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APPOINTMENTS

Academic Appointments

2020 – Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
• Cross-appointed to the Department of Classical Studies
2015 – 2020 Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
• Cross-appointed to the Department of Classical Studies
2012 – 2015 Harper-Schmidt Fellow and Collegiate Assistant Professor, University of Chicago
Summer 2013 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, Germany
2009 – 2012 Postdoctoral Fellow, Stanford University

Visiting and Honorary Appointments

2021 – Senior Fellow, Massey College, University of Toronto
2018 – 2019 Visiting Scholar, Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology, University of Toronto
Spring 2018 Visiting Scholar, l'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France

EDUCATION

2009 Ph.D., University of Toronto
2004 M.A., University of Toronto
2003 B.A., Honors, Brown University
Spring 2002 King's College London, University of London

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Ptolemy's Philosophy: Mathematics as a Way of Life. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2018.

- Published in paperback, Oct. 2020
- Shortlisted for the Pickstone Prize, British Society for the History of Science

- Reviews:

- Historia Mathematica* 54 (Feb. 2021): 117-119
Isis 111.4 (Dec. 2020): 866-867
The International Journal of the Platonic Tradition 14.1 (May 2020): 97-98
Metaphilosophy 51.1 (Jan. 2020): 151-155
Phronesis 64.4 (Oct. 2019): 520
Bryn Mawr Classical Review 2019.07.10
Zentralblatt MATH 1397.00030
Journal for the History of Astronomy 50.2 (2019): 249-250
Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews 2019.04.10
Choice 56.7 (2019): 892
British Journal for the History of Mathematics 34.2 (2019): 118-119
Aestimatio 14 (2019): 27-37
Kwartalnik Historii Nauki i Techniki 64.4 (2019): 197-201
European Mathematical Society 8 Nov. 2018

Refereed Journal Articles and Book Chapters

- “The Principles of Ptolemy’s Philosophy of Science.” *Ptolemy's Philosophy and its Reception in Greek, Arabic, and Hebrew Thought*. Proceedings of the Conference Held in the Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Georgetown University, 3–4 May 2016. Ed. Alan C. Bowen and Emma Gannagé. Leiden: Brill, forthcoming.
- “On the Need to Re-examine the Relationship between the Mathematical Sciences and Philosophy in Greek Antiquity.” *Anachronisms in the History of Mathematics: Essays on the Historical Interpretation of Mathematical Texts*. Ed. Niccolò Guicciardini. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021. 105-130.
- “Ptolemy’s Philosophy of Geography.” *Claudio Ptolomeo: Geografía (Capítulos teóricos)*. Ed. René Ceceña. Mexico City: Facultad de Filosofía y Letras, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, 2018. 281-326.
- “Meta-mathematical Rhetoric: Hero and Ptolemy against the Philosophers.” *Historia Mathematica* 41.3 (2014): 261-276.
- “Mathematizing the Soul: The Development of Ptolemy’s Psychological Theory from *On the Kritérion and Hégemonikon* to the *Harmonics*.” *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science* 43.4 (Dec. 2012): 585-594.
- “Ptolemy’s Defense of Theoretical Philosophy.” *Apeiron: A Journal for Ancient Philosophy and Science* 45.1 (Jan. 2012): 61-90.
- (with Alexander Jones). “Ptolemy.” *Cambridge History of Philosophy in Late Antiquity*, vol. 1. Ed. Lloyd Gerson. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010. 197-209.

Encyclopedia and Non-Refereed Journal Articles

- “Geocentricity,” *Oxford Classical Dictionary*. Ed. Tim Whitmarsh. Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.
- “The Ethics of Ancient Mathematics: The Case of Claudius Ptolemy,” *Canadian Mathematical Society Notes* 53.3 (June 2021): 10-11.
- “Théon d’Alexandrie.” *Dictionnaire des philosophes antiques*, vol. 6: de Sabinillus à Tyrsénos. Ed.

