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Employment

Assistant Professor, Florida State University Philosophy Department (2026-)
Lecturer, Stanford University Philosophy Department (2025-2026)

Education

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Arizona (2025)
Visiting Scholar at UNC Chapel Hill (2024-2025)
B.A., Philosophy and History, University of Maryland; minors in Law & Society and Modern Greek Language & Culture (2017)

Areas of Specialization | Ethics, Feminist Philosophy, Social & Political Philosophy
Areas of Competence | Applied Ethics (esp. Phil of Disability), Social Epistemology, Action Theory

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Research

Publications
"How Does Oppression Twist Our Agency?" (*Oxford Studies in Agency & Responsibility 10*, forthcoming)
"Aesthetically Critiquing Oppression" (*Political Philosophy*, 2026)
"Love, Fairness, and Sharing a Life" (*Philosophers' Imprint*, 2026)
"In Defense of Genuine Un-Forgiving" (*Philosophical Studies*, 2024)

Works in Progress & Under Review
A paper on dependence and need (R&R)
A paper on care and disability
"Depending on Others"
"Authority, Inquiry, and Gender Avowals"

Dissertation: Rethinking Interpersonal Dependence
Committee: Mark Timmons (chair), Michael McKenna, Suzanne Dovi, Andrea Westlund (external)

Honors and Awards

Research & Academic Achievement

Minorities & Philosophy Ethicist Prize for "How Does Oppression Twist Our Agency?", Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress at University of Colorado Boulder	2025
Russell J. and Dorothy S. Bilinski Fellowship, the Marshall Foundation	2024-2025
Summer Dissertation Fellowship Award, University of Arizona College of Social & Behavioral Sciences	2024
William H. Fink Prize for the Overall Outstanding Graduate Student, University of Arizona Philosophy	2023
Thesis/Dissertation Award, Southwest Institute for Research on Women	2022-2023
Ariana Mercedes Economou Prize for Excellence in Modern Greek Language Study, Hellenic Cultural Foundation	2023

Diversity Institute Alumni Fund travel grant, American Philosophical Association	2023
Athena in Action Program (invited), Rutgers University	2022
Graduate College Fellowship, University of Arizona	2019
UCSD Summer Program for Women in Philosophy (invited), UC San Diego Philosophy	2018
Phillip Merril Presidential Scholars Award, University of Maryland Office of Undergraduate Studies	2017
Schlaretzski Prize for Most Outstanding Senior Philosophy Student, University of Maryland Philosophy	2017
Duckett Award for Most Outstanding Junior Philosophy Student, University of Maryland Philosophy	2015

Service & Teaching

One-time service award in recognition for coaching the UA Ethics Bowl Team, University of Arizona Philosophy	2023
Julia Annas Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Arizona Philosophy	2022
One-time service award in recognition for organizing the UA Feminist Philosophy Graduate Conference, University of Arizona Philosophy	2022
Coro Fellowship in Public Affairs, Coro Center for Civic Leadership in Pittsburgh	2018
College Park Scholars Outstanding Citizenship Award, University of Maryland Scholars Program	2015

Presentations

Peer-Reviewed Presentations

"A New Solution to the Care/Disability Debate" APA Eastern Division Meeting: *Health, Agency & Feminist Thought* panel	January 2027
"A New Solution to the Care/Disability Debate" Philosophy Politics and Economics Society Annual Meeting, Session: *Disability, Disadvantage, & Justice*	November 2026
"How Does Oppression Twist Our Agency?" New Orleans Workshop on Agency & Responsibility (NOWAR)	November 2025
"How Does Oppression Twist Our Agency?" Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado Boulder	August 2025
"How Does Oppression Twist Our Agency?" Northwestern Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics (NUSTEP), Northwestern University	May 2025
"How Does Oppression Twist Our Agency?" APA Pacific Division Meeting	April 2025
"Oppression, Agency, and Depending on Others," APA Eastern Division Meeting	January 2025
"Love, Fairness, and Sharing a Life," Philosophy Politics and Economics Society Annual Meeting, Session: *Relational Ideals, Personal and Political*	November 2024
"Depending on Others", Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado Boulder	August 2024

