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Areas of Interest

- Tier 1 Modal Logic, Deontic Logic, Formal Semantics, Philosophy of Logic
- Tier 2 Philosophy of Mathematics, Philosophy of Science, Epistemology, Analytic Metaphysics
- Tier 3 Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Religion, Ethics, Existentialism

Education

- 2020–202? Ph.D. (in progress), Philosophy, UC Davis
- 2017–2020 M.A., Philosophy (with distinction), San Francisco State University
 - My thesis was written under the supervision of Arezoo Islami, Carlos Montemayor, and Bas van Fraassen.
- 2010–2014 **B.A.**, **Philosophy**, *SFSU*

Academic Positions

- 2020- Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, UC Davis
- 2019–2020 Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Philosophy, San Francisco State University
- 2017–2018 Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, SFSU
- 2015–2017 Substitute Teacher, Albany High School, Calabasas High School, Agoura High School
- 2012–2014 Grader, Department of Philosophy, SFSU

Publications

In development ...

Presentations

- 2024 Conditional Obligation Logics Feb 2024, Llemma Group, UC Davis
- 2021 Yablovian If-Thenism and Truthmakers for Pure Mathematics Nov 2021, Llemmma Group, UC Davis

Teaching

As Instructor of Record

SFSU Critical Thinking — S2019, F2019, S2020

As Teaching Assistant

UC Davis Introduction to Bioethics — for Patrick Skeels (S2024)

Minds, Brains, and Computers — for Jonathan Dorsey (W2024)

Intermediate Logic — for S. Kaan Tabakci (F2023), Jonathan Dorsey (F2021)

Introduction to the Philosophy of Science — for Tyrus Fisher (S2022)

Appraisal of Scientific Reasoning — for Hanti Lin (W2022) and Paulina Gonzalez-Gomez (F2020)

Philosophy of Religion — for Thor Harris (W2021)

SFSU Philosophy and Personal Development — for Kimbrough Moore (S2018, F2018)

Introduction to Philosophy — for Kimbrough Moore (F2017, S2018)

Romanticism and Impressionism — for George J. Leonard (S2014)

Formal Logic — for Isabelle Peschard (F2012, S2013)

Coursework

Seminars Taken

UC Davis Recent Work in the Philosophy of Logic: Normativity, Pluralism, and Anti-Exceptionalism, with Rohan French (S2022)

Structural Realism, with David Glick (F2021)

The Epistemology of Scientific Inference: A Selective Overview from Newton, Hume, and Bayes to the 20th Century, with Hanti Lin (F2021)

Ancient Philosophy: Ancient Theories of Pleasure, with Jan Szaif (S2021)

Ethics: Anti-Natalism, with Tina Rulli (S2021)

Ockham's Razor(s) in Data Science, with Hanti Lin (S2021)

Advanced Logic, with Rohan French (W2021)

Proseminar on Metaphysics, with Cody Gilmore (W2021)

Philosophy of Science (Mathematics): As-If-ism, with Elaine Landry (F2020)

Proseminar on Naturalism in Contemporary Philosophy, with Zoe Drayson (F2020)

SFSU Philosophical Writing, with David Landy (S2020)

Revolutions in Mathematics II: Kuhn and Husserl, with Arezoo Islami (F2019)

Inductive Inference Since Goodman, with Carlos Montemayor (F2019)

Consciousness, Attention, and Cognitive Penetration, with Carlos Montemayor (S2019)

Cognitive Perspectives on Space and Time, with Carlos Montemayor (F2018)

Revolutions in Mathematics I: Kvasz, with Arezoo Islami (F2018)

Recent Philosophical Work on Consciousness, with Carlos Montemayor (S2018)

Foucault: The Care of the Self, with Mohammad Azadpur (S2018)

The Philosophy of Hegel, with David Landy (F2017)

Early Modern Philosophy, with Alice Sowaal (F2017)

Non-Seminars as Graduate

UC Davis Modal Logic, with Rohan French (S2022)

Metalogic, with Rohan French (W2022)

SFSU The Nature of Religious Experience, with Kyle Dupen (S2019)

Philosophy and Mysticism, with Jacob Needleman (F2018)

Reading Circle on Spinoza, with Alice Sowaal (S2018)

Reading Circle on Hegel, with David Landy (F2017)

Seminars Audited

SFSU Philosophical Issues in A.I., with Carlos Montemayor (F2019)

The Myth of the Given, with Mohammad Azadpur (S2019)

The Philosophy of David Hume, with David Landy (S2019)

Noteworthy as Undergraduate

Philosophy and Personal Development, with Justin Tiwald (F2014)

Chinese Philosophy and Religion, with Justin Tiwald (F2014)

Humanism and Mysticism, with George J. Leonard (F2014)

The Concept of God, with Jacob Needleman (S2014)

Philosophical Logic, with Bas van Fraassen (S2013)

Advanced Logic, with Bas van Fraassen (F2012)

Awards

2020 Distinguished Achievement Award for Academic Excellence, SFSU, Division of Graduate Studies

References

Available upon request.