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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2020 – **Ph.D. Studies**, Department of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame.
- 2024 – **MDiv Studies**, Mid-America Reformed Seminary.
- 2024 **M.A.**, Department of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame.
- 2019 – 2020 **Ph.D. Studies**, Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science, UC Irvine.
- 2016 – 2019 **B.A. with Honors**, Department of Philosophy, Calvin College.

Fellowships & Awards

- **UCI Social Science Merit Fellowship** *Fall 2019 - Spring 2020*
School of Social Sciences, UC Irvine
- **Kenneth J. Konyndyk, Jr. Scholarship** *Fall 2018 - Spring 2019*
Department of Philosophy, Calvin College
- **McGregor Summer Research Fellowship** *Summer 2018*
Calvin College

Publications

- Forthcoming **Free Will and Intensional Operators**, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*.
(with Fabio Lampert)
- 2023 **A Puzzle About Responsibility**, *Philosophical Studies*.
(with Fabio Lampert)
- 2023 **A Problem for Counterfactual Sufficiency**, *Analysis*.
- 2022 **Modal Collapse and Modal Fallacies: No Easy Defense of Simplicity**,
American Philosophical Quarterly.
- 2021 **Grim Variations**, *Faith and Philosophy*.
(with Fabio Lampert)

Teaching

- Spring 2026 Instructor of Record, Introduction to Philosophy (2x Sections: Notre Dame)
- Fall 2025 Instructor of Record, Philosophy of Religion (2x Sections: Notre Dame)

Spring 2025 Instructor of Record, History of Modern Philosophy (2x Sections: Notre Dame)
 Fall 2024 Instructor of Record, Introduction to Philosophy (Holy Cross College)
 Fall 2024 Instructor of Record, Introduction to Philosophy (Saint Mary's College)
 Spring 2024 Instructor of Record, Early Modern French Philosophy (Notre Dame)
 Spring 2022 TA, Philosophy of Law (Notre Dame: Ted A. Warfield, instructor)
 Fall 2021 TA, Medical Ethics (Notre Dame: Ted A. Warfield, instructor)
 Winter 2020 TA, Critical Reasoning (UC Irvine: Kevin Kadowaki, instructor)

Teaching Service

AY 2025-26 Advisor: "Stakes No Less than the World Itself: On the Appearance-Reality Gap and the Unnecessary Embrace of Immaterialism by Bishop Berkeley"; Senior Undergraduate Thesis, Eli Spencer (University of Notre Dame)
 Spring 2025 Second Reader (External) for "An Ox in Meinong's Jungle"; Senior Undergraduate Thesis, Zack Mabry (Covenant College)

Selected Presentations

Dec. 2025 "Does Everyone Know that God Exists?"
 (with James Reilly) Toronto Metropolitan University, Online Conference on Religious Epistemology: In Honour of the 25th Anniversary of Alvin Plantinga's *Warranted Christian Belief*
 October 2025 "There is No Such Thing as Divine Conceptualism"
 2025 Meeting of the ACPA
 March 2025 "Meinong's Way or the Highway"
 Covenant College, Gordon H. Clark Symposium
 Nov. 2024 "Meinong's Way or the Highway"
 2024 Meeting of the ACPA
 June 2024 "The Open Future Without Any Surprises"
 Universidad de Navarra, Workshop: Divine Providence in Classical and Neoclassical Theism
 May 2024 "It Pays to be Blaise"
 (with Gerard Rothfus) Pepperdine University, SCP Mountain-Pacific Regional Conference
 March 2024 "The Open Future Without Any Surprises"
 Covenant College, Gordon H. Clark Symposium

- March 2024 “The Open Future Without Any Surprises”
Samford University, SCP Eastern Regional Conference
- Oct. 2023 “The Open Future Without Any Surprises”
Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Philosophy of Religion Workshop
- Sept. 2023 “The Open Future Without Any Surprises”
Saint Louis University, SLU Graduate Philosophy Conference
- March 2023 “Models of the Virtual Distinction in Early Modern Scholasticism”
(with Dominic LaMantia) University of Notre Dame, History of Philosophy Forum
- March 2023 “Models of the Virtual Distinction in Early Modern Scholasticism”
(with Dominic LaMantia) Fordham University, Identity and Difference: Fordham University Graduate Conference
- Oct. 2022 “Reasons and Redemptive Love”
U.S. Airforce Academy, SCP Mountain/Pacific Regional Conference
- Oct. 2022 “Divine Love and Rational Discretion”
Virginia Commonwealth University, VCU Philosophy of Religion Workshop
- Jan. 2022 “Incompatibilism and Intensional Operators”
Palm Beach Atlantic University, SCP Eastern Regional Conference
- Oct. 2021 “Incompatibilism and Intensional Operators”
(with Fabio Lapert) Baylor University, SCP Midwest Regional Conference
- May 2021 “The Objects of Knowledge: Human and Divine”
(with Fabio Lampert) Princeton University, Princeton-Rutgers Philosophy of Religion Incubator Conference
- Sept. 2019 “On the Relationship Between the Mental and the Physical”
Invited: (with Kevin Corcoran) Purdue University, PU Philosophy Colloquium

