

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## Employment

Assistant Professor (Department of Philosophy, University of Manitoba: as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018)  
Lecturer (Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto: 2016–18)

## Education

PhD, Philosophy, University of Toronto; Dissertation: *Perspectives on Modal Metaphysics*; Supervisors: Jessica M. Wilson and Benj Hellie; Readers: Nate Charlow and Nick Stang; External Examiner: Louis deRosset; 2017  
MA, Philosophy, University of Manitoba; Thesis: *Actualist Modal Realism*; Supervisor: Chris Tillman; 2009  
BA, University of Winnipeg (Political Science; 2003)

## Area of specialization

Metaphysics and philosophy of language (modality; essence; singular reference; context; individuation; and their philosophical logic)

## Areas of teaching competence

Epistemology; logic and the philosophy of logic; general metaphysics of science; history of analytic philosophy; early modern philosophy

## Research

### Edited Volume

(With Chris Tillman). *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions*. New York: Routledge. 2022.

### Articles

- Forth.      Overlap, overdetermination, and the necessity of origin. *Asian Journal of Philosophy*. 9000 words.
- 2022      Propositional dependence and perspectival shift. In: *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions* (Chris Tillman and Adam R. Murray, eds.). New York: Routledge. 393–407.
- 2020      Relativized metaphysical modality: Index and context (with Benj Hellie and Jessica Wilson). In: *The Routledge Handbook of Modality* (Otávio Bueno and Scott Shalkowski, eds.). New York: Routledge. 82–100.

- 2014 Not the optimistic type (with Ben Caplan, Brian McLean, and Chris Tillman). *The Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 43: 575–589.
- 2013 Spinoza on essence and ideal individuation. *The Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 43: 78–96.
- 2012 Relativized metaphysical modality (with Jessica Wilson). In: *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* 7 (Karen Bennett and Dean Zimmerman, eds.). 189–226.

### Reference works

- 2022 Introductory chapter for *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions* (with Chris Tillman). New York: Routledge. 1–55.

### Awards and grants

- University of Manitoba Service Award (2023)
- SSHRC Exchange Travel Grant (University of Manitoba, 2023)
- University of Manitoba New Faculty Research Grant (2019–21)
- Michael J. Herman Graduate Fellowship (University of Toronto, 2016–17)
- Doctoral Completion Grant (University of Toronto, 2015–16)
- Ontario Graduate Fellowship (2013–14)
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council PhD Research Fellowship (2011–13)
- Ontario Graduate fellowship (2011–12)
- Manitoba Graduate fellowship (2008–9)
- Mary Catherine Cartwright Graduate Fellowship (University of Manitoba, 2008–9)

### Academic Talks

- 2024 Essence, Kinds, and Contingency: Issues on the Impossible X, Slovak Academy of Science (Bratislava)
- Plenitude and Semantic Plasticity: Canadian Philosophical Association, Montreal
- Plenitude, Paradox, and Relativized Metaphysical Modality, University of Toronto (graduate seminar on Relativized Metaphysical Modality)
- 2023 Propositional harmony (with Chris Tillman): European Congress of Analytic Philosophy, Vienna
- Plenitude and modal paradox: University of Toronto, with comments by Alice Huang (Toronto)
- 2022 Barcan Formulas and the limits of modality: University of Lisbon (Language, Mind and Cognition research group)
- Selection and propositional structure (with Chris Tillman): Sixth Italian Conference on Analytic Metaphysics and Ontology, L'Aquila, Italy
- 2019 Necessitist propositional dependence: Analytic Philosophy Workshop, Yonsei University, Seoul
- Propositional dependence and perspectival shift: Birmingham Higher-Order Metaphysics Workshop, University of Birmingham
- Essence and Necessity (with Chris Tillman): University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Symposium talk on modal paradox: American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Vancouver
- Symposium talk on propositional dependence: Canadian Philosophical Association, University of British Columbia

- 2018      Eternal existents: Canadian Philosophical Association, Université du Québec à Montréal  
Existence and nonexistence in modal perspectivism: Society for Exact Philosophy, University of Connecticut  
Chisholm's Paradox in perspective: (i) Koç University, Istanbul (department colloquium; invited); (ii) University of Manitoba (department colloquium; invited)
- 2017      Contingency in the necessary framework of objects: Canadian Philosophical Association, Toronto Metropolitan University
- 2016      Modal dependence: Bilkent University, Ankara (department colloquium; invited)
- 2014      Essence, modality, and material origins: Yonsei Philosophy Conference, Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea (invited)
- 2013      Absolute and relative essence: (i) Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Winnipeg, Manitoba, with comments by Damian Melamedoff (University of Toronto); (ii) Canadian Philosophical Association, Victoria, British Columbia, with comments by Curtis Kehler (University of British Columbia); (iii) Society for Exact Philosophy, Montreal
- 2011      Spinoza on essence and ideal individuation: Princeton-Columbia-NYU Graduate Conference in the History of Philosophy, Princeton University, with comments by Katharine Gasdaglis (Columbia)  
Independence and parallelism in Spinoza's *Ethics*: (i) University of Toronto Early Modern Research Group; (ii) Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Calgary, Alberta, with comments by Amy Schmitter (University of Alberta); (iii) Southern Philosophical Association, Pensacola, FL
- 2010      Actualism and mere possibilities: East-Asian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Kyung-Hee University, Seoul
- 2009      Proxy actualism: (i) XXII World Congress of Philosophy, Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea; (ii) University of Manitoba Philosophical Fridays

