

# Martín Abreu Zavaleta

Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas  
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México  
Circuito Maestro Mario de la Cueva s/n  
Ciudad Universitaria  
C.P. 04510  
Coyoacán, México, D.F.

Phone: +52 (55) 4177-9418  
Email: [martin.abreu@filosoficas.unam.mx](mailto:martin.abreu@filosoficas.unam.mx)  
Web: <https://martinabreu.net>

## Areas of specialization

---

Philosophy of Language

## Areas of competence

---

Logic, Philosophy of Mind

## Appointments

---

- 2019-20 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México  
2018-19 Philosophy Futures Post-Doctoral Lecturer, New York University

## Education

---

- 2018 Ph.D. in Philosophy, New York University. Dissertation title: *Semantic Variance*. Committee: Cian Dorr, James Pryor (chair), Stephen Schiffer  
2015-16 Visiting Scholar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Sum. 2012 Visiting Student, Australian National University  
2011 B.A. in Philosophy (with honors), Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

## Publications

---

- Forth. "Communication and Indifference", *Mind & Language*  
Forth. "Communication and Variance", *Topoi*, DOI: [10.1007/s11245-019-09648-3](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11245-019-09648-3)  
2019 "Weak Speech Reports", *Philosophical Studies*, DOI: [10.1007/s11098-018-1119-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11098-018-1119-2)

## Fellowships, grants, and awards

---

- 2019-20 Beca Posdoctoral de la Coordinación de Humanidades, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México  
2018 GSAS Dean's Travel Grant, New York University  
2018 Student Senators Council Travel Grant, New York University  
2017-18 Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship, New York University  
2015-16 SHASS Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
2012-13 Graduate Student Fellow, New York Institute of Philosophy: Foundations of Epistemology  
2011 Norman Sverdlin Prize, awarded by UNAM to the best B.A. thesis in Philosophy  
2011 Best B.A. thesis in Philosophy, awarded biannually by the Mexican Association of Philosophy (national award)  
2010 PAPIIT-UNAM thesis writing fellowship

## Presentations and comments

---

\* = peer reviewed

- 2019 “Imperfect Communication”, Truthmaker Semantics: Applications in Philosophy and Linguistics, Universität Hamburg \*
- 2018 “Disagreement Lost”, Semantics and Philosophy in Europe 10, Universitat Pompeu Fabra \*
- 2018 “Communication and Variance”, Topoi Conference 2018: Foundational issues in Philosophical Semantics, Università degli Studi di Torino \*
- 2018 “Communication and Variance”, NY-MAPworks Series, The New School for Social Research \*
- 2017 “Three notions of communicative success”, New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, New York University
- 2017 Comments on Bulnes’ “Opacity and Perspective”, 10th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2017 “Indirect Speech Reports”, Workshop on Clausal Complements, New York University
- 2017 “Communicative coordination”, Workshop on Contextual Indeterminacy and Semantic Theory, Institut d’Études Avancées de Paris \*
- 2017 Comments on William Jaworski’s “Putnam’s Aristotelian Dream”, 2nd Conference of Latinx Philosophers, Rutgers University, New Brunswick.
- 2016 “Communication and Indifference”, 9th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Syracuse University
- 2016 Comments on Clapp and Lavalley’s “Modality and Multipropositionalism”, 9th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Syracuse University
- 2016 “Operators of Structural Enrichment”, Logic, Language and Metaphysics Group, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 2015 “Homophonic Speech Reports”, M.A.T.T.I., Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 2015 Comments on Ricardo Mena’s “On Diagonal Content” 8th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Columbia University
- 2015 “Communication without Shared Contents”, New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, New York University
- 2014 Comments on Sergio Gallegos on externalism about mental content, 7th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Stanford University
- 2013 “The Function of Names” 6th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Rutgers University
- 2012 Comments on Maite Ezcurdia’s “Incomplete Predicates”, 5th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Princeton University
- 2011 Comments on Ricardo Mena on Vagueness, 4th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Mexican Philosophers, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

## Teaching

---

### As instructor

- 2019 Logic
- 2018 Life and Death
- 2015 Central Problems in Philosophy
- 2014 Philosophy of Mind

### As teaching assistant

- 2015 Political Philosophy (taught by Samuel Scheffler)
- 2014 Minds and Machines (taught by Ned Block)
- 2014 Aesthetics (taught by Robert Hopkins)
- 2013 Central Problems in Philosophy (taught by James Pryor)

## Department and professional service

---

since 2019	Member, APA Committee on Hispanics
since 2016	Category Editor, Speech Reports, <i>PhilPapers</i>
2015-17	Organizer, <i>New York Philosophy of Language Workshop</i>
2016-17	Member, NYU Curriculum Committee
2015-16	Member, NYU Colloquium Committee
2014	Member, Poster Session Committee for <i>SALT 24</i>
2013-14	Organizer, <i>Washington Square Circle</i>
2012-13	Member, NYU Fun Committee

## Graduate seminars taken or audited

---

\* = audited

† = at NYU linguistics

2017	Advanced Introduction to Formal Epistemology (James Pryor) *
2016	Thesis Prep (Stephen Schiffer) *
2015	Cognitive Development (Gary Marcus and Athena Vouloumanos at NYU Psychology) *
	Research Seminar on Mind and Language: Varieties of Realism (Paul Horwich and Crispin Wright)*
	Philosophy of Language (Chris Barker and James Pryor) *
	Thesis Prep (Laura Franklin-Hall) *
	Language Acquisition (Martin Hackl, MIT) *
	Meaning as Species (Mark Richard, Harvard University) *
2014	Semantics II (Anna Szabolcsi) † *
	Seminar in Semantics: De Re/De Se (Chris Barker) † *
	Seminar in Semantics: Minimal Entities (Lucas Champollion and Kit Fine) *
	Thesis Prep (David Chalmers) *
2013	Topics in Metaphysics: Partial Content (Kit Fine) *
	Associated Writing: Proper Names (James Pryor)
	Associated Writing: Metaphysical Grounding (Kit Fine)
	Semantics I (Lucas Champollion) † *
2012	Proseminar II (Don Garrett and Béatrice Longuenesse)
	Research Seminar on Mind and Language: Necessity (Paul Horwich and Crispin Wright)
	Philosophy of Language: Truthmaker Semantics (Kit Fine)
	Advanced Introduction to Locke, Hume, and Reid (Don Garrett)
	Philosophy of Language: Frege's Puzzle (James Pryor)
	Topics in Metaphysics: Factually Defective Discourse (Hartry Field)
2011	Proseminar I (Hartry Field and Stephen Schiffer)
	Logic for Philosophers (Joel Hamkins)
	Advanced Introduction to Metaethics (Sharon Street)

## References

---

Cian Dorr  
New York University  
cian.dorr@nyu.edu  
+1 (212) 998 7383

James Pryor  
New York University  
jim.pryor@nyu.edu  
+1 (212) 998-8864

Stephen Schiffer  
New York University  
ss72@nyu.edu  
+1 (212) 998-7381

Stephen Yablo  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
yablo@mit.edu  
+1 (617) 258-0740

Robert Hopkins (teaching reference)  
New York University  
robert.hopkins@nyu.edu  
+1 (212) 992-3800

Updated: September 3, 2019