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## EDUCATION

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2024—present      PhD in Philosophy, York University  
2023—2024        MA in English Language and Literature, Queen's University  
2022—2023        MA in Philosophy, the University of Alberta  
2017—2022        BA (Honours, with distinction) in Philosophy, Toronto Metropolitan University

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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*As Teaching Assistant (\*indicates grading only)*

### York University

2026 (Winter): PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy (Patrick Phillips)  
2025 (Fall):      PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy (Patrick Phillips)  
2025 (Summer): PHIL2050: Introduction to Philosophy of Law (Mike Giudice)  
2025 (Winter): PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy (Maggie O'Brien)  
2024 (Fall):      PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy (Maggie O'Brien)

### Queen's University

2024 (Winter): ENGL297: Introduction to Literary Theory and Criticism II\* (Angela Facundo)  
2023 (Fall):      ENGL161: Modern and Contemporary Prose Fiction I\* (Robert May)

### University of Alberta

2023 (Winter): PHIL102: Introduction to Philosophy—Knowledge and Reality (Amy Schmitter)  
2022 (Fall):      PHIL101: Introduction to Philosophy—Values and Society (Jack Zupko)

### Toronto Metropolitan University

2021 (Fall):      SSH105: Critical Thinking I (David Hunter)

2019 (Fall): PHL802: Project in Applied Philosophy (Brad Richards)

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*As Research Assistant*

The University of Alberta

2025: Research Assistant for Professor Michael Omoge  
*Expertise Exclusivism in African Philosophy*

## **PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTS**

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Papers Delivered:

2025: “Synthesizing Wittgenstein and Merleau-Ponty: On the Origins of Moral Deep Disagreement”, at the annual meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association, George Brown College, Toronto, ON, June 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>.

2024: “Synthesizing Wittgenstein and Merleau-Ponty: On the Origins of Moral Deep Disagreement”, 60<sup>th</sup> joint meeting between the WCPA-CSEP, The University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, September 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>.

2024: “Mitigating Bias: A Wittgensteinian Pedagogy”, Graduate/Post-Graduate conference in Science, Epistemology, and Misinformation, The University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

2024: “To Hell with Morality: A Victorian Nod to Ian Hinckfuss Through Decadence”, at Re-Imagining the Victorians, Queen’s University, Kingston, ON, April 18<sup>th</sup>.

2023: “Mitigating Bias: A Wittgensteinian Pedagogy”, at the 59<sup>th</sup> joint meeting between the WCPA-CSEP, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Upcoming:

2025: “Keeping Lines of Communication Open: Wittgenstein and Davidson on Rationally Responding to Deep Disagreement”, at the 61<sup>st</sup> joint meeting between the WCPA-CSEP, The

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, October 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>.

2025: “Keeping Lines of Communication Open: Wittgenstein and Davidson on Rationally Responding to Deep Disagreement”, at the annual meeting of the Atlantic Region Philosopher’s Association, The University of New Brunswick and St. John’s University, Fredericton, NB, October 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>.

Comments:

2025: Response to Jintao Liang (Concordia University), “Disobedience as Praxis of Democratic Resistance: Reconceiving the Spatial Dimension of the Polis with Arendt and Butler”, Canadian Philosophical Association, George Brown College, Toronto, ON, June 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>.

2025: Response to Vincent Z. Y. Lee (University of Toronto), “Vasubandhu and Spinoza on the Empty Subject: An Experiment in Cross-Cultural Philosophy”, York University Graduate Conference, ‘Philosophy from the Margins’, York University, Toronto, ON, April 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>.

2024: Response to Setareh Ezzatabadi (UCalgary), “Collective Behaviors, Motivations, and Structures”, 60<sup>th</sup> joint meeting between the WCPA-CSEP, The University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, September 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>.

**COLLOQUIUM PRESENTATIONS**

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2025: “Wittgenstein on Religious Practice: Simply Ordinary”, hosted by the York Philosophy Graduate Student Research Group at York University, Toronto, ON, February 24<sup>th</sup>.

2025: “Fellow Travellers: Wittgenstein and Davidson on Understanding Moral Deep Disagreement”, hosted by the York Philosophy Graduate Student Research Group at York University, Toronto, ON, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

2024: “Synthesizing Wittgenstein and Merleau-Ponty: On the Origins of Moral Deep Disagreement”, hosted by the York Philosophy Graduate Student Research Group at York University, Toronto, ON, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

2023: “Synthesizing Wittgenstein and Merleau-Ponty: Moral Disagreement as Grasped Possibilities”, hosted by the Philosophy Graduate Colloquium at Queen’s University, Kingston, ON, November 10<sup>th</sup>.

2022: “Moral Language: A Functional Approach”, hosted by the Philosophy Graduate Student Group at The University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **GUEST LECTURES**

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2025: G.E. Moore’s “Proof of External World”, for Professor Maggie O’Brien in PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy, York University, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

2025: Eleonore Stump, “The Problem of Evil”, for Professor Maggie O’Brien in PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy, York University, February 6<sup>th</sup>.

