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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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2015-present	Professor, Toronto Metropolitan University
2020 (Jan-June)	Visiting Research Fellow (Research Institute for Culture, Cognition, History, and Heritage) and Researcher-in-Residence (Faculty of Religion and Theology), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.
2006-2015	Associate Professor, Ryerson University
2011-2012	Templeton Visiting Research Fellow, University of Oxford
2011 (Jan-July)	Visiting Associate Professor, Monash University
2007-2010	Program Director, <i>Arts and Contemporary Studies</i> , Ryerson University
2003-2006	Assistant Professor, Ryerson University
2002-2003	Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Toronto

## EDUCATION

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1997-2002	Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Toronto
1993-1997	B.A. (Honours) in Philosophy, University of Toronto

## BOOK

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*The Axiology of Theism*. Cambridge University Press, 2021.

## EDITED BOOKS

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*Does God Matter? Essays on the Axiological Consequences of Theism*. (Routledge) Hardcover, 2018.  
Paperback, 2020.

*God and the Multiverse: Scientific, Philosophical, and Theological Perspectives*. (Routledge)  
Hardcover, 2015. Paperback, 2017.

## **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

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- forthcoming. "Excessive Gratuitous Evil." *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion*.
- 2021 "Is Motivated Submaximization Good Enough for God?" *Religious Studies* 57: 403-417.
- 2021 "Elgin's Community-Oriented Steadfastness." *Synthese* 198: 4985-5008.
- 2019 "Theism, Pro-Theism, Hasker, and Gratuitous Evil." *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion* 9: 31-53.
- 2018 "One Philosopher's Bug can be Another's Feature: Reply to Almeida's 'Multiverse and Divine Creation.'" *Religions* 9: 55-63.
- 2016 "God and Gratuitous Evil (Part II)." *Philosophy Compass* 11: 913-922.
- 2016 "God and Gratuitous Evil (Part I)." *Philosophy Compass* 11: 905-912.
- 2014 "Peter van Inwagen on Gratuitous Evil." *Religious Studies* 50: 217-234
- 2014 "Perspectives and Positions in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy of Religion." *Toronto Journal of Theology* 30: 132-140.
- 2013 "Method and Madness in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy of Religion." *Toronto Journal of Theology* 29: 245-264.
- 2013 "On Preferring God's Non-Existence." *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 43: 157-178.  
[Co-authored with C. Dragos.]
- 2013 "Can God Satisfice?" *American Philosophical Quarterly* 50: 399-410.
- 2013 "Megill's Multiverse Meta-Argument." *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 73: 235-241.
- 2011 "Theism and Modal Collapse." *American Philosophical Quarterly* 48: 361-72.
- 2011 "Incommensurability, Incomparability, and God's Choice of a World." *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 69: 91-102.
- 2010 "Theism, Possible Worlds, and the Multiverse." *Philosophical Studies* 147: 355-368.
- 2008 "Creation, World-Actualization, and God's Choice Among Possible Worlds." *Philosophy Compass* 3: 854-72.
- 2007 "Divine Unsurpassability." *Philosophia* 35: 293-300.
- 2007 "Absence of Evidence and Evidence of Absence." *Faith and Philosophy* 24: 203-228.
- 2006 "God and the Hypothesis of No Prime Worlds." *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 59: 49-68.

- 2005 “William L. Rowe’s *A Priori* Argument for Atheism.” *Faith and Philosophy* 22: 211-234.
- 2005 “Theistic Replies to the *A Priori* Argument for Atheism.” *Philo* 8: 22-36.
- 2003 “Philo’s Argument for Divine Amoralism Reconsidered.” *Hume Studies* 29: 283-304.
- 2002 “Externalism, Memory, and Self-Knowledge.” *Erkenntnis* 56: 297-317.

### **JOURNAL ARTICLES REPRINTED AS BOOK CHAPTERS**

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- 2013 “Divine Unsurpassability.” In Diller, J. and Kasher, A. [Eds.], *Models of God and Alternative Ultimate Realities*, Springer, 223-230. (This is a reprint of my 2007 article in *Philosophia*.)
- 2010 “Theistic Replies to Rowe’s *A Priori* Argument for Atheism.” Chapter 13 of Wainwright, W. [Ed.] *Philosophy of Religion: Critical Concepts in Philosophy*, New York: Routledge, pp. 238-253. (This is a reprint of my 2005 article in *Philo*.)

### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

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- 2021 “Contemporary Analytic Thought: 1950-Present.” In the *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Philosophy of Religion*, edited by Charles Taliaferro and Stuart Goetz, pp.
- 2018 “Invitation to the Axiology of Theism.” In *Does God Matter? Essays on the Axiological Consequences of Theism*, edited by Klaas Kraay, Routledge, 1-36.
- 2015 “Introduction.” In Kraay, K. [Ed.] *God and the Multiverse: Scientific, Philosophical, and Theological Perspectives*, Routledge, 1-21.
- 2012 “The Theistic Multiverse: Problems and Prospects.” In Nagasawa, Y. [Ed.], *Scientific Approaches to the Philosophy of Religion*, Palgrave MacMillan, 143-162.
- 2010 “The Problem of No Best World.” In Taliaferro, C. and Draper, P. [Eds.], *A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Blackwell, 482-491.
- 2008 “Can God Choose a World at Random?” In Weilenberg, E. and Nagasawa, Y. [Eds.] *New Waves in Philosophy of Religion*, Palgrave MacMillan, 22-35.

### **ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHIES**

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- 2014 “God and Possible Worlds.” *Oxford Bibliographies Online*.  
[Co-authored with A. Chantler and K. Lougheed]
- 2013 “Divine Hiddenness.” *Oxford Bibliographies Online*.

## **ARTICLES FOR NON-SPECIALIST AUDIENCES**

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2015 “Analytic Philosophy and Christian Theism.” *The Critique* (April 5).

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

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- Two new papers on the axiology of theism.
- Revisions to the entry on “Divine Freedom”, *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.
- “Can God Be Free?” For *Filozofuj!* (Translation: “Philosophize!” This is a Polish philosophy magazine for high school students: [http://filozofuj.academicon.pl/.](http://filozofuj.academicon.pl/))

## **REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2024 “Excessive Gratuitous Evil”  
- *American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division) Conference*  
New Orleans, LA, February 23.
- 2023 “Excessive Gratuitous Evil”  
- *Society of Christian Philosophers 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference*  
Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, September 29.
- 2021 “Modal Space Pro-Theism: Leibniz on Steroids?”  
- *Princeton Project in Philosophy and Religion Conference*. Online, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>
- 2020 “Moral Resilience, Pandemics, and Excessive Gratuitous Suffering”  
- *Repertoires of Resilience Conference*,  
Faculty of Religion and Theology, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- 2019 “God and Cantorian Absolute Infinite Value”  
- *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, Symposium on God, Axiology, and  
Belief, University of British Columbia, June 3.
- 2017 “Motivated Submaximization: Still Not Good Enough for God”  
- *Society of Christian Philosophers (Pacific Division) Conference*  
Biola University, La Mirada, CA, March 31.  
- *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
Ryerson University, May 30.
- 2016 “Possible Peers and Possible Evils”  
- *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, May 31.

- 2015 “Community-Oriented Anti-Revisionism”  
 - *Western Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
 University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, October 3.  
 - *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
 University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON, June 1.
- 2015 “On Meeting the Requirements for Moral Perfection”  
 - *American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division) Meeting*  
 Vancouver, BC, April 4.
- 2014 “Community-Oriented Anti-Revisionism”  
 - *Cave Hill Philosophy Symposium*  
 University of the West Indies at Cave Hill, Barbados, Nov. 12.
- 2014 “On Meeting the Requirements for Moral Perfection”  
 - *Society of Christian Philosophers (Eastern Division) Meeting*  
 Niagara University, Niagara, NY, Nov. 7.  
 - *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
 Brock University, St. Catherine’s, ON, May 26.
- 2014 “William Hasker on Gratuitous Evil”  
 - *Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers Conference*  
 Brock University, St. Catherine’s, ON, May 26.  
 - *Society of Christian Philosophers (Midwest Region) Conference*  
 Chicago, IL, March 27.
- 2013 “Peter van Inwagen on Gratuitous Evil”  
 - *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
 Victoria, BC, June 2.
- 2013 “Can God Satisfice?”  
 - *American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting*  
 New Orleans, LA, Feb 22.
- 2012 “Can God Satisfice?”  
 - *Western Canadian Philosophical Association Meeting*  
 Victoria, British Columbia, Oct. 20.
- 2012 “Must God Prevent all Gratuitous Evil?”  
 - *University of Glasgow Philosophy of Religion Seminar*  
 Glasgow, UK, May 24.
- 2009 “Incommensurability, Incomparability, and God’s Choice of a World”  
 - *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
 Carleton University, Ottawa, ON, May 25.

