

# Daniel Mehus

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## EDUCATION

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Université du Luxembourg	Sep 2024 – Dec 2024
M.A. coursework in Modern and Contemporary European Philosophy	Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg
Guillaume Dupaix International Master's Scholar	
Vanderbilt University	Aug 2016 – May 2019
<b>B.S. in Cognitive Studies and Philosophy (Highest Honors in Philosophy)</b>	Nashville, TN
Thesis: <i>Approaching Issues of Homelessness through Heidegger's Notion of Dwelling</i>	
Committee: Kelly Oliver, PhD (advisor), Matthew Congdon, PhD (second reader)	
Haverford College	Jun 2015 – May 2016
John P. Chesick Scholar's Program for First-Generation/Low-Income Students	Haverford, PA

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Primary: Contemporary Social and Political Philosophy; Continental Philosophy (19th-21st century)

Secondary: Secondary Education and Critical Pedagogy; Psychology and Cognition

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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Oasis Center	Aug 2020 – Aug 2024; Jan 2025 – present (returned after study period)
<b>College Connection Mentor</b>	Nashville, TN
Recreational Equipment, Inc.	Oct 2019 – Jul 2020
<b>Customer Service, Sales, and Equipment Specialist</b>	Nashville, TN
Vanderbilt University Museum of Art (formerly VU Fine Arts Gallery)	Apr 2018 – Aug 2019
<b>Gallery Attendant</b>	Nashville, TN
Vanderbilt University Outdoor Recreation Center	Oct 2016 – May 2019
<b>Trip Leader and Equipment Specialist</b>	Nashville, TN
Haverford College	Oct 2015 – May 2016
<b>Library Assistant – Quaker and Special Collections</b>	Haverford, PA

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Nashville Adult Literacy Council	Oct 2025 – present
<b>ELL Instructor, Volunteer</b>	Nashville, TN
Oasis Center	Aug 2023 – Aug 2024; Jan 2025 – present
<b>American College Test (ACT) Preparation Instructor</b>	Nashville, TN

Nashville After Zone Alliance (NAZA)  
**Teaching Assistant – Nashville Scholars Academy**

Summer 2015; Summer 2016  
Nashville, TN

## CERTIFICATIONS

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Coursera & Vanderbilt University (2025)

- Agentic AI and AI Agents: A Primer for Leaders
- Generative AI Deep Research: Strategic AI Edge for Leaders
- Generative AI for Kids, Parents, and Teachers
- Innovative Teaching with ChatGPT
- Prompt Engineering for ChatGPT

National Council for Mental Wellbeing

Mental Health First Aid (through 2027)

Tennessee Dept. of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services

Opioid Overdose Response / Naloxone Administration Training (through 2025)

## SERVICE

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Oasis Center	Jun 2022 – Aug 2024; Jan 2025 – present
<b>Emergency Youth Shelter – Residential Counselor, PRN</b>	Nashville, TN
Martha O'Bryan Center	Aug 2019 – Oct 2019
<b>High School Education Specialist – AmeriCorps Volunteer</b>	Nashville, TN
Vanderbilt University Office of Active Citizenship and Service	Spring 2017; Fall 2018
<b>Service Learning Fellow – <i>Refugee Resettlement Program and Cultivating Roots Program</i></b>	Nashville, TN
Haverford College	Fall 2015; Spring 2016
<b>Volunteer – Street Outreach Program</b>	Nashville, TN

## ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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Lisa Guenther, PhD  
Professor, Queen's National Scholar in Political Philosophy and Critical Prison Studies  
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Distinguished Professor of Philosophy Emeritus, Research Professor of Philosophy

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## **PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

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