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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Social Epistemology; Ethics (AI ethics); Social and Political Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

Philosophy of Mind; Philosophy of Technology; Engineering Ethics; Environmental Ethics; Modern and 20