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## Curriculum Vitae

### *Education*

Georgia State University; Atlanta, GA—M.A. Philosophy	2023
University of Illinois; Urbana, IL—B.A. Philosophy, German	2015
Illinois Central College; East Peoria, IL—A.A. Multimedia, Pre-Med	2012

### *Experience*

Assistant Professor, Nightingale College; Salt Lake City, UT	2024–present
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### *Areas of Specialization*

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

### *Areas of Teaching Competency*

Applied ethics, critical thinking, introductory philosophy

### *Publications*

MacBride, Ryne Smith. “Choice Paralysis: A Challenge from the Indeterminacy of Intentional Content.” Master’s thesis, Georgia State University, 2023. [https://scholarworks.gsu.edu/philosophy\\_theses/323](https://scholarworks.gsu.edu/philosophy_theses/323).

### *Presentations*

*The Art of Thinking Well*  
Nightingale College (Invited)

Feb.–Aug. 2026

A twelve-part workshop on the fundamentals of critical thinking, with special emphasis and various exercises on deductive, inductive, and abductive reasoning.

*Critical Thinking, for the Rest of Us*

Feb.–July 2025

Nightingale College (Invited)

A twelve-part lecture series on the fundamentals of critical thinking, with special emphasis on the intellectual virtues, the Socratic method, argument and reasoning, informal fallacies, cognitive biases, and theories of truth; while the series was given internally, a public-facing version can be viewed [here](#).

“Thoreau and Political Philosophy”

July 8, 2021

The Thoreau Society Annual Gathering (Invited)

Thoreau holds a blended view of political liberty, one that combines elements of Isaiah Berlin’s negative and positive liberty: a negative liberty politics motivated by a positive liberty ethics. Thoreau’s unique political view allows him to overcome certain obstacles that plague negative and positive liberty, for example, authoritarianism.

“The Lives and Thought of the Philosophers: Jean-Paul Sartre”

July 26, 2020

Seattle Analytic Philosophy Club (Invited)

An introduction to the life and philosophy of Jean-Paul Sartre that focuses specifically on the concept of *mauvaise foi* developed in *Being and Nothingness* and *Truth and Existence*; the presentation is available [here](#).

### *Teaching and Tutoring*

HUM 301: Applied Ethics (Instructor)

- 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 (Tutor)

- Spring 2024 (2 online sections)

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 (Tutor)

- Spring 2021
- Fall 2020

*Additional Experience*

English Tutor, Bellevue Learning Center	2022–23
ARCHE Cross Registration Student, Emory University	2021
Assistant Editor, The Concord Saunter	Vol. 26–28; 2018–20
Academic Conference Assistant, The Thoreau Society	2018

*Study Abroad*

Universität Bielefeld—Philosophie	2023
Universität Wien; Vienna, Austria—Germanistik	2014
Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien; Vienna, Austria—Germanistik	2014

*Languages*

English: C2  
 French: A2  
 German: C1