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## Research Interests

Epistemology — Social, Political, Applied

## Academic Employment

Grader, Department of Mathematics, Creighton University, 2024–2025.

Research Assistant to Anne Ozar, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, 2023–2024.

Research Assistant to Michael D. Thomas, Menard Family Center for Economic Inquiry, 2023.

Academic Tutor, TRiO Upward Bound Programs, Creighton University, 2022–2023.

## Education

**Ph.D.** in Philosophy, Northwestern University, beginning 2025.

**B.A.** in Philosophy, Creighton University, 2025.

## Publications

2025. “Responsibility to Reflect: Reflection as an Epistemic Responsibility in Democratic Society.”

*The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Review* 4, 5-14. PHILPAPERS [LARRTR](#).

2024. “Epistemic Vulnerability & Tolerance in Society.”

*The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Review* 3, 15–28. PHILPAPERS [LAREVA](#).

2023. “Black Trust in White Allies: Insights from Slave Narratives” (with K.M. Graham, A. Arthur, A. Griswold, B. Kearns, Q. Klade, and S. Wayne).

*Social Philosophy Today* 39, 183–195. DOI [10.5840/socphiltoday202369106](https://doi.org/10.5840/socphiltoday202369106).

## Presentations

“Trust, Epistemic Norms, & Vaccine Hesitancy in Black Communities.”

Diversity Institute Alumni Panel, 2025 American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting (online), February 2025.

Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE), April 2023.

“Epistemic Unbelonging: Civic Trust in a Post-Truth Democracy” (with A.C. Ozar and M. King), 41st International Social Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE), July 2024.

"Descending to Democracy: Problems for the Soul in *Republic 8*," 12th Mid-Hudson Valley Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Marist College (Poughkeepsie, NY), April 2024.

"Resistance to Oppression in Slave Narratives" (with K.M. Graham, D. Snider, and M. Spigner), 40th International Social Philosophy Conference, University of Portland (Portland, OR), July 2023.

"Religion Has Failed... Now What? Defining & Redefining the Purpose & Presence of Religious Ideals in the 21st Century," Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE), May 2022.

### *Presented Comments*

Comments on Violeta Lopez Molina's "Interpellation in the colonial context," April 2025, presented at Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE).

Comments on Olivia Wiegel's "The intrinsic value of knowledge in *The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*," April 2025, presented at Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE).

Comments on Izzy Clarke's "Better to not believe: *Prima facie* belief as a form of epistemic injustice," April 2024, presented at Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Creighton University (Omaha, NE).

## Fellowships, Grants, & Awards

Sophia Award for Outstanding Performance in the Major, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, awarded 2025.

Praxis Award for Outstanding Service to the Department, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, awarded 2025.

Eruditio Award for Outstanding Research in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Creighton University, awarded 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025.

Rising Scholar Award in Humanities, Center for Undergraduate Research & Scholarship, Creighton University, awarded 2025.

College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, \$4,000, Center for Undergraduate Research & Scholarship, Creighton University, funded 2024.

Gail Werner Robertson Research Fellowship, \$3,000, Menard Family Center for Economic Inquiry, funded 2023.

Dean's Honor Roll, College of Arts and Sciences, Creighton University, awarded each term since spring 2022.

## Professional Activities & Service

Phi Sigma Tau Philosophy Honor Society (Nebraska Beta Chapter), Creighton University.

Chapter President, 2024–2025.

Vice President, 2023–2024.

Co-Organizer, Midwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, 2023–2025.

## Other Employment

Reading & Math Tutor, Sylvan Learning of NW Omaha, 2025–pres.

Makerspace in Reinert Alumni Memorial Library, Creighton University Libraries, 2023–2025

Supervisor, 2024–2025

Associate, 2023–2024.

Tutor, TRiO Upward Bound Programs, Creighton University, 2022–2023.

Dispatcher, Department of Public Safety, Creighton University, 2021–2022.

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