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Education:

The Ohio State University <i>PhD Philosophy</i>	2025
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee <i>MA Philosophy</i>	2019
University of Tennessee-Knoxville <i>BA Philosophy</i>	2017

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Science, Metaphysics, Pragmatism

Areas of Competence: Ethics, Logic, History of Analytic Philosophy

Publications:

1. (2021). "Dogramaci's Deflationism about Rationality." *Synthese*, vol. 199, 4437-4455:
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-020-02985-6>
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Presentations:

1. "Causal Pragmatism without Causal Perspectivalism," *Pragmatism and Philosophy of Science Conference*. Rotman Institute of Philosophy, London, September 2024.
2. "Causal Pragmatism without Causal Perspectivalism," *Method, Theory, and Reality Workshop*. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, April 2024.
3. "Causal Pragmatism without Causal Perspectivalism," *Fink Graduate Essay Award Presentation*, The Ohio State University, April 2023.
4. "A Problem for Global Pragmatism," *PhiGS Graduate Colloquium*. University of Kent, June 2022.
5. "Problems for Linsky and Zalta's Descriptivism," *u-AnalytiCon-2022: Abstract Objects*. Ural Federal University, May 2022.
6. "How Fregean is the Neo-Fregean?" *Graduate Student Workshop*. The Ohio State University, February 2021.

7. "Nominalization and Interpretation," *Western Michigan University Graduate Conference*. Western Michigan University, November 2018.
8. "Nominalization and Interpretation," *Minnesota Philosophical Society*. Rochester Community and Technical College, November 2018.
9. "Things, Stuff, and Mixed Ontology," *Wisconsin Philosophical Association*. UW-Oshkosh, April 2018.
10. "Things, Stuff, and Mixed Ontology," *40th Annual Graduate Conference*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 2018.

Honors and Awards:

William H. Fink Award <i>The Ohio State University</i>	2023
William H. Fink Award (Honorable Mention) <i>The Ohio State University</i>	2022
Fink Conference Essay Award <i>The Ohio State University</i>	2020
Chancellor's Award <i>University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee</i>	2017
Mark and Inge Moore Philosophy Scholarship <i>University of Tennessee-Knoxville</i>	2017
McClure Philosophy Scholarship <i>University of Tennessee-Knoxville</i>	2016
Phi Beta Kappa	2016

Teaching:

As Instructor of Record:

Philosophy of Science	Spring 2025
Introduction to Philosophy	Fall 2022, Spring 2024
Engineering Ethics	Summer 2022, Spring 2023 & Summer 2023
Engineering Ethics for a Just and Diverse World	Fall 2024, Fall 2025

Logic and Legal Reasoning	Fall 2023
Introduction to Logic	Summer 2024
Contemporary Social and Moral Problems	Summer 2025
Death and the Meaning of Life	Fall 2025 (x2)
<u>As TA:</u>	
Introduction to Philosophy	Fall 2021
Introduction to Symbolic Logic	Fall 2020, Spring 2021 & Spring 2022
Philosophical Problems in the Arts	Spring 2020
History of Ancient Philosophy	Fall 2019
Metaphysics	Spring 2019
Philosophy of Mind	Fall 2018
Introduction to Asian Religions	Fall 2017, Spring 2018

Service:

- ☐ Session Chair: Central APA (2021), Eastern APA (2026) & PSA (2022)
- ☐ Senior Graduate Representative, *The Ohio State University*, 2023-2024.
- ☐ President: Society for the History of Analytic Philosophy, *The Ohio State University*, 2020-2024.
- ☐ President: Language or Logic Society, *The Ohio State University*, 2020-2022.
- ☐ President: Society for Philosophy of Science, *The Ohio State University*, 2024-2025.
- ☐ Chair: Graduate Social Events Committee, *The Ohio State University*, 2020-2023.

Pedagogy:

- ☐ Seminar on Teaching and Learning Philosophy participant, *The American Association of Philosophy Teachers* (2024)

Graduate Level Coursework:

Philosophy of Science & Metaphysics:

- ☐ Scientific Knowledge (Chris Pincock)
- ☐ Scientific Realism (Chris Pincock)
- ☐ Philosophy of Physics (Stephen Leeds)

- ☐ Contemporary Platonism and Nominalism (Michael Liston)
- ☐ A Century of Possibilities (Joshua Spencer)
- ☐ Vagueness (Joshua Spencer)
- ☐ Material Simplicity and Composition (Joshua Spencer)

History (incl. History of Analytic):

- ☐ Varieties of Pragmatism (Robert Kraut)
- ☐ Carnap, Quine, and Sellars (Robert Kraut)
- ☐ Mathematics in Kant's Critical Philosophy (Lisa Shabel)
- ☐ 17th Century Mechanism (Lisa Downing)
- ☐ Plato's Republic (Allan Silverman)
- ☐ Plato's Trilogy (Colin Smith)

Logic and Philosophy of Mathematics:

- ☐ Number (Stewart Shapiro)
- ☐ The Logic of Number (Neil Tennant)
- ☐ Abstracta, Numbers and Concepts (Richard Samuels)
- ☐ Advanced Symbolic Logic (Neil Tennant)
- ☐ Intermediate Formal Logic (Michael Liston)

Value Theory:

- ☐ The Metaphysics of Normative Realism (Tristram McPherson)
- ☐ Epistemology and Methodology of the Normative (Tristram McPherson)
- ☐ Directed Duty and Relational Normativity (Abe Roth)
- ☐ Socially Constructed Morality (Stan Husi)
- ☐ Justice as Fairness (Blain Neufeld)

Epistemology, Language, & Mind:

- ☐ Moral Knowledge (Declan Smithies)
- ☐ Pro-Seminar (Concepts and Agency) (Chris Pincock and Abe Roth)
- ☐ Language & Meaning (Peter van Elswyk)
- ☐ Judgment and Epistemic Norms (Ted Hinchman)
- ☐ Philosophy of Autobiography (Andrea Westlund)
- ☐ Mental Representation (Bob Schwartz)

Teaching:

- ☐ Teaching Philosophy (Tristram McPherson)

References:

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