Richard Goulet. Paris: CNRS Éditions, 2016. 1008-1016.

“What Can We Know of What the Romans Knew? Comments on Daryn Lehoux’s *What Did the Romans Know? An Inquiry into Science and Worldmaking*.” *Expositions: Interdisciplinary Studies in the Humanities* 6.2 (2012): 23-32.

“Ptolémée d’Alexandrie (Claude).” *Dictionnaire des philosophes antiques*, vol. 5, 2nd part: de Plotina à Rutilius Rufus. Ed. Richard Goulet. Paris: CNRS Éditions, 2012. 1718-33.

Book Reviews

Review of John M. Steele (ed.), *The Circulation of Astronomical Knowledge in the Ancient World* (Leiden: Brill, 2016), *Aestimatio* 13 (2019): 115-118.

Review of Markus Asper (ed.) in collaboration with Anna-Maria Kanthak, *Writing Science: Medical and Mathematical Authorship in Ancient Greece* (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2013), *Aestimatio* 10 (2013): 352-354.

Review of Karine Chemla (ed.), *The History of Mathematical Proof in Ancient Traditions* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), *Early Science and Medicine* 18.6 (2013): 568-570.

Review of Nicholas Campion, *Astrology and Cosmology in the World's Religions* (New York: New York University Press, 2012), *Journal for the History of Astronomy* 44.4 (Nov. 2013): 492-493.

Review of Olivier Darrigol, *A History of Optics: From Greek Antiquity to the Nineteenth Century* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012), *Physics Today* 66.6 (June 2013): 52-53.

Review of Jo Marchant, *Decoding the Heavens: A Two-Thousand-Year-Old Computer—and the Century-Long Search to Discover Its Secrets* (Cambridge, MA: Da Capo Press, 2009), *Isis* 101.1 (March 2010): 261-262.

Review of James Evans and J. Lennart Berggren, *Geminus's Introduction to the Phenomena. A Translation and Study of a Hellenistic Survey of Astronomy* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2006), *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 2007.04.35.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations

- 2023 “Ptolemy’s Principles,” Gargnano Ancient Philosophy Sessions: Mathematics in Ancient Platonism, Università degli Studi di Milano, Gargnano, Italy
“Ptolemy’s Epistemology of Astronomy,” Seven Pines Symposium: Windows on the Universe: From Galileo to LIGO and Beyond, Stillwater, MN, U.S.A.
- 2022 “Ptolemy’s Principles,” Proof in Natural Philosophy: Between Antiquity and the Early Modern Period, Institute of Philosophy, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2020 BSHS Pickstone Book Prize Discussion Panel, BSHS Global Digital History of Science Festival, British Society for the History of Science, U.K.
“Ancient Greek Mathematics as Philosophy,” Department of Philosophy, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada
“Ancient Greek Mathematics as Philosophy,” Joint Mathematics Meetings: American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of America,