Selected Comments

- May 2026 “Modal Knowledge and the Emotions” by Gus Turyn
17th Annual Notre Dame/Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
- May 2023 “Causality, Necessity and Freedom: Answering Zagzebski’s Timeless Knowledge Dilemma” by Alexander Spieldenner
SCP 40th Anniversary Conference
- May 2023 “An Analysis of Bias and Distrust in Social Hinge Epistemology” by Anna Pederneschi

14th Annual Notre Dame/Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference
April 2021 “Intellectual Character and Permissivism” by Troy Daniel Seagraves
12th Annual Notre Dame/Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference

Service

- **Graduate Epistemology Conference** *Spring 2022, Spring 2024*
Collaboration: Departments of Philosophy, Notre Dame and Northwestern University (Organizer)
- **Graduate Student Mentors Program** *Fall 2023 - Spring 2025*
Department of Philosophy, Notre Dame (Graduate Student Mentor)
- **Center for Philosophy of Religion** *Fall 2022 - Spring 2023*
Department of Philosophy, Notre Dame (Graduate Student Assistant)
- **Journal of Analytic Theology** *Fall 2022 - Spring 2023*
(Editorial Assistant)
- **Logoi (Magazine)** *Fall 2022 - Spring 2023*
(Editorial/Design Assistant)
- **Graduate Student Philosophy Colloquium** *Fall 2021 - Spring 2022*
Department of Philosophy, Notre Dame (Organizer)
- **Graduate Recruitment Committee** *Spring 2021, 2024*
Department of Philosophy, Notre Dame (Member)
- **Calvin/GVSU Undergraduate Philosophy Conference** *Spring 2019*
Department of Philosophy, Calvin College (Organizer)
- **Calvin College Philosophy Symposium** *Fall 2017- Spring 2019*
Department of Philosophy, Calvin College (Organizer)

Graduate Coursework: Notre Dame and UC Irvine

(* indicates course not taken for credit)

Logic and Formal Methods

Set Theory (UCI: Toby Meadows)

Metalogic (UCI: Kai Wehmeier)

Undecidability and Incompleteness* (UCI: Toby Meadows)

Topics in Philosophy of Logic: Logic Seminar* (UCI: Heis, Meadows, & Wehmeier)

Topics in Logic: Entailment (ND: Jc Beall)

Modal Logic (ND: Tim Bays)

Interpretations & Applications of Probability* (ND: Feraz Azhar & Harvey Brown)

Proof Theory (ND: Curtis Franks)

Decision Theory* (ND: Zach Barnett)

History of Philosophy

Locke & Reid (UCI: Jeffrey Schatz)
Descartes, Malebranche, & Leibniz* (UCI: Sean Greenberg)
Logicism (UCI: Jeremy Heis)
Anselm (ND: Thomas Flint)
Frege, Carnap, and Quine (ND: Patricia Blanchette)
Classical Islamic Philosophy* (ND: Stephen Ogden)
Late Medieval and Early Modern Christology (ND: Richard Cross)
Leibniz* (ND: Sam Newlands)

Metaphysics and Epistemology

Proseminar: Kripke and Lewis (ND: Kris McDaniel)
Universals (ND: Daniel Nolan & Christopher Shields)
Feminist Philosophy and Philosophy of Gender (ND: Mike Rea & Sara Bernstein)
Advanced Topics in Metaphysics: Being & Non-being (ND: Kris McDaneil & Sam Newlands)
Rationality (ND: Laura Callahan)
Metaphysics and Philosophy of Logic* (ND: Daniel Nolan & Jc Beall)
Perception and Consciousness* (ND: Brian Cutter)

Other

The Scientific Realism Debate & Historical Science (UCI: Kyle Stanford)
Love in Contemporary Moral and Political Theory (ND: Meghan Sullivan)