

## **Dr. Jordan B. Dopkins, Curriculum Vitae**

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### **Academic Positions**

Assistant Professor of Philosophy. Georgia State University, Perimeter College. 2024 – present.  
Limited Term Instructor of Philosophy. Georgia State University, Perimeter College. 2023 – 2024.

### **Education**

Ph.D. University of California, Santa Cruz. Philosophy. 2016 – 2023.  
M.A. University of Florida. Philosophy. 2011 – 2013.  
B.A. Florida Atlantic University. Philosophy. 2007 – 2011.

### **Areas of Specialization**

Philosophy of Mind and Philosophy of Cognitive Science.

### **Areas of Competence**

Early Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Language, Ethics, and Political Philosophy.

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### **Publications**

-- “Spatial Concepts and Rodent Maze Studies”. *Philosophical Psychology*, 38 (1) 1-24. 2025  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/09515089.2025.2491653>

--“Exploring computational theories of mind, algorithms, and computations”. Review of Matteo Colombo and Gualtero Piccinini, *The Computational Theory of Mind*. In *Metascience*. 34. 2024.  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11016-024-01009-0>.

### **Grants and Fellowships**

-- Perimeter College, Office of the Dean of Research: Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Grant.  
2025. Level 2, \$500

-- UC Santa Cruz: Humanities Dissertation Year Fellowship.  
2022-2023. \$16,000.

--Center for Innovations in Teaching and Learning at UC Santa Cruz: Philosophy Department Teaching Grant.(Applied as Team: Emily Robertson & James Reed).  
2023 \$4,000.

--National Endowment for the Humanities: Summer Institute Fellowship, David Hume in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.  
2022. \$3,500.

--Center for Public Philosophy: The Ethics Bowl Fellowship.  
2022 \$1,500

--The Humanities Institute at UC Santa Cruz: Summer Research Fellowship.  
2019 \$1,500.

--UC Santa Cruz Philosophy Department: Course Development Fellowship.  
2018 \$2,000.

### **Academic Presentations**

-- "Spatial Concepts for the Science of Spatial Learning"  
Invited Speaker for the Philosophy Department at Iona University, New Rochelle NY. 2023

-- "Rethinking the Distinction between Proximal and Distal Visual Cues"  
Philosophy and Neuroscience at the Gulf V, Pensacola FL. 2022.

-- "Laboratories, Natural Environments, and the Distinction between Proximal and Distal Cues"  
Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting, Pittsburgh. 2022.

-- "There Are More to Representations Than Their Contents"  
APA Pacific Division, Portland (Virtual due to COVID pandemic). 2021.

-- "Do All Perceptual Experiences Convey Information?"  
Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference, Central Oklahoma University. 2019.

-- "How to Think About Perceptual Contents"  
Friday Forum, UC Santa Cruz. 2019.

-- "Friedrich Schelling and the Cognitive Penetration of Aesthetic Experience"  
Philosophy and Representation Conference, San Diego State University. 2018.

-- "Friedrich Schelling, Aesthetic Experience and Religious Art"  
Gonzaga Graduate Philosophy Conference, Gonzaga University. 2018.

-- "Insular Communities, Multiculturalism, and Utopias"  
North Carolina Philosophical Society Conference, NC State University. 2015.

-- "Insular Communities, Multiculturalism, and Utopias"  
South Carolina Society for Philosophy Conference, Wofford College. 2015.

-- "The Argument from Relief: An Argument for Art Funding"  
South Carolina Society for Philosophy Conference, College of Charleston. 2013.

-- "On Emotivists's Accounts of Ethical Disagreements"  
UF/FSU Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Florida. 2012.

-- "Hobbes's Foole and Deliberative Contexts"  
UNF Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of North Florida. 2012.

### **Academic Presentations: Commentary**

+ Comments on Inchul Yum, "The Euthyphro Problem and Desire Theories of Pain"  
APA Central Division. New Orleans LA. 2024.

+ Comments on William Seeley, "Staying Optimistic about Neuroscience and Art"  
APA Pacific Division. Vancouver BC. 2019.

+ Comments on Jeonggyu Lee, "Tracking the Conditions for Singular Thought"

Berkeley, Davis, Stanford Graduate Conference. Stanford CA. 2018.

+ Comments on Amin Ebrahimi, “Justice and the Division of Goods in Plato’s Republic”  
Southeastern Graduate Philosophy Conference, Gainesville FL. 2013.