- 2008 “Theism and Modal Collapse”  
 - *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
 University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, June 4.  
 - *Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Division Meeting*  
 Niagara University, Niagara, NY, April 19.
- 2007 “Can God Choose a World at Random?”  
 - *The British Society for Philosophy of Religion*  
 University of Oxford, Oxford, UK, September 11.  
 - *Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers Conference*  
 University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, May 30.
- 2007 “Why Theism Requires a Multiverse”  
 - *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting*  
 San Francisco, CA, April 4.
- 2007 “Divine Unsurpassability”  
 - *Mini-Conference on Models of God, at the*  
*American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting*  
 San Francisco, CA, April 4.
- 2006 “Divine Unsurpassability”  
 - *Society of Christian Philosophers Midwestern Division Meeting*  
 Notre Dame, IN, April 21.
- 2005 “God and the Hypothesis of No Prime Worlds”  
 - *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting*  
 San Francisco, CA, March 24.
- 2004 “God and the Hypothesis of No Prime Worlds”  
 - *Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Division Meeting*  
 Cumberland College, Williamsburg, KY, December 4.
- 2004 “Absence of Evidence and Evidence of Absence”  
 - *American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting*  
 Chicago, IL, April 24.
- 2003 “Absence of Evidence and Evidence of Absence”  
 - *Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Division Meeting*  
 Asbury College, Wilmore, KY, December 4-7.
- 2002 “William Rowe’s *A Priori* Argument from Evil”  
 - *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting*  
 Seattle, WA, March 30.

- 2001 “Necessitarianism, Contingentism, and the Problem of Evil”  
- *Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Division Meeting*  
St. John’s College, Rochester, NY, March 1-3.
- 2000 “Perfect Being Theology and the Hypothesis of No Prime Worlds”  
- *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*  
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, May 23-27.
- 2000 “Philo’s Use of Parody in *Dialogues*, Part XI”  
- *27<sup>th</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference*  
College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, July.  
- *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting*  
Albuquerque, NM, April 5-8.
- 2000 “Self-Knowledge and Externalism”  
- *9<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvard – M.I.T. Graduate Student Philosophy Conference*  
Harvard and M.I.T., Cambridge, MA, March 12.
- 2000 “God, Creation, and Possible Worlds”  
- *4<sup>th</sup> Annual Brown University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference*  
Brown University, Providence, RI, February 19-20.
- 1999 “Mental Content, Memory, and the ‘Inclusion Theory of Self-Knowledge’”  
- *Western Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Conference*  
University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, October 15-16.
- 1998 “A Curious Castration: Hume’s Exclusion of ‘Of Miracles’ from the *Treatise*”  
- *Western Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Conference*  
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, November 6-8.

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2023 “Anti-Theism versus ‘The Judo Moves’”  
- Keynote Address, *Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers Annual Conference*,  
York University, Toronto, ON, June 1.  
- Keynote Address, *Virginia Commonwealth University Philosophy of Religion  
Workshop*, Oct. 27.
- 2023 “Arguments from Gratuitous Evil are Pro-Theistic (After All)”  
*Canadian Philosophical Association, Symposium on Axiology in the Philosophy of  
Religion*, May 31.
- 2022 “Excessive Gratuitous Evil” *God and Gratuitous Evil Mini-Conference*, Toronto  
Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group, May 10.
- 2021 “Modal Space Pro-Theism: Leibniz on Steroids?” *Axiology of Theism Mini-Conference*,  
Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group, June 29.

