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Curriculum Vitae (August 2022)

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology, Philosophy of Race and Gender, Social and Political Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Normative Ethics and Metaethics

EMPLOYMENT

- 2022 – 2023 **Laurence S. Rockefeller Visiting Fellow**, *Princeton University*
- 2019 – present **Assistant Professor of Philosophy**, *Claremont McKenna College*
- 2018 – 2019 **Post-Doctoral Research Fellow**, *Baruch College-CUNY*
Inaugural Weissman School of Arts and Sciences Fellow

EDUCATION

- 2013 – 2018 **PhD in Philosophy**, *University of Texas at Austin*
Dissertation Title: Knowledge and Social Identity
- 2017 – 2018 **Visiting Scholar**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*
Funded by the Diversity Predoctoral Fellowship
- 2010 – 2011 **Master of Arts in Philosophy**, *University of Sheffield*
(with distinction)
- 2006 – 2010 **Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy**, *Florida State University*
(Magna Cum Laude)

PUBLICATIONS

2022. “Demarginalizing Standpoint Epistemology”, *Episteme*, 19(1), 47 – 65.
2021. “Recent Work in Standpoint Epistemology”, *Analysis*, 81(2), 338 – 350.
2021. “What Lies Beneath: The Epistemic Roots of White Supremacy” in Elizabeth Edenberg and Michael Hannon (eds.), *Politics & Truth: New Perspectives in Political Epistemology*. Oxford University Press. 76 – 94.
2021. “Believing is Seeing: Feminist Philosophy, Knowledge, and Perception” in Elly Vintiadis (ed.), *Philosophy by Women: 22 Philosophers Reflect on Philosophy and Its Value*. Routledge. 161 – 168.
2021. “Corrupt the Youth Residential Summer Philosophy Camp: Building a Camp with a Strong Culture”, with Alex Hargroder, in Claire Katz (ed.), *Philosophy Camps for Youth:*

Everything You Wanted to Know about Starting, Organizing, and Running a Philosophy Camp. Rowman and Littlefield. 87 – 96.

2019 “From Standpoint Epistemology to Epistemic Oppression”, *Hypatia*, 34(4), 598 – 618.

2019 “Masculine Foes, Feminist Woes: A response to *Down Girl*”, *APA Newsletter on Feminism and Philosophy*, 18(2), 10-14.

PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY

Feb 2022 Panel on Public Philosophy, Education, and Social Justice
PLATO, Public Philosophy Network, and Kegley Institute of Ethics

June 2021 “Identity and Knowledge”
The UnMute Podcast, June 201

Nov 2020 “From Where We Stand”
Many Minds Podcast, November 2020

Oct 2020 “On Language, Identity, and Corrupting the Youth”
The Ethicist’s Corner, Kegley Institute of Ethics, October 2020

Feb 2020 “Radical Social Imaginaries and How to Live Them”
A Night of Ideas, Brooklyn Public Library, New York

June 2019 “Is Believing Seeing? And other lessons from standpoint epistemology”
Think Olio Public Lecture, New York

June 2019 Corrupt the Youth Summer Philosophy Camp
Camp Director, University of Texas at Austin

Oct 2018 “Identity Matters: Standpoint Epistemology with Briana Toole”
Examining Ethics Podcast, October 2018

Oct 2018 Faculty Panel on Activism and Public Philosophy
MAP Oppression and Resistance Conference, New York

April 2018 “Corrupting the Public: Philosophy for the People”
MIT Day of Action, Public Session

Sept 2016 “The problem of diversity in philosophy: a US perspective,”
Times Higher Education, September 2016

2015 – Present Corrupt the Youth Philosophy Outreach Program, 501(c)(3)
Founder and Executive Director

2014 – 2015 Writer for the Humanities Minutes Podcast Project, UT Austin College of Liberal Arts
“You Didn’t Start the Fire”, “Corrupt the Youth”, “Thought Experiments”,
“The Battle of the Sexes”, “Color Concepts”, “The Black Man’s Cogito”

