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Areas of Specialization

Epistemology, Philosophy of Religion

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Mind, Decision Theory, Social Philosophy, Applied Ethics

Appointments

Ryerson University

2020–Present Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Palm Beach Atlantic University

2021–Present Visiting Professor (Once every two years, I teach a one-week intensive course for PBA's philosophy MA program.)

Australian National University

2019–2020 Research Fellow (level B3), School of Philosophy
Supervisor: Alan Hájek
(Australian Research Council project on Ethics & Risk, with Seth Lazar, Alan Hájek, Lara Buchak, Philip Pettit, Frank Jackson, and Katie Steele.)

Education

University of Notre Dame

Ph.D. Philosophy, May 2019

Dissertation: Belief and Credence: A Defense of Dualism

Committee: Robert Audi (co-advisor), Ted Warfield (co-advisor), Daniel Nolan, Blake Roeber, Lizzie Fricker, Lara Buchak (external member, U.C. Berkeley)

M.A., Philosophy, May 2016

Kansas State University

B.S., *magna cum laude*, in Philosophy, May 2013

Publications

Journal Articles

(Forthcoming) “Why Credences Are Not Beliefs.” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*. [DOI](#).

(Forthcoming) “Belief, Credence, and Moral Encroachment.” (with Jamie Fritz). *Synthese*. [DOI](#).

- (Forthcoming) **“Belief, Faith, and Hope: On the Rationality of Long-Term Commitment.”** *Mind*. [DOI](#).
- (Forthcoming) **“Children, Fetuses, and the Non-Existent: Moral Obligations and the Beginning of Life.”** *The Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*.
- (Forthcoming) **“A Defense of Intrapersonal Belief Permissivism.”** *Episteme*. [DOI](#).
- (2020) **“Credence: A Belief-First Approach.”** (with Andrew Moon). *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 50(5): 652–669. [DOI](#).
- (2020) **“The Relationship Between Belief and Credence.”** *Philosophy Compass* 15(6): 1–13. [DOI](#).
- (2020) **“Belief, Credence, and Evidence.”** *Synthese* 197(11): 5073–5092. [DOI](#).
- (2019) **“How Belief-Credence Dualism Explains Away Pragmatic Encroachment.”** *The Philosophical Quarterly* 69(276): 511–533. [DOI](#).
- (2019) **“Belief and Credence: Why the Attitude-Type Matters.”** *Philosophical Studies* 176(9): 2477–2496. [DOI](#).
- (2019) **“Belief, Credence, and Faith.”** *Religious Studies* 55(2): 153–168. [DOI](#). (Winner of the *Religious Studies* Post Graduate Essay Prize).
- (2019) **“Salvaging Pascal’s Wager”** (with Andy Rogers). *Philosophia Christi* 21(1): 59–84. [DOI](#).
- (2016) **“Wagering Against Divine Hiddenness.”** *The European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 8(4): 85–108. [DOI](#).

Book Chapters (under contract)

- (under contract) **“Faith and Reason.”** In *The Handbook of Philosophy of Religion* (Mark A. Lamport, ed.). Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.
- (under contract) **“Pragmatic Arguments for Theism.”** In *The Cambridge Handbook of Religious Epistemology* (John Greco, Tyler McNabb, and Jonathan Fuqua, eds.). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- (under contract) **“Faith, Hope, and Justification.”** In *Propositional and Doxastic Justification* (Luis R.G. Oliveira and Paul Silva, eds.). Routledge Studies in Epistemology. New York: Routledge. [Link](#).
- (under contract) **“Dilemmas, Disagreement, and Dualism.”** In *Epistemic Dilemmas: New Arguments, New Angles* (Kevin McCain, Scott Stapleford, and Matthias Steup, eds.). Routledge Studies in Epistemology. New York: Routledge. [Link](#).
- (under contract) **“Permissivism, Underdetermination, and Evidence”** (with Margaret Turnbull). In *The Routledge Handbook of Evidence* (Clayton Littlejohn and Maria Lasonen-Aarnio, eds.). New York: Routledge. [Link](#).
- (under contract) **“What’s Epistemic about Epistemic Paternalism?”** In *Essays in Epistemic Autonomy* (Kirk Lougheed and Jonathan Matheson, eds.). Routledge Studies in Epistemology. New York: Routledge. [Link](#).

Book Chapters (published)

- (2020) **“Epistemic Paternalism, Epistemic Permissivism, and Standpoint Epistemology.”** In *Epistemic Paternalism Reconsidered: Conceptions, Justifications, and Implications* (Amiel Bernal and Guy Axtell, eds.), pp. 201–215. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield. [Link](#).
- (2020) **“The Nature and Rationality of Faith.”** In *The New Theists* (Joshua Rasmussen and Kevin Vallier, eds.), pp. 77–92. New York: Routledge. [Link](#).

