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Areas of Interest

- Tier 1 Modal Logic and Semantics, Deontic Logic, 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, Llemmma Group, UC Davis
- 2021 Yablovia 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)

Studies

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

SFSU *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)

Existentialism — with Mohammad Azadpur (2012)

Other

IWR *Beginning Contemplative Practice* — with Steven Tainer, at Berkeley Buddhist Monastery (Institute for World Religions) (S2015, F2015, S2016)

Awards

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

References

Available upon request.