

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 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

As sole instructor:

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

As TA:

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
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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 (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

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David Christensen (Brown University)
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Christopher Meacham
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Ernesto Garcia (Teaching Reference)
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