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Research Areas

AOS: Metaphysics, Language, Logic & Philosophy of Logic, Epistemology

AOC: Asian Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind

Positions

Sep. 2026–Current Azrieli Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Haifa

Education

2019–2026	Philosophy PhD, New York University <i>Dissertation:</i> Self-Application in Language and Reality <i>Co-advisors:</i> Hartry Field and Cian Dorr <i>Other committee members:</i> Marko Malink and Graham Priest
2006–2010	B.A., CUNY Brooklyn College (majors: film & political science)

Publications

Forthcoming	‘Self-application and Higher-orderese’, <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research</i> .
2025	‘Adopting an Inference Rule: A How-to Guide’, <i>Mind</i> , 134(535): 621–646.
2022	‘Dissolving the Paradoxicality Paradox’, <i>Australasian Journal of Logic</i> , 19(4): 133–146.

Selected Presentations

(* indicates refereed)

‘The Paradoxes of Pure Logic’

Dec. 2026 *EuPhiLo 5th Annual Conference* (University of Bologna)

‘We Are All One’

May 2026 *Washington Square Circle* (NYU)

‘Horizontal Fregeanism’

- Nov. 2025 **Higher-Order Metaphysics Workshop 2025 (NYU)*
 Sep. 2025 *Logic and Metaphysics Workshop (CUNY GC)*

‘Adoption and the Contents of Inference Rules’

- Feb. 2024 **APA Central Division Conference, Colloquium*

‘Non-classicality All the Way Up’

- Nov. 2023 **Truth and Vagueness Conference (University of Turin)*
 Sep. 2023 **EuPhiLo 2nd Annual Conference (University of Bonn)*
 Sep. 2023 *Logic and Metaphysics Workshop (CUNY GC)*
 Apr. 2023 **New Work on Paradoxes (University of Bucharest)*
 Apr. 2023 **ALEF Seminar Series (Babeş-Bolyai University)*

‘Typefree Metaphysics, or: Everything is Something!’

- Feb. 2023 *Washington Square Circle (NYU)*

‘The Scope and Significance of the Adoption Problem’

- Oct. 2021 *Young Scholars Series (Saul Kripke Center, CUNY GC)*

‘Logical Deducibility and Substitution in Bolzano (and Beyond)’

- Apr. 2021 *Logic and Metaphysics Workshop (CUNY GC)*

‘Expressibility and the (Un)paradoxicality Paradoxes’

- Oct. 2020 *Workshop on Solutions to the Liar (CUNY GC)*

‘Why There Must Always Be Cutoffs (But Sometimes There Can’t Be)’

- May 2020 *Washington Square Circle (NYU)*

Teaching*As main instructor:*

NYU, Spring 2025 & Fall 2024	Logic
NYU, Summer 2024	Metaphysics
NYU, Summer 2023	Philosophy of Religion: Hinduism, Buddhism, Daoism

NYU, Summer 2022

Philosophy of Language: Paradoxes

As teaching assistant:

NYU, Spring 2023

Early Modern European Philosophy (Prof. Tim Maudlin)

NYU, Spring 2022

Modal Logic (Prof. Matthew Mandelkern)

NYU, Fall 2021

Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy (Prof. Tim Maudlin)

Before graduate school:

2015–2018

SAT, ACT prep: Kaplan, Parker Academics, Ivy Global

Service

2024–Present	Reviewer: <i>Journal of Philosophical Logic</i> ; <i>Australasian Journal of Logic</i> ; Austrian Science Fund (grant)
2023–2024	Organizer: Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) NYU Chapter
2023	Volunteer Philosophy Instructor: NYU College and Career Lab
2023	Prospectives Student Visit Organizer: NYU Philosophy Dept.
2021–2022	Graduate Representative: NYU Philosophy Dept.

References

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