+ Comments on Domenick Sgambati “Focal Points and Absorptive Mapping”  
Southeastern Graduate Philosophy Conference, Gainesville FL. 2013.

### **Academic Presentations: Chairing and Service**

-- APA Eastern Division, New York.  
Chair, Symposium Session. 2025.

-- APA Central Division, New Orleans  
Chair, Symposium Session. 2024.

-- APA Pacific Division, Vancouver.  
Chair, Symposium Session. 2022.

-- APA Pacific Division, Portland (Virtual).  
Chair, Symposium Session. 2021.

-- The Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference (VSPC).  
Referee. 2020

-- Southeast Graduate Philosophy Conference (SEGPC). University of Florida.  
Organizer and Referee. 2013.  
Referee. 2012.

--UF/FSU Graduate Philosophy Conference. Florida State University.  
Referee. 2012

### **Teaching Awards, Certifications, and Presentations**

-- Certificate: Scholarship of Teaching and Research.  
Perimeter College Office of Grants Development and Administration. 2025

-- Presentation: “Teaching Tool: Peer Review Worksheet”.  
Humanities Department ‘Brown Bag’ Lunch Presentation. 2025

-- Panel Presentation: “Scholarship and Teaching of Learning”  
Perimeter College and Georgia State University SoTL Symposium. 2025

--Presentation: "Cultivating Virtue through Peer Review"  
AAPT-APA Teaching Hub at the APA Central Division Meeting, Online. 2025.

--Presentation: "Living Lecture Notes"  
Faculty Development Day, Georgia State University, Perimeter College. 2024.

-- Presentation: “The Dopamine Hypothesis of Schizophrenia”  
Teaching Demonstration, Iona University. 2023

--Certificate: Mastering Online Teaching  
Center for Excellence in Teaching Learning and Online Education (CETLOE), Georgia State University  
2023.

--Presentation: "Incorporating Oral Exams into Philosophy Final Paper Assessment"  
Faculty Development Day, Georgia State University, Perimeter College. 2023.

--Presentation: "Is Philosophy Antiracist?"  
Teaching Demonstration, Grossmont College. 2023

--Presentation: Tech Tips for Teaching Assistants  
Center for Teaching Innovation and Learning, UC Santa Cruz. 2023.

--Graduate Certificate: Course Design and Delivery  
Center for Innovations in Teaching and Learning, UC Santa Cruz. 2022.

--Poster Presentation: Small-Group Work for Teaching Logic Derivations  
AAPT-APA Teaching Hub at the APA Eastern Division Meeting. Online (COVID) 2021.

--Summer Residency: "Meaningful Teaching in Humanities Classrooms"  
The National Humanities Center. Research Triangle, North Carolina. 2021.

-- Certificate: Teaching for Equity  
Center for Innovations in Teaching and Learning. UC Santa Cruz, 2021.

--Award: Distinguished Teaching Assistant.  
UC Santa Cruz Department of Philosophy. 2018-2019.

-- Certificate: Theory and Practice of Teaching Writing  
The Writing Program, UC Santa Cruz

### **Courses Taught** **as Instructor**

--Georgia State University, Perimeter College.  
+ Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Ethics, and Critical Thinking.

--University of California, Santa Cruz.  
+ Introduction to Philosophy, Introductory Symbolic Logic, The Philosophy of Pedagogy  
(graduate seminar), Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mind, Reason Logic and the Idols of  
Thought.

--South Piedmont Community College.  
+Contemporary Moral Issues, Introduction to Ethics.

--University of Florida  
+ Contemporary Moral Issues.

### **as Assistant**

--University of California, Santa Cruz.

+Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Ethics, Contemporary Moral Issues, Business Ethics, Introduction to Symbolic Logic, Elementary Logic, The Rationalists, Ancient Greek Philosophy, and Philosophy of Cognitive Science.

--University of Florida

+Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Ethics, Contemporary Moral Issues, and Political Philosophy.

### **Ethics Bowl & Regents Cup**

--Regents Cup Team Coach.

Georgia State University. 2025

+Georgia Regents Cup Debate Competition. Middle Georgia University, Georgia.

--Ethics Bowl Team Coach.

Georgia State University, Perimeter College. 2024.

+ Scrimmage Match: Georgia State University (x2)

+ Online Regional Ethics Bowl Competition. Depauw University, Illinois.

--Ethics Bowl Team Coach.

University of California, Santa Cruz. 2022 – 2023.

+ Scrimmage: Cabrillo College

+ California Regional Qualifier Competition. University of California, Santa Cruz.

