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RESEARCH AREAS

Area of Specialization: History of Modern Philosophy (17th–19th cent., esp. German)

Areas of Competence: Medieval Philosophy (Arabic and Latin); History and Philosophy of Science; Philosophy of Religion

EMPLOYMENT

06/2023–present	Associate Professor of Philosophy, Concordia University
01/2019–05/2023	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Concordia University

EDUCATION

2018	PhD (Philosophy), University of Pennsylvania Dissertation: “Being and the Good: Natural Teleology in Early Modern German Philosophy.” Committee: Gary Hatfield (supervisor), Rolf-Peter Horstmann, Karen Detlefsen, Susan Sauvé Meyer.
2012	MA (Philosophy), University of British Columbia
2010	MA (Applied Linguistics), Macquarie University
2004	BA (Philosophy), University of Wisconsin–Madison

PUBLICATIONS

Edited books

1. *Modern Mind: Essays in Honor of Gary Hatfield*, with Devin Curry, Louise Daoust, and Scott Edgar. New York/Oxford: Routledge. (under contract)

Articles

1. Forthcoming. “Philosophy in Germany on the Eve of the Eighteenth Century.” In *Oxford Handbook of German Philosophy in the Eighteenth Century*, edited by Frederick Beiser, Brandon Look, and Corey Dyck. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2. Forthcoming. “Teleology and Causation in Clemens Timpler.” In *Clemens Timpler (1563/64–1624). Internationale Festschrift zum 400sten Erinnerungsjahr*, edited by Jörg Hüttner and Martin Walter. Berlin: De Gruyter/Brill.
3. Forthcoming. “Christian Wolff as a Theorist of What Would Later Be Called the ‘Scientific Revolution.’” In *Reassessing the Scientific Revolution*, edited by Marco Storni, Simone Guidi, and Ludovica Marinucci. Cham: Springer.

4. 2024. "Wolff on Substance, Power, and Force." *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 62, no. 4: 615-638.
5. 2024. "Causalité divine et causalité seconde selon Clauberg." *Les Études Philosophiques* no. 3/2024: 17-42.
6. 2023. "Anthropology and History in the Early Dilthey." *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science* 100: 90-98.
7. 2023. "The Cartesian Physiology of Johann Jakob Waldschmidt." In *Descartes and Medicine*, edited by Fabrizio Baldassarri. Turnhout: Brepols.
8. 2023. "Physicotheology in Kant's Transition from Nature to Freedom." *Kantian Review* 28, no. 2: 201-220.
9. 2022. "Reason in Kant's Theory of Cognition." *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 52, no. 6: 636-653.
10. 2022. "Substance, Causation, and the Mind-Body Problem in Johann Clauberg." *Oxford Studies in Early Modern Philosophy* 11: 31-66.
11. 2021. "Efficient Cause as Paradigm? From Suárez to Clauberg." *Journal of Modern Philosophy* 3, no. 7: 1-22.
12. 2021. "Law and Structure in Dilthey's Philosophy of History." *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 29, no. 4: 633-651.
13. 2020. "Domesticating Descartes, Renovating Scholasticism: Johann Clauberg and the German Reception of Cartesianism." In "Natural Philosophy in the Early Modern Academic Milieu," edited by Mordechai Feingold and Andrea Sangiacomo. Special issue: *History of Universities*, 30, no. 2: 57-84.
14. 2019. "Wolff's Science of Teleology and Kant's Critique." *Ergo* 6, no. 17: 489-515.
15. 2019. "Teleology and Realism in Leibniz's Philosophy of Science." In *Leibniz and the Structure of Sciences*, edited by Vincenzo De Risi, 271-298. Berlin: Springer.
16. 2018. "Kant's Antinomy of Teleology: In Defense of a Traditional Interpretation." In *Proceedings of the 12th International Kant Congress*, edited by Violetta Waibel and Margit Ruffing, 1641-1648. Berlin: de Gruyter.
17. 2016. "Dilthey on the Unity of Science." *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 24, no. 4: 635-656.
18. 2015. "Hume's (Berkeleyan) Language of Representation." *Hume Studies* 41, no. 2: 171-200.

