# Anna Brinkerhoff

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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Concordia University, July 2022 – Present Assistant Professor of Philosophy

George Mason University, August 2021 – May 2022 Philosophy Instructor

Seattle Pacific University, January 2021 – July 2021 Philosophy Instructor

#### **EDUCATION**

Brown University, 2015 - 2021

Ph.D., Philosophy, May 2021

Dissertation: "Evidence and the Rationality of Belief"

Committee: David Christensen (Chair), Nomy Arpaly, Joshua Schechter

M.A., Philosophy, May 2017

Pepperdine University, 2011 - 2015

B.A., Philosophy, summa cum laude

Valedictorian

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Areas of Specialization: epistemology, ethics (applied and normative)

Areas of Competence: feminist philosophy, philosophy of religion

## **PUBLICATIONS**

2023 – "The Cognitive Demands of Friendship", Pacific Philosophical Quarterly

2023 – "Not Excusing Rape: Silencing, Blame, and Rationality," Australasian Journal of Philosophy

2021 - "Prejudiced Beliefs Based on the Evidence," Synthese

2022 - "Death, Deprivation, and the Afterlife," Philosophia

2021 – "The Promising Puzzle," Philosophers' Imprint

2018 – "Why Epistemic Partiality is Overrated," in a special issue of *Philosophical Topics* (eds., Rima Basu and Mark Schroeder), co-authored with Nomy Arpaly

#### **BOOK REVIEW**

2015 – "Review of Christensen and Lackey (eds.), The Epistemology of Disagreement: New Essays," *Analysis*, co-authored with Tomás Bogardus

## PEER-REVIEWED TALKS

The Epistemic Significance of Social Identity

Montreal, June 2024 - Congress of the Canadian Philosophical Association

The Moral Virtue of Social Consciousness

Birmingham, March 2024 – Character, Virtue and the Good Life conference

Toronto, May 2023 – Congress of the Canadian Philosophical Association

Denver, February 2023 - Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association

Prejudiced Beliefs Based on the Evidence

Baltimore, January 2022 - Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association

Good Friend: Bad Believer?

MIT, April 2018 - Massachusetts-Rhode Island Philosophy Conference Chicago, February 2018 - Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association

The Hart Dworkin Debate: Legal Positivism and Theoretical Disagreements
San Diego, October 2014 – Southern California Philosophy Conference

#### INVITED TALKS

The Moral Virtue of Social Consciousness

McGill University, February 2023 – philosophy department colloquium Concordia University, February 2023 – Concordia Research Symposium in Philosophy (CRSP)

The Cognitive Demands of Friendship

McGill University, October 2022 - guest lecture in Stephanie Leary's *Ethics of Belief* seminar University of Cologne, May 2022 – CONCEPT seminar series (virtual)

Problematic Irrelevant Influences

Pepperdine University, April 2017 – philosophy department speaker series

#### **COMMENTS**

Comments on Catherine Rioux's *Investing Hope, Instilling Hope*Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association
Montreal, January 2023

Comments on Lara Roth's *Epistemic Processes and Socially Problematic Beliefs*Minorities and Philosophy Conference
Brown University, April 2019

Comments on Adam Omar Hosein's *Individualist and Structural Approaches to Discrimination* SIPP@Brown Philosophy Conference Brown University, July 2018

Comments on Martha Gibson's *Physicalism, Conceivability, and Semantic Necessity* Pacific Division Meeting of the APA San Francisco, April 2016

#### **TEACHING**

# Primary Instructor

Ethics of Belief, Winter 2024 at Concordia University

Values and Biotechnology, Winter 2023 at Concordia University

Feminist Philosophy, Fall 2022 at Concordia University

Environmental Ethics, Fall 2022 at Concordia University

Happiness and the Good Life x2, Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 at George Mason University

Contemporary Moral Issues x4, Summers 2018, 2019, and 2021 at Brown University This course was taught in condensed form for Summer@Brown, a program for high school students.

Philosophy of Religion x2, Winter 2021 and Spring 2021at Seattle Pacific University

Philosophy of Death, Fall 2018 at Brown University

#### Honors

Non-Tenured Faculty Essay Prize, Canadian Philosophical Association (2024)

Short-term Postdoctoral Fellowship, The Society for Applied Philosophy (2022)

Seaver College Faculty Fellow, Pepperdine University (2020-2021)

\*Declined due to COVID

Brown/Wheaton Faculty Fellow, Brown University and Wheaton College (Spring 2021) \*Cancelled due to COVID

Dissertation Fellowship, Brown University (Fall 2019- Spring 2020)

Graduate Fellowship, Brown University (Fall 2015- Spring 2016)

Conference Travel Grant, Brown University (April 2016, February 2018)

Valedictorian, Pepperdine University (May 2015)

Director, Ethics Lecture Series, Concordia University, 2025-2027 Member, Philosophy Graduate Studies Committee, Concordia University, Winter 2024

Member, Philosophy Undergraduate Studies Committee, Concordia University, Winter 2024

Member, Advisory Search Committee for Chair of the Department of Philosophy, Concordia University, Winter 2024

Member, Direct Hiring Committee for a tenure-track position in Ancient Philosophy, Concordia University, Winter 2023

Referee for Ethics, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Philosophical Review, Epistme

# Graduate Student Director for SIPP@Brown, Summer 2019

SIPP@Brown is a two-week diversity program for undergraduate students from underrepresented groups in philosophy. Duties included running the admissions process, managing logistics, assisting with coursework, organizing roundtable discussions, and working closely with Faculty Director (Nina Emery) and Co-Grad Student Director (Arianna Falbo).

Graduate Student Mentor for SIPP@Brown, Summer 2017 and Summer 2018 Duties included providing feedback on writing samples for grad school, participating in roundtable discussions, and assisting with admissions process.

Judge & Moderator for RI State Regional Ethics Bowl, Spring 2019

Organizer, Recruitment Days for Brown Philosophy (Spring 2017 and Spring 2018)

# REFERENCES

David Christensen (supervisor)
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