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Employment:

Senior Lecturer The Ohio State University	2025 - present
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Education:

The Ohio State University <i>PhD Philosophy</i>	2025
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University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee <i>MA Philosophy</i>	2019
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University of Tennessee-Knoxville <i>BA Philosophy</i>	2017
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Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Science, Metaphysics, Pragmatism

Areas of Competence: Ethics, Logic, History of Analytic Philosophy

Publications:

1. (forthcoming). "Pragmatist Realism about Causation." *Philosophy of Science*.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/psa.2026.10201>.
 2. (2021). "Dogramaci's Deflationism about Rationality." *Synthese*, vol. 199, 4437-4455:
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-020-02985-6>.
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Book Reviews:

1. (2026). "Mark Povich's *Rules to Infinity*." *BJPS Review of Books*.
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Presentations:

1. "Pragmatist Realism about Causation," *Eastern APA*. Society for the Philosophy of Causation, Baltimore, January 2026.
2. "Causal Pragmatism without Causal Perspectivalism," *Pragmatism and Philosophy of Science Conference*. Rotman Institute of Philosophy, London, September 2024.
3. "Causal Pragmatism without Causal Perspectivalism," *Method, Theory, and Reality Workshop*. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, April 2024.

4. "Causal Pragmatism without Causal Perspectivalism," *Fink Graduate Essay Award Presentation*, The Ohio State University, April 2023.
5. "A Problem for Global Pragmatism," *PhiGS Graduate Colloquium*. University of Kent, June 2022.
6. "Problems for Linsky and Zalta's Descriptivism," *u-AnalytiCon-2022: Abstract Objects*. Ural Federal University, May 2022.
7. "How Fregean is the Neo-Fregean?" *Graduate Student Workshop*. The Ohio State University, February 2021.
8. "Nominalization and Interpretation," *Western Michigan University Graduate Conference*. Western Michigan University, November 2018.
9. "Nominalization and Interpretation," *Minnesota Philosophical Society*. Rochester Community and Technical College, November 2018.
10. "Things, Stuff, and Mixed Ontology," *Wisconsin Philosophical Association*. UW-Oshkosh, April 2018.
11. "Things, Stuff, and Mixed Ontology," *40th Annual Graduate Conference*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 2018.

Teaching:

As Instructor of Record:

Philosophy of Science Spring 2025

Introduction to Philosophy Fall 2022, Spring 2024

Engineering Ethics Summer 2022, Spring 2023
Summer 2023 & Spring 2026 (x2)

Engineering Ethics for a Just and Diverse World Fall 2024, Fall 2025, Spring 2026, &
Fall 2026 (x3)

Logic and Legal Reasoning Fall 2023

Introduction to Logic Summer 2024

Contemporary Social and Moral Problems Summer 2025

Death and the Meaning of Life Fall 2025 (x2)

As TA:

Introduction to Philosophy Fall 2021

Introduction to Symbolic Logic Fall 2020, Spring 2021
& Spring 2022

Philosophical Problems in the Arts	Spring 2020
History of Ancient Philosophy	Fall 2019
Metaphysics	Spring 2019
Philosophy of Mind	Fall 2018
Introduction to Asian Religions	Fall 2017, Spring 2018

Service:

- ☐ Reviewer:
 - ☐ *British Journal for Philosophy of Science*
 - ☐ Session Chair:
 - ☐ Central APA (2021)
 - ☐ Eastern APA (2026)
 - ☐ PSA (2022)
 - ☐ Departmental Service:
 - ☐ Senior Graduate Representative, *The Ohio State University*, 2023-2024.
 - ☐ President: Society for the History of Analytic Philosophy, *The Ohio State University*, 2020-2024.
 - ☐ President: Language or Logic Society, *The Ohio State University*, 2020-2022.
 - ☐ President: Society for Philosophy of Science, *The Ohio State University*, 2024-2025.
 - ☐ Chair: Graduate Social Events Committee, *The Ohio State University*, 2020-2023.
 - ☐ Conference organizing
 - ☐ Assistant Organizer, *History of Philosophy of Science* conference, 2026.
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Pedagogy:

- ☐ Seminar on Teaching and Learning Philosophy participant, *The American Association of Philosophy Teachers* (2024)
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Graduate Coursework:

Philosophy of Science & Metaphysics:

- ☐ Scientific Knowledge
- ☐ Scientific Realism
- ☐ Philosophy of Physics
- ☐ Contemporary Platonism and Nominalism
- ☐ A Century of Possibilities
- ☐ Vagueness
- ☐ Material Simplicity and Composition

History:

- ☐ Varieties of Pragmatism
- ☐ Carnap, Quine, and Sellars
- ☐ Mathematics in Kant's Critical Philosophy

- ☐ 17th Century Mechanism
- ☐ Plato's *Republic*
- ☐ Plato's *Trilogy*

Logic and Philosophy of Mathematics:

- ☐ Number
- ☐ The Logic of Number
- ☐ Abstracta, Numbers and Concepts
- ☐ Advanced Symbolic Logic

Value Theory:

- ☐ The Metaphysics of Normative Realism
- ☐ Epistemology and Methodology of the Normative
- ☐ Directed Duty and Relational Normativity
- ☐ Socially Constructed Morality
- ☐ Justice as Fairness

Epistemology, Language, & Mind:

- ☐ Moral Knowledge
- ☐ Concepts and Agency
- ☐ Language & Meaning
- ☐ Judgment and Epistemic Norms
- ☐ Philosophy of Autobiography
- ☐ Mental Representation

Teaching:

- ☐ Teaching Philosophy

References:

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