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Education

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, expected 2023.
M.A. Philosophy, Western Michigan University, 2014 (Concentration: Theoretical and Applied Ethics).
B.A. Philosophy, Southeast Missouri State University, 2012 (Minor: Biology).

Dissertation: Networking the Science and Philosophy of Well-Being
Hilary Kornblith (Chair), Peter Graham, Alejandro Pérez Carballo, TBD

Areas of Specialization

Ethical Theory, Epistemology, Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Science, Applied Ethics, Feminist Philosophy, Political Philosophy

Publications

"Liars, Tigers, and Bearers of Bad News, Oh My!: Towards a Reasons Account of Defeat" (Philosophical Quarterly, 2019)

Presentations

"Liars, Tigers, and Bearers of Bad News, Oh My!: Towards a Reasons Account of Defeat"
UMass Philosophy GRUE Series, 2017.
"Sensitivity, Safety, and Impossible Worlds," *2nd Annual Philosopher's Cocoon
Philosophy Conference*, 2014.
"Sensitivity and Impossible Worlds," *WMU Brown Bag Lecture Series*, 2014.
"Sensitivity and Impossible Worlds," *37th Annual UIUC Graduate Philosophy Conference*, 2014.
"Empathy, Approval, and Moral Judgment," *WMU Graduate Humanities Conference*, 2014.
"To Save the Phenomena?," *WMU Brown Bag Lecture Series*, 2013.
"Sensitivity, Safety, and Necessary Truths," *Alabama Philosophical Society*, 2013.
"Sensitivity and Impossible Worlds," *WMU Graduate Philosophy Workshop*, 2013.

Comments

On “Biological Systematics and Causal Network Reconstruction”, Aleta Quinn, *7th Annual WMU Graduate Philosophy Conference*, 2013.

On “The Compassionate Animal”, Jared Aslakson, *WMU Graduate Philosophy Workshop*, 2013.

Funded Research

Research Assistant for Fritz Allhoff (Western Michigan University), *NUE: NanoTRA: Texas Regional Alliance to Foster ‘Nanotechnology Environment, Health, and Safety Awareness’ in Tomorrow’s Engineering and Technology Leaders*. US National Science Foundation.

Service

Organizer, UMass Philosophy Department Weekly Tea, 2017-2018

Member, UMass Philosophy Climate Committee, 2017-2018.

Organizer, Annual Massachusetts-Rhode Island Graduate Philosophy Workshop, 2016-2019.

Organizer, WMU Graduate Student Association of Philosophers Spring Workshop in Philosophy, 2014.

Organizer, Prospective Graduate Students’ Weekend, WMU Department of Philosophy, 2014.

Co-Organizer, 7th Annual Western Michigan University Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2013.

WMU Department of Philosophy Graduate Student Liaison, 2013–2014.

Chair, WMU Graduate Philosophy Workshop, 2013.

President, WMU Graduate Student Association of Philosophers, 2013–2014.

Organizing Assistant, WMU Medical Humanities Conference, 2013.

Referee, 6th Annual WMU Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2012.

Travel Coordinator, 6th Annual WMU Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2012.

Courses Taught

As the Instructor of Record

Introduction to Ethics (UMass, Winter 2020-21)

Ethics for College Life, First Year Seminar (UMass, Fall 2020)

Honors Introduction to Ethics (UMass, Spring 2020)

Problems in Social Thought: Propaganda and Fascism (UMass, Fall 2019)

Honors Introduction to Ethics (UMass, Spring 2019)

Problems in Social Thought: Ghettos, Misogyny, and Fascism (UMass, Fall 2018)

Philosophy of Art and Music (UMass, Spring 2018)

Environmental Ethics (WMU: Summer 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014).

Biomedical Ethics (WMU: Summer 2013 Online)

As a Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Philosophy (UMass: Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017)

Medical Ethics (UMass: Fall 2016, Fall 2017)

Critical Thinking (WMU: Fall 2012, Spring 2013)

Graduate Courses († indicates an audited course)

Metaphysics:

Relations and Structure
Metaphysics of Quantity
Topics in Metaphysics
The Moving Spotlight Theory†
Lewisian Metaphysics
The Metaphysics of Art Objects
Ontology and Ontological Commitment (WMU)

Epistemology:

Internalism and Externalism
Self-Knowledge
Objectivity and Realism†
The Sensitivity Principle (WMU)

Ethics:

The Ethics of Self-Defense
Philosophy of John Rawls
Ethical Theory (WMU)
Hume and Reid (WMU)

Philosophy of Science:

Philosophy of Cosmology

Advanced Philosophy of Science (WMU)
Independent Study: History and Philosophy of
Astronomy (WMU)

Logic and Language:

Conditionals
Philosophical Applications of Logic (WMU)
Philosophy and Probability (WMU)

History of Philosophy:

Aristotle on Knowledge and Reality
Philosophy of Rudolf Carnap
Stoic Metaphysics†

Philosophy of Mind:

Philosophy of Jerry Fodor
Mental Content (WMU)

One-Credit Seminars:

Philosophy of Peter Railton (WMU)
Philosophy of Keith DeRose (WMU)
Experimental Philosophy (WMU)