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#### Education

**PhD** University of California, Santa Cruz, Philosophy, (in progress)

MA University of California, Santa Cruz, Philosophy, 2019

**BA** California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo, Philosophy, 2016

#### Research Areas

#### Areas of Specialization

Aesthetics, Ethics, Kant, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Dance

# **Areas of Competence**

19th and 20th Century Continental Philosophy, Rationalism, Feminist Philosophy

#### Grants, Fellowships, and Certifications

Teaching Disciplinary Writing Professional Development Certificate 2021

Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning Pedagogy Fellowship 2020

Graduate Student Association Travel Grant 2018 and 2019

Humanities Institute SSRC-DPD (Research) Grant 2018

Hutchins Prize at Gonzaga Graduate Conference for 2nd Place Paper Presentation: "The Aesthetics of Sacrifice" 2017

## **Presentations**

"The Worth of a Gift: On Genius and the Moral Value of Aesthetic Process" for American Society for Aesthetics Pacific Division 2020 (peer reviewed but canceled due to COVID-19)

"To Love All Things in a World: A Reflection on Beauty, Nature, and Symbolic Significance" at American Society for Aesthetics Pacific Division 2019

"The Sylph and the Wilis: Romantic Ballet as Schelling's Mythic Drama" at University of Oxford's 20th Annual Dance Symposium on Dance and Drama 2018

"Taking Interest in the Imagination: A Mark of a Good Soul and the Foundation for Religious Experience" for Society for Phenomenology of Religious Experience Conference on Image, Phenomenon, and the Imagination 2018

"Taking Interest in the Imagination: Loving Nature and Engaging in Art with Moral Character" for Southern California Student Conference in Aesthetics 2018

"The Aesthetics of Sacrifice: A Schopenhauerian account of a Ballet Dancer's Beauty, Grace, and Asceticism" Gonzaga Graduate Conference on Art, Nature, and the Sacred 2017

#### **Comments and Chairs**

Chair at ASA General 2020

"The Spontaneity of Genius" at ASA Pacific 2019

"Music With and Without Images" at ASA Pacific 2018

## **Teaching Experience**

#### **Courses as Instructor**

Graduate Course on the Pedagogy of Philosophy (UC Santa Cruz) 2020 Introduction to Philosophy (UC Santa Cruz) 2020 Introduction to Ethical Theory (UC Santa Cruz) 2019

#### Courses as TA

Logic (UC Santa Cruz) 2021 Philosophy of Language (UC Santa Cruz) 2020 Advanced Ethics (UC Santa Cruz) 2020 Introduction to Ethical Theory (UC Santa Cruz) 2017-2019 Intro to Philosophy (UC Santa Cruz) 2017-2019 Rationalism (UC Santa Cruz) 2018, 2020 Metaphysics and Epistemology (Cal Poly San Luis Obispo) 2015-2016

#### **Professional Service**

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## **Public Philosophy**

Middle School Ethics Bowl Regional Coordinator and Coach 2020 and 2021 High School Ethics Bowl Coach 2020 Philosophy for Kids Teacher 2018

# **Departmental Service**

UCSC Philosophy Department Graduate Representative 2019-2020 UCSC Philosophy Department Arts Coordinator 2019-2020

#### References

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