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Curriculum Vitae

Academic Appointments

Associate Professor of Philosophy—Nightingale College; Salt Lake City UT	2026–present
Assistant Professor of Philosophy—Nightingale College; Salt Lake City UT	2024–26

Education

Georgia State University; Atlanta GA—MA Philosophy	2023
University of Illinois; Urbana IL—BA Philosophy, German	2015
Illinois Central College; East Peoria IL—AA Multimedia	2012

Areas of Specialization

First-person approaches in the science of consciousness, free will

Areas of Teaching Competency

Applied ethics, informal logic, introductory philosophy, history of philosophy

Publications

MacBride, Ryne Smith. “Choice Paralysis: A Challenge from the Indeterminacy of Intentional Content.” MA thesis, Georgia State University, 2023. <https://doi.org/10.57709/33029338>.

Presentations

Conference and Public Presentations

“Thoreau and Political Philosophy” The Thoreau Society Annual Gathering	July 8, 2021
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“The Lives and Thought of the Philosophers: Jean-Paul Sartre”
Seattle Analytic Philosophy Club (Invited)

July 26, 2020

Faculty Lecture Series and Workshops

The Art of Thinking Well
Nightingale College (Invited)

Feb–Aug 2026

Critical Thinking, for the Rest of Us
Nightingale College

Feb–July 2025

Learner-Facing Presentations

“Critical Thinking Skills for Nursing and the NCLEX”
Nightingale College (Invited)

July 2025

Teaching Experience

Nightingale College

HUM 301: Applied Ethics—Instructor

- Fall 2026 (5 online sections)
- Spring 2026 (5 online sections)
- Fall 2025 (4 online sections)
- Summer 2025 (5 online sections)
- Spring 2025 (4 online sections)
- Fall 2024 (4 online sections)
- Summer 2024 (4 online sections)

HUM 301: Applied Ethics—Teaching Assistant

- Spring 2024 (2 online sections)

Georgia State University

PHIL 2010: Introduction to Philosophy—Instructor

- Spring 2022 (1 online section)
- Fall 2021 (2 in-person sections)
- Summer 2021 (1 online section)

PHIL 1010: Critical Thinking—Supplemental Instructor

- Spring 2021
- Fall 2020

Curriculum Development and Subject-Matter Expertise

Nightingale College

Course Lead Summer–Fall 2025
HUM 301: Applied Ethics

Subject-Matter Expert Fall 2025–Summer 2026
Fostering Critical Thinking in Nursing Learners

Academic and Institutional Service

Nightingale College

Co-Chair, Learner Support Subcommittee Summer 2026
Course Lead, General Education Curriculum Subcommittee Summer–Fall 2025
Consultant, Humanities Transfer-Credit Review Nov 7, 2025

Editorial and Scholarly Service

Editorial Assistant—*The Concord Saunterer*, vols. 26–28 2018–20
Conference Assistant—The Thoreau Society 2018

Public Scholarship and Educational Media

MacBride, Ryne. *Critical Thinking, for the Rest of Us*. YouTube, 2025.

Honors and Awards

Excellence in Living Evolvitute, General Education—Nightingale College 2025
New Collaborator of the Year, General Education—Nightingale College 2024

Professional Affiliations

The Thoreau Society 2016–24

Additional Academic Experience

English Tutor—Bellevue Learning Center; Bellevue WA 2022–23

Study Abroad

Universität Bielefeld; Bielefeld, Germany—Philosophy, German	2023
Universität Wien; Vienna, Austria—German	2014
Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien; Vienna, Austria—German	2014

Languages

English—C2
German—C1
French—A2