- Denver, CO, U.S.A.
- 2019 “Ancient Greek Mathematics as Philosophy,” Department of Philosophy,
University of Guelph, Guelph, ON, Canada
- 2018 “The Physics of Ptolemy’s Astrology,” in symposium “Stabilities and innovations in
the astral sciences: perspectives from Chinese, Sanskrit, Arabic, and Latin
sources,” European Society for the History of Science in conjunction with
British Society for the History of Science, London, U.K.
- “Ptolemy’s Harmonic Ethics,” SPHère (Sciences, Philosophie, Histoire), CNRS,
and Observatoire de Paris, Paris, France
- “Ptolemy on Mathematics and Categories,” l’École des Hautes Études en Sciences
Sociales, Paris, France
- “Ptolemy’s Harmonics,” SPHère, CNRS, and l’École des Hautes Études en Sciences
Sociales, Paris, France
- “Ptolemy on Theoretical and Practical Philosophy,” l’École des Hautes Études en
Sciences Sociales, Paris, France
- “Ptolemy’s Philosophy,” l’École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris,
France
- “Re-examining the Distinction between Philosophy and the Mathematical Sciences
in Greek Antiquity,” Anachronism(s) in the History of Mathematics: The
Seventh Biennial Bacon Conference, California Institute of Technology,
Pasadena, CA, U.S.A.
- “Ptolemy’s Ethics,” Program in the History of Science, Technology, and Medicine,
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, U.S.A.
- “Ancient Greek Geographical Maps vs. Geometrical Diagrams,” Joint Mathematics
Meetings: American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of
America, San Diego, CA, U.S.A.
- 2017 “Three Ancient Greek Mathematicians Against Philosophers,” Department of
Science & Technology Studies, York University, Toronto, ON, Canada
- “Ancient Greek Mathematicians: Intellectual Outliers,” Steeped Thoughts Award
Lecture, FemPhys, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada
- 2016 “Ptolemy’s Theory of *Harmonia*,” On Mathemata: Commenting on Ancient Greek
and Arabic Mathematical Texts, Philosophy, Science, and the Sciences,
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Berlin, Germany
- “Ptolemy’s Philosophy of Geography,” Institute for the History and Philosophy of
Science and Technology, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
- “Ptolemy’s Harmonic Ethics,” The Philosophy of Ptolemy and its Greek,
Arabic, and Hebrew Reception, Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies,
Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
- Round table, The Foundations of Methodology in the History of Philosophy,
Department of Philosophy, McMaster University; Trius Winery at
Hillebrand, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON, Canada
- “Geometry’s Indisputability: From Hero to Hobbes,” Joint Mathematics
Meetings: American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of
America, Seattle, WA, U.S.A.

- 2014 “Harmonic Ethics: Ptolemy’s Virtue Ethics for the Mathematician,” Department of Philosophy, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada
- 2013 “Ptolemy on Good Order in the Heavens and in the Soul,” Ancient Cosmos: Concord among Worlds, A CAMNE Conference, Durham University, Durham, U.K.
- “Ptolemy on Uniform Circular Motion,” Modern Geometry and the Concept of Space, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, Germany
- “Co-opting and Criticizing Philosophy: The Self Promotion of Ancient Greek Mathematicians,” Committee on Conceptual and Historical Studies of Science, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.
- “Can We Write a History of ‘Science?’” Weissbourd Annual Conference, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.
- “Ancient Greek Mathematicians: Celebrities or Misfits?” University of Chicago Classics Society and Triple Helix, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.
- “Promoting Mathematics in the Greco-Roman World,” Joint Mathematics Meetings: American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of America, San Diego, CA, U.S.A.
- 2012 “Ptolemy: The Black Sheep of Ancient Philosophy,” Weissbourd Symposium, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.
- “Polemical Astronomy,” Villanova Center for Liberal Education, Villanova University, Villanova, PA, U.S.A.
- “Ptolemy’s Polemical Prolegomena,” Mathematics as Literature/Mathematics as Text, a workshop sponsored by the Program in History and Philosophy of Science and Technology and the Department of Classics, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, U.S.A.
- 2011 “Astronomical Knowledge in Ptolemy’s *Almagest*,” Faculties of Philosophy and Classics, University of Oxford, Oxford, U.K.
- “Ptolemy’s Justification for the Study of Mathematics,” IHUM Research Colloquium, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, U.S.A.
- 2010 “Ptolemy’s Philosophy of Science,” Archives Henri Poincaré, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Nancy-Université, Nancy, France
- “Ptolemy’s Ethics,” l’École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France
- 2009 “Ptolemy’s Unprecedented Philosophy,” Exzellenzcluster Normative Orders, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
- “Ptolemy’s Indisputable Mathematical Tools,” Joint Mathematics Meetings: American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of America, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
- 2005 “Problematic Phenomena: The Peripatetic Debate over Explanations of Meteors, Comets, and the Milky Way,” Massey College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Conference Presentations

