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Education

PhD, Philosophy

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL

Chapel Hill, NC

Aug 2023 - May 2029 (expected)

A.B., Philosophy with Honors and Computer Science *magna cum laude*

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Providence, RI

Sep 2017 - May 2021

- St. Anne's College, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK — Visiting Student 2019 - 2020

Fellowships and Awards

Northeastern AIDE Summer Program

NORTHEASTERN ETHICS INSTITUTE

Boston, MA

Summer 2025

- Attended a 9-week funded summer program on the ethics of artificial intelligence.

Training Adams Fellow

CAROLINA PUBLIC HUMANITIES

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2025 - Spring 2026

- Helped to organize and emcee CPH's Two Brains Series.

Adams Fellow

CAROLINA PUBLIC HUMANITIES

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2024 - Spring 2025

- Ran an intergenerational reading group on William MacAskill's *What We Owe the Future*.

Balter Fellow

UNC DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2024 - Spring 2026

- Mentored undergraduate fellows for their talks in the department's annual Philosophy Reimagined series.

Mellon Fellow

MELLON FOUNDATION

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2023 - Present

Selected Talks

Organic Unities and Strong Pareto: Good News for Some Value Pluralists

WORK IN PROGRESS

- August 2026: Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress.

Comments on Z Quanbeck's "Absent Attitudes and Structural Requirements"

ST. LOUIS ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON REASONS AND RATIONALITY

St. Louis, MO

May 2026

Comments on Matthew Adler's *Risk, Death, and Well-Being: The Ethical Foundations of Fatality Risk Regulation*

DUKE UNIVERSITY

Durham, NC

October 2025

Comments on Jason Raibley's "Welfare, Prudence, and Changes in Value"

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ETHICS CONGRESS

Boulder, CO

August 2025

Preserving the Meaningful: Distant Planets, Close Friendships, and Pencil Erasers

WORK IN PROGRESS

- August 2025 (Poster): Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress.
- March 2025: Duke-UNC Graduate Conference.

Presentation on Alexander Nehamas' "Love, Beauty, Interpretation: Other Ways of Knowing?"

ADAMS SYMPOSIUM

- Gave a presentation connecting Nehamas' keynote address to the work of E. Maynard Adams for a general audience.

Chapel Hill, NC

April 2025

Teaching

Practical Ethics

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

Chapel Hill, NC

Spring 2026

Introduction to Ancient Greek Science and Philosophy

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2025

Practical Ethics

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Chapel Hill, NC

Spring 2025

Gateway to Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2024

Empirical Research Experience

Research Assistant

PHYSICIANS IN PRISONS STUDY

- Help conduct research on legal and ethical issues physicians face in carceral settings.

Chapel Hill, NC

Summer 2024 - Present

Service

When Does Trust Go Wrong?

CAROLINA MEADOWS RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

- Gave a 30-minute talk on the ethics of trust.

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2023

Graduate Student Council

GRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2023 - Spring 2025

Graduate Student Mentoring

COMMITTEE MEMBER

Chapel Hill, NC

Fall 2024 - Present

Selected Work Experience

Software Engineer I

DUOLINGO

- Developed, released, and maintained performance & stability features on the Android app.

Pittsburgh, PA

July 2021 - June 2023