## Commentaries

- 2024      Dan Zeman: Relativity in Perspectivist Semantics, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division, Portland
- 2019      Tim Juvshik: Against a neo-Quinean metaontology, Canadian Philosophical Association, University of British Columbia  
Todd Ganson: Causally idle objects of perception, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Denver CO
- 2018      Travis LaCroix: Reference by proxy and truth-in-a-model, Western Canadian Philosophical Association, University of Calgary  
Evan Woods: Many, but almost one, Canadian Philosophical Association, Université du Québec à Montréal
- 2017      Andrew Parisi: Barcan up the wrong tree, Canadian Philosophical Association, Toronto Metropolitan University
- 2014      Justin Dallman: Existence and cognitive event theories of propositions, Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Winnipeg
- 2012      Juhani Yli-Vakkuri: Modal skepticism and counterfactual knowledge, *Varieties of Possibility*, 11th Annual Graduate Conference, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto (with Trevor Teitel)
- 2008      Jeff Kochan: Technology and freedom in Martin Heidegger, Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

## **Teaching**

### **Graduate**

Hyperintensional Metaphysics (Winter 2025, seminar)  
Symbolic logic (Winter 2024, 2025)  
Puzzles of Modal Variation (Winter 2023, seminar)  
Modal Metaphysics after *Naming and Necessity* (Winter 2021, seminar)  
Transformative Experience (MA-level directed reading course, Summer 2020)  
Modal logic and metaphysics (Fall 2018, seminar)

### **Undergraduate**

Fundamentals of the Philosophy of Language (Fall 2024)  
Intermediate Logic (Winter 2024 and 2025, Fall 2022)  
Metaphysics (2000-level, Winter 2024)  
Introduction to Philosophy (2022-23)  
Introduction to Logic (Fall Semesters: 2024, 2023, 2021, 2020; 2019–20 AY)  
History of Analytic Philosophy (Fall 2023, Winter 2019)  
Theory of Knowledge (Fall 2021, Winter 2020)  
Socrates Project (400-level undergraduate seminar focused on research and teaching; University of Toronto, 2016–17)  
Seminar in Metaphysics (400-level; University of Toronto, Fall 2017)  
Critical Thinking (Winter 2019; Summer 2014, 2012, 2011, 2010)  
Metaphysics (300-level; University of Toronto, Winter Semesters: 2018, 2017)  
Knowledge and Reality (University of Toronto; Fall Semesters: 2017, 2016; co-taught with Dominic Alford-Duguid: Summer 2014)  
Symbolic Logic (University of Toronto, Summer 2013)

### **Supervision and other teaching activities**

#### **Research supervision**

Ivy Madden: committee member from 2024  
Ena Sechin: co-supervisor from 2024  
Shamima Akter: co-supervisor from 2023  
Greg Glatz: committee member from 2022, MA 2024  
Ursula Chojko-Bolec: supervisor, MA 2023  
Harley Dyck: supervisor, MA 2022  
Julia Minarik: committee member from 2019, MA 2021  
Tumpa Bithy: co-supervisor, MA 2021  
Lucas Bennett: Socrates Project thesis supervisor, Toronto, 2018

#### **Other activities**

Course developer: Introduction to Logic (Distance/Online version, Fall 2021); general oversight and development of logic program (with Chris Tillman; 2018-24)  
Acting Graduate Chair: Fall 2024, 2021, 2020-21 academic year  
Guest lecture on modal metaphysics: MA seminar in philosophy of language, University of Manitoba, Winter 2022  
Guest lecture on the metaphysics of propositions: MA seminar in metaphysics, University of Manitoba, Winter 2020  
Departmental teacher-training coordinator (for first-time instructors, teaching assistants, and graders: Toronto, 2016–2018)

## Service

### General academic philosophy

Treasurer: Canadian Philosophical Association (as of July 1, 2024; 2 year term)

Canadian Philosophical Association Board of Governors (May 2022-June 2024)

Co-organizer (with Chris Tillman): 58<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Western Canadian Philosophical Association (Winnipeg, October 2022)

Merit Review Committee Member (Philosophy): 2022 SSHRC Insight Development Grants Competition

Referee for the Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference (July 2022)

Journal refereeing: *Analysis*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Analytic Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *Linguistics and Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Minds and Machines*, *Noûs*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Synthese*, *Theoria*, *Asian Journal of Philosophy*

Monograph refereeing: *Routledge Studies in Philosophy*

### Faculty

Arts Executive Committee (as of May 2023, second two-year term)

Faculty judge, University of Manitoba Undergraduate Research Awards (Fall 2018–21)

Graduate Executive Committee (Fall 2021; 2020-21 academic year)

### Departmental

University of Manitoba Department of Philosophy: Hiring committees (2023–24); Personnel and Budget Committee (2021–); Visiting Speakers Committee (2018–; chair as of 2020); Undergraduate Program Committee (2018–21)

University of Manitoba “Info Days” (Departmental representative; 2023, 2018–20); University of Manitoba “Evening of Excellence” (Departmental representative, Winter 2019–20)

Co-organizer (with Belinda Piercy): University of Toronto Undergraduate Research Conference (Spring 2017 and 2018)

*Noesis*: The University of Toronto Undergraduate Journal of Philosophy (typesetting and general tech consultant, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, BiB<sub>T</sub>E<sub>X</sub>, Linux, 2016–18)

## References

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