- 2020 “Modal Space Pro-Theism” *Theoretical Philosophy Work-in-Progress Group*, Department of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, June 5.
- 2020 “Community-Oriented Disagreement” *Disagreement: Philosophical and Theological Perspectives*. Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, May 14.
- 2020 “Stepping Stones to the Throne of God: Cantor’s ‘Absolute’ and The Axiology of Theism”. *Faculty of Religion and Theology, Department of Beliefs and Practices Work-in-Progress Group*, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, April 16.
- 2018 “Theological Disagreement”  
Keynote Address, *Toronto School of Theology Graduate Student Conference*, March 23.
- 2017 “God and Infinite Value”  
*Brackenridge Philosophy Symposium*  
University of Texas, San Antonio, October 12-13.
- 2017 “God, Gratuitous Evil, and Excessive Evil”  
*Canadian Society for the Study of Religion*, Panel on “Contemporary Approaches to Suffering, Evil, and Theodicy”, May 30.
- 2017 “Community-Oriented Anti-Revisionism”  
*Canadian Philosophical Association*, Symposium on “Disagreement, Higher-Order Evidence, and New Arguments for Skepticism”, May 29.
- 2017 “Motivated Submaximization: Still Not Good Enough for God”  
University of Toronto Philosophy of Religion Group, March 1.
- 2016 “Divine Satisficing and Arguments for Atheism”  
*Disproof Atheism Society*  
Boston University, Oct. 13.
- 2016 “Doubt and Disagreement”  
*Symposium on Faith and Doubt*  
Tyndale University College, Toronto, ON, March 10.
- 2015 “Theism, Pro-Theism, Hasker, and Gratuitous Evil”  
*Rutgers Conference on Value Theory and Philosophy of Religion*, August 12.
- 2015 “William Hasker on Gratuitous Evil”  
University of Toronto Philosophy of Religion Group, March 9.
- 2013 “Method and Madness in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy of Religion”  
*4<sup>th</sup> Annual Jay Newman Lecture*  
Keynote Address, *Canadian Theological Society Meeting*, Victoria, BC, June 3.
- 2012 “The Theistic Multiverse: Problems and Prospects”  
- *Toronto Working Group on Science and Religion*, Nov. 9.  
- Presentation to Graduate Students in Philosophy, University of Birmingham, Jan. 30.  
- Presentation to Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Feb. 27.  
- *Doctoral Colloquium in Fundamental Theology*, Munich School of Philosophy, Feb. 4.



- 2012 “God, the Multiverse, and the Problem of Evil”  
 - *Stapledon Philosophy Seminar*, University of Liverpool, April 16.  
 - *Doctoral Colloquium in Fundamental Theology*, Munich School of Philosophy, Feb. 4.  
 - *Joseph Butler Society*, University of Oxford, Jan. 23.
- 2012 “On Preferring God’s Non-Existence” [Co-authored with Chris Dragos.]  
 - *Work-in-Progress Group*, University of Oxford, May 30.  
 - *Philosophy Society Seminar*, University of Birmingham, Jan. 30.
- 2011 “The Theistic Multiverse: Problems and Prospects”  
 - *Australian Catholic University Philosophy Research Seminar Series*, July 11.
- 2011 “On Preferring God’s Non-Existence” [Co-authored with Chris Dragos.]  
 - *Oxford Brookes University Philosophy Research Seminar*, Oct. 12.  
 - *Monash University Philosophy Department Work-In Progress Series*, June 10.
- 2009 “Incommensurability, Incomparability, and God’s Choice of a World”  
 - *The Concept of God and the Cognitive Science of Religion Conference*  
 Keynote Address, University of Birmingham, June 16.
- 2008 “Some (Alleged) Disproofs of God from Three Sets of Actualizable Worlds”  
 - *Disproof Atheism Society*, Boston University, October 14.
- 2008 “Theism and Modal Collapse”  
 - *University of Texas (San Antonio) Philosophy Symposium*, February 1.
- 2007 “Theism and the Multiverse”  
 - *University of Texas (San Antonio) Philosophy Symposium*, February 2.
- 2006 “Is God a Perfect Being?”  
 - St. Jerome’s College, University of Waterloo, April 7.
- 2005 Author-Meets-Critics Session on William L. Rowe’s *Can God Be Free?*  
 - *American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting*, Chicago, IL, April 30.

## **COMMENTARIES**

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- 2018 Response to Chris Tucker (William and Mary), “Divine Satisficing and the Ethics of the Problem of Evil.” *Society of Christian Philosophers 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference*. Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, Sept. 13-15.
- 2018 Response to Andrew Chignell (Princeton), “Alternative Conceptions of God in Kant.” *Pantheism and Panentheism Workshop*. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, June 7-8.