PRESENTATIONS

TALKS

*INVITED TALK

†CANCELLED – PANDEMIC

- May 2022 **“Objectivity’s Dark Purpose”**
Boston University*
- March 2022 **“The Vanishing Self: Consciousness-Raising as an Epistemic Transformation”**
University of Michigan (virtual)*
- Feb 2022 **“What Standpoint Epistemology is Not”**
APA Central Division, Invited Symposium*
- Oct 2021 **“Varieties of Objectivity”**
Series on Ideal and Non-Ideal Epistemology (virtual)*
- April 2021 **“The Not-So-Rational Racist: Articulating a New Epistemic Duty”**
APA Pacific Division, Colloquium (rescheduled from April 2020)
- Nov 2020 **“Standpoint Epistemology as Ideology Critique”**
Social Criticism and Political Thought Series, Princeton University (virtual)*
- Oct 2020 **“You Took the Words Right Out of My Mouth: Why Some Words Don’t Belong to You”**
Kegley Institute of Ethics (virtual)*
- June 2020 **PPE in a Time of Pandemic: Protests, Civil Disobedience and Resistance**
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (virtual)*
- Feb 2020 Boston University*
- May 2019 CUNY Graduate Center*
- March 2020 **“How to talk about rape in the public sphere”**
Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting†
- Nov 2019 Young Philosophers Lecture Series, DePauw University
- Nov 2019 **“Believing is Seeing: and other lessons from women philosophers”**
University of Southern California, GPS*
- April 2019 **“Holding Resistance Hostage: When Resistance is Futile”**
The Ethics of Public Discourse, Bowling Green State University
- March 2019 Black Women Philosophers Conference, CUNY*
- March 2019 University of Sheffield*
- April 2019 **“Rethinking Traditional Epistemology”**
Society for Analytic Feminism, APA, Pacific Division, Vancouver
- Feb 2019 Claremont McKenna College*

- April 2018 **“On Social Identity and Epistemic Peerhood: In Defense of Epistemic Privilege”**
University of Miami – Inclusiveness Conference*
- March 2018 Bates College*
- Jan 2018 Claremont McKenna College*
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- Nov 2017 **“Demarginalizing Standpoint Epistemology”**
Princeton University*
- April 2017 Epistemology Reading Group, University of Texas at Austin
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- May 2017 **“Standpoint Epistemology and Hidden Ontologies”**
Toronto Philosophy Graduate Conference
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- Oct 2016 **“Through the Looking Glass: A Deeper Look at Standpoint Epistemology”**
Graduate Colloquium Series, University of Texas at Austin
- Feb 2016 **“Perceptual Farce and Epistemic Blame”**
Columbia-NYU Graduate Conference
- Feb 2016 USC/UCLA Graduate Conference
- March 2015 University of Texas at Austin MLK Conference
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- April 2015 **“How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Disagreement”**
APA Pacific Division, Symposium, Vancouver
- Dec 2014 Western Michigan University Graduate Conference
- Nov 2014 Epistemology Reading Group, University of Texas at Austin
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- Jan 2014 **“The Causal Theory and Fictional Names”**
University of Texas at Austin MLK Conference
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- April 2011 **“Fictional Entities: A Case for Neo-Meinongism”**
Indiana Philosophical Association
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- COMMENTS**
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- Nov 2019 **Emmalon Davis’s “Procreative Justice Reconciled: Undermining Propaganda and Averting the Moral Gaze”**
Dartmouth Moral and Political Philosophy Workshop
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- March 2018 **Jessie Munton’s “What’s Wrong with Accurate Statistical Generalizations?”**
APA, Pacific Division, San Diego
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- Feb 2018 **Rima Basu’s “What We Epistemically Owe to Each Other”**
Princeton Workshop in Social Philosophy
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- Aug 2017 **Kathryn Pogin’s “Confronting the Epistepocalypse with Faith”**
Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference
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- Aug 2015 **Cat Wade’s ““Expert Sexists’: Unjust Perception and the Prediction Error Minimization Account of Mind”**
Workshop on Bayesian Theories of Perception and Epistemology

GRANTS, AWARDS, & SCHOLARSHIPS

2020	Gould Center grant for the development of the Corrupt the Youth Digital Media Initiative (\$2700)
2019	APA/PDC Prize for Excellence and Innovation in Philosophy Programs for Corrupt the Youth
2019	Young Alumni Award, Florida State University
2018	APA Diversity and Inclusiveness Grant for the Corrupt the Youth Summer Philosophy Pilot (\$20,000)
2018	PLATO Philosophy Fund Grant for the Corrupt the Youth Summer Philosophy Pilot (\$5660)
2017 – 2018	Diversity Predoctoral Fellowship and Visiting Scholar Appointment. Linguistics and Philosophy Department, School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
2017	Dissertation Boot Camp Fellowship. Awarded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
2014- 2017	Graduate Student Professional Development Award. UT Austin (x3)
2017	Pal-Make a Difference Award for Corrupt the Youth. UT Austin
2015 – 2017	Graduate Student Travel Award. Awarded by the University of Texas Philosophy Department (x4)
2015	Departmental Nominee for the Livingston Award in Graduate Teaching Excellence
2013 – 2016	Royal Fellowship. Awarded by the University of Texas Philosophy Department
2013	Graduate School Recruitment Fellowship. UT Austin

