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Areas of competence: Philosophy of Science; Meta-Ethics

APPOINTMENTS

2020-22 **Postdoctoral Fellow – Harvard University**

Project Title: *De-Idealizing Norms and Requirements*

Supervisor: Selim Berker

2019-20 **Research Agent – Commission de l'éthique en science et en technologie**

Projects: Intelligent Transport Systems and the Internet of Things

2019- **Lecturer – École de technologie supérieure**

- Professional Ethics for Engineers (PEP110) – Summer 2019 and Fall 2019

2017-19 **Lecturer – Université de Montréal**

- Problems in Ethics (PHI1400) – Fall 2018

- Ethics: Theory and Practice (for environmental designers) (PHI6990) – Fall 2017, Summer 2018 and Fall 2018

- Ethics: Theory and Practice (for domestic security specialists) (PHI2990) – Spring 2018 and Spring 2019

EDUCATION

2014-19 **PhD Philosophy – Université de Montréal**

Thesis Title: *The Normativity of Epistemic Rationality*

Jury: Daniel Laurier (supervisor), Michael G. Titelbaum (external examiner), Aude Bandini and Christine Tappolet

2017-18 **Doctoral Fellow in Philosophy – Harvard University**

Supervisor: Selim Berker

2017 **Visiting Doctoral Student – Uppsala University**

Supervisor: Andrew Reisner

- 2012-13 **MA Philosophy – Université de Montréal**
 Master's Thesis: *Neutral Social Sciences? The Role of Scientists in Solving Normative Issues, from Weber to Putnam.*
 Jury: Christian Nadeau (supervisor), Ryoa Chung and Peter Dietsch
- 2009-11 **BA Political Science and Philosophy – Université de Montréal**

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

- “The Explanatory Role of Consistency Requirements”, *Synthese*, DOI: [10.1007/s11229-018-01942-8](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-018-01942-8)
- “Peer Disagreement and the Bridge Principle”, *Topoi*, DOI: [10.1007/s11245-018-9595-8](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11245-018-9595-8)
- “A Puzzle about Knowledge, Blame and Coherence”, *Acta Analytica* 34.4, 2019: 493-503
- “Epistemic Akrasia and Epistemic Reasons”, *Episteme* 16.3, 2019: 282-302
- “One Standard to Rule Them All?”, *Ratio* 32.1, 2019: 12-21
- “Epistemic Uniqueness and the Practical Relevance of Epistemic Practices”, *Philosophia* 45.4, 2017: 1721-1733
- [Value-Laden Sciences, Value-Free Procedures] « Sciences normatives, procédures neutres », *Philosophia Scientiae* 22.2, 2018: 37-57
- With Félix Schneller. [Axiological Neutrality, from Virtuous Professors to Institutional Requirements] « La neutralité axiologique, vertu professorale ou exigence institutionnelle? », *Penser l'éducation* 40.1, 2017: 25-44
- [Why Deliberate? From Epistemic Benefits to Public Justification] « Pourquoi délibérer? Du potentiel épistémique à la justification publique », *Philosophiques* 43.1, 2016: 23-48
- [Toleration, Deliberation and Scientific Neutrality] « Tolérance libérale et délibération : l'apport de la neutralité scientifique », *The Ethics Forum* 11.1, 2016: 4-28
- [Rethinking Axiological Neutrality. Objectivity, Autonomy and Public Deliberation] « Repenser la neutralité axiologique. Objectivité, autonomie et délibération publique », *European Journal of Social Sciences* 53.1, 2015: 199-225

Conference Proceedings

- With David Montminy. “Testing Minimax for Rational Ignorant Agents”: 541-553, in *Logic, Rationality, and Interaction*, edited by A. Baltag *et al.*, LNCS 10455, Berlin, Springer, 2017.

Encyclopedia Entries

- [The Value-Free Ideal of Science] « Neutralité scientifique », in M. Kristanek (ed.), *l'Encyclopédie Philosophique*, 2017, <<http://encyclo-phil.fr/neutralite-scientifique-a/>>.

Book Reviews

- « D. Andler, *La silhouette de l'humain. Quelle place pour le naturalisme dans le monde d'aujourd'hui?* Paris, Gallimard, 2016 », *Philosophiques* 43.2, 2016: 540-44
- « É. Sarin, *Épistémologie fondamentale appliquée aux sciences sociales*, Paris, L'Harmattan, 2012 », *Philosophiques* 41.2, 2014: 428-33
- « M. Weber, *La Domination*, traduit de l'allemand par Isabelle Kalinowski, note éditoriale d'Yves Sintomer, Paris, La Découverte, 2013 », *Philosophiques* 41.1, 2014: 223-28