Encyclopedia entries

1. 2024. "Johannes Clauberg." *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, edited by Edward Zalta and Uri Nodelman.

Reviews

1. Forthcoming. Steven Nadler. *The Good Cartesian: Louis de la Forge and the Rise of a Philosophical Paradigm. The Thomist*.

2. 2024. Jeffrey K. McDonough. *A Miracle Creed: The Principle of Optimality in Leibniz's Physics and Philosophy*. *HOPOS: The Journal of the International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science* 14, no. 2: 624-627.
3. 2023. Frederick Beiser. *Johann Friedrich Herbart*. *Review of Metaphysics* 76, no. 3: 543-545.
4. 2022. Ido Geiger. *Kant and the Claims of the Empirical World*. *Kantian Review* 28, no. 1: 157-161.
5. 2022. Brandon Look (ed.), *Leibniz and Kant*. *The Leibniz Review* 31: 141-145.
6. 2022. Andrew Platt, *One True Cause: Causal Powers, Divine Concurrence, and the Seventeenth-Century Revival of Occasionalism*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 60, no. 2: 345-347
7. 2020. Eric Nelson (ed.), *Interpreting Dilthey*. *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 28, no. 4: 853-55.
8. 2018. Tal Glezer, *Kant on Reality, Cause, and Force*. *The Leibniz Review* 28: 119-122.

AWARDS

SSHRC Insight Development Grant, 2021-24

Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2017-18

Fellow-in-residence, Consortium for History of Science, Technology, and Medicine (CHSTM), Philadelphia, 2017-18

G.W. Leibniz Gesellschaft Stipend, Leipzig and Hanover, 2016

Pre-doctoral Fellow, Max Planck Institute for History of Science, Berlin, 2015

Gutmann Leadership Award (competitive travel grant), Penn, 2015

George WM Bacon Fellowship, Penn, 2014-15

Hume Society Young Scholar Award, 2014

Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, Penn, 2012-17

PRESENTATIONS (* = invited; † = refereed)

“Judgment and Interpretation in Johann Clauberg’s *Logica vetus et nova*.” Toronto Metropolitan University, October 2025.*

“Kant’s Concept of Purposiveness and the German Scholastic Tradition.” Leuven Seminar in Classical German Philosophy, November 2024.*

“Christian Wolff as a Theorist of What Would Later Be Called ‘The Scientific Revolution.’”

- HOPOS 15th Biennial Congress, University of Vienna, July 2024.†
- University of Montreal, May 2024.*

“Philosophy in Germany on the Eve of the Eighteenth Century.” Online workshop, April 2024.*

“Johann Clauberg’s Old and New Logic.” Concordia Research Symposium in Philosophy, Montreal, February 2024.*

“Dilthey on the Objects of History.”

- *Controversies and Crises in German Philosophy, 1860-1914*, Online, October 2022.†
- *Von der Hermeneutik zur Wissenschaftsphilosophie*, University of Vienna, September 2022.*

“Wolff on Substance, Power, and Force.” ACSEMP/QSEMP, Halifax, July 2022.†

“Teleology and Mechanism in Wolff’s Cosmology.” Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, May 2022.*

“On §§72-73 of the *Critique of Judgment*.” University of Washington at St. Louis, North American Kant Society, Midwest Study Group, October 2021.†

“When Fire Meets Cotton: al-Ghazali and ibn Rushd on Causation.”

- West Virginia University, February 2020.*
- SUNY-Potsdam, NY, October 2019.*

“Suárez (and Descartes) on Ends and Final Causes.” University of British Columbia, Vancouver, February 2020.*

“Essence, Nature, and Mechanism in Wolff’s Cosmology.” *Quebec-Ontario Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy*, Montreal, November 2019.*

“Kant on Physicotheology.” *Kant and German Idealism: A Conference in Honor of Rolf-Peter Horstmann*, Philadelphia, October 2019.*

“Johann Clauberg and Psychophysical Parallelism.”

