

# Justis Koon

## Curriculum Vitae

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### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology, Ethics, Metaethics

### AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics, Philosophy of Biology, Philosophy of Science

### EDUCATION

#### **University of Massachusetts, Amherst**

Ph.D. in Philosophy

Expected 2021

#### **Tufts University**

M.A. in Philosophy

2015

#### **Hamline University**

B.A. in Psychology

2010

### DISSERTATION

Title: "Higher-Order Evidence and Human Evolution"

Committee: Sophie Horowitz (chair), Hilary Kornblith, David Christensen (Brown University)

### PUBLICATIONS

"Options Must Be External," *Philosophical Studies* 177(5): 1175-1189.

2020

### WORKS IN PROGRESS

Titles in this section are redacted to protect blind review.

Paper on the nature of disability. Under review

Paper on evolutionary debunking arguments. Under review.

Second paper on evolutionary debunking arguments. Under review.

Paper on calibrationism. Under review.

Paper on moral responsibility. Under review.

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“A Defense of the Medical Model,” colloquium presentation at the Central APA. 2020

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Courses marked with an asterisk were taught online.

#### **As sole instructor:**

Medical Ethics*	Spring 2021
Honors Introduction to Philosophy	Spring 2020
Honors Medical Ethics	Fall 2019
Business Ethics	Spring 2019
Medical Ethics	Fall 2018

#### **As teaching assistant:**

Medical Ethics (with Sophie Horowitz)*	Fall 2020
Existential Philosophy (with Ernesto Garcia)	Spring 2017 – Spring 2018
Medical Ethics (with Sophie Horowitz)	Fall 2016
Introduction to Ethics (with Monica Link)	Fall 2014
Introduction to Ethics (with David Denby)	Fall 2013 – Spring 2014
Justice, Equality, and Liberty (with David Denby)	Spring 2013

### **AWARDS**

Department Dissertation Fellowship	2020
Herbert Heidelberger Prize for Outstanding Paper	2017
John Robison Prize for Excellence in Teaching	2017
Puryear Fellowship	2015

### **SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT**

Graduate Student Senator 2018 – 2019

### **GRADUATE COURSEWORK**

Courses marked with an asterisk were audited; courses marked with a dagger were taken at Tufts.

#### **Epistemology**

- Bayesianism\* (Meacham)
- The Uniqueness Thesis (Meacham)
- Internalism and Externalism in Epistemology (Kornblith)

Disagreement and Testimony† (Ninan)  
Epistemology† (Azzouni)

### **Ethics/Metaethics/Moral Psychology/Decision Theory**

Epistemology of Ethics\* (Kornblith)  
War and Self-Defense\* (Graham)  
Puzzles in Decision Theory (Meacham)  
Agency and Self-Knowledge (Kornblith)  
Realism and Objectivity in Ethics & Mathematics (Perez Carballo)  
Punishment\* (Graham)  
Agency and Responsibility† (Kelly)  
Evolution of Mind and Morals† (Forber)

### **Metaphysics**

Free Will (Graham)  
The Metaphysics of David Lewis (Bricker)  
Objects\*† (Azzouni)  
Metaphysics† (Epstein)

### **Philosophy of Science/Philosophy of Biology**

Quantum Mechanics\* (Meacham)  
The Arrow of Time (Meacham)  
Newton's *Principia*\*† (Smith)  
Science Before Newton's *Principia*\*† (Smith)  
Philosophy of Science† (Smith)  
Philosophy of Biology† (Forber)

### **History of Philosophy**

Power and Politics in Plato (de Harven)  
Logical Positivism (Klement)  
Modern Philosophy\*† (Olfert)  
History of Analytic Philosophy\*† (Denby)  
Ancient Philosophy† (Olfert)

### **Mind**

Reasoning (Kornblith)  
Evolving Minds\*† (Dennett)  
Cognition, Society, and Culture† (Jackendoff)

### **Logic**

Mathematical Logic (Klement)  
Logic† (Epstein)

## **REFERENCES**

Sophie Horowitz  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy  
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Distinguished Professor of Philosophy  
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David Christensen (Brown University)  
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