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Research Interests

AOS: Epistemology; Social/Political Philosophy
AOC: Logic; Metaethics; Philosophy of Language

Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Northwestern University, since 2025.
B.A., *cum laude*, in Philosophy, Creighton University, 2025.

Publications

2025. "Responsibility to Reflect: Reflection as an Epistemic Responsibility in Democratic Society."
The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Review 4, 5-14. PHILPAPERS [LARRTR](#).
2024. "Epistemic Vulnerability & Tolerance in Society."
The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Review 3, 15-28. PHILPAPERS [LAREVA](#).
2023. "Black Trust in White Allies: Insights from Slave Narratives" (with K.M. Graham, A. Arthur, A. Griswold, B. Kearns, Q. Klade, and S. Wayne).
Social Philosophy Today 39, 183-195. DOI [10.5840/socphiltoday202369106](https://doi.org/10.5840/socphiltoday202369106).

Presentations

- "Trust, Epistemic Norms, & Vaccine Hesitancy in Black Communities."
Diversity Institute Alumni Panel, 2025 American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting (online), February 2025.
Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE), April 2023.
- "Epistemic Unbelonging: Civic Trust in a Post-Truth Democracy" (with A.C. Ozar and M. King), 41st International Social Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE), July 2024.
- "Descending to Democracy: Problems for the Soul in *Republic* 8," 12th Mid-Hudson Valley Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Marist College (Poughkeepsie, NY), April 2024.
- "Resistance to Oppression in Slave Narratives" (with K.M. Graham, D. Snider, and M. Spigner), 40th International Social Philosophy Conference, University of Portland (Portland, OR), July 2023.
- "Religion Has Failed... Now What? Defining & Redefining the Purpose & Presence of Religious Ideals in the 21st Century," Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE), May 2022.

Presented Comments

Comments on Violeta Lopez Molina's "Interpellation in the colonial context," April 2025, presented at Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE).

Comments on Olivia Wiegel's "The intrinsic value of knowledge in *The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*," April 2025, presented at Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE).

Comments on Izzy Clarke's "Better to not believe: *Prima facie* belief as a form of epistemic injustice," April 2024, presented at Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE).

Fellowships, Grants, & Awards

Sophia Award for Outstanding Performance in the Major, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, awarded 2025.

Praxis Award for Outstanding Service to the Department, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, awarded 2025.

Eruditio Award for Outstanding Research in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, awarded 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025.

Rising Scholar Award in Humanities, Center for Undergraduate Research & Scholarship, Creighton University, awarded 2025.

College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, \$4,000, Center for Undergraduate Research & Scholarship, Creighton University, funded 2024.

Gail Werner Robertson Research Fellowship, \$3,000, Menard Family Center for Economic Inquiry, funded 2023.

Graduate Coursework

Proseminar I (PHIL401)	Rachel Zuckert	F2025
Normative Dimensions of the Common Ground (PHIL410)	Sandy Goldberg	F2025
Seminar in Philosophy of Mind (PHIL426)	Peter van Elswyk	F2025

Professional Activities & Service

Phi Sigma Tau Philosophy Honor Society (Nebraska Beta Chapter), Creighton University.

Chapter President, 2024–2025.

Vice President, 2023–2024.

Co-Organizer, Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, 2023–2025.