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Areas of specialization: Epistemology; Ethics

Areas of competence: Philosophy of Science; Metaethics

APPOINTMENTS

- 2022- Maître d'enseignement (≈UK Senior Lecturer), École de technologie supérieure
2020-22 Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard University (funded by SSHRC)
2019-20 Research Agent, Commission de l'éthique en science et en technologie

EDUCATION

- 2014-19 PhD Philosophy, Université de Montréal
 Dissertation title: *The Normativity of Epistemic Rationality*
2017-18 Doctoral Fellow in Philosophy, Harvard University
2017 Visiting Doctoral Student, Uppsala University
2012-13 MA Philosophy, Université de Montréal
 Dissertation title: *Les sciences sociales devraient-elles être neutres?*
2009-11 BA Political Science and Philosophy, Université de Montréal

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Articles

- “Structural Rationality and the Property of Coherence”, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, forthcoming
“Consistency, Obligations, and Accuracy-Dominance Vindications”, *Dialectica*, forthcoming
“Transformative Experiences, Rational Decisions and Shark Attacks”, *Inquiry*, DOI: [10.1080/0020174X.2021.1953578](https://doi.org/10.1080/0020174X.2021.1953578)
With Charles Côté-Bouchard, “Epistemic Consequentialism, Veritism, and Scoring Rules”, *Erkenntnis*, DOI: [10.1007/s10670-021-00426-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10670-021-00426-5)
“Adversariality and Ideal Argumentation: A Second-Best Perspective”, *Topoi*, Special Issue: Adversariality in Argument, 40.5, 2021: 887-898

- “Peer Disagreement and the Bridge Principle”, *Topoi*, Special Issue: Disagreement—Epistemological and Argumentation-Theoretic Perspectives, 40.5, 2021: 1213-1223
- “Should Agents Be Immodest?”, *Analytic Philosophy*, 62.3, 2021: 235-251
- “False Beliefs and Misleading Evidence”, *Theoria*, 87.3, 2021: 520-541
- “The Explanatory Role of Consistency Requirements”, *Synthese*, 197.10, 2020: 4551-4569
- “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
- [Value-Laden Sciences, Value-Free Procedures] « Sciences normatives, procédures neutres », *Philosophia Scientiae*, 22.2, 2018: 37-57
- “Epistemic Uniqueness and the Practical Relevance of Epistemic Practices”, *Philosophia*, 45.4, 2017: 1721-1733
- 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*, 2018, <<http://encyclo-philo.fr/neutralite-scientifique-a/>>.

Research Reports for Public Agencies

- Commission de l'éthique en science et en technologie (*qua* policy advisor in charge of research and writing), *The Internet of Things, Privacy, and Surveillance*, Québec, 2020, 45 p. URL: <<https://numerique.banq.qc.ca/patrimoine/details/52327/4165677>>

Edited Volumes

- With Stéphane Lemaire, Christine Tappolet and Patrick Turmel (eds.). « Dossier : La métaéthique et ses implications normatives. En hommage à Ruwen Ogien. (Circa 1949-2017) ». *The Ethics Forum* 14.1, 2019 : 26-189

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Peer-reviewed Talks

- “A Puzzle About the Optimization of Collective Reliability”, *3rd Social Epistemology Network Meeting*, Yale University (New Haven), undetermined date
- “What Second-Best Epistemology Could Look Like”, CPA virtual congress, May 31 2021
- “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

- “The Deontic Force of Apparent Reasons”, Workshop *Responsabilité, normativité et langage – En hommage à Daniel Laurier*, Montréal, undetermined date
- “Formal Coherence and the Separateness of Requirements”, Workshop *Philosophie de l’économie*, ACFAS, Université de Sherbrooke, May 7 2021

- “Ziliotti, E., Calling Things by their Name: An Inquiry into the meanings of Meritocracy, Hierarchy, and Democracy”, commentary, *Workshop on Hierarchies*, Université de Montréal, January 28-29 2021
- “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

TEACHING AND PEDAGOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Teaching

At École de technologie supérieure:

- Environment, technology and society (TIN503), Fall 2020 and Winter 2021.
- Professional ethics for engineers (PEP110), Summer 2019, Fall 2019, Summer 2020 and Summer 2021.

At Université de Montréal:

- Problems in ethics (PHI1400), Fall 2018.
- Ethics for professionals in homeland security (PHI2990), Winter 2018 and Winter 2019.
- Ethics for urban planning professionals (PHI6990), Fall 2017, Summer 2018 and Fall 2018.

Pedagogical development

With Éric Francoeur, creation of a hybrid course in professional ethics (PEP110), École de technologie supérieure (2018-2021).

With Christian Nadeau, creation of online ethics courses (PHI2990 and PHI6690), Université de Montréal (2012-2018).

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

2017- Reviewer for *Analysis*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, *Erkenntnis*, *Igitur*, *Inquiry*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Synthese*, *The Ethics Forum*, and *Theoria*

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

2022 FRQSC Individual Start-Up Grant (15 000\$)

2020-22 SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship (90 000\$)

2020-22 FRQSC B3 Postdoctoral Fellowship (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)

PRIZES AND DISTINCTIONS

2020 Social Epistemology Network early career award. Paper title: “A Puzzle About the Optimization of Collective Reliability”

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