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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology (especially Formal Epistemology)

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaepistemology, Philosophy of Logic, Philosophy of Science, Decision Theory

## EMPLOYMENT

2019-            Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
2017-2019      Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

## EDUCATION

May 2017      PH.D. Philosophy, University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
                    (advisor: Chris Meacham)  
2008            MA. Philosophy, The University of Western Ontario  
2007            B.COMM., Concordia University (Montreal, Canada)

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Research Articles*

1. "Time-Slice Epistemology for Bayesians", *Inquiry*, forthcoming.
2. "Moral Encroachment and Positive Profiling", *Erkenntnis*, forthcoming.
3. "Bayesian Coherentism", *Synthese* 198 (10): 9563-9590. 2021.
4. "Commutativity, Normativity and Holism: Lange Revisited", *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 50 (2): 159-173. 2020.
5. "Higher-Order Beliefs and the Undermining Problem for Bayesianism", *Acta Analytica* 34 (2): 197-213. 2019.

## COMMISSIONED WORKS

"Conditionalization" for the *Blackwell Companion to Epistemology, Third Edition* (ed. Kurt Sylvan) (submitted)

## RECENT AND UPCOMING TALKS (\* = REFEREED)

- Sept. 2023 Department Colloquium, Indiana University, Bloomington, “TBD”, Bloomington, IN
- May 2023 National University of Singapore, Formal Epistemology Conference, “TBD”, Singapore
- April 2022 University of Maryland, College Park, Work-In-Progress Series, “The Retrospective Account of Bayesian Updating”, College Park, MD
- Jan. 2022 The Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Main Program, “Moral Encroachment and Positive Profiling”, Baltimore, MD\*
- Nov. 2021 The 27th Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association, “Commutativity and Accuracy”, Baltimore, MD\*
- Feb. 2020 Brown Bag Talk, University of Wisconsin-Madison, “The Retrospective Account of Bayesian Updating” (previously given under the title “An Evidence-First Account of Bayesian Updating”), Madison, WI
- Nov. 2019 Department Colloquium, University of Delaware, “Bayesian Coherentism”, Newark, DE
- June 2019 The 5th Biennial Mentoring Workshop for Pre-Tenure Women in Philosophy, “An Evidence-First Account of Bayesian Updating”, Boston, MA
- May 2019 Society for Exact Philosophy, “An Evidence-First Account of Bayesian Updating”, Toronto, ON\*
- Oct. 2018 University of Maryland, Baltimore County, “Time-Slice Epistemology for Bayesians”, Baltimore, MD
- June 2018 Bochum Epistemology Seminar, “An “Evidence-First” Approach to Bayesian Epistemology”, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Bochum, Germany
- Sept. 2017 Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium (Main Program), Washington and Jefferson University, “A Problem for Hypothetical Priors”, Washington, PA\*
- July 2017 Workshop on Experience and Updating, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, “A Permissive Solution to the Input Problem”, Bochum, Germany\*
- May 2017 Canadian Philosophical Association, Ryerson University, “Bayesian Coherentism”, Toronto, ON\*
- May 2017 Formal Epistemology Workshop, University of Washington, Seattle, “Bayesian Coherentism”, Seattle, WA\*
- May 2017 Society for Exact Philosophy, University of Calgary, “Bayesian Coherentism”, Calgary, AB\*

## RECENT AND UPCOMING TALKS (CONTINUED)

- April 2017      The Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Main Program, “Bayesian Coherentism”, Seattle, WA\*
- Feb. 2017      University of Maryland, Baltimore County, “The Evidence Problem for Bayesian Epistemology”, Baltimore, MD
- Feb. 2017      Susquehanna University, “Belief, Credence and Evidence”, Selinsgrove, PA
- Oct. 2016      Northern New England Philosophical Association, “Bayesian Coherentism”, Keene, NH\*
- June 2015      Canadian Philosophical Association, “Updating on (Partly True) Demonstratives”, Ottawa, ON\*
- May 2015      Society for Exact Philosophy, “Updating on (Partly True) Demonstratives”, Hamilton, ON\*
- April 2015      Notre Dame/Northwestern Epistemology Conference, “Updating on (Partly True) Demonstratives”, South Bend, IN\*
- Oct. 2014      Western Canadian Philosophical Association, “Jeffrey Conditionalization and Commutativity”, Vancouver, BC\*

## COMMENTARIES

- Jan. 2023      The Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Comments on Joshua Pearson’s, “Preserving Anticipation”, Montreal, QC
- Feb. 2022      The Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Author-Meets-Critics, on Juan Comesaña’s “Being Rational and Being Right”, Chicago, IL
- Jan. 2020      The Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Comments on Isaac Wilhelm’s “Centering the Principal Principle”, Philadelphia, PA
- June 2019      The 5th Biennial Mentoring Workshop for Pre-Tenure Women in Philosophy, Comments on Casey Johnson’s “Mansplaining and Illocutionary Force”, Boston, MA
- June 2019      The 5th Biennial Mentoring Workshop for Pre-Tenure Women in Philosophy, Comments on Nykki Dular’s “Constructivism’s Own Epistemology”, Boston, MA
- May 2019      The 8th Annual Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop, Commentator-at-Large, Orange Beach, AL