"Ideological Propositions and Ideology Critique" (with Aliya Rumana), Social Ontology Conference, Duke University	July 2024
"Love, Fairness, and Sharing a Life", Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College	April 2024
"Rethinking Dependence and Care", APA Eastern Division Meeting	January 2024
"Rethinking Dependence and Need", Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado Boulder (poster session)	August 2023
"Authority, Inquiry, and Gender Avowals", Minorities and Philosophy Graduate Conference, Florida State University	March 2023
"'The Patriarchy is Boring': Aesthetic critique as an agency-enhancing response to oppressive double binds", Free Will, Moral Responsibility, and Agency Conference, Florida State University	February 2023
"In Defense of Genuine Un-Forgiving", Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2022
"An Unproductive Controversy: Feminist Standpoint Epistemology and Moral Deference Intuitions", Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference, University of Colorado Boulder	April 2021

Invited

"On Care and Necessity", DEX Workshop, UC Davis	April 2026
"In Defense of Genuine Un-Forgiving", Moral Emotions Workshop, University of Arizona	November 2022

Commentary

Comments on Michael Timm's "Rethinking Populism in Contemporary Western Democracies", Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College	April 2024
Comments on Ella Zhang's "Gender Ideology as Two-Tier Gender Norms", Eastern Division, American Philosophical Association	January 2024
Comments on Mikayla Kelley's "Anscombe's Knowledge Thesis and the Argument from Distinct Thresholds", Athena in Action Program, Rutgers University	June 2022

Public Philosophy

Writing

"What does it mean to depend on someone?", *Blog of the APA, Women in Philosophy series*
"In defense of genuine un-forgiving", *New Work in Philosophy* Substack

Presentations

"Depending on Others", Thinking Together Intergenerational Philosophy mini-colloquium, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	March 2025
"Depending on Others", Intergenerational Philosophy Discussion Group at the Carolina Meadows Retirement Community, UNC Parr Center for Ethics	January 2025

Courses Taught (* = online) (†= at the mixed graduate/undergraduate level) (♦= graduate seminar)

At Florida State
Feminist Philosophy (Spring 2027)
Ethical Issues & Life Choices (Fall 2026, Spring 2027)
Feminist Ethics (Fall 2026♦)

At Stanford
Feminist Ethics (Spring 2025†)
Feminist Philosophy (Fall 2025†)
Why College? Your Education and the Good Life (Fall 2025)

As Instructor at University of Arizona
Medical Ethics (Fall 2022, Spring 2023*, Spring 2024*)
Philosophy of Happiness (Summer 2022*, Summer 2023*)
Feminist Philosophy (Summer 2020*, Summer 2021*, Fall 2023)
Neuroethics (Fall 2020*, Winter 2020*, Spring 2021*)
Moral Thinking (Fall 2021*)

As Teaching Assistant at University of Arizona
Logic & Critical Thinking (Spring 2022, with Santiago de Jesus Sanchez-Borboa)
Personal Morality (Spring 2020, with Carolina Sartorio)

Service

Judge, National High School Ethics Bowl, UNC Chapel Hill	2025
Co-founder & Co-head Organizer, Arizona Feminist Philosophy Graduate Conference	2020-2024
Co-founder & Co-head Coach, University of Arizona Ethics Bowl Team	2019-2021
Member, University of Arizona Department Climate Committee	2019-2024
Philosophy Graduate Student Representative (elected)	2020-2021
Volunteer G.E.D Instructor for incarcerated persons, Petey Greene Program	2017-2019
Founder & Program Director, Learning Enterprises Crete Program for volunteer English as a second language instruction	2016-2017

Journal Referee work: *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy & Public Affairs*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*

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