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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Philosophy**, University of Calgary Expected: Apr 2027
Supervisor: Ann Levey
- Visiting PhD Student, Political Science**, Aarhus university Jan/2026 – Jun/2026
Centre for the Experimental-Philosophical Study of Discrimination (CEPDISC)
Host Supervisor: Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen
- Ph.D. program Philosophy**, University of Missouri, Columbia Aug 2020 – May 2022
Supervisor: Peter Vallentyne
- M.A. Philosophy**, University of Arizona Dec 2019
- B.A. Philosophy**, Beijing Normal University Jun 2016

Language: English (fluent); Chinese (Native);

AREAS

AOS: Social and Political Philosophy, Ethics, Applied ethics

AOC: Free Will and Agency, Asian Philosophy

ARTICLES

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

(2024). **Intuition and Kagan's Hierarchicalism**. *Utilitas*, 36(3), 265-279.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

What Should Hybrid Egalitarianism Demand?

Relational Justice between Generations

Distributive Justice in a Post-work Society: An Egalitarian Perspective

Why Post-Work Societies Need Limitarian Constraints

The Desire-satisfactionism, the Experience Machine, and the Virtual World We Want

The Purposes of Education in a Post-work World

TRANSLATIONS AND PROOFREADING

Chinese translation of “Egalitarianism” by Juliana Bidadanure and David Axelsen, The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Spring 2025 Edition), edited by Edward N. Zalta and Uri Nodelman, published on Political Philosophy and Ethics (政治哲学与伦理学) WeChat Official Account.

Chinese proofreading of J. L. Rose, “The Future of Work? The Political Theory of Work and Leisure,” Annual Review of Political Science, translated by Anbang Chen, published on Political Philosophy and Ethics (政治哲学与伦理学) WeChat Official Account.

PHILOSOPHY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Calgary

Sep 2022 to Present

Sessional Instructor

- Environmental Ethics (Summer 2025)

Teaching Assistant

- Law and Philosophy (Fall 2025)
- Sex, Love and Death (Winter 2025)
- Gender and Sexuality (Fall 2024)
- Interdisciplinary Research Ethics (Fall 2024)
- Logic 1 (Winter 2024)
- Ethical Theory (Fall 2023)
- Information Technology Ethics (Winter 2023)
- Technology Ethics (Fall 2022)

University of Missouri, Columbia

Aug 2020 to May 2022

Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2022)
- Medical Ethics (Fall 2021)
- Medical Ethics (Spring 2021)
- How to think: Logic and Reasoning for Everyday life (Fall 2020)

PRESENTATIONS

Peer-reviewed Talk

“The Purposes of Education in a Post-work World”

1. European Seminars of Philosophy of Education, Paris, France, 2026

“Why Post-Work Societies Need Limitarian Constraints”

2. CEU’s Annual Doctoral Conference (ADC), Vienna, Austria, 2026

“Egalitarianism in a Post-Work World: A Glimpse”

3. MANCEPT workshop ‘Post-Work as Political Thought: Establishing and Questioning the Boundaries of a Tradition.’ Manchester, UK, 2025

“Particularist Relational Egalitarianism and Intergenerational Justice”

4. UIUC Graduate Conference, Champaign, USA, 2025
5. Canadian Philosophical Association Conference, Toronto, Canada, 2025

“Which Desire Helps Desire-satisfactionism Avoids the Experience Machine Objection”

6. Western Canadian Philosophical Association Conference, Winnipeg, Canada, 2022
7. 5th International Conference on Philosophy and Meaning in Life, Japan, online, 2023

“Revisiting Normal Variation: A Reply to Kagan”

8. Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Cincinnati, USA, 2022.

Invited Talk

“Distributive Justice in a Post-work Society: An Egalitarian Perspective”

9. Political Theory Section Meeting, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark, 2026

“Particularist Relational Egalitarianism and Intergenerational Justice”

10. PGSA Graduate Colloquium Series, Calgary, Canada, 2025

“Intuition and Moral Status Hierarchicalism”

11. Nagoya Meta-Philosophy Workshop 2.0, Nagoya, Japan, 2025

“Distributive Justice in a Post-Work World”

12. PGSA Graduate Colloquium Series, Calgary, Canada, 2025
13. The Apeiron Society for the Practice of Philosophy, Calgary, Canada, 2025

HONORS AND AWARDS

Faculty of Graduate Studies Doctoral Scholarship , University of Calgary	15000 CAD	2025
Best Graduate Essay Award , Department of Philosophy, University of Calgary	2500 CAD	2025
International Student Tuition Award , University of Calgary	12000 CAD	2022 – 2026
The Kline Fund Award , University of Missouri	2000 USD	2021
First-class GPA Award , Beijing Normal University	600 USD	2014

SERVICE

Organizer (Co-chair):	12th Annual University of Calgary Graduate Conference, 2025
Conference Referee:	12th Annual University of Calgary Graduate Conference, 2025 10th Annual University of Calgary Graduate Conference, 2023 Canadian Philosophy Association 2023 Congress Program, 2023
Commentator:	Canadian Philosophy Association Congress Program, 2025 12th Annual University of Calgary Graduate Conference, 2025 10th Annual University of Calgary Graduate Conference, 2023
Judger:	Ethics Bowl Canada (High School), Calgary, 2025
Writing Tutor:	Chinese Philosophy Students in UK, 2024 - 2026

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

Teaching Philosophy

- Teaching Philosophy (Peter Vallentyne)

Ethics

- Animal Ethics (Peter Vallentyne)
- Practical Ethics (Peter Vallentyne)
- Metaethics (Mark Timmons)
- History of Consequentialism and Deontology (Mark Timmons)
- Kant's Moral Philosophy (Mark Timmons & Houston Smith)
- Kant's Moral Philosophy (Robert N. Johnson)
- Moral Progress (Agnes Tam)

Social and Political Philosophy

- Political Philosophy (Thomas Christiano & Steven Wall)

- Authority and Boundary of Authority (Peter Vallentyne)
- Social and Political Philosophy (David Schmidtz)
- Social and Political Philosophy (Robert N. Johnson)

Free Will and Moral Responsibility

- Freewill and Philosophy of Action (Michael McKenna & Carolina Sartorio)
- Freewill: An Introduction (Michael McKenna)
- Topic in Ethics: Free Will (Ish Haji)

Others

- Teaching Philosophy (Peter Vallentyne)
- Ancient Greek Philosophy (Julia Annas)
- The Concept of the Soul in Plato's Dialogue (Marta Heckel)
- Rationalism + Empiricism (Houston Smith)
- Epistemology (Jeremy Fantl)
- Epistemology (Stewart Cohen & Juan Comesaña)
- Social Ontology (David Liebesman)
- Philosophy of Physics (Richard Healey)
- Metaphysics (Kenneth Boyce)
- Art, Beauty, and Brain (Philip Robbins)
- Protoseminar in Philosophy (Robert N. Johnson)
- Protoseminar in Philosophy (Richard Zach)

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Sri Lanka International Volunteer Program, *Teacher*
 White Dove Youth Volunteer Association, *Designer*
 Wenhua Elementary School for Migrant Worker's Kids, *Teacher*

Colombo, Jan 2015 – Feb 2015
 Beijing, Sep 2012 – Dec 2013
 Beijing Jan 2011 – June 2012

REFERENCE

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