Other Publications

- (Forthcoming) **“Epistemology.”** In *The T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Christian Theology* (Paul Allen and Beth Dodd, eds.). New York: T&T Clark/Bloomsbury. [Link](#).
- (2021) **“Pascal’s Wager: A Pragmatic Argument for Belief in God.”** In *1000-Word Philosophy: An Introductory Anthology*. [Link](#).
- (2019) Review of *Problems of Religious Luck: Assessing the Limits of Reasonable Religious Disagreement*, by Guy Axtell. Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews. [NDPR link](#).
- (2018) **“A Defense of Belief-Credence Dualism.”** In the *Proceedings of the Fifth Conference of the Brazilian Society of Analytic Philosophy* (João Luis Pereira Ourique, ed.), pp. 77–78. Pelotas, Brazil: Série Dissertatio de Filosofia. [Link](#).

Works Under Review

- (R&R, Erkenntnis) “Epistemic Permissivism and Pascal’s Wager”
(under review) “Epistemic Akrasia and Belief-Credence Dualism” (with Peter Tan)
(under review) “On the Independence of Belief and Credence”
(under review) “An Epistemic Version of Pascal’s Wager”

Select Works in Progress

- (forthcoming, 2021) *Applied Ethics: An Impartial Introduction*, Hackett Publishing (with Tyron Goldschmidt, Rebecca Chan, and Dustin Crummett)
- (under contract) *Must Beliefs and Evidence Agree? A Debate*, Routledge (with Scott Stapleford)
- (forthcoming, 2023) “Faith, Hope, and Pascal’s Wager.” *The Monist* (Special issue on Faith, Hope, and Trust; Finlay Malcolm, ed.). Forthcoming in January 2023.
- (commissioned) Critical Notice on *Unsettled Thoughts* (by Julia Staffel), for *Analysis*
- (commissioned) “Probing the Mind of God: Divine Beliefs and Credences” (with Justin Mooney), for a special issue of *Religious Studies* on The Existence and Nature of Deities (Mohammad Saleh Zarepour, ed.)
- (in progress) “Interpersonal Faith and Self-Fulfilling Beliefs”
- (in progress) “Credal Functionalism” (with Justin D’Ambrosio)
- (in progress) “How Low Can You Go? Belief, Credence, and Philosophical Views”
- (in progress) “Permissivism, Encroachment, and Practical Reasons for Belief”

Select Presentations and Talks (*Invited)

TBD

- October 2021 *Midwest Epistemology Workshop, University of Iowa
September 2021 *Philosophy of Religion workshop, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Chile
TBD *Wuhan University
TBD *Workshop on the Epistemology of Risk at Zhejiang University

“How Low Can You Go? Belief, Credence, and Philosophy”

- Fall 2021 *Philosophy with Attitude Conference, New Mexico State University
January 2021 *Eastern APA, Symposium on Belief and Credence (via Zoom)

“Credal Functionalism” (with Justin D’Ambrosio)

- Spring 2021 Lewis: Representation in Mind and Language, University of Leeds (via Zoom)

“Interpersonal Faith and Self-Fulfilling Beliefs”

- September 2021 Inaugural Princeton Project in Philosophy and Religion Conference
September 2020 *Pepperdine University (via Zoom)

“Faith, Hope, and Pascal’s Wager”

- April 2021 *Pacific APA, Society of Christian Philosophers (via Zoom)

“Should You Believe in God?”

- March 2021 *Biola University, Talbot Speaker Series (via Zoom)
October 2020 *Houston Baptist University (via Zoom)
October 2020 *Concordia University (via Zoom)
February 2020 *Hope College, Holland, MI
October 2019 *Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI

“Dilemmas, Disagreement, and Dualism”

- November 2020 *CONCEPT/University of Cologne, Department Colloquium (via Zoom)
November 2020 *Athenas in Action, Epistemology Work-in-Progress group (via Zoom)
August 2020 Social (Distance) Epistemology Workshop (via Zoom)

“Belief-Credence Dualism and Moral Encroachment”

- July 2020 *Encroachment at Home Work-in-Progress Group (via Zoom)

“An Epistemic Version of Pascal’s Wager”

- July 2020 *The Analytic Collective Work-in-Progress Group (via Zoom)
December 2019 *Ryerson University, Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group

“Permissivism, Encroachment, and Practical Reasons for Belief”

- June 2020 *Encroachment at Home Work-in-Progress Group (via Zoom)

“Faith, Hope, and Justification”

- March 2020 *Junior Workshop in Philosophy of Religion, Chicago

“Belief, Credence, and Graspability: Why Credences Are Not Beliefs”

- February 2020 Central APA, Chicago (Colloquium paper)
November 2019 Probability in Philosophy Conference, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne

Presentation and Talks (cont.)