- *Dutch Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy*, Groningen, May 2019.†
- *Questions Contemporaines et Philosophie Moderne*, Montreal, June 2019.*

“Machine and Mechanical Explanation in Wolff’s Cosmology.” *Scottish Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy*, St. Andrews, May 2019.†

“Law and Structure in Dilthey’s Philosophy of History.” *International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS)*, Groningen, July 2018.†

“Intuitions, Concepts, Ideas: Kant’s Three-Factor Epistemology.” Concordia University, Montreal, March 2018.*

“Teleology and Realism in Leibniz’s Philosophy of Science.” University of Massachusetts, Lowell, January 2018.*

“Francisco Suárez and Modern Teleology.” University of Pittsburgh, January 2018.*

“Domesticating Descartes: Comenius, Clauberg, and the Reception of Cartesianism in Germany.”

- *Teaching the New Science: The Role of Academia during the Scientific Revolution*, Groningen, June 2017.†
- *Oxford Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy*, Oxford, March 2017.†

“Teleological Principles in Leibniz’s Science.” *Nature, Mind, and Action in Leibniz*, Turku, Finland, June 2017.*

“Kant’s Organic Mind.” *Representing Reality*, Potsdam, NY, May 2017.*

“Leibniz and Wolff on Final Causes.” *10th Leibniz Congress*, Hanover, July 2016.†

“Kant’s Antinomy of Teleology: In Defense of a Traditional Interpretation.” *12th Kant Congress*, Vienna, September 2015.†

“Leibniz’s Two Realms in Corporeal Nature.” *Hopkins-Penn-Princeton-Columbia Early Modern Workshop*, Princeton, February 2015.*

“Hume’s Mitigated Naturalism about Mental Representation.” *Hume Society*, Portland, July 2014.†

“S.S. Stevens, Operationism and Logical Positivism.” *International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS)*, Ghent, July 2014.†

“Reasonable Impressions and Reasonable Assent in Stoicism.” *Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (SAGP)*, New York, October 2013.†

“The ‘Duhem Thesis’ in Ernst Cassirer’s Philosophy of Science.” *International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS)*, Halifax, June 2012.†

“Introspection and Perception: A Reply to Goldman.” *Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP)*, Montréal, July 2011.†

TEACHING

Courses Taught

At Concordia University (4xx/6xx = seminar for BA majors and MA students)

PHIL 261:	Aristotle and Hellenistic Philosophy
PHIL 266:	Philosophy of Religion
PHIL 281:	Philosophy in the Islamic World
PHIL 360:	17 th -Century Philosophy
PHIL 361:	18 th -Century Philosophy
PHIL 483/614:	Teleology in Early Modern Philosophy
PHIL 483/614:	Leibniz’s Metaphysics
PHIL 485/607:	Kant and 18 th -Century German Philosophy
PHIL 485/607:	Kant’s <i>Critique of Pure Reason</i>
PHIL 485/607:	Kant’s <i>Critique of the Power of Judgment</i>
PHIL 497 (Tutorial):	Natural Philosophy to Modern Science
PHIL 672 (Tutorial):	Ibn-Sina’s <i>Metaphysics of the Healing</i>

At University of Pennsylvania

PHIL 050:	Philosophy in the Islamic World
PHIL 003:	Ancient Philosophy, co-taught with Devin Curry

Graduate Supervision

- 2024 Graham O'Brien, MA Thesis: "Critiquing Rational Psychology: Meier and Kant on the Immortality of the Soul."
- 2024 Mohammad Mahdi Morvardi, MA Thesis: "Avicenna on the Impossibility of Actual Infinity."

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**Departmental Service**

- 06-08/2023 Temporary Graduate Program Director
- 01/2021–05/2024 Graduate Studies Committee
- 10/2022-05/2023 Tenure-Track Hiring Committee (chair)
- 06/2020–05/2023 Part-Time Hiring Committee
- 11-12/2020 Temporary Undergraduate Program Director
- 08/2019–present Colloquium series organizer

Service to the Profession

Journal referee

Journal of the History of Philosophy | *HOPOS: The Journal of the International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science* | *History of Philosophy Quarterly* | *Journal of Modern Philosophy* | *Ergo* | *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science* | *Diametros* | *Review of Metaphysics* | *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* | *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* | *Oxford Studies in Early Modern Philosophy* | *Synthese* | *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* | *Theoria*

Book referee

Routledge

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Advanced: English, Urdu, German, French, Latin

Intermediate: Ancient Greek, Classical Arabic, Italian