- 2019 Author's response for book symposium on *Ptolemy's Philosophy: Mathematics as a Way of Life*, Canadian Philosophical Association, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- 2018 "Ptolemy on Nature," HOPOS: The International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science, University of Groningen, Groningen, Netherlands
- 2017 "Image Making in Ptolemy's Astronomy and Geography," Biennial History of Astronomy Workshop, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, U.S.A.
"Ptolemy's Epistemology of Geography," Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2016 "Ptolemy's Astrological Rays," Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada
- 2014 Commentary for session "Re-Appropriation and Memory in Early Science," History of Science Society, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.
- 2012 "Meta-mathematical Rhetoric," Three Societies: Joint Meeting of the British Society for the History of Science, Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, and the History of Science Society, Philadelphia, PA, U.S.A.
- 2011 "Ptolemy's Philosophical Defense of Astronomy," Biennial History of Astronomy Workshop, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, U.S.A.
- 2010 "Ptolemy: Altering Data to Fit the Model," History of Science Society, Joint Meeting with the Philosophy of Science Association, Montréal, Quebec, Canada
- 2009 "Mathematical Beauty in the texts of Plato, Aristotle, and Ptolemy," Classical Association of Canada, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- 2008 "Ptolemy on the Mathematician's Contribution to Physics and Theology," Three Societies: Joint Meeting of the British Society for the History of Science, Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, and the History of Science Society, Keble College, University of Oxford, Oxford, U.K.; Classical Association of Canada, Université de Montréal, Montréal, QC, Canada
- 2007 "Ptolemy's Mathematical Realism," Canadian Mathematical Society, University of Western Ontario, London, ON, Canada
"Aristotle's Theological Cosmology," Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada; Classical Association of Canada, Memorial University, St. John's, NL, Canada
- 2006 "Epicurean Cosmology," Classical Association of Canada, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2005 "Copernican Fiction," in organized session "Kepler's *Somnium*: A Scientific Cosmic Voyage in Content and Context," Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, University of Western Ontario, London, ON, Canada

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

(F=Fall, W=Winter, S=Spring)

Course Instructor, Sole Responsibility

W2023, F2019, W2018 F2015	“Studies in Ancient Philosophy: Cosmology – Plato to Galileo,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
W2023, W2021, W2018, W2016	“Philosophy in Literature: Philosophy in Utopian and Dystopian Literature,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
F2022, W2019	“Ancient Science,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
F2022, F2021, F2020, W2020, W2017, W2016	“Great Works: Ancient and Medieval,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
W2022, F2021	“Departmental Graduate Proseminar,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
W2022, F2020, W2020, F2017	“Challenging Ideas: An Introduction to Philosophy,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
W2021	“History of Ancient Philosophy” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
W2019, F2016	“History of Ancient Philosophy: Plato’s Dialogues,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
F2016, F2015	“Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge and Reality,” Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
F2012 – W2015	“Greek Thought and Literature,” Core course in the Humanities, University of Chicago
F2008, W2009	“Introduction to Classical Mythology,” Dept. of Classics, University of Toronto
S2007	“Latin and Greek in Scientific Terminology,” Dept. of Classics, University of Toronto

Course Instructor, Shared Responsibility

W2010 – S2010, W2012 – S2012	“Philosophical Perspectives on Science,” Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
F2011	“Technological Visions of Utopia,” Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
W2011 – S2011	“The Fate of Reason,” Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
F2009	“Truth and Morality: One, Many, or None?” Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