“Faith, Belief, and Religious Experience”

October 2019 Religious Experience and Description, Valparaiso University

“Some Considerations Against Epistemic Paternalism”

October 2019 Public Philosophy Network Conference, Michigan State University

September 2019 *Australian National University, Moral/Social/Political Seminar

June 2019 *Symposium at the Canadian Philosophical Association, Vancouver

“Epistemic Akrasia and Belief-Credence Dualism” (with Peter Tan)

October 2019 Central States Philosophical Association, Washington University St. Louis

April 2019 Pacific APA, Vancouver (Colloquium Paper)

March 2019 *University of Virginia, Philosophy Department Colloquium

“On the Independence of Belief and Credence”

October 2019 *Australian National University, Philosophy Department Seminar

July 2019 Ninth Workshop on Combining Probability and Logic, Frankfurt, Germany

May 2019 St. Louis Conference on Reasons and Rationality

February 2019 *Belief in Context Workshop, University of Hamburg, Germany

“Epistemic Permissivism and Pascal’s Wager”

June 2019 Canadian SCP at the Canadian Philosophical Association, Vancouver

September 2015 Eastern SCP, Messiah College (different title)

“How Belief-Credence Dualism Explains Away Pragmatic Encroachment”

February 2019 Central APA, Denver (Colloquium Paper)

October 2018 Central States Philosophical Association, University of Buffalo

August 2018 The World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, China

May 2018 *Women in Philosophy Workshop, Chicago (WIPHICA)

February 2018 Central APA, Chicago (Diversity Institute Alumni Symposium)

“Credence: A Belief-First Approach” (with Andrew Moon)

September 2018 What are Degrees of Belief Workshop, University of Leeds

“Belief, Faith, and Hope”

August 2018 *The World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, China

March 2018 Perspectives on Faith: 19th Annual Graduate Conference, Boston College

“Permissivism and Underdetermination” (with Margaret Turnbull)

April 2018 Open-mindedness in Philosophy of Religion, Weatherford College

“A Defense of Intrapersonal Belief Permissivism”

February 2018 Central APA, Chicago (Colloquium Paper)

June 2017 6th Annual Graduate Epistemology Conference, University of Edinburgh

March 2017 Pacific SCP, Biola University

November 2016 Iowa Philosophical Society, Simpson College (different title)

“Belief and Credence: Why the Attitude-Type Matters”

November 2017 Indiana Philosophical Association, Purdue University

June 2017 New Trends in Epistemology Workshop, University of Pavia, Italy

Presentation and Talks (cont.)

“Belief, Credence, and Evidence”

October 2017 5th Annual Philosophers’ Cocoon Conference, University of Tampa

“Belief, Credence, and Faith”

July 2017 *Kaufman Institute Interfaith Workshop, Amman, Jordan
November 2016 Indiana Philosophical Association, DePauw University
October 2016 Eastern SCP, Rutgers University
June 2016 *Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion, University of St. Thomas

“The Nature and Rationality of Faith”

August 2016 *The New Theists Conference, Wake Forest

“Wagering Against Divine Hiddenness”

September 2015 British Society for Philosophy of Religion, Oxford University
March 2015 Midwest SCP, University of South Alabama (different title)

“Salvaging Pascal’s Wager” (with Andy Rogers)

December 2014 New Insights and Directions Formal Epistemology Workshop, Oxford University
May 2014 Northwest Student Philosophy Conference, Western Washington University
April 2014 Graduate Epistemology Conference, Texas Tech

Comments

January 2020 On “A Strike Against a Striking Principle” by Dan Baras
Eastern APA, Philadelphia

July 2019 On *On Being A Believer* by David Hunter
Friedrich-Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany

November 2018 On *Salvation by Allegiance Alone* by Matthew W. Bates
Author Meets Critics, Analytic Theology Consultation at the ETS, Denver

October 2018 On “Conservatism in Epistemology” by Matthias Steup
12th Annual Midwest Epistemology Workshop

September 2018 On “Warranted Christian Resurrection Belief” by Stephen Wykstra
40th Annual SCP Conference, Calvin College

April 2018 On “Acquittal from Knowledge Laundering” by Juan Piñeros Glasscock
8th Annual Notre Dame Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference

April 2018 On “An Argument Against the Normativity of Rational Requirements”
by Clayton Littlejohn; University of Cologne, Germany

January 2018 On “The Bayesian Challenge to Faith” by Matthew Lee
Eastern APA, Savannah

October 2017 On “Locking to the Properties of Fodorian Doorknobs” by Brittney Currie
5th Annual Philosopher’s Cocoon Conference, Tampa

Comments (cont.)