+ San Quentin Prison Ethics Bow. Mt. Tamalpais College in San Quentin Prison.

-- Ethics Bowl Competition Moderator.

Northern California High School Regional Ethics Bowl Competition. Virtual. 2022.

--Ethics Bowl Team Coach.

Migrant Education Program of Monterey County. 2021

+ Middle School Ethics Bowl Showcase, UC Santa Cruz.

-- Ethics Bowl Team Coach.

Salinas High School. 2020

+ High School Ethics Bowl Enrichment Scrimmage. UC Santa Cruz.

+ Northern California High School Regional Ethics Bowl Competition. Virtual

-- Ethics Bowl Competition Judge.

High School Ethics Bowl Enrichment Scrimmage. UC Santa Cruz. 2020.

-- Ethics Bowl Competition Judge.

Northern California High School Regional Ethics Bowl Competition. Virtual. 2020.

--Ethics Bowl Team Coach.

University of California, Santa Cruz. 2019.

+ Scrimmage: Cabrillo College

+ Southwest Regional Qualifier Competition. University of Arizona.

## Committees

-- Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Organizer  
UC Santa Cruz Chapter. 2019-2023.

--Drop-in Graduate School Advising.  
UC Santa Cruz Philosophy Department. 2019-2021.

-- Department Climate Group  
UC Santa Cruz Philosophy Department. 2020-2023.

-- Colloquium Committee  
UC Santa Cruz Philosophy Department. 2018 – 2021.  
--Graduate Student Representative  
UC Santa Cruz Philosophy Department. 2018-2020.

--Graduate Liaison to Hiring Committee  
UC Santa Cruz Philosophy Department. 2019.

-- University of Florida Graduate Student Philosophy Society President  
University of Florida. 2013.

## Graduate Coursework

### + **Philosophy of Mind and Philosophy of Perception**

**Philosophy of Mind** (Gene Witmer, Florida), **Philosophy of Perception: Susanna Siegel and Susanna Schellenberg** (Nico Orlandi, Santa Cruz), **Aspect Perception** (Janette Dinishak, Santa Cruz), **Philosophy of Perception: Ned Block and Casey O'Callaghan** (Nico Orlandi, Santa Cruz)

### +**Philosophy of Science (including cognitive science).**

**Philosophy of Science** (Rasmus Winther, Santa Cruz), **Philosophy of Biology** (Rasmus Winther, Santa Cruz), **Gender and the Brain** (Nico Orlandi, Santa Cruz), **Independent Study on Predictive Processing** (Nico Orlandi, Santa Cruz)

### +**Philosophy of Language**

**Saul Kripke** (Paul Roth, Santa Cruz), **Independent Study on Ruth Millikan** (Nico Orlandi, Santa Cruz), **Foundations of Analytic Philosophy** (Gene Witmer, Florida) **Independent Study on Wilfred Sellars** (Paul Roth, Santa Cruz)

### +**Metaphysics and Epistemology**

**Proseminar in Metaphysics and Epistemology** (Gene Witmer, Florida), **Epistemology** (Jon Ellis, Santa Cruz)

### +**Early Modern and Late Modern Philosophy**

**Hume** (Stewart Duncan, Florida), **The Rationalists** (John Biro, Florida), **18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Century German Philosophy** (Samantha Matherne, Santa Cruz), **Kant's First Critique** (Samantha Matherne, Santa Cruz)

### +**Ancient Philosophy**

**Plato** (John Palmer III, Florida), **Hellenistic Philosophy** (John Palmer III, Florida)

**+Ethics and Political Philosophy**

**Ethical Theory** (Jamie Ahlberg, Florida), **Political Philosophy** (Jamie Ahlberg, Florida), **Ideal/Non-Ideal Theories** (Jamie Ahlberg, Florida), **Environmental Ethics** (Daniel Guevara and Claudio Campagna, Santa Cruz)

**+Continental Philosophy**

**Foundations of Continental Philosophy** (Peter Westmoreland, Florida), **Levinas** (Abe Stone, Santa Cruz)

**+Logic**

**Advanced Logic: Modal Logic and Set Theory** (Greg Ray, Florida)

**Affiliations**

American Philosophical Association  
APPE Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl  
Center for Public Philosophy  
Deep South Philosophy and Neuroscience Workgroup  
Minorities and Philosophy  
Philosophy of Science Association  
Samaha Lab  
Center for Teaching Learning and Online Excellence (CETLOE)  
SoTL Teaching & Learning Community  
CITIgroup

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