

A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

1. Personal

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2. Employment

2022-present: Assistant Professor (teaching stream, CLTA, full-time)
Department of Philosophy and Department of Computer Science, University of Toronto

2021-2022: Assistant Professor (teaching stream, CLTA, part-time)
Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto (Mississauga)

3. Education

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Toronto, 2021

Dissertation: “Liberal Theories of Political Authority”

Committee: David Dyzenhaus (supervisor), Arthur Ripstein (reader), Joseph Heath (reader)

M.A. Philosophy, University of British Columbia, 2011
B.A. (Honours) Philosophy, University of Calgary, 2009
B.Sc. Applied Mathematics, University of Calgary, 2009

4. Awards

Martha Lile Love Teaching Award (honourable mention), 2020

(departmental award for teaching and teaching innovation)

Comment: “I was particularly struck by the clarity of your pedagogical goals in the context of philosophy of law and how thoughtfully the course was designed to achieve them.”

Deans’ Graduate Superior Teaching Award, 2018

(one awarded per year across the University of Toronto)

Citation: “Steven Coyne – who was nominated for his exemplary work teaching Issues in Philosophy of Law – is described by students as a caring and welcoming instructor who fosters peer-to-peer discussion and feedback in the classroom. In the words of one student: “Steven created an engaging learning environment, incorporating in-class discussions and group activities.” Another added: “I will never forget the course I took with Steven Coyne – it was the most enjoyable class in my four years at U of T.””

5. Professional Memberships

Faculty Affiliate, Schwartz-Reisman Institute for Technology and Society
Canadian Philosophical Association
American Philosophical Association

B. RESEARCH

6. Publications

1. Steve Coyne, "The Role of Civility in Political Disobedience," *Philosophy and Public Affairs* (forthcoming)
2. Diane Horton, Sheila McIlraith, David Liu, Steven Coyne, Nina Wang, "Do Embedded Ethics Modules Have Impact Beyond the Classroom?", to appear *Proceedings of the 55th ACM Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education (SIGCSE '24)"*
3. Steve Coyne, "Coercion and Obligation as Exercises of Authority", *Jurisprudence*, 2016.

7. Articles in Progress

1. Article about exclusionary reasons and authority, under review
2. Article about the duty to obey the law, under review

8. Refereed Research Talks

1. "Majority Rule and Compensatory Powers"
Canadian Philosophical Association, Montreal QB, forthcoming June 2024
2. "Civil Disobedience as Reason-Giving"
Canadian Philosophical Association, Edmonton AB, May 2021
3. "Political Authority as Arbitrational Authority"
Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Calgary AB, October 2018
4. "Authority and the Problem of Moral Reach"
Canadian Philosophical Association, Toronto ON, May 2017
5. "Coercion and Obligation as Exercises of Authority"
Canadian Philosophical Association, Calgary AB, May 2016
World Congress of Philosophy of Law, Washington DC, July 2015
6. "Managerial and Arbitrational Authority"
Canadian Philosophical Association, Ottawa ON, May 2015
Western Canadian Philosophical Association, Vancouver BC, October 2014
7. "A Right-that-he-be-ruled Account of Authority"
University of Waterloo Graduate Conference, Waterloo ON, April 2014
Canadian Philosophical Association, St. Catherines ON, May 2014
8. "The Open Question Argument: An Argument for Non-Reductive Moral Naturalism?"

9. “Street’s Darwinian Dilemma for Naturalist Theories of Value”
Evolution of Morality and Morality of Evolution Conference, Oxford UK, July 2011
10. “Do Referential Intentions Solve Moral Naturalism’s Twin Earth Problem?”
Society for Exact Philosophy, Winnipeg MB, May 2011

9. Non-Refereed Talks

1. “From Pilot to Program: Lessons from the E3I Interdisciplinary Ethics Initiative”
Faculty of Arts and Sciences Teaching Community of Practice, University of Toronto,
November 2023 (with Diane Horton, David Liu, Sheila McIlraith)
2. “Mitigating Racial Bias in AI Research”
Centre for Research and Innovation Support, University of Toronto, October 2023
3. “The Ethics of Recommendations: Algorithms and Collaborative Filtering”
Department Colloquium, Dalhousie University, August 2023
4. “Medical Disobedience: The Case of Henry Morgentaler”
Philosophy Course Union, University of Toronto, November 2022

C. TEACHING

10. Undergraduate Courses Taught

Course	Sessions
Law and Morality (PHL271)	Fall 2023, Summer 2020, Summer 2019, Summer 2018 x 2, Summer 2017
Business Ethics (PHL295)	Winter 2023
Issues in Environmental Ethics: Ecofeminism (PHL373)	Fall 2022
Issues in Philosophy of Law: Authority and Civil Disobedience (PHL370)	Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Winter 2020 x 2, Summer 2017, Summer 2016, Summer 2015
Bioethics (PHL281)	Summer 2021, Summer 2019
Introduction to Ethics (PHLA11)	Fall 2020
Advanced Seminar in Political Philosophy (PHLD78)	Winter 2021
Environmental Ethics (PHL273)	Summer 2020
Topics in Normative Ethics (PHL374)	Fall 2021
Critical Reasoning (PHL239)	Fall 2021

11. Undergraduate Tutorials Led

Course	Sessions
Bioethics (PHL281/PHLB09)	Winter 2021, Fall 2020, Winter 2019, Fall 2018, Winter 2017, Fall 2017, Winter 2017, Fall 2016, Winter 2016
Law and Morality (PHL271)	Fall 2020, Fall 2016, Summer 2016, Fall 2015, Summer 2014, Winter 2014
Political Philosophy (PHL265)	Winter 2016, Winter 2015, Fall 2014

Early Modern Philosophy (PHL210)	Fall 2017, Winter 2018 (full year course)
Introduction to Philosophy (PHL101)	Fall 2016, Winter 2017 (full year course)

12. Modules Developed with the Embedded Ethics Education Initiative (E3I)

Course	Sessions	Topic
CSC207	Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023	Accessibility and Software Design
CSC311	Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Winter 2023, Fall 2023	Manipulation and Recommender Systems
CSC373	Fall 2021, Fall 2023	Values in Algorithmic Formulation
CSC420	Fall 2022, Winter 2023, Fall 2022	Bias and Discrimination in Image Understanding Algorithms
CSC404	Winter 2023	Addiction in Video Game Design
JSC270	Winter 2023	Manipulation in Visualizations
EEB323	Fall 2023	Ethics of Molecular Genetic Research in Humans
STA130	Fall 2023	Bias and Discrimination in Classification Algorithms
STA302	Fall 2023	Professional Duties in Statistics
STA304	Fall 2023	Ethics of Human Research in Statistics

13. Undergraduate Supervision

1. Directed reading (PHL495), Olivia Sun, winter 2024 (self-defense and civil disobedience)
2. Directed reading (PHL495), Reece Young, fall 2023 (environmental ethics and extended mind hypothesis)

D. SERVICE

14. External Service

ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (ACM FACCT), 2024
Program Committee, 2024
Judge, Ontario Ethics Bowl, 2023

15. Internal Service

Coordinator, Ethics of Technology Reading Group, 2023-present
Judge, Engineers Without Borders Hackathon, 2023
Orientation Chair, Graduate Philosophy Students Association, 2014
Treasurer, Graduate Philosophy Students Association, 2014-16