


## Curriculum Vitae

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Area of Specialization: Biomedical Ethics, Health Care Policy, Collective Action Problems

Area of Competence: Metaethics, Normative Ethics, Axiology

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## EDUCATION

- 2023– *University of British Columbia*  
Ph.D. Philosophy
- 2021–2023 *University of Alberta*  
M.A. Philosophy
- 2017–2021 *University of Manitoba*  
B.A. Philosophy (hons.) minor in Religion
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## WORKS IN PROGRESS

- “Strategic Collective Action and the Proportionality of Reasons to Expected Benefits” – with Howard Nye and Madeline Youngman – Under Review
  - “Blood, Taxes, and The Penalty Payment Asymmetry: acting from duty depends on your reasons not on incentives or disincentives” – with Peter Jaworski – In Preparation
  - “The Ethics of Blood Donation: it’s in you to give” – In Preparation
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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 “The Ethics of Blood Donation: it’s in you to give”  
*Western Canadian Philosophical Association (WCPA) 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (University of British Columbia)*
- 2023 “Strategic Collective Action and the Proportionality of Reasons to Expected Benefits” – with Howard Nye and Madeline Youngman

*Western Canadian Philosophical Association (WCPA) 59<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Conference (University of British Columbia)*

2022 “Overcoming the Particularity Problem”  
*Society for Practical Philosophy (SfPP) 3<sup>rd</sup> Graduate Student  
and Postdoctoral Researcher Conference (Turkey)*

2022 “On Collective Action Problems: Voting & Individual Moral  
Responsibility”  
*Western Canadian Philosophical Association (WCPA) 58<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Conference (University of Manitoba)*

## **SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES, GRANTS & AWARDS**

2024 *University of British Columbia*  
President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award: \$415

2024 *Voices: Manitoba's Youth in Care Network*  
The Kiwiytin Scholarship: \$2000

2023 *University of British Columbia*  
Faculty of Arts Graduate Award: \$22,000

2023 *University of British Columbia*  
President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award: \$810

2023 *Children's Aid Foundation of Canada*  
Foundation Scholarship: \$5000

2023 *University of Alberta – Faculty of Arts*  
Graduate Student Teaching Award

2023 *University of Alberta – Graduate Student Association (GSA)*  
Graduate Student Teaching Assistant Award: \$500

2022 *University of Alberta – Philosophy Department*  
Kessler Graduate Essay Prize

2022 *University of Alberta – Graduate Student Association (GSA)*  
Academic Travel Grant: \$500

2022	<i>Children's Aid Foundation of Canada</i> Foundation Scholarship: \$5000
2021	<i>Futures Forward</i> Advancing Futures Bursary: \$7750
2017–2021	<i>Futures Forward</i> Youth in Care Tuition Grants: \$18,813
2020	<i>University of Manitoba – Philosophy Department</i> James B. Hartman Undergrad School in Philosophy: \$2500
2020	<i>Futures Forward</i> Advancing Futures Bursary: \$9000
2019	<i>Futures Forward</i> Advancing Futures Bursary: \$10,000
2019	<i>University of Manitoba</i> UMSU Education for Youth in Care: \$2500
2017	<i>Futures Forward</i> Keith Cooper Scholarship: \$400

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *University of British Columbia*

#### *Teaching Assistant*

- PHIL 332: Bio-Medical Ethics
- PHIL 333: Environmental Ethics
- PHIL 230: Introduction to Ethics

### *University of Alberta*

#### *Teaching Assistant*

- PHIL 101: Introduction to Philosophy – Values & Society (x2)
- PHIL 102: Introduction to Philosophy – Knowledge & Reality

## ***University of Manitoba***

### *Teaching Assistant*

- PHIL 2750: Ethics and the Environment
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## **EMPLOYMENT**

2023                      *University of Alberta*  
Research Assistant

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## **VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

2023-                      *Ethics Bowl Canada*  
Case Development Committee Member

2019-                      *Ethics Bowl Canada*  
National- and Regional-Level Judge

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## **DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

2024-                      *University of British Columbia – Medical Ethics Club*  
Volunteer Judge

2021–2022                *University of Alberta – Graduate Student Association (GSA)*  
Philosophy Graduate Student Representative

2020–2021                *University of Manitoba – Ethics Centre Student Association (ECSA)*  
President

2019                        *University of Manitoba – Ethics Centre Student Association (ECSA)*  
Vice President