

# Stephen Harrop – CV

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## Research areas

### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

History and philosophy of science, early modern philosophy, metaphysics

### AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of religion, philosophy of science, philosophy of physics, philosophical logic, medieval philosophy

## Education

- 2022 YALE UNIVERSITY, PhD, Philosophy  
– Dissertation: *Spinoza, Explained*  
– Committee: Michael Della Rocca (advisor), Kenneth Winkler, Sun-Joo Shin, Alison Peterman (external)
- 2017 THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, MA, Philosophy
- 2016 THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, BA, Philosophy, Mathematics, Physics (minor)

## Academic Appointments

- 2023-2024 VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, Texas A&M University, Department of Philosophy
- 2022-2023 LECTURER, Mount Holyoke College, Department of Philosophy
- 2021-2022 ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, Connecticut College, Department of Philosophy
- 2021-2022 LECTURER, Princeton University, Department of Philosophy

## Publications

### Articles

- 2022 [LEMANS AND PROSLOGION 15](#), *Analysis*, doi: 10.1093/analys/anac045 (online first)
- 2022 [ON THE NECESSITY OF PRIORITY MONISM](#), *Erkenntnis*, doi: s10670-022-00551-9 (online first)
- 2022 [ESSENCE, EXPERIMENT, AND UNDER-DETERMINATION IN THE SPINOZA-BOYLE CORRESPONDENCE](#), *HOPOS: The Journal of the International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science*, 12(2): 447–484, doi: 10.1086/721136
- 2022 [THOMAS REID ON INDUCTION AND NATURAL KINDS](#), *Journal of Scottish Philosophy*, 20(1): 1-18, doi: 10.3366/jsp.2022.0317
- 2021 [ON SOME LEIBNIZIAN ARGUMENTS FOR THE PRINCIPLE OF SUFFICIENT REASON](#), *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 37(2): 143-162

### Book chapters

- Forthcoming [DU CHÂTELET'S FIRST COSMOLOGICAL ARGUMENT](#), *The Bloomsbury Companion to Émilie Du Châtelet* (Fatema Amijee ed.), Bloomsbury Academic Press
- Forthcoming [EULER CONTRA DU CHÂTELET AND WOLFF ON THE COMPOSITION OF EXTENSION](#) *Émilie Du Châtelet in Relation to Leibniz and Wolff – Similarities and Differences* (Clara Carus and Jeffrey McDonough eds.), Springer
- Forthcoming [Entries on Robert Boyle, Henry Oldenburg, and Georg Hermann Schuller](#), *The Cambridge Spinoza Lexicon* (Karolina Hübner and Justin Steinberg eds.), Cambridge University Press

## Teaching Experience

### As primary instructor

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

2022-2023 Introduction to Philosophy; 17th Century Philosophy

MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

2022-2023 Introduction to Philosophy; Early Modern Philosophy; Philosophy of Science; Symbolic Logic; Spinoza on God, Freedom, the Passions, and Immortality

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

2021-2022 Introduction to Philosophy; Introduction to Logic

### As teaching assistant or equivalent

YALE UNIVERSITY

2020-2021 Introduction to Modern Philosophy (for Keith DeRose); Infinity (for Mark Maxwell)

2018-2019 First-Order Logic (for Elizabeth Miller); Computability and Logic (for Sun-Joo Shin)

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

2021-2022 Introduction to Moral Philosophy (for Adam Lerner); Introductory Logic (for Una Stojnic)

## Conference Proceedings

### Papers

- “Isaac Barrow on Some Paradoxes of Infinity Divisibility”
  - Central APA (2023; postponed until 2024)
  - 1st UT Early Modern Philosophy Conference, University of Texas at Austin (2022)
  - 32nd Novembertagung (2021)
- “Du Châtelet’s Cosmological Argument”
  - New Voices Talk Series, University of Paderborn (2022)
  - Conference on Émilie Du Châtelet’s relation to Leibniz and Wolff, University of Paderborn (2022) (withdrawn)
- “A Short Argument for the Principle of Sufficient Reason”
  - Cogtweeto (2021)
  - 75th Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference (2021)
- “Spinoza on Space and Motion”
  - Spinoza and Early Modern Philosophy Workshop, Johns Hopkins University (2021)
- “Applied Mathematics and Abstraction in Spinoza”
  - Society for Early Modern Philosophy at Yale (2020) (canceled due to COVID)

### Comments

- Comments on Melamed, “The PSR in Early Modern Philosophy,” PSR @ Yale (2022)
- Comments on Gomez-Sanchez, “Naturalness by Law,” Eastern APA (2021)

## Service to the Profession

### As symposium chair

- Chair, author meets critics session on Wayne Myrvold, *Beyond Chance and Credence*, Eastern APA (2023)
- Chair, symposium on Aaron Wells, “Du Châtelet’s Libertarianism,” Central APA (2022)
- Chair, author meets critics session on Eugene Garver, *Spinoza and the Cunning of the Imagination*, Eastern APA (2022)

### As reviewer

Reviewer for *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* (x1), *Inquiry* (x1), *Problemas* (x1), *Res Philosophica* (x1), *Review of Metaphysics* (x1)

## Coursework (\*=audit)

### THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

2016-2017 Aristotelian Philosophical Psychology (with Stephen Ogden), Kant's First Critique (with Eckhart Förster), Formal Methods of Philosophy (with Justin Bledin), Philosophy of Language: *What if* Questions (with Justin Bledin and Kyle Rawlins), Foundational Principles of Metaphysical Rationalism (with Yitzhak Melamed and Justin Bledin), Modal Logic (with Justin Bledin), Non-locality for the Layperson (with Robert Rynasiewicz), Speculation: Scientific and Philosophical (with Peter Achinstein)

### YALE UNIVERSITY

2017-2018 Descartes (with Michael Della Rocca), Moral Theories of Moore and Ross (with Shelly Kagan), Philosophy of Logic (with Sun-Joo Shin), Proseminar (with Robin Dembroff and Michael Della Rocca), Computability and Logic (with Sun-Joo Shin), Hume and Reid (with Kenneth Winkler)

2018 -2019 Kant's Philosophy of Religion (with John Hare), Philosophy of Quantum Mechanics (with Elizabeth Miller), Tutorial on Leibniz and Spinoza (with Michael Della Rocca), Leibniz\* (with Michael Della Rocca), Philosophy of Mathematics\* (with Sun-Joo Shin)

2019-2020 Causation in Early Modern Philosophy\* (with Michael Della Rocca and Kenneth Winkler)

2020-2021 Metaphysics\* (with Laurie Paul), Spinoza\* (with Michael Della Rocca), Idealization and Model-Building in Science and Philosophy\* (with Daniel Greco and Timothy Williamson), Early Modern Philosophy of Language\* (with Kenneth Winkler and Zoltan Szabo)

### UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

2019-2020 Contemporary Arguments for God's Existence\* (with Robert Koons)

## Research Languages

English, Latin (classical and medieval: reading, with dictionary), French (modern: reading; middle: reading, with dictionary), Spanish (fluent)

## References

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