

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.
- 2021 **Teaching and Learning Foundations Certificate of Completion**
MacPherson Institute, McMaster University
- 2021 **Instructional Skills Workshop Certificate**
MacPherson Institute, McMaster University
- 2018-2020 **Master of Arts**, Philosophy
McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario
Thesis: *Individual Responsibility for Structural Injustice:
The Case of Sexual Assault Perpetrated by Men*
Committee: Violetta Ighneski (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*
Committee: Gordon McOuat (advisor), Sarah Clift, Dorota Glowacka

HONOURS & AWARDS

- 2021 UBC Graduate Fellowship, four years
- 2021 UBC President's Academic Excellence Initiative Award
- 2020 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- 2020 McMaster Philosophy MA Teaching Assistant Award
- 2020 McMaster Graduate Scholarship, four years
- 2020 McMaster Graduate Entrance Award
- 2018 McMaster Graduate Scholarship, two years
- 2017 Contemporary Studies Honours Thesis Prize

PAPERS IN REFEREED CONFERENCES

- 2022 **TBA, Symposium: “Disabling Philosophy in the Canadian Context”**
Canadian Philosophical Association
- 2021 **Individual Responsibility in light of Structural Ontology: The Case of Group-based Sexual Violence**
Social Ontology 2021 (ISOS)
- 2021 **Shared Responsibility for Systematic Sexual Assault: A Response to the #NotAllMen Objection**
Canadian Philosophical Association
- 2021 *North American Society for Social Philosophy*
- 2021 **Gilbert Simondon contra Marx and Hegel: Alienation & Analogical Understanding**
Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science
- 2020 **Joint Commitment-Based Legal Human Rights: With and Against Gilbert**
Canadian Philosophical Association
- 2020 *12th Biennial Collective Intentionality Conference (ISOS)*
- 2020 **Aristotle on the Generation of Sounds**
Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science
- 2020 **What do Misogynist Stereotypes Do? Social Constraints on Autonomy in Commercial Sex**
Bay Area Feminism and Philosophy Workshop (BayFAP)
- 2020 *Pitt-CMU Graduate Student Philosophy Conference*
- 2019 *Western Canadian Philosophical Association*
- 2019 **Inclusive Anchor Individualism: A Comparative Model of Individualist Social Ontologies**
European Network for Social Ontology (ISOS)
- 2019 *Canadian Philosophical Association*
- 2017 **Turning the Law Against Itself: Supreme Court litigation as counter-hegemonic tactic in Canada.**
Atlantic Region Philosophers Association

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

2017 *Conference of the Early Modern*

COMMENTARIES

2021 "Cutting off a Hydra's Head: Plato on the Insatiability of Desire" by Alec Oakley
Western Canadian Philosophical Association, University of Victoria

2021 "Are women "free and equal" in Rawls's well-ordered society?" by Jennifer Foster
Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference, University of British Columbia

2019 "The Five-Sex Model: A Conceptual Analysis and Response to Anne Fausto
Sterling" by Michaela Thompson
Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Lethbridge University

INVITED TALKS

2021 Is Ideology-Talk Disability-Talk?
Philosophy, Disability and Social Change II

GUEST LECTURES

2022 TBA
Greek Philosophy II (PHIL 212), Michael Griffin

2021 Adam Smith's "History of Astronomy" and "Lectures on Jurisprudence"
History and Philosophy of Economics I (PHIL 362), Margaret Schabas

INSTRUCTOR

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

TEACHING ASSISTANT**University of British Columbia**

2021W *Greek Philosophy 2: Aristotle, Hellenistic, Neoplatonic (CLST/PHIL 212),
Michael Griffin*

2021F *The Philosophy of Aristotle (PHIL 311A), Brooks Sommerville
History and Philosophy of Economics I (PHIL 362), Margaret Schabas*

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 Igeneski

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

- 2021- Research Assistant, Canada Research Chair (Tier I) Philosophy of the Social and
 Historical Sciences
 Supervisor: Alison Wylie
 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; † = in-progress)

- 2022S *Attention*, Christopher Mole
- 2022W *Philosophy of Mind: Computationalism*, Christopher Mole†
Collective Actions, Agents, Responsibility, Scott Anderson†
- 2021F *Knowledge and Oppression*, Alison Wylie and Jonathan Ichikawa
Self-Transformation in Ancient Platonist and Buddhist Philosophy, Michael Griffin
STS Proseminar: Data, Facts, Evidence, Alison Wylie
- 2021W *Current Debates in Feminist and Gender Theory*, All Lauren 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
- 2020W *Plato on Pleasure and the Human Good*, Mark Johnstone*
Justice, Responsibility, and Moral Improvement, Violetta Igneski*
- 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 Igneski

PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**Events Organized**

- 2020 Southwestern Ontario Feminism and Philosophy Workshop
 (co-organized with All Lauren 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
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 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

Referee

Asian Bioethics Review (x1)

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

APA	American Philosophical Association
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