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR

AT CLAREMONT MCKENNA COLLEGE

Spring 2022	PHIL 134: Black Feminist and Alternative Epistemologies PHIL 036: Introduction to Philosophy of Religion
Fall 2021	PHIL 198: Advanced Seminar – Ideology and World-Making PHIL 038(H): Introduction to Reason and Reality (Honors)
Spring 2021	PHIL 192: Feminism for Men <i>This course is taught through the Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program in partnership with the California Rehabilitation Center.</i> PHIL 181: Philosophy through Black Literature
Fall 2020	PHIL 038: Introduction to Reason and Reality (x2)
Spring 2020	PHIL 134: Feminist Epistemologies PHIL 036: Introduction to Philosophy of Religion

Fall 2019 PHIL 036: Introduction to Philosophy of Religion (x2)

AT BARUCH COLLEGE

Spring 2019 PHI 3990: Special Studies – Philosophy through Black Literature, Baruch College
PHI 4905: Feminism for Men, or: How to Make a Feminist, Baruch College

Fall 2018 PHI 4900: Contemporary Debates in Epistemology, Baruch College
PHI 4905: Race and Gender in Metaphysics and Epistemology, Baruch College

AT UT-AUSTIN

Spring 2017 PHL 310: Knowledge and Reality, UT Austin

AT HUSTON-TILLOTSON UNIVERSITY

2013 – 2016 PHIL 2301: Philosophy and Ethics, Huston-Tillotson University (x7)
Huston-Tillotson is an historically black college/university (HBCU) located in east Austin, Texas and serves ~1000 students. I taught as part of the adult-education program, which grants degrees to non-traditional students pursuing their bachelor's degree.

AT DUKE TIP

Summer 2015 Philosophy of Time, Duke TIP East Campus
The Duke Talent Identification Program (TIP) is a summer residential program for high school students identified as talented or gifted. I taught 20 students and supervised a teaching assistant.

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Fall 2016 PHL 610QA: Problems of Knowledge and Valuation, UT Austin

Spring 2016 PHL 301: Introduction to Philosophy, UT Austin

Spring 2015 PHL 301L: Early Modern Philosophy, UT Austin

2014 – 2015 UGS 303: Medical Ethics UT Austin (x2)

Spring 2014 PHL 304: Contemporary Moral Problems, UT Austin

PEDAGOGY

Spring 2021 International Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program Training Institute for Instructors

Summer 2020 Minerva Schools Workshop: How to facilitate engaged learning in a virtual class

Fall 2015 Teaching in Philosophy (Michael Tye)

Spring 2014 Teaching Fundamentals (Laura Beerits)

Member American Association of Philosophy Teachers

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICE

2019 – present	Referee (<i>Analysis, Hypatia, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Ethics, Ergo, Feminist Philosophy Quarterly</i>)
2017 – 2019	Appointed Member, APA Graduate Student Council
Summer 2017	Dissertation Boot Camp
2017 – Present	Society for Analytical Feminism, Member
2016 –2017	President, UT Austin’s Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Chapter
2015 –2016	Organizer, Graduate Colloquium Series – UT Austin Department of Philosophy
2015 – 2016	Undergraduate Liaison, UT Austin’s MAP Chapter
2015	Founder, MAP – UT Austin Chapter
2013 – Present	American Philosophy Association, Member

WORKSHOPS AND SUMMER INSTITUTES

2022	Diverse Intelligences Summer Institute, Faculty <i>University of California, Los Angeles/University of St. Andrews</i>
2022	Conceptual Foundations of Conflict Project <i>University of Southern California</i>
2021	Diverse Intelligences Summer Institute, Faculty <i>University of California, Los Angeles (virtual)</i>
2020	Diverse Intelligences Summer Institute, Faculty <i>University of California, Los Angeles (virtual)</i>
2019	Young Philosopher Lecture Series <i>The Prindle Institute for Ethics at DePauw University</i>
2019	Moral and Political Philosophy Workshop <i>Ethics Institute at Dartmouth University</i>
2019	Political Epistemology Writing Workshop <i>Michigan State University</i>
2019	Mentoring Workshop for Pre-Tenure Women in Philosophy <i>Boston University</i>
2019	Bowling Green Workshop in Applied Ethics and Public Policy <i>Bowling Green State University</i>
2018	Applied Epistemology Research Retreat and Workshop <i>The Prindle Institute for Ethics at DePauw University</i>

- 2018 Princeton Workshop in Social Philosophy (PWISP)
Princeton University
- 2017 Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference (formerly the Bellingham Summer
Philosophy Conference)
University of British Columbia
- 2016 Athena in Action: Networking and Mentoring Workshop for Graduate Student Women in
Philosophy
Princeton University
- 2015 Workshop on Bayesian Theories of Perception and Epistemology
Cornell University
- 2011 Workshop on Agency and Responsibility (NOWAR)
The Murphy Institute at Tulane University

REFERENCES

Sinan Dogramaci

Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Texas at Austin

Thi Nguyen

Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Utah

Sally Haslanger

Professor of Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology