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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. "Bayesian Coherentism", *Synthese*, 198 (10): 9563-9590. 2021.
2. "Commutativity, Normativity and Holism: Lange Revisited", *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 50 (2): 159-173. 2020.
3. "Higher-Order Beliefs and the Undermining Problem for Bayesianism", *Acta Analytica* 34 (2): 197-213. 2019.

## WORKS UNDER REVIEW/IN PROGRESS (TITLES REMOVED)

- A paper on time-slice epistemology (under review)
- A paper on the structure of Bayesian updating (under review)
- A paper on moral encroachment (under review)
- A paper on epistemic permissivism (under review)
- A paper on normative modeling (in progress)
- "Conditionalization" for the *Blackwell Companion to Epistemology, Third Edition*

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

- Jan. 2022 The Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Main Program, “Moral Encroachment and Positive Profiling”, Montreal, QC\*
- 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\*
- 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\*

## RECENT AND UPCOMING TALKS (CONTINUED)

- 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

- 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
- 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 (OUTREACH, PRESENTATIONS AT HOME INSTITUTION, ETC.)

- July 2022      PIKSI-Logic (Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute) at Northeastern University, “The Logic of Belief Revision”, Boston, MA
- Jan. 2019      LessWrong at UMBC (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 Dissertation Group, “Bayesianism and the Undermining Problem”, Amherst, MA

## TEACHING

*As Full Instructor*

## —AT UMBC—

- Scientific Reasoning (Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2021, Fall 2020, Spring 2020)  
 Decision Theory (Spring 2022, Spring 2020, Spring 2018)  
 Deductive Logic (Fall 2021, Fall 2020, Fall 2019)  
 Philosophy of Logic (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 Incompleteness”

*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  
 2009 UMass Amherst First-Year Graduate Fellowship

## DEPARTMENTAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

various Referee: *Mind*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Theoria*, *Analysis*, *Synthese*, Mount Holyoke Summer Philosophy Conference  
 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 *PhilAnon*, the Undergraduate Philosophy Club  
 2019-present Faculty 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.