

Robert (Alex) Bryant

EDUCATION

- 2021- **Doctor of Philosophy**, Philosophy
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia
- 2020-2021 **Doctor of Philosophy**, Philosophy
McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario
Transferred to University of British Columbia beginning Fall 2021.
- 2018-2020 **Master of Arts**, Philosophy
McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario
Thesis: *Individual Responsibility for Structural Injustice:
The Case of Sexual Assault Perpetrated by Men*
(45,000 words)
Committee: Violetta Ignieski (advisor), Elisabeth Gedge, Megan Stotts
- 2012-2017 **Bachelor of Arts**, Contemporary Studies (honours) and Philosophy (honours)
University of King's College and Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
Thesis: *Turning the Law Against Itself:
Supreme Court litigation as counter-hegemonic tactic in Canada*
(15,000 words)
Committee: Gordon McOuat (advisor), Sarah Clift, Dorota Glowacka

HONOURS & AWARDS

- 2020 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
2020 McMaster Philosophy MA Teaching Assistant Award
2017 Contemporary Studies Honours Thesis Prize

PAPERS IN REFEREED CONFERENCES (* = interrupted by COVID-19)

Individual Responsibility in light of Structural Ontology: The Case of Group-based Sexual Violence

- 2021 (forth.) *Social Ontology 2021* (ISOS), UC San Diego

Shared Responsibility for Systematic Sexual Assault: A Response to the #NotAllMen Objection

- 2021 (forth.) *Canadian Philosophical Association*
2021 (forth.) *North American Society for Social Philosophy*

Gilbert Simondon contra Marx and Hegel: Alienation & Analogical Understanding

2021 (forth.) *Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science*

Joint Commitment-Based Legal Human Rights: With and Against Gilbert

2020 *Canadian Philosophical Association*

2020 *12th Biennial Collective Intentionality Conference (ISOS)*

Aristotle on the Generation of Sounds

2020 *Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science*

What do Misogynist Stereotypes Do? Social Constraints on Autonomy in Commercial Sex

2020* *Bay Area Feminism and Philosophy Workshop (BayFAP)*

2020* *Pitt-CMU Graduate Student Philosophy Conference*

2019 *Western Canadian Philosophical Association*

Inclusive Anchor Individualism: A Comparative Model of Individualist Social Ontologies

2019 *European Network for Social Ontology (ISOS)*

2019 *Canadian Philosophical Association*

Turning the Law Against Itself: Supreme Court litigation as counter-hegemonic tactic in Canada.

2017 *Atlantic Region Philosophers Association*

The Locus of Sin: Contesting Lee's Critique of Malebranche's NNC"

2017 *Conference of the Early Modern*

COMMENTARIES

"The Five-Sex Model: A Conceptual Analysis and Response to Anne Fausto Sterling" by Michaela Thompson

2019 *Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Lethbridge University*

INSTRUCTOR

2020W *Metaphysics (PHILOS 3HH3), with Stefan Sciaraffa, March and April only.*

TEACHING ASSISTANT

McMaster University

- 2021W *Meaning of Life* (PHILOS 1F03), Johannes Steizinger
 2020F *Theory of Knowledge* (PHILOS 3O03), Megan Stotts
 2020W *Aesthetics* (PHILOS 2H03), Barry Allen
 2019F *Political Philosophy* (PHILOS 3N03), Richard Healey
 2019W *Early Modern Philosophy II* (PHILOS 2XX3), James Sikkema
 2018F *Introduction to Ethics* (PHILOS 2YY3), Violetta Ighneski

Dalhousie University

- 2019S *Legal Aspects of Business* (COMM2603.03, marking assistant), Graham Steele
 2017/18FW *German Fiction in Novel and Film* (GERM1020.06), John Cameron
 2016F *German Fiction in Novel and Film* (GERM1020.03), Cornelia Lorenz

University of King's College

- 2018W *Technology and Engineering: From the Industrial Age to the Cybernetic Age*
 (HSTC1801.03) [roughly, applied ethics for engineers], Melanie Frappier
 2017/18FW *Modern Social and Political Thought* (CTMP2000.06), Sarah Clift

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2020-2021 MITAC Accelerate Intern, The United Way Halton and Hamilton, *Supporting Non-Profits through COVID-19: Online Social Innovation Labs*
 Supervisors: Sandra LaPointe, Brent McKnight, Vivien Underdown
 2020 Research Assistant, SSHRC Insight Development Grant, "Building a Behavioural Metaphysics for Social Institutions"
 Supervisor: Megan Stotts
 2020 Research Assistant, *La/The Collaborative*, "Design for Attention: Best practices when moving collaborative workshops online"
 Supervisor: Sandra Lapointe
 2019-2020 Co-PI with Mark Johnstone, "Best Practices for Teaching and Evaluating Undergraduate Philosophical Writing," *MacPherson Institute*
 2019-2020 Research Intern, *La/The Collaborative*
 Supervisor: Sandra Lapointe
 2019 Research Partner, *The Socrates Project*

University of King's College

- 2018 Research Assistant, University Equity Committee, *African Heritage Month*
 Supervisor: Dorota Glowacka
 2016 Student Assistantship in Feminist Philosophy and Philosophy of Race
 Supervisor: Warren Heiti

