data & Technology (\*2)

Quest Program, University of Florida  
IDS1114: Ethics & the Public Sphere  
IDS2935: Conflict of Ideas (\*2)  
IDS1161: What is the Good Life?

Philosophy Department, University of Guelph  
PHI1010 – Introduction to Social & Political Philosophy (\*2)

Department of Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies, University of Western Ontario  
WS2270B – Women, Law & Social Change  
WS2164A – Gender & Fashion

#### **Pedagogical Training**

Graduate and Early Career Scholar Seminar on Teaching Ethics Association for Practical and Professional Ethics Annual Meeting	2023
Future Professor Workshop: Great Ideas for Teaching Panel Teaching Support Center, University of Western Ontario	2018
Future Professor Workshop: Supporting the Wellness of Undergraduate Students Teaching Support Center, University of Western Ontario	2018
Teaching Assistant Training Program Certificate Teaching Support Center, University of Western Ontario	2017

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## SERVICE

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### To Profession

#### Editorial Role

Book Review Editor, <i>International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics</i>	2026-
Associate Editor, <i>Hypatia</i>	2025-
Associate Editor, <i>Women in Philosophy Series</i> , Blog of the APA	2025-2026

#### Committee Member

Women and Gender, American Philosophical Association	2025-
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#### Journal Referee

<i>Hypatia</i>	2024-
<i>Women's Studies International Forum</i>	2024-
<i>Journal of Philosophy of Education</i>	2024-

#### Conference Referee

North American Association for Philosophy and Education Annual Conference	2025
American Society for Bioethics and Humanities Annual Conference	2025
Florida Philosophical Association Annual Conference	2023
Southeastern Graduate Philosophy Conference	2021-2023

#### Chairing Panels & Conference Sessions

Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Seventh Annual Meeting	2023
The Association for Practical & Professional Ethics Annual Conference	2023
Florida Philosophical Association Annual Conference	2022-2023

### To Institution

#### Committee Member

Curriculum Committee, Roseman University College of Medicine	2025-
Professionalism Subcommittee, Curriculum Committee, Roseman University College of Medicine	2025-
Admission Committee, Roseman University College of Medicine	2024-2025

<b>Minorities &amp; Philosophy (MAP) Chapter Representative</b>	
Philosophy Department, University of Florida	2022-24
Philosophy Department, University of Guelph	2018-19
<b>Secretary</b>	2023-24
Graduate Student Philosophy Society, Philosophy Department, University of Florida	
<b>Coorganizer &amp; Cofacilitator</b>	2023
Annual Southeastern Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Florida	
<b>Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop</b>	2022
Philosophy Department, University of Florida /w Dr. Jim Gillespie	

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**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Philosophical Association (APA)  
 American Society for Bioethics and Humanities (ASBH)  
 Academy for Professionalism in Health Care (APHC)  
 National Women's Studies Association (NWSA)  
 Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (APPE)  
 North American Association for Philosophy & Education (NAAPE)  
 The Association for Philosophy of Education (APOE)