Awards and Fellowships

2020	Shortlist for Pickstone Prize, British Society for the History of Science
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- The panel decided that, due to the strength of the shortlisted books, they would not award a runner-up prize and instead would highlight the excellence of the three remaining shortlistees
- 2012 – 2015 Arthur J. Ennis Postdoctoral Fellowship (Declined), Villanova Center for Liberal Education, Villanova University, Villanova, PA, U.S.A.
- 2009 – 2012 Research Collaboration, ‘Les mathématiques du cosmos: Ptolémée et ses héritiers dans l’antiquité, au Moyen-Age et à la Renaissance’, l’École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France
- Postdoctoral Research Assistantship (Declined), Exzellenzcluster Normative Orders, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
- 2008 – 2009 Psi Iota Fellowship-in-Residence (Declined), Psi Iota Branch of Phi Alpha Theta, Dept. of History, Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ, U.S.A.
- 2004 – 2009 Junior Fellowship, Massey College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2004 Brench Actus Memorial Essay Prize, Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
- Awarded for the best essay written by a Master’s student at IHPST
- 2003 Harvey A. Baker Fellowship, Brown University, Providence, RI, U.S.A.
- Bishop McVickar Prize, Dept. of Religious Studies, Brown University, Providence, RI, U.S.A.
- Awarded for the best undergraduate honors thesis in religious studies
- 2001 Odyssey Research Fellowship, Brown University, Providence, RI, U.S.A.

Grants

- 2023 – 2024 University of Waterloo/SSHRC Explore Grant: \$7000
- 2017 – 2019 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Development Grant: \$58,198
- 2016 – 2017 University of Waterloo/SSHRC Seed Grant: \$5,472
- University of Waterloo/SSHRC Travel Grant: \$785
- 2008 Massey College Travel Grant, Massey College, University of Toronto: \$500
- 2006, 2007 IHPST Travel Grant, Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology, University of Toronto: \$750, \$1350
- 2004, 2006, 2007 Frederic Hudd Scholarship, Massey College, University of Toronto: \$500, \$272, \$500
- 2005, 2006 Massey Graduate Fellowship, Massey College, University of Toronto: \$750, \$207
- 2005 Ondaatje Scholarship, Massey College, University of Toronto: \$750

SERVICE

- 2021 - Vice President, Commission for the History of Ancient and Medieval Astronomy, Division of History of Science and Technology, International Union of History and Philosophy of Science
Undergraduate Committee Member, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
- 2019 - Assistant Director, Research, Waterloo Institute for Hellenistic Studies, University of Waterloo
- 2016 - Executive Committee Member, Waterloo Institute for Hellenistic Studies, University of Waterloo
- 2022 Junior Fellows Selection Committee Member, Massey College, University of Toronto
- 2020 - 2022 Career Advisor, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
2020 Faculty Teaching Mentor, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
Social Media and Alumni Relations Officer, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
- 2019 - 2020 Graduate Committee Member, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
- 2012 - 2019 Organizing Committee Member, Biennial History of Astronomy Workshop XI - XIV (2013 - 2019), University of Notre Dame
- 2017 - 2018 Colloquium Coordinator, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
2017 Graduate Committee Member, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
- 2015 - 2017 Social Media Officer, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Waterloo
2012 - 2017 Co-Chair, Early Science Forum, History of Science Society
2012 Boothe Essay Prize Committee Member, Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
- 2010, 2012 Course Coordinator, "Philosophical Perspectives on Science," Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
- 2011 Course Coordinator, "The Fate of Reason," Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
Technology Coordinator, "Technological Visions of Utopia," Introduction to the Humanities, Stanford University
- 2006 - 2009 Don (Residential Counselor), University of Toronto
2008 Head Teaching Assistant, "Scientific Revolutions II," Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology, University of Toronto
- 2006 - 2008 Co-Chair of the Environmental Committee, Massey College, University of Toronto
- Co-Coordinator of Walter Gordon Massey Symposium (2007): "Harnessing the Green Wave: Taking Action in an Era of Eco-Consciousness"
- 2006 - 2007 House Committee Member, Massey College, University of Toronto

2005 Program Committee Member, IHPST Graduate Student Conference:
“The Transmission of Knowledge,” Institute for the History and
Philosophy of Science and Technology, University of Toronto

2004 - 2005 President, The HAPSAT Society, Institute for the History and Philosophy
of Science and Technology, University of Toronto