GRADUATE COURSEWORK (* = Audit)

- 2021S Peer-Evaluated Teaching Experience (ISW) (Devon Mordell)
- 2021W Current Debates in Feminist and Gender Theory (Allauren Forbes)
Conventions, Language, and Normativity (Megan Stotts)
Hellenistic Ethics: Stoics and Epicureans (Mark Johnstone)
- 2020F Rawls (Stefan Sciaraffa)
Nietzsche on Truth and Art (Johannes Steizinger)
Knowledge and Oppression (Alison Wylie and Jonathan Ichikawa), UBC*
- 2020S Essential Skills in Teaching and Learning (I) (Erin Allard)
- 2020W Plato on Pleasure and the Human Good (Mark Johnstone)*
Justice, Responsibility, and Moral Improvement (Violetta Ighneski)*
- 2019F Constitutionalism (Wil Waluchow)*
- 2019W Philosophy of Technology: Gilbert Simondon (Barry Allen)
Autonomy, Oppression, and Gender (Elisabeth Gedge)
Aristotle on Sense Perception (Mark Johnstone)
- 2018F Hegel (Stefan Sciaraffa)
Social Ontology (Megan Stotts)
Rights and Duties (Violetta Ighneski)

PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Events Organized

- 2020 Southwestern Ontario Feminism and Philosophy Workshop
(co-organized with Allauren Forbes)
Philosophical Writing workshops x3 (Argumentation, Mastery, Composition)
(co-organized with Mark Johnstone)

Academic Blogs

- 2021 Dialogues on Disability: Shelley Tremain with Alex Bryant (sixth anniversary)
co-authored with Shelley Tremain
Dialogues on Disability: Shelley Tremain With Alex Bryant
interview by Shelley Tremain

Reading Group Organizer

- 2021 *Foucault and Feminist Philosophy of Disability*

Reports

- 2020 **Design for Attention: Best practices when moving collaborative workshops online.** Author, La/The Collaborative.
- 2016 **Report on Tuition Fees.** Author, University of King's College Board of Governors

2016 **Review of the Academic Relationship of the University of King's College and Dalhousie University.** Co-author, Dalhousie University Senate

Student Journal Referee

2016 *HINGE: A Journal of Contemporary Studies*

Board Executive

2016-2017 **Treasurer**, South House Sexual and Gender Resource Centre

2015-2016 **President**, King's Students' Union

2015-2016 **President**, HMCS King's Wardroom (bar)

2015-2016 **President**, King's Galley Inc. (café)

2015-2016 **Executive Committee**, University of King's College

2014-2015 **Student Life Vice-President**, King's Students' Union

2014-2015 **Treasurer**, King's Bookstore Co-operative

2013-2014 **Financial Vice-President**, King's Students' Union

Committee Chair

2016 **Board Chair Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

2015-2016 **Staff Review and Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

2015 **Orientation Week Coordinator Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

2015 **Graduation Week Coordinator Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

2014-2015 **Equity Committee**, King's Students' Union

2014-2015 **Academic Committee**, King's Students' Union

2014 **Levy Task Force**, King's Students' Union

2014 **CUBE Coordinator Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

2013-2014 **Finance Committee**, King's Students' Union

Committee Member

2018-2019 **Finance Committee**, Graduate Student Association at McMaster University

2014-2016 **Senate Committee to Review the Academic Relationship of the University of King's College and Dalhousie University**, Dalhousie University Senate

2016 **Committee on Student Fees**, UKC Board of Governors

2016 **Presidential Search Committee**, UKC Board of Governors

2016 **Graduation Week Coordinator Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

2015-2016 **College Task Force on Financial Sustainability**, UKC Board of Governors

2015-2016 **Governance, Human Resources, and Nominating Committee**, UKC Board of Governors

2013-2016 **Staff Review and Search Committee**, King's Students' Union

- 2013-2016 **Student-Government Roundtable**, Nova Scotia Ministry of Labour & Advanced Education
- 2015 **CUBE Coordinator Search Committee**, King's Students' Union
- 2014-2015 **Alex Fountain Memorial Lecture Selection Committee**, UKC Board of Governors
- 2014, 2016 **Orientation Week Coordinator Search Committee**, King's Students' Union
- 2014-2015 **Campus Master Planning Committee**, UKC Board of Governors
- 2014-2015 **Property, Grounds, and Safety Committee**, UKC Board of Governors
- 2014-2015 **Residence Don Hiring Committee**, UKC
- 2014-2015 **Enrolment Management Committee**, UKC Board of Governors
- 2014-2015 **University Finance Committee**, UKC Board of Governors
- 2014-2015 **Budget Advisory Committee**, UKC Board of Governors
- 2013-2015 **Director**, HMCS King's Wardroom
- 2013-2015 **Director**, King's Galley Inc.
- 2013 **Property Development Committee**, Dalhousie University Board of Governors

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- CPA Canadian Philosophical Association
- CSHPS Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science
- CSWIP Canadian Society for Women In Philosophy
- ISOS International Social Ontology Society
- WCPA Western Canadian Philosophical Association