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<b>AOS</b>	Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy	
<b>AOC</b>	Chinese Philosophy, Ethics, Philosophy of Race, Feminist Philosophy	
<b>Employment</b>	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Classical Studies	2025–
	Northwestern University Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2023–2025
	Faculty Affiliate, Department of Classics	2023–2025
	University of Houston Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2021–2023
<b>Education</b>	Princeton University, Ph.D., Philosophy Interdepartmental Program in Classical Philosophy Graduate Affiliate in the Program in American Studies Dissertation: <i>Wisdom in Plato and Aristotle</i> Advisors: Hendrik Lorenz and Benjamin Morison	2021
	Wellesley College, B.A., <i>magna cum laude</i> , Philosophy	2016
<b>Publications</b>	3. “Wisdom for the Living: <i>Sophia</i> in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> ”, forthcoming in <i>Journal of the History of Philosophy</i> 2. “The Unity of Justice and Virtue in Aristotle’s <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> ”, forthcoming in <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research</i> 1. “The Myth of Cronus in Plato’s <i>Statesman</i> : Cosmic Rotation and Earthly Correspondence” with Corinne Gartner, <i>Apeiron</i> 53 (4):437–462 (2017) <a href="#">[link]</a>	
<b>In Progress</b>	Monograph on Wisdom in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> “Using Forms as Models in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> ” “Directing Souls: Philosophy and Rhetoric in the <i>Phaedrus</i> ” (in preparation for the Cambridge Critical Guide to Plato’s <i>Phaedrus</i> ) “Wisdom in Aristotle”	
<b>Languages</b>	Ancient Greek, Latin, French (reading), English (native), Cantonese Chinese (native), Mandarin Chinese (intermediate)	
<b>Awards</b>	Career Development Grant, Northwestern University	2024
	Loeb Classical Library Foundation Fellowship, Harvard University (\$40k)	2022–23
	Laurance S. Rockefeller Graduate Prize Fellowship, Princeton University	2020–21
	Political Philosophy Research and Travel Grant, Center for Human Values	2019
	Predocctoral Research Development Grant, Social Science Research Council	2019

Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant, Social Science Research Council	2018
P.E. More Fellowship, Princeton University	2018–21
Stanley J. Seeger Travel Award, Center for Hellenic Studies, Princeton	2018, 2019
Scholarship to the Latin/Greek Institute, CUNY	2017
President’s Fellowship, Princeton University	2016–18
University Fellowship, Princeton University	2016–21
Edna V. Moffett Fellowship, Wellesley College	2016–17
Phi Beta Kappa	2016
Scholarship to the U.C. Berkeley Greek Intensive, U.C. Berkeley	2016
Fellow at the Madeleine K. Albright Institute for Global Affairs	2015–16
Jerome A. Schiff Fellowship, Wellesley College	2015
Alain Locke Fellow, MIT	2015
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship, The Andrew Mellon Foundation	2013–16
Thomas J. Watson Scholarship	2012–16

## Presentations

• = invited

◊ = peer-reviewed

## TBD

• Workshop on Political Knowledge in Plato, University of Toronto	Nov. 2025
• WiAP Conference Keynote, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin	Nov. 2025
• 16th Annual Auburn Philosophy Conference: Virtue and Vice	March 2026
• Conference in Ancient Philosophy, Fordham University	March 2026
• Rutgers SIDP	July 2026
“Using Forms as Models in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> ”	
• Midwest Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, Notre Dame	April 2025
• Institute for Classical Studies, School of Advanced Study, London	Feb. 2025
• Department Colloquium, Marquette University	Jan. 2025
◊ IPS-Asia, Nagoya University, Japan	Sept. 2024
“Attention and Moral Responsibility: Analysis of <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> III.5”	
• Workshop on Aristotle on Vice, Virtue and the Voluntary, NYU	Nov. 2024
“The Work of Wisdom in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> ”	
• Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy Workshop, U. of Chicago	April 2024
• Department Colloquium, Rice University	April 2024
• Workshop on Plato on the Virtues, Pennsylvania State University	March 2024
“Plato and Mengzi on Wisdom”	
• Seeds of Virtues in Ancient Greece and China, ECCD, Delphi	July 2023
“Wisdom and Precision in Aristotle’s <i>NE</i> ”	
• Department Colloquium, Wellesley College	April 2023
• Department Colloquium, Seattle University	Feb. 2023
• Department Colloquium, Boston College	Jan. 2023
“The Unity of Wisdom ( <i>Sophia</i> ) in Aristotle’s <i>Metaphysics</i> ”	
• Seminar on Aristotle’s <i>Metaphysics</i> Γ, Princeton University	Dec. 2023
“Commentary on Parmenides B8”	
• New York Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy, NYU	March 2023
“Wisdom in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> ”	
◊ WiAP Conference, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin	Nov. 2022

• PIKSI Boston Faculty Talk, MIT, Boston, MA	July 2022
“Translation and Commentary on Plato’s <i>Charmides</i> , 167b10–169c2”	
• Universidad Panamericana, Mexico City	May 2022
“The Unity of Justice and Virtue in Aristotle’s <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> ”	
• The Proctor Workshop in Philosophy, Wellesley College	Sept. 2022
• Ancient Philosophy Works in Progress Workshop, NYU	March 2022
• Idaho Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, Pocatello, Idaho	May 2019
“ <i>Sophia</i> and <i>Epistēmē</i> in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> ”	
• University of Michigan Ancient Philosophy Working Group	Dec. 2019
• Princeton-Penn Conference in Ancient Philosophy	Dec. 2019
“Aristotle’s <i>De Caelo</i> 280b1–281a2: Translation and Commentary”	
• Workshop on <i>De Caelo</i> , University of the Aegean, Syros, Greece	July 2019
“Aristotle’s <i>Categories</i> 6: Translation and Commentary”	
• Workshop on the <i>Categories</i> , Princeton University, Princeton, NJ	Jan. 2019
“Aristotle’s <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> VI.12: Translation and Commentary”	
• Workshop on the <i>NE</i> , Naxos, Greece	June 2018
“Aristotle’s <i>Metaphysics</i> A.4–5: Translation and Commentary”	
• Workshop on <i>Met. A</i> , Universidade de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil	Jan. 2018
“Aristotle’s <i>Eudemian Ethics</i> Book II.8: Translation and Commentary”	
• Workshop on the <i>EE</i> , Princeton University, Princeton, NJ	Jan. 2017
“Self-love in Aristotle’s <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> and <i>Eudemian Ethics</i> ”	
• Ruhlman Conference, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA	April 2016

## Teaching

Northwestern University, Assistant Professor	
PHIL 420 Wisdom in Plato and Aristotle	Winter 2025
PHIL 101 Plato on Self-Knowledge and Self-Cultivation	Fall 2024
PHIL 201 History of Ancient Philosophy	Fall 2023, Fall 2024
PHIL 420 Political Expertise in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> and <i>Statesman</i>	Fall 2023
University of Houston, Assistant Professor	
PHIL 1305 Introduction to Ethics	Spring 2022
PHIL 6383 Graduate Seminar on Sextus Empiricus	Spring 2022
PHIL 3383 History of Ancient Philosophy	Fall 2021
University of Pennsylvania, Lead Instructor	
PHI 003-601 Introduction to Ancient Philosophy	Spring 2020
Princeton University, Preceptor	
PHI 205 Introduction to Ancient Philosophy (Hendrik Lorenz)	Spring 2018
Teaching Workshops, Participant	
NEWLAMP, African and Africana Social and Political Philosophy	July 2022
Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers, Philips Andover	July 2015
Graduate Student Advising	

Amelia Perkins, Northwestern (committee member)  
 Hande Akyar, Northwestern (committee member)  
 Gabriel Sánchez Ainsa, Northwestern (pre-dissertation advisor)  
 Paulina Ezquerro, University of Houston (M.A. advisor)

## Service

### At Michigan

PHI. Graduate Placement and Professionalization Committee W 2026  
 CLA. Executive Committee for Language and Literature Program 2025-26

### At Northwestern

Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Advisory Committee Member 2024  
 Mellon Mays Regional Conference Panelist Oct. 2024  
 Undergraduate Assessment Committee 2024  
 Colloquium Committee 2023-25

### At Houston

Mellon Scholars Panel on Research Methods April 2023  
 Graduate Admissions Committee 2022-23  
 Scholarship in the Humanities Seminar Series, Speaker Spring 2022  
 Faculty Mentor for M.A. Students 2021

### At Princeton

UCHV Values and Public Life Certificate Program, Mentor 2020-21  
 Graduate Student Climate Committee 2019-21  
 Classical Philosophy Representative 2018-20  
 Resident Graduate Student at Princeton University, Butler College 2017-19  
 Admitted Students Visit Week Committee 2016-17

### To the Profession

PIKSI-Boston, MIT/UMass Boston/Harvard, Board member 2021-  
 Applying to Graduate School Panel, Wellesley College 2017, 2021, 2023  
 Compass Workshop, Princeton University 2016-18, 2021  
 Faculty Speaker 2021  
 Applications Reader 2016-18  
 Graduate Mentor 2016-17  
 Co-Director (with Alejandro Naranjo Sandoval) 2017  
 Director 2016  
 Women of Color in Academia Panel, Wellesley College 2019  
 MAP Princeton, Committee Member 2016-21

Refereeing: *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *Apeiron*

## References

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