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EDUCATION

Yale University
Fall 2020 - Present
PhD in Philosophy

Duke University
Fall 2015 - Spring 2019
BA in Philosophy and Political Science

RESEARCH

Areas of Specialization

Normative ethics
Epistemology

Areas of Competence

Metaphysics
Philosophy of science (esp. social)
Philosophy, politics and economics (PPE)

Publications

“Epistemicism and Commensurability” Forthcoming in *Inquiry*.
“Concurrent Awareness Desire Satisfactionism” Forthcoming in *Utilitas*.
“A New Argument for Uniqueness about Evidential Support” Forthcoming in *Episteme*.
“The Desire Machine” Forthcoming in *Analysis*.

Papers Under Review

A paper on pragmatism and evidentialism.
A paper on the metaphysics of events.

Papers in Preparation

“Lifetime and Momentary Well-being.”
“Hybrid Consequentialism.”
“On the Fittingness of Desire.”
“The Fittingness of Individual and Collective Attitudes.”
“The Ethics and Epistemology of Digital Advertising.”

Presentations (* = peer reviewed)

“Property and the Self”
--11/3/23 Seventh Annual Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society Meeting, New Orleans.*
“Investment Management Companies and the Publicization of Regulation”
--6/2/23 Financial Ethics Workshop at the University of Gothenburg.*
“The Desire Machine”
--10/14/23 Philadelphia Normativity Conference, University of Pennsylvania.*
--8/10/23 Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress.*
--4/15/23 Texas Tech Graduate Conference, Texas Tech University.*

“Lifetime and Momentary Well-being”

--3/23/23 Good Enough Life Workshop at Mississippi State University (winner of the MPA Graduate Student Paper Prize).*

“Hybrid Consequentialism”

--12/8/22 Uncertain Oughts Workshop, University of Helsinki.*

--6/30/22 Early Career Conference Programme, Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford.

“The Epistemic Harms of Digital Advertising”

--8/5/23 Society for Business Ethics Annual Meeting, Boston.*

-- 5/26/23 Seventh Annual Workshop: “Business Ethics in the 6ix” at Ted Rogers School of Management at Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto Ontario.*

--11/4/22 Sixth Annual Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society Meeting, New Orleans.*

“Concurrentism Awareness Desire Satisfactionism”

--10/8/22 University of Zurich, Workshop on Rights, Respect and Well-being.*

“Two Kinds of Permissivism and Two Kinds of Evidentialism”

--3/25/22 Joint Meeting of the SC and NC Societies for Philosophy.*

“The Fittingness of Individual and Collective Attitudes”

--3/15/22 Metaethics in Society Conference at the University of Nottingham.*

--4/16/22 Texas A&M Graduate Philosophy Conference.*

“Epistemicism and Commensurability”

--8/13/21 Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress XIV.*

Other Conferences Attended/Organized

Yale Early Career Ethics Workshop (organizer)	2023
Ethics of Consciousness Summer School, Rice Paris Center	2023
Transformative Experience Workshop (co-organizer, Yale University)	2022
Cornell Workshop on Mind and Value	2022

Graduate Coursework

At Yale

Normative Jurisprudence (Yaffe, audit)	2023
Normative Ethics (Kagan)	2022
Topics in Epistemology (Stanley and Williamson, audit)	
Good and Will (Della Rocca, audit)	
Early Modern Philosophy of Mind (Winkler and Ehli)	
Metaethics (Darwall)	2021
The First Person (Paul)	
Language and Convention (Szabo)	
Recent Work in Analytic Philosophy of Religion (DeRose and Pittard)	
Idealization and Model Building (Greco and Williamson)	
Early Modern Philosophy of Language (Winkler and Szabo)	
Tutorial in Epistemology (Greco)	
First-Year Seminar (Paul and Della Rocca)	2020
Metaphysics (Paul)	
Disagreement and Higher-Order Evidence (Pittard)	

Hylomorphism (Charles)

At Duke and UNC

Metaphysics (van Inwagen, Duke)	2019
Symbolic Logic (Pavese, Duke)	
Advanced Topics in Philosophy of Science (Lange, UNC)	2018
Philosophy of Mind (Neander and Pavese, Duke)	
Advanced Topics in PPE (Bovens, UNC, Audited)	
Beginnings of Analytic Philosophy (Nelson, UNC)	
Comparative Ethics (Wong, Duke)	
Contemporary Theories of Democracy (Knight, Duke)	

Reading Groups at Yale

Philosophy of Language	2022
Moral Uncertainty, organizer	2021
Donald Davidson reading group	2021

TEACHING

Phil 110: Human Beings and Nature – Topics in Metaphysics, Mind and Action (Primary Instructor)	2023
Phil S175: Introduction to Ethics (Primary Instructor)	
Phil 126: Early Modern Philosophy (TA for Michael Della Rocca)	
Phil 281: Infinity (TA for Zoltan Szabo)	2022
Phil 165: The Philosophy and Cog. Sci. of Consciousness (TA for J. Lawson)	
Phil 110: Topics in Philosophy (Grader for Dan Greco)	

SERVICE

Moderator and Judge, Connecticut Ethics Bowl	2023
Yale's Working Group in Moral Philosophy, organizer	2022-present
Yale's Working Group in Epistemology, Logic, Language, Mind and Metaphysics (ELLMM City), organizer	2020-2023
Yale Philosophy Department Colloquium Committee, member	2021
Yale Graduate-Undergraduate Advising Program, advisor	2021-present
-Formal or informal advising relationship with five undergraduates	
Yale Prospective Graduate Student Committee	2021-2022
Duke Philosophy Society, co-president	2019

AWARDS & HONORS

Emerging Scholar, Society for Business Ethics	2023
Global Priorities Fellowship	2022-2023
Departmental Travel Fellowship (3x)	2021-
Supplemental Departmental Travel Fellowship	2023-
Yale MacMillan Center Travel Fellowship	2022
Yale GSAS Conference Travel Fellowship (2x)	2021-

Phi Beta Kappa (Duke University)

2020