2024: Nietzsche’s Moral Philosophy, for Professor Maggie O’Brien in PHIL1000: Introduction to Philosophy, York University, October 29<sup>th</sup>.

2022: John Rawls’ “The Original Position”, for Professor Jack Zupko in PHIL101: Introduction to Philosophy: Values and Society, The University of Alberta, November 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **AWARDS**

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- Graduate Entrance Scholarship, York University, Academic Year of 2024-2025 (\$10,000)
- Queen’s Graduate Conference Travel Award (x2) (\$350)
- Dr. John MacDonald Scholarship in Philosophy, The University of Alberta, Academic Year of 2022-2023 (\$5,600)

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

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2025-2026: Co-Organizer, Minorities and Philosophy Coordinator, York University

2025-2026: CUPE Local 3903 Union Representative, York University

2025-2026: Co-Organizer, York University Philosophy Graduate Student Research Group

2025-2026: Graduate Mentors' Coordinator, York University's Philosophy Graduate Student Mentorship Program

2025-2026: Founder, York University's Philosophy Graduate Student Mentorship Program

2025: Co-Host of 'Coffee with a Grad Student', an event jointly hosted by the Philosophy Graduate Student Association and Philosophia, the Undergraduate Student Association

2025: Ontario High School Ethics Bowl Regional Championships Judge

2025: Philosophy Department Delegate for Graduate Student Supervision Hub

2024-2025: Organizer, York University Philosophy Graduate Student Research Group

2024-2025: Assistant Organizer, York University Graduate Conference, 'Philosophy from the Margins'

2023: Alberta High School Ethics Bowl Moderator

2018 (Winter): Student Teacher through VAST (Volunteers Assisting Students and Teachers), Lord Dufferin Public School, Grade 5/6 Classroom (Robert Aucoin)

### **GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN (\*indicates audit)**

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#### York University

2026 (Winter): PHIL6860: PhD Research Seminar II (Matthew Leisinger, Bob Myers)  
PHIL6500: Major Figures in Political Philosophy [19<sup>th</sup> century African]  
(Zeyad El Nabolsy)  
PHIL6300: Major Figures in the Philosophy of Language [Wittgenstein]  
(Claudine Verheggen)

2025 (Fall): PHIL6860: PhD Research Seminar II (Matthew Leisinger, Bob Myers)  
PHIL6355: Philosophy of Cognitive Science (Kevin Lande, co-taught with Sara Aranowitz at U of T)

2025 (Summer): PHIL6420: Topics in Moral Psychology (Bob Myers)

2025 (Winter): PHIL6666: Exegesis in Philosophical Texts (Stanley Tweyman)  
PHIL6415: Issues in Contemporary Metaethics (Parisa Moosavi)  
PHIL6505: Major Problems in Political Philosophy\* (Esteve Morera)

PHIL5800: Core Theoretical I\* (Chris Campbell, Brian Huss)  
PHIL5801: Core Theoretical II\* (Chris Campbell, Brian Huss)

2024 (Fall): PHIL6390: Philosophy of Action (Oisín Deery)  
PHIL6800: First-Year Seminar (Action, Intention, and Agency) (Jake Beck, Ayana Samuel)  
PHIL6355: Major Problems in Philosophy of Mind\* (Jake Beck)

#### Toronto Metropolitan University

2024 (Fall): PH8123: Major Figures in Philosophy: Wittgenstein\* (David Hunter)

#### Queen's University

2024 (Spring): ENGL867: Anthropocene Aesthetics (Molly Wallace)  
2024 (Winter): ENGL825: Medieval and Tudor Morality Plays (Ruth Wehlau)  
ENGL859: The Victorian Music Hall (Brooke Cameron)  
ENGL895: Directed Reading: Shakespeare and Sovereignty (Elizabeth Hanson)  
2023 (Fall): ENGL831: The Merchant of Venice in Context (Elizabeth Hanson)  
PHIL841: The History and Origins of Analytic Philosophy (Joshua Mozersky)

#### The University of Alberta

2023 (Summer): PHIL900: Research Project: Wittgenstein and Advaita Vedānta (Jack Zupko, Neil Dalal)  
2023 (Spring): PHIL596: Directed Reading: Wittgenstein and Advaita Vedānta (Jack Zupko, Neil Dalal)  
2023 (Winter): PHIL510: Science and Values (Ingo Brigandt)  
PHIL557: Religious Faith and Meaning Making (Joshua Harris)  
PHIL570: Environmental, Distributive, and Animal Justice (Howard Nye)  
2022 (Fall): PHIL546: Descartes (Amy Schmitter)  
PHIL592: Critical Phenomenology (Marie-Eve Morin)  
PHIL594: Meditation and Mind in Indian Philosophy (Neil Dalal)