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EDUCATION

2020 – 2026 (Expected)	Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Dissertation: <i>The Rationality of Regret</i> Committee: Mark van Roojen (chair), John Brunero, Aaron Bronfman, Regina Werum
2015 – 2017	M.A., Philosophy, Soongsil University Thesis: <i>A Naturalistic Account of Morality and Normativity</i> Advisor: Seon-Wook Kim
2007 – 2015	B.A., Philosophy, Soongsil University

RESEARCH AREA

AOS	Metaethics, Moral Psychology
AOC	Normative Ethics, Applied Ethics

PUBLICATIONS

Reasons as First-Order Evidence
Erkenntnis (forthcoming)
[Choosing, Picking, and Reason to Choose](#)
Ethical Theory and Moral Practice 28, 5–16 (2025)

UNDER REVIEW

Under Review	‘Decisive Reason’ Implies ‘Can’
Under Review	The Conditional Fallacy Problem and the Scope of ‘Can’ in Internalism about Reasons
Under Review	The Rationality of Regret

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

2026

- APA Eastern, Colloquium, “Montage of the Best Internalist Formulation of Reasons,” January 7-10.
- APA Central, Colloquium, “Three Arguments for the ‘Ought’ Implies ‘Can’ Principle,” February 18-21.
- APA Pacific, Symposium, “Reasons in Reality and Reasons in Reflection,” April 8-12.
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, Poster, “Reasons as First-Order Evidence,” August 6-9 (*Upcoming*)
- Rationality and Normativity, “Reasons as First-Order Evidence,” October 22-24 (*Upcoming*)

- Tennessee Value and Agency: Grief, Trauma, Anger, and Resilience, “Why Benefits Can Be the Right Kind of Reasons for Regret,” October 29-31 (*Upcoming*).

2025

- APA Central, Colloquium, “The Way Reasons Transmit to Necessary and Non-necessary Means,” February 27-March 1.
- Iowa Philosophical Society Conference, “Reasons in Reality and Reasons in Reflection,” November 15.
- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, Poster, “Epistemic Bars on Beliefs About Reasons,” August 7-10.
- Austin Graduate Ethics and Normativity Talks (AGENT), “Three Arguments for the ‘Ought’ Implies ‘Can’ Principle,” January 31-February 1.

2024

- Grad-Faculty Philosophy Research Colloquium at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, “The Way Reasons Transmit to Necessary and Non-necessary Means.”
- Indiana Philosophical Association (IPA) conference, “Three Arguments for the ‘Ought’ Implies ‘Can’ Principle.”

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Graduate Chancellor’s Research Grant: University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Awarded \$800.
- Graduate Student Travel Award: University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Awarded \$500.
- Soongsil Scholarship: Soongsil University, Awarded ₩10,000,000 (approximately \$7,172 USD).
- Scholarship for Excellent Entrance Grades: Soongsil University, Received full tuition from 2015 to 2017.
- Scholarship for Academic Excellence: Soongsil University, Received full tuition for Spring 2014.
- APA Travel Stipend: American Philosophical Association, Awarded for Central APA 2024, 2025, and Eastern APA 2025.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Research Fellow

- Center for Ethics and Social Responsibility, University of Nebraska–Lincoln, Spring 2025
Project: Initiated and developed an undergraduate philosophy journal initiative, including its editorial structure and publication model

Commentator

- Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, “Reasons and Cares: A Deep Self View of Practical Rationality” by Jacob C. MacDavid, August 2025
- Indiana Philosophical Association, “Filling in the Details about Explanatory Abstraction” by Cory Wright, November 2024

Reviewer

- University of Nebraska–Lincoln Graduate Philosophy Conference, March 2025

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lead Instructor with Full Responsibility for Course

2026 Summer	(PHIL 213) Medical Ethics
2025 Fall	(PHIL 213) Medical Ethics
2025 Summer	(PHIL 213) Medical Ethics
2024 Fall	(PHIL 106) Philosophy and Current Issues
2024 Spring	(PHIL 106) Philosophy and Current Issues
2023 Fall	(PHIL 106) Philosophy and Current Issues
2023 Summer	(PHIL 101) Introduction to Philosophy

Teaching Assistant Recitation Instructor

2026 Spring	(PHIL 101) Introduction to Philosophy
2023 Spring	(PHIL 107) Ethics of Emerging Media Arts
2022 Fall	(PHIL 101) Introduction to Philosophy
2022 Spring	(PHIL 106) Philosophy and Current Issues
2021 Fall	(PHIL 101) Introduction to Philosophy
2021 Spring	(PHIL 101) Introduction to Philosophy
2020 Fall	(PHIL 106) Philosophy and Current Issues

Tutor

2022 Fall	(PHIL 211) Introduction to Modern Logic
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Grader

2024 Summer	(PHIL 213) Medical Ethics
2022 Fall	(PHIL 211) Introduction to Modern Logic

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Ethics & Metaethics	Love; Recent Books on Rationality; MishMashed Metaethics; Incommensurable Value; Recent Books related to Moral Epistemology/Justification/Methodology; Why Be Moral?; Advanced Ethics; Philosophy of Action
Metaphysics & Epistemology	Non-being; Truth in Fiction; Scepticism: Mathematical and Moral; Advanced Epistemology
Phil Mind & Science	Mental Content; Philosophy of Mind; Philosophy of Science
History of Phil & Logic	Kant; Formal Logic

M.A., Philosophy, Soongsil University

Heidegger, Normative Ethics, Metaphysics, Analytic Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind, Political-Ethical Theories, Utilitarianism, Contemporary Epistemology, Song Dynasty Philosophy