- March 2017 On “Is Evidentialism Prudent?” by Christopher Stephens
Central APA, Kansas City
- January 2017 On “Deontological Evidentialism and the Principle that Ought Implies Can”
by Luis Oliveira; Eastern APA, Baltimore
- November 2016 On “A Conflict Between van Inwagen’s Ontology and his Metaontology”
by David Fisher; Indiana Philosophical Association
- October 2016 On “First and Second Order Theories: Williamson on Knowledge by Imagination”
by Ben Henke; Central States Philosophical Association, Lincoln
- September 2016 On “When Faith Meets Counterevidence” by Lara Buchak
The Virtue of Faith Conference, Bellingham
- April 2016 On “Living on the Edge: Against Epistemic Permissivism” by Ginger Schultheis
6th Annual Notre Dame Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
- April 2016 On “Harder, Better, Faster, Stronger: Epistemic Standards and Moral Beliefs”
by Nicole Dular; Pacific APA, San Francisco
- January 2016 On “Transformation, Faith, and Rational Commitment” by Rebecca Chan
The Nature and Value of Faith Conference, San Antonio

Funding, Awards, and Grants

Misc.

- July 2018 *Religious Studies* Post Graduate Essay Prize, for “Belief, Credence, and Faith”
- June 2018 Eudaimonia Institute Grant, Wake Forest University
- 2021–2026 Advisory Board, “Belief in Action” ERC Grant (Gabriele Gava, PI)

Professional Development Funding

- Dec. 2019 Australian National University Early Career Research Travel Grant
- Sept. 2018 Notebaert Professional Development Award
- April 2018 Nanovic Institute Graduate Professional Development Grant
- 2015-2016 Professional Development Grant, Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion
- 2017-2018 Travel Award, Notre Dame Graduate School Conference Presentation Grant (2x)

APA Funding

- 2018-2019 APA Graduate Student Stipend (3x)
- 2016-2019 Travel Award, APA Diversity Institute Alumni Fund (5x)

Memberships

- American Philosophical Association (lifetime membership)
- Society of Christian Philosophers (lifetime membership)

Teaching Experience

At Ryerson University

Fall 2020 Knowledge, Truth, and Belief (500-level)
Spring 2021 Critical Thinking (100-level; 2 sections)

At Other Institutions

January 2023 Contemporary Issues, Palm Beach Atlantic University (Graduate level)
Spring 2020 Permissivism and Disagreement, ANU (Graduate level)
Fall 2017 Social Philosophy, Notre Dame (200-level)
Fall 2016 Introduction to Philosophy, Notre Dame (Teaching Assistant for Jeff Speaks)

Service

Editorial and Referee Service

2018–Present Journal Refereeing: *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis* (4x), *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (2x), *Philosophia Christi*, *Philosophical Studies* (4x), *The Philosophical Quarterly* (2x), *Philosophy East and West*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Religious Studies*, *Res Philosophica*, *Social Epistemology* (2x), *Synthese* (6x), *Theoria* (2x)
2015–Present Other Refereeing: John Templeton Foundation (SET Foundations Grant), Notre Dame/
Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
2019–Present PhilPapers Editor, Pragmatic Arguments for Theism, Pascal’s Wager, Probability in
Philosophy of Religion
2021 Guest Editor, 2021 issue of *The Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*
2021 Guest Editor, 2021 issue of *Religious Studies Archives*
2015-16 Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Analytic Theology*

Conference Organization

December 2020 Philosophy of Religion Online Workshop, Ryerson University (with Klaas Kraay)
2016, 2017 Notre Dame/Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
May 2016 Logos Conference (with Rachel Jonker)

Departmental Service, Notre Dame

2016-19 Organizer, Notre Dame Epistemology Reading Group
2015-19 Organizer, Notre Dame Graduate Student Recruitment Week
2015-16 Graduate Assistant, Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame

Mentoring

July 2018 Graduate Student Mentor, Rutgers Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy
2016-17 Graduate Student Mentor, Notre Dame Philosophy Department

Seminars and Fellowships

July 2018 Selected Participant, Navigating Sexuality and Gender Studies: An Introduction
The Berkeley Institute, Berkeley, California
July 2018 Invited Graduate Student Participant, Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy
Rutgers University (funding and stipend awarded)

- June 2018 Visiting Research Fellowship
Eudaimonia Institute, Wake Forest University (funding and stipend awarded)
- July 2017 Invited Participant, Kaufman Institute Interfaith Workshop
Amman, Jordan (funding awarded)
- August 2016 Selected Participant, Athena in Action Workshop for Graduate Women in Philosophy
Princeton University (funding awarded)
- June 2016 Selected Participant, Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion
University of St. Thomas (funding and stipend awarded)
- July 2014 Selected Participant, Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy
Rutgers University (funding and stipend awarded)

References

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