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Peer-reviewed Talks

- “A Puzzle About the Optimization of Collective Reliability”, CPA congress, Vancouver, June 1-4 2019
- “Immodesty in Social Contexts”, CPA congress, Vancouver, June 1-4 2019
- “Apparent Reasons and Second-Best Epistemology”, *Saint-Louis Annual Conference on Reasons and Rationality*, Saint-Louis (MO), May 19-21 2019
- “A Puzzle About the Optimization of Collective Reliability”, *SEP Meeting*, Toronto, May 17-19 2019
- “Epistemic Teleology and the Normativity of Apparent Reasons”, French Society for Analytic Philosophy congress, Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium), July 2-5 2018
- “Epistemic Teleology and the Normativity of Apparent Reasons”, *The Future of Normativity* conference, University of Kent (UK), June 28-30 2018
- “Epistemic Akrasia, Rational Closure and Lotteries”, CPA congress, Montreal, June 4-7 2018
- “Epistemic Inconsistency and Irrationality: A Methodological Contribution”, *Epistemology and its History*, Ottawa, Canada, October 19-21 2017
- With David Montminy. “Testing Minimax for Rational Ignorant Agents”, *The International Conference on Logic, Rationality and Interaction (LORI)*, Sapporo, Japan, September 11-14 2017
- With David Montminy, “Credence Permissiveness and Scoring Rules”, *University of Rochester Graduate Epistemology Conference*, Rochester (NY), October 21 2016
- “Are There Plausible Cases of Interpersonal Epistemic Permissiveness?”, *European Epistemology Network Meeting*, EHESS, Paris, July 4 2016
- With Félix Schneller, “Axiological Neutrality and Academic Freedom: from Virtuous Professors to Institutional Requirements”, Workshop *Au milieu des fluctuations historiques: quel rôle pour l'université aujourd'hui?*, ACFAS, Montréal, May 9-13 2016
- “Why You (Almost) Never Find Yourself in an Epistemically Permissive Situation”, *Epistemic Normativity Conference (Post-graduate workshop)*, KU Leuven, Belgium, November 8 2015
- “Rational Requirements and Collective Intentions”, French Society for Analytic Philosophy congress, UQÀM, Montréal, June 19 2015
- With Félix Schneller, “Axiological Neutrality and Academic Freedom: from Virtuous Professors to Institutional Requirements”, *International Workshop on Affective, Moral and Civic Education*, Université de Montréal, May 20 2015

Other Presentations

- “Two Second-Best Problems for Artificial Intelligence”, Workshop *Philosophie de l'économie*, ACFAS, Université de Sherbrooke, May 4-8 2020
- “In Praise of Epistemic Modesty”, Workshop *Recherches récentes en philosophie analytique*, Université de Montréal, March 8 2019
- “Worsnip, A., Disagreement as Interpersonal Incoherence”, commentary, *Saint-Louis Annual Conference on Reasons and Rationality*, Saint-Louis (MO), May 20-22 2018
- “The Explanatory Role and the Normativity of Consistency”, *Philosophy Talk-Shop*, Harvard University, March 1 2018
- “Epistemic Akrasia and Reasons-Responsiveness”, *Higher Seminar in Theoretical Philosophy*, Uppsala University, April 20 2017
- “Epistemic Akrasia and Reasons-Responsiveness”, *Journées du GRIN 2017*, Université de Montréal, March 16 2017
- “Palmira, M., Disagreement, Significance and Revision”, commentary, *Faces of Disagreement Conference*, Université de Montréal & McGill University, May 26-28 2016
- (Invited speaker) [Public Justification and the Epistemic Benefits of Deliberation] « Le potentiel épistémique de la délibération et l'exigence de justification publique », Post-graduate workshop in social and political philosophy, Université Paris 1, February 16 2016

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Conference Organization

- With Stéphane Lemaire, Christine Tappolet and Patrick Turmel, coorganizer of the *Meta-Ethics and its Normative Implications* workshop, May 2-4 2018, Montréal, Canada
- Under the supervision of Christine Tappolet, Sarah Stroud, Andrée-Anne Cormier and Michele Palmira, support in the organization of the *Faces of Disagreement* conference, May 26-28 2016, Montréal, Canada (15 talks, 15 commentaries and 1 roundtable)
- Under the supervision of Christine Tappolet, Sandra Lapointe and Alain Voizard, support in the organization of the French Society for Analytic Philosophy congress, June 17-20 2015, Montréal, Canada (5 keynotes, 2 symposia, 12 roundtables and 78 talks)
- Under the supervision of Christine Tappolet and Fabrice Correia, support in the organization of the young researcher workshop *Metaethics and Metametaphysics*, French Society for Analytic Philosophy, March 1-3 2014, Ovronnaz, Switzerland (16 talks)

Other

- 2018- Reviewer for *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Erkenntnis*, *Igitur*, *Synthese* and *The Ethics Forum*
- 2018 Voluntary work for *Les Classiques des sciences sociales* (open access, francophone social sciences library). Online proofreading and editing of Condorcet's *Discours préliminaire* (56 000 words, 175 pages)

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2020-22 SSHRC Postdoctoral Scholarship (90 000\$)
- 2020-22 FRQSC B3 Postdoctoral Scholarship (110 000\$, declined in part)
- 2017-18 SSHRC Michael-Smith Foreign Study Supplement (6 000\$)
- 2016-19 SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Doctoral Scholarship (105 000\$)
- 2015-18 FRQSC B2 Doctoral Scholarship (60 000\$, declined after the first year)
- 2014-19 Interuniversity Research Group on Normativity Scholarship (7 250\$)

PRIZES AND DISTINCTIONS

- 2019 Doctoral Dissertation awarded with highest distinction
- 2016 With Félix Schneller, best student essay prize, awarded by the Québec Philosophical Society. Paper title: “Axiological Neutrality, from Virtuous Professors to Institutional Requirements”
- 2015 With Félix Schneller, prize (1 000\$) for a presentation at the *On Affective, Moral and Civic Education* Conference, awarded by the Centre for Research in Ethics
- 2014 Master’s Thesis awarded with distinction
- 2011 Undergraduate degree awarded with distinction