- 2014 Response to Dustin Crummett (Notre Dame), "Sufferer-Centred Constraints on Theodicy and Genuinely Regrettable Evils." *Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers Conference*, Brock University, St. Catharine's, ON, May 26.
- 2012 Response to Myron Penner (Trinity Western University), "Incommensurability, Incomparability, and a Perfectly Rational World-Chooser." *Western Canadian Philosophical Association*, Victoria, British Columbia, Oct. 20.
- 2009 Response to Jason Marsh (UWO), "A Lesson in Belief Maintenance." *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, Carleton University, Ottawa, May 25.
- 2009 Response to Erik Wielenberg (DePauw), "Skeptical Theism and Divine Lies." *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Conference*, Vancouver, April 9.
- 2008 Response to Jason Marsh (UWO), "Evolution and Evil Reconsidered." *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, Vancouver, June 4.
- 2008 Response to Jeff Snapper (NIU), "God, Evil, and Closure." *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Conference*, San Francisco, March 21.
- 2006 Response to Robert Larmer (UPEI), "Interpreting Hume on Miracles." *Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers Conference*, York University, Toronto, June 1.
- 2001 Response to Elmar Kremer (University of Toronto), "What Good is the Free Will Defence?", *St. Michael's College Philosophy and Religion Colloquium*, Nov. 23.
- 1999 Response to Jim Dye (College of William and Mary), "Hume's Conception of Natural Law in the Essay on Miracles." *David Hume on Religion Conference*, University of Toronto, February 19-20.
- 1999 Response to Paul Viminiz (University of Lethbridge), "The New Old Problem of Evil and the Self-Effacement Defense." *Western Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Oct. 15-16.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

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- 2018 Hudson, H. *The Fall and Hypertime* (Oxford University Press, 2014), in *Philosophical Quarterly* 68, 200-204.
- 2010 Langtry, B. *God, the Best, and Evil* (Oxford University Press, 2008), in *Philosophical Quarterly* 60: 442-446. [Co-authored with Luke Gelinis.]
- 2003 Howard-Snyder, D., and Moser, P.K. [Eds.], *Divine Hiddenness: New Essays* (Cambridge University Press, 2002), in *Philosophy in Review* 23: 33-35.
- 2002 Murray, M. [Ed.], *Reason for the Hope Within* (Eerdmans, 1998), in *Faith and Philosophy* 19:1: 131-134.
- 2002 Ludlow, P., and Martin, N. [Eds.], *Externalism and Self-Knowledge* (Cambridge University Press, 1998), in *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review* 41: 177-180.

2000 Byrne, P., *The Moral Interpretation of Religion* (Eerdman's, 1998), in *Philosophy in Review* 20: 12-13.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

2020	Researcher-in-Residence Award, Faculty of Religion and Theology, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam	€3,000
2020	Research Grant, Stichting Oud Rustenburg, Baambrugge, The Netherlands	€5,000
2020	Visiting Research Fellowship, Research Institute for Culture, Cognition, History, and Heritage, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam	€5,000
2013-2015	John Templeton Foundation Research Grant <i>Theism: An Axiological Investigation</i> <a href="https://people.ryerson.ca/kraay/theism.html">https://people.ryerson.ca/kraay/theism.html</a>	\$199,900 USD
2011	John Templeton Foundation Workshop Grant <i>God and the Multiverse</i> <a href="https://people.ryerson.ca/kraay/multiverse.html">https://people.ryerson.ca/kraay/multiverse.html</a>	\$15,000 USD
2005-2008	SSHRC Standard Research Grant <i>Theism, Evil, and Religious Belief</i>	\$22,070
2008	Ryerson Summer Research Assistant Support Grant <i>Theism, Evil, and Religious Belief</i>	\$5,500
2007-2008	Ryerson Research Assistant Support Grant <i>Theism, Evil, and Religious Belief</i>	\$2,000
2007	Ryerson Summer Research Assistant Support Grant <i>Theism, Evil, and Religious Belief</i>	\$5,500
2006-2007	Ryerson Research Assistant Support Grant <i>Theism, Evil, and Religious Belief</i>	\$2,000
2005-2006	SSHRC Institutional Grant (Ryerson University) <i>Skepticism in Arguments for Atheism</i>	\$5,700
2004-2005	SSHRC Institutional Grant (Ryerson University) <i>God and Gratuitous Evil</i>	\$5,700
2004-2005	Ryerson New Faculty Development Fund Grant <i>Evil, Religious Belief, and Possible Worlds</i>	\$5,000

## AWARDS

2019	Faculty of Arts Dean's Service Award
2011-2012	Templeton Visiting Research Fellowship, University of Oxford
2002-2003	University of Toronto Postdoctoral Fellowship
1999-2002	SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship
1999-2003	George Paxton Young Memorial Prize, <i>University of Toronto Philosophy Department</i> .
2002	Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, <i>American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting</i> , "William Rowe's <i>A Priori</i> Argument from Evil".

2000-2002	Gordon Cheesborough Graduate Student Travel Fellowship, <i>University of Toronto Philosophy Department</i> .
2000	University of Toronto Foundation Graduate Student Travel Award
	Pew Charitable Trusts Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (for Calvin College Spring Conference 2000: "God and Evil")
1997-1999	Ontario Graduate Scholarship
1999	Martha Lile Love Best Graduate Student Essay Award, <i>University of Toronto Philosophy Department</i> , for "Arguing with Cleanthes in his Own Way: Philo's Use of Parody in <i>Dialogues XI</i> "
1997	School of Graduate Studies Top-Up Award, <i>University of Toronto</i>
	John A. Jessup Memorial Prize in Philosophy, <i>University of Toronto</i>
	Trinity College Provost's Scholar, <i>University of Toronto</i>
	William Ashbaugh Memorial Scholarship, <i>University of Toronto</i>

### **CONFERENCES (CO-)ORGANIZED**

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- 2024 "God and Value Theory." [Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group](#), June 4-6. (Co-organized with Liz Jackson and Daniel Rubio)
- 2023 Mini-Conference on Philosophy of Religion. [Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group](#), December 14-15. (Co-organized with Liz Jackson and Daniel Rubio)
- 2022 "God and Gratuitous Evil." [Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group](#), May 9-10. (Co-organized with Liz Jackson)
- 2021 "The Axiology of Theism". [Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group](#), June 28-30. (Co-organized with Liz Jackson)
- 2020 Mini-Conference on Philosophy of Religion. [Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-in-Progress Group](#), December 8-9. (Co-organized with Liz Jackson)
- 2015 "Does God Matter?", Ryerson University, September 11-12.  
Complete details and videos: <https://people.ryerson.ca/kraay/theismworkshop.html>.
- 2013 "God and the Multiverse", Ryerson University, February 15-16.  
Complete details and videos: <https://people.ryerson.ca/kraay/multiverse.html>.

### **SYMPOSIA (CO-)ORGANIZED**

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- 2020 "Disagreement: Philosophical and Theological Perspectives". Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, May 13-14<sup>th</sup>. Speakers: Valentin Arts, Dirk-Martin Grube, Anna Leyden, Thirza Lagewaard, René van Woudenberg, Chris Ranelli, and myself.
- 2019 "God, Axiology, and Belief" *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, June 1-4. Speakers: Kirk Lougheed (McMaster), Myron A. Penner (Trinity Western), and myself.

- 2015 “The Epistemology of Religious Disagreement” (Co-organized with Kirk Lougheed)  
*Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON,  
 June 4. Speakers: Michael Bergmann (Purdue), John Pittard (Yale), Jon Matheson (N.  
 Florida), Kirk Lougheed (Monash).
- 2014 “Epistemology and the Problem of Evil” (Co-organized with Myron A. Penner)  
*Canadian Philosophical Association Conference*, Brock University, St. Catharines, ON,  
 May 28. Speakers: Paul Draper (Purdue), Ian Wilks (Acadia), David Anderson (SFU),  
 Myron A. Penner (Trinity Western University).

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Undergraduate Courses Taught at Toronto Metropolitan University**

- SSH 105: Critical Thinking I
- ACS 300: Ideas that Shaped the Modern World III (1350-1800)
- PHL 110: Philosophy of Religion I
- PHL 515: Topics in Metaphysics and Philosophy
- PHL 922: Religious Belief, Diversity, and Truth
- PHL 923: Philosophy of Religion II
- PHL 950: Directed Reading Course (various topics)

### **Graduate Courses Taught at Toronto Metropolitan University**

- PH 8104: Philosophy of Religion (Seminar)
- PH 8122: Special Topics in Philosophy (Seminar on Skepticism)
- PH 8124: God and Gratuitous Evil (Directed Reading Course)
- PH 8124: The Problem of Divine Hiddenness (Directed Reading Course)
- PH 8124: God and Possible Worlds (Directed Reading Course)

### **Courses Taught at the University of Toronto**

- PHL 201: Introduction to Philosophy
- PHL 236: Philosophy and Religion
- PHL 245: Modern Symbolic Logic
- PHL 408: Evil and Religious Belief

## **GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISIONS**

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### **MA Theses / Major Research Papers**

