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EDUCATION

University of Calgary
Master of Philosophy

May 2027 (expected)

Tianjin University
Bachelor of Engineering in Materials Science and Engineering
Thesis: The Design of Supercapacitors Based on Machine Learning

July 2021

AREAS OF INTERESTS

Philosophy of Language, Logic, Philosophy of Science, Chinese Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

Li, Y., Yuan, Y. Stopping rule and Bayesian confirmation theory. *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 3 (2025).

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. A Simplified Argument from Counterfactual Skepticism to Future Skepticism

I argue that Boylan's argument from counterfactual skepticism to future skepticism is problematic since one of premises he relies on alone leads to future skepticism. Then I provide a simplified argument.

2. Implicit Fictional Truths are not True

I argue that implicit fictional truths are not true. They seem true because they are read loosely.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate Essay Prize, awarded by Department of Philosophy, University of Calgary, 2500 CAD *Spring 2026*

Alberta Graduate Excellence Scholarship, awarded by the government of Alberta, 11000 CAD *Winter 2026*

National Encouragement Scholarship, awarded by Ministry of Education, PRC, 5000 RMB *Summer 2021*

Wanhua Chemistry Scholarship, awarded by Wanhua Chemical Company, 5000 RMB *Fall 2018*

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Presentations:

1. A Direct Argument from Counterfactual Skepticism to Future Skepticism
Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting 2026.6 Halifax

2. Implicit Fictional Truths are not True
51st Annual Meeting of the Society for Exact Philosophy 2026.5 Vancouver

3. A Defense of Conversational Exculpation Based on QUD
Workshop on Formal Philosophy 2023.7 Peking University

Reading Group

Reading Groups on Metaphysics 2024.9-2025-9

SELECTED COURSEWORK

Topics in History of Philosophy (David Lewis)

Topics in Ethics (Intergenerational ethics)

Mathematical Logic (Propositional logic, first-order logic, logic of first-order structures, completeness)

Advanced Modal Logic (Models, frames and completeness)

Key Issues in Philosophy of Mind (Consciousness, mind-body problem)

Recursion Theory (Computability, including Gödel's first incompleteness theorem)

Topics in Philosophy of Language (Semantics and pragmatics, mainly about loose talk)

Key Issues in the Philosophy of Science (Bayesian confirmation theory and belief revision)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistantship

Phil 279 (Logic I), Fall 2025 and Winter 2026, University of Calgary, Canada

Instructor

Mathematical Logic, 2022.9-2022.12, Chengla Education Company, China

Tutor

Logic, 2026.5-Now, part-time, Gaodun Education Company, China