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**AOS** Philosophy of public and population health  
**AOC** Social epistemology, History and philosophy of science, Bioethics

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## EDUCATION

<b>PhD</b> (ABD), Philosophy McGill University Thesis Title: Ignorance & Equity: Epistemic Interventions for Public Health Thesis Supervisors: Natalie Stoljar & Daniel Weinstock	2016-Present
<b>Certificate</b> in teaching philosophy McGill University	2020
<b>MA</b> , Philosophy The New School for Social Research (NSSR)	2015
<b>BA</b> , Arts & Contemporary Studies (Philosophy Major) Ryerson University	2012

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## AWARDS

David Fate Norton Fellowship in Philosophy (7,000 CAD)	2022
Wolfe Graduate Fellowship in Scientific and Technological Literacy (7,500 CAD)	2021
Graduate Award, McGill's Institute of Health and Social Policy (4,000 CAD)	2020
Merit Based Stipend, NSSR (13,000 USD)	2013-2015
Merit Based Tuition Award, NSSR (7,000 USD)	2013-2015

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## PUBLICATIONS

Clairmont S, Friesen P, Doerksen E, Gunay A (*in progress*) "(Epistemic) injustice & resistance in research oversight: Canadian perspectives"

Clairmont, S., Deslauriers, M. (2022). Querelle des Femmes. In: Jalobeanu, D., Wolfe, C.T. (eds) Encyclopedia of Early Modern Philosophy and the Sciences. Springer, Cham.  
[https://doi-org.proxy3.library.mcgill.ca/10.1007/978-3-319-31069-5\\_411](https://doi-org.proxy3.library.mcgill.ca/10.1007/978-3-319-31069-5_411)

Clairmont S. (2015) "She'll Eat Him Up She Loves Him So." *Feral Feminisms* 3: pp. 56-69.

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## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

<b>Teaching Philosophy to STEM students</b> Talking/Teaching Weekly Series American Association of Philosophy Teachers New York	2022
<b>“Ignorance and Equity: Epistemic interventions for public health”</b> 2022 Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science Conference: “Interdisciplinary approaches for advancing population health equity” Minneapolis, MN	2022
<b>“Epistemic barriers to ethical research governance: A Canadian perspective”</b> McGill University’s Institute of Health and Social Policy Montreal, QC	2021
<b>“Valuing Epidemiologic Theory”</b> Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science Annual Meeting Edmonton, AB	2021
<b>“Ca va bien aller? Canada’s equity response to COVID-19”</b> McGill University’s Institute of Health and Social Policy Montreal, QC	2021
<b>“(Epistemic) Humility and Population Health”</b> Annual Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences Canadian Philosophical Association Edmonton, AB	2021
<b>“What use is ‘race’ in medicine? An appraisal of Quayshawn Spencer’s genuine kind realism”</b> MAP-Penn’s 5th Annual Conference: Philosophy of Race Philadelphia, PA	2020
<b>“Hildegard of Bingen: Equality and (sexual) difference”</b> International Society for the Study of Human Ideas on Ultimate Reality & Meaning 19th Biennial Meeting Toronto, ON	2018
<b>“A harsh reality for photography”</b> Western Canadian Philosophy Association: 52nd Annual Meeting Saskatoon, SK	2015
<b>“In-bodied others: Moral reasoning and biomechanical transplant research”</b> 9th Annual Critiquing Culture Conference Fairfax, VA	2015

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## INVITED GUEST LECTURES

COVID-19 and systemic discrimination in government services and programs Kwantlen Polytechnic University (PHIL 1110: Introduction to Ethics)	2021
Biological realist approaches to race: Quayshawn Spencer’s genuine kind realism McGill University (PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race)	2019
Social constructionism about race: Chike Jeffers’ cultural constructionism McGill University (PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race)	2019
Feminist (Care) Ethics	2019

McGill University (PHIL 334: Ethical Theory)

Hegel's Second Sex: de Beauvoir and the politics recognition 2014  
Ryerson University (Graduate philosophy reading group on Hegel's *Phenomenology of Spirit*)

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *McGill University*

Philosophy of Science: Social Epistemology and Population Health (Instructor)	2022
Philosophy of Science: Epidemiology and Population Health (Instructor)	2021
Epistemology of Medicine (Instructor)	2020
Introduction to Feminist Theory (TA)	2020
Introduction to Deductive Logic (TA)	2020
Philosophy of Science (TA)	2019
Introduction to Deductive Logic (TA)	2019
Introduction to Philosophy (TA)	2018
Introduction to Philosophy (TA)	2017
Introduction to Feminist Theory (TA)	2016

### *Ryerson University*

Issues of Life, Death, and Poverty (TA)	2016
Philosophy of Human Nature (TA)	2015

### *The New School for Social Research*

Inventions of Literature (TA)	2014
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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### *McGill University*

Community involvement in research ethics governance Supervisor: Phoebe Friesen	2021–2022
The ethics of health care rationing Supervisor: Iwao Hirose	2021-2022
Graduate Award Program: research to policy (participant) McGill's Institute of Health and Social Policy	2020-2021
Is 'race' a risk factor for vitamin D deficiency? Supervisor: Eran Tal (in collaboration with McGill Biology Department)	2019
The Equality Project ( <a href="http://querelle.ca">querelle.ca</a> ) Supervisor: Marguerite Deslauriers	2016-2018
Women and the Italian Renaissance State (for the Equality Project) Supervisee: Kelsey Brady	2017

### *The New School for Social Research*

On the human use of animals in biomedical research Supervisor: Alice Crary	2015
Animal minds and animal models Supervisor: Zed Adams	2014

*Ryerson University*

Philosophy and education policies in Canada Supervisor: Elizabeth Trott	2012
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**INTERNATIONAL STUDY**

History of Women Philosophers and Scientists (summer research programme) Paderborn University – Paderborn, Germany	2017
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Renaissance Studies (summer research programme) Vancouver Island University – Florence, Italy	2013
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**ACADEMIC SERVICE**

*International*

<b>Co-organizer</b> , Colloque en philosophie ancienne et médiévale – Perspectives féminines*	2018
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*McGill University*

<b>Executive Organizing Committee</b> , Minorities and Philosophy (MAP-McGill)	2020-Present
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<b>Transparency and Governance Committee</b> , Philosophy Department	2021-2022
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<b>TA-Support Coordinator</b> , Philosophy Department	2017-2018
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*The New School for Social Research (NSSR)*

<b>Journal Editor</b> , People in Support of Women in Philosophy’s (PSWIP) Annual Journal	2014
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<b>Panel Chair</b> , Power, Pedagogy, and philosophy’s ‘women problem’	2014
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<b>Co-organizer</b> , PSWIP’s roundtable on climate and inclusiveness in philosophy	2014
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<b>Organizer &amp; Research Member</b> , PSWIP	2013
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*Ryerson University*

<b>External Events Coordinator</b> , Arts and Contemporary Studies Course Union	2010–2012
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**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science	2022-Present
Canadian Knowledge Transfer and Exchange Community of Practice	2020-Present

Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science  
Réseau de recherche en santé des populations du Québec  
The Canadian Philosophical Association / L'Association Canadienne de philosophie

2021-Present  
2019-Present  
2021-2022

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## **LANGUAGES**

English (*native*)  
French (*advanced reading comprehension*)