- 2022 Wesley Davis, “Permissivism, Uniqueness, and Higher-Order Evidence.”  
 Dale Glover, “Answering the Evil God Challenge”  
 Sarah Touman, “The Free Will Offence and the Comparability of Worlds.”
- 2021 Joel Erhardt, “Arbitrariness and the Contingency of Belief”
- 2020 Sawyer Bullock, “Unpossessed Evidence and Steadfastness”

- 2020 Harold Barrett, "An Examination of Eleonore Stump's Solution to the Problem of Petitionary Prayer"
- 2019 Zachary Reimer, "Divine Silence and Heroic Sacrifice"
- 2016 Jeremy Dawson, "Thor's Paralyzing Principle: Defending Rowe's *A Priori* Argument for Atheism"
- 2015 Adam Blackburn, "Challenging the 'Hidden' Assumption in J.L. Schellenberg's Hiddenness Argument: An Exploration into the Nature of Divine Love."
- 2014 Tim Blank, "The Open Theistic Multiverse."  
Kirk Lougheed, "Disagreement and the Rationality of Religious Belief."  
Jason Poettcker, "Defending the Purpose Theory of Meaning in Life."
- 2013 Aylish Chantler, "Modal Metaphysics and Dogmas of Philosophical Theology: A Response to Almeida."
- 2012 Leland Harper, "Evaluating the Fales/Gellman Debate on the Status of Theistic Mystical Experiences."

### **MA Area Reading Requirement**

- 2023 Anthony Rowden, "Religious Disagreement, Intermediate Views in the Epistemology of Disagreement, Permissivism versus Uniqueness, and the Self-Undermining Objection to Conciliationism"
- 2021 Wesley Davis, "Higher-Order Evidence."  
Dale Glover, "Divine Hiddenness and the Evil God Challenge."  
Sarah Toman, "God and Evil."
- 2020 Joel Erhardt, "Religious Luck."
- 2019 Sawyer Bullock, "The Value of Free Will in Contemporary Philosophy of Religion."
- 2018 Zach Reimer, "The Problem of Divine Hiddenness."
- 2015 Jeremy Dawson, "Conceivability, Possibility, and Theism."
- 2014 Tara Abbawi, "Religious Diversity and Disagreement."  
Adam Blackburn, "The Problem of Divine Hiddenness."
- 2013 Tim Blank, "Divine Foreknowledge and Human Freedom."  
Kirk Lougheed, "The Epistemology of Disagreement."  
Jason Poettcker, "Theism and the Meaning of Life."
- 2012 Aylish Chantler, "God and Modality."  
Kristopher Wilkinson, "God and Modality."
- 2011 Leland Harper, "The Divine Attributes, Miracles, and Religious Experience."

## **EXTERNAL SUPERVISIONS / EXAMINATIONS**

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2012 Kirk Lougheed, Trinity Western University. (External Examiner)  
MA Thesis: "A Contemporary Defense of Leibniz's Theodicy."

2020- Jeffrey Hoops, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. (External PhD Thesis Committee Member)

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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### **Work-in-Progress Group**

Since Fall 2013, I have organized a lively philosophy of religion work-in-progress group for graduate students and faculty in the Toronto area. Since Fall 2020, I have co-organized these events with Liz Jackson, and since Fall 2023, Daniel Rubio has become another co-organizer. For titles and abstracts of all papers presented, along with some videos, see [www.torontomu.ca/philosophy/kraay/philosophy-of-religion-work-in-progress/](http://www.torontomu.ca/philosophy/kraay/philosophy-of-religion-work-in-progress/).

### **Refereeing**

For Journals: *Analysis, Analytic Philosophy, American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly, American Philosophical Quarterly, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Ergo, European Journal for Philosophy of Religion, Faith and Philosophy, Hume Studies, International Journal for Philosophy and Theology, International Journal for Philosophy of Religion, Journal of Philosophy, Mind, Noûs, Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Philosophia, Philosophical Forum, Philosophical Studies, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophy Compass, Religions, Religious Studies, Sophia, Synthese, Theologica, Toronto Journal of Theology.*

For Presses: *Bloomsbury, Broadview, Continuum, OUP, Palgrave-MacMillan, Routledge, Springer, Wiley.*

For Granting Agencies: *John Templeton Foundation, Leverhume Trust, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.*

Other Venues: *Canadian Philosophical Association Conference; Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy.*

### **Lectures to Non-Specialist Audiences**

2020 "Cosmological Arguments", Guest Lecture to René van Woudenberg's Undergraduate Metaphysics Class, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, March 12.

