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## AREA OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology

## AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

Practical Reason, Metaethics, Philosophy of Mind, Food Ethics

## EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, University of Vermont

2014–Present

## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. in Philosophy** University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 2014  
**M.A. in Philosophy** University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 2010  
**B.A. in Philosophy (Honors) and Mathematics** Williams College 2008

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

### “Functional Belief and Judgmental Belief”

(2017) *Synthese* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-017-1510-0>

Forthcoming in print. (Page numbers not yet available; word count: ~9,000) [Invited]

### “Why Evidence (and Only Evidence) Can Justify Belief”

Forthcoming in McHugh, C., Way, J., & Whiting, D. eds. *Normativity: Epistemic and Practical*. Oxford University Press. (Page numbers not yet available; word count: ~9,500) [Invited]

### “Food Choices and Moral Character”

Forthcoming in Barnhill, A., Budolfson, M., & Doggett, T. eds. *Oxford Handbook on Food Ethics*. Oxford University Press. (Page numbers not yet available; word count: ~10,000) [Invited]

### “How to be a Normativist about the Nature of Belief”

(2015) *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 96 (2):181-204.

### “Which Mental States Are Rationally Evaluable, And Why?”

(2015) *Philosophical Issues* 25 (1):41-63. [Invited]

### “Why Is Epistemic Evaluation Prescriptive?”

(2014) *Inquiry*, 57 (1):97-121. [Invited]

## SURVEY ARTICLES, REVIEWS, AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

### “Belief Self-Knowledge”

With Dorit Bar-On. (2016) *Oxford Handbooks Online*. (Page numbers not available; word count: ~10,000) [Invited] 50% contribution.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

### “Epistemically Flawless False Beliefs”

### “Epistemic Norms, All Things Considered”

### “Another Kind of Pragmatic Encroachment”

### “The Constitutivist Strategy”

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

### “Another Kind of Pragmatic Encroachment”

Northern New England Ethics and Epistemology Workshop,  
University of Vermont

*August 2017*

### Comments on Berislav Marušić’s *Evidence and Agency: Norms of Belief for Promising and Resolving*

2017 Annual Meeting, Canadian Philosophical Association

*May 2017*

### “Epistemic Norms, All Things Considered”

The Third Varieties of Normativity Workshop, Uppsala, Sweden

*April 2017*

### Comments on Brandon Carey’s “A New Theory of Epistemic Possibility”

2017 Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association

*April 2017*

### “Why the Epistemic Status of Our Beliefs Ought to Weigh With Us”

Dartmouth Constitutivism Workshop  
Middlebury College

*October 2016*

*March 2016*

### Comments on Ralph Wedgwood’s *The Normativity of Rationality*

Workshop on Ralph Wedgwood’s *The Normativity of Rationality*,  
Université de Montréal

*May 2016*

### “Epistemically Flawless False Beliefs”

Filosofie UQAM Colloquim Series, Montreal, Canada  
2016 Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association  
Penn Reasons and Foundations in Epistemology Conference,  
University of Pennsylvania

*April 2016*

*January 2016*

*November 2015*

### “Why Evidence (and Only Evidence) Can Justify or Rationalize Belief”

Bled Epistemology Conference, Bled, Slovenia  
Williams College

*June 2015*

*December 2014*

### “Which Mental States Are Rationally Evaluable, And Why?”

Workshop on Critical Reflection and Belief, Union College

*May 2015*

### Comments on Ram Neta’s “Basing and Treating”

2015 Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association

*March 2015*

## PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

- “Epistemically Flawless False Beliefs”**  
Conference on False but Useful Beliefs, London, UK *February 2016*
- “Why Evidence (and Only Evidence) Can Justify or Rationalize Belief”**  
Workshop on the Ethics of Belief, Cornell University *November 2014*  
2014 Annual Meeting, Canadian Society for Epistemology *November 2014*
- “Why the Epistemic Status of Our Beliefs Ought to Weigh With Us”**  
SWIP Analytic, CUNY Graduate Center *May 2014*  
2014 Annual Meeting, Southern Society for Philosophy & Psychology *February 2014*

## FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- Lattie F. Coor International Travel Grant** *Summer 2015*  
\$500 grant to support travel expenses for presenting “Why Evidence (and Only Evidence) Can Justify Belief” at the Bled Epistemology Conference in Bled, Slovenia.
- Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship** *Fall 2013, Spring 2014*  
\$25,000 competitive fellowship to support a year of research and writing to help advanced graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences in the last year of PhD dissertation writing.
- Bertha Colton Williams Fellowship** *Fall 2012*  
Fellowship to provide one semester of teaching relief during graduate study in philosophy at UNC-Chapel Hill.
- Horace Williams Fellowship** *Fall 2008, Spring 2009*  
Fellowship to provide two semesters of teaching relief during graduate study in philosophy at UNC-Chapel Hill.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

- Member, The Imperfect Cognitions Network, Project PERFECT** *2015–Present*
- Mentor, The Job Candidate Mentoring Program for Women in Philosophy** *2015–Present*
- Referee for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Erkenntnis*, *Mind*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, and *Southern Journal of Philosophy*** *2014–Present*
- Affiliate, Expressive Communication and the Origins of Meaning Research Group** *2010–Present*
- Session Leader, Burlington Public Philosophy** *2017*
- Co-organizer, Northern New England Ethics and Epistemology Workshop at UVM** *2017*
- Member, Organizing Committee for the annual Race, Gender, and Sexuality Conference at UVM** *2015, 2016, 2017*
- Co-organizer, annual Food Ethics Conference at UVM** *2015, 2016, 2017*

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

**SWIP Analytic Graduate Student Essay Prize**

*Spring 2014*

**Graduate and Professional Student Federation Travel Award**

*Fall 2012*

**John W. Miller Prize in Philosophy**

*Spring 2008*

## **COURSES REGULARLY TAUGHT**

**Epistemology: Advanced Topics**

**Ethics of Eating**

**Feminism: Theories and Issues**

**Introduction to Logic**

**Introduction to Philosophy: Selected Topics**

**The Pursuit of Knowledge (UVM Honors College First-Year Seminar)**