## COMMENTARIES (CONTINUED)

- June 2018      Bochum Epistemology Seminar, Comments on Richard Pettigrew's, "How to Aggregate Credences", Bochum, Germany
- May 2018      The 7th Annual Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop, Commentator-at-Large, Orange Beach, AL
- June 2015      Canadian Philosophical Association, Comments on Benjamin Wald's, "Transparency and Reasons for Belief", Ottawa, ON
- April 2013      UMass Amherst Graduate Conference, Comments on Ryan Doody's "The Sunk Cost "Fallacy" is Not a Fallacy", Amherst, MA

## OTHER PRESENTATIONS (GUEST LECTURES, OUTREACH, PRESENTATIONS AT HOME INSTITUTION, ETC.)

- April 2023      The Howard Logic and Reasoning Lab, Howard University, "Bayesian Epistemology", Washington, DC
- July 2022      PIKSI-Logic (Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute) at Northeastern University, "The Logic of Belief Revision", Boston, MA
- Jan. 2019      Rationality and Decision Theory Group Meetup, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, "Bayesian Coherentism", Baltimore, MD
- Sept. 2016      UMass Amherst Research Fellows Symposium, "Norms for Bayesians", Amherst, MA
- Sept. 2013      UMass Amherst, "Bayesianism and the Undermining Problem", Amherst, MA

## TEACHING

*As Full Instructor*

## —AT UMBC—

- Scientific Reasoning (Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2021, Fall 2020, Spring 2020)
- Decision Theory (Spring 2022, Spring 2020, Spring 2018)
- Deductive Logic (Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020, Fall 2019)
- Philosophy of Logic (Spring 2023, Spring 2021)
- Epistemic Normativity (Spring 2019)

## —AT SMITH COLLEGE—

- Valid and Invalid Reasoning (Fall 2016)  
(co-taught with Jay Garfield and Jim Henle)

—AT UMASS, AMHERST—

Medical Ethics (Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2015)  
 Introduction to Logic (Winter 2016, Summer 2015)  
 Honors Ethics (Fall 2013, Spring 2015)  
 Problems in Social and Political Philosophy (Fall 2014)  
 Introduction to Ethics (Spring 2014)

*Honors Thesis Supervision*

Madeline Mora, “Logicism and Neologicism” (2021-2022)

*As Teaching Assistant*

—AT UMASS, AMHERST (UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED)—

Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2012 for Ernesto Garcia)  
 Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2011 for Peter Graham)  
 Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2011 for Ernesto Garcia)  
 Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2010 for Fred Feldman)  
 Early Modern Philosophy (Spring 2010 for Eileen O’Neill)  
 Junior Year Writing for Philosophy (Spring 2010 for Eileen O’Neill)  
 Media Ethics (Spring 2008 at the University of Western Ontario for Ryan Robb)  
 Business Ethics (Fall 2007 at the University of Western Ontario for Dean Proessel)

SELECT HONORS AND AWARDS

2020	Summer Research Faculty Fellowship—Project Title: Idealizations: Between the Descriptive and the Normative (\$6000 for Summer Research, UMBC)
2017	APA Graduate Student Travel Stipend
2016	Princeton’s Mentoring and Networking Workshop for Graduate Student Women in Philosophy, Invited Participant
2016	UMass Amherst Diversity Fellowship
2015	Dissertation Completion Stipend
2015	ALANA Honoree for Outstanding Research Achievement
2014	Graduate Student Travel Award, WCPA
2011	UMass Amherst Diversity Fellowship

## DEPARTMENTAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

various	Referee (*= multiple): <i>Mind</i> , <i>British Journal for the Philosophy of Science</i> *, <i>Theoria</i> , <i>Analysis</i> *, <i>Synthese</i> *, <i>Erkenntnis</i> , <i>Journal of the American Philosophical Association</i> , <i>Episteme</i> , Mount Holyoke Summer Philosophy Conference, Formal Epistemology Workshop
various	Session Chair: Princeton Networking and Mentoring Workshop, Annual Meeting of the Society for Exact Philosophy, Annual Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association
2022	PIKSI-Logic Instructor
2019-present	Faculty Advisor for <i>PhilAnon</i> , the Undergraduate Philosophy Club
2019-present	Departmental Advisor for Philosophy Majors
2012-2014	UMass Amherst Dept. Faculty-Graduate Student Liaison
2012	UMass Amherst Dept. Climate Committee Member

## LANGUAGES

English (fluent), French (fluent)

## REFERENCES

Available upon request.