2015 "Can God Permit Pointless Evil?"  
*Ryerson University LIFE Institute Philosophy Café*, March 3.

2013 "Does God Matter?"  
*Vanier College (York University) Speaker Series*, Nov. 20.

2013 "Does God Matter?"  
*Ryerson Philosophy Club*, March 21.

- 2012 “What Difference Would (or Does) God’s Existence Make?”  
*Ryerson University LIFE Institute Philosophy Café*, Oct. 2
- 2009 “Theism, Fine-Tuning, Evil, and the Multiverse.” Guest Lecture to Grade 11 and 12  
Philosophy Classes at *Marc Garneau Collegiate Institute*, Toronto, Nov. 5.
- 2007 “Theism and the Problem of Evil.” Guest Lecture to Grade 11 and 12  
Philosophy Classes at *Marc Garneau Collegiate Institute*, Toronto, Dec. 7.
- 2007 “Philosophical Perspectives on Religious Diversity: Five Competing Views.”  
*Ryerson University LIFE Institute Philosophy Café*, Oct. 23.
- 2006 “Natural Disasters: Some Philosophical Considerations.”  
- *Ryerson University Philosophy Café*, Sept. 26.  
- *Ryerson Ahmadiyya Muslim Student’s Association’s* Symposium on  
Natural Disasters and Theism, March 10.
- 2006 “What is Knowledge, and Do we Have Any?”  
*Ryerson University LIFE Institute Philosophy Café*, Feb 7.
- 2004 “Naturalist Accounts of Religious Belief.”  
*Ryerson University LIFE Institute Philosophy Café*, Oct. 21.
- 2003 “Evil and Religious Belief.”  
*Ryerson University LIFE Institute Philosophy Café*, Nov. 20.

### **Public Philosophy: Interviews on Podcasts/YouTube Channels**

- Feb. 13, 2023: Interviewed about the axiology of theism, the multiverse and the problem of evil, and the problem of no best world for the Turkish YouTube channel *Dini Cevlar* (“Religious Answers”). <https://youtu.be/rpmGtPRah-M>
- Aug. 11, 2022: Interviewed on the topic ‘Can the Multiverse Solve the Problem of Evil?’ for a Philosophy YouTube channel called *The Analytic Christian*. <https://youtu.be/gZx-XBzZwt4>.
- Nov. 25, 2021: Interviewed on the topic of ‘The Axiology of Theism’ for a Philosophy YouTube channel called *The Analytic Christian*. <https://youtu.be/GJYvU5MoSOs>
- Nov 11, 2021: Interviewed on the topic of ‘The Problem of No Best World’ for a Philosophy YouTube channel called *The Analytic Christian*. <https://youtu.be/ZlS43G7e2OQ>
- October 20, 2021: Interviewed on the topic of ‘The Axiology of Theism’ for a Philosophy Youtube channel called *Parker’s Pensées*. [https://youtu.be/KUYQ\\_vYwb6o](https://youtu.be/KUYQ_vYwb6o)
- August 10, 2021: Interviewed on the topic of ‘God and the Multiverse’ for a Philosophy YouTube channel called *The Analytic Christian*. <https://youtu.be/kyXDlyIOSwg>



- June 10, 2021: Interviewed on the topic of ‘God and Gratuitous Evil’ for a Philosophy YouTube channel called *The Analytic Christian*. <https://youtu.be/5QKDZIZfbkc>
- June 5, 2021: Interviewed on a YouTube channel entitled *Real Seekers* on three topics: religious disagreement, the hiddenness of God, and whether or not there is a best of all possible worlds. <https://youtu.be/eHh5pqrWb-s>

### **Editorial Boards**

- 2020- Editorial Board Member, *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion*
- 2020- Editorial Board Member, *Philosophia Reformata*
- 2019- Subject Area Editor (Philosophy of Religion), *Ergo*
- 2013- Editorial Board Member, *Philosophy Compass*  
(Philosophy of Religion Section)

### **External Board Work**

- 2004-7 Board of Governors, *Knox College, University of Toronto*.
- 2004-7 Academic Affairs Committee, *Knox College, University of Toronto*.
- 2006-7 Executive Committee, *Knox College, University of Toronto*.

### **Academic Counselling and Tutoring**

- 2000-3 Residence Don and Junior Fellow, *New College, University of Toronto*.
- 2000-3 Academic Tutor, *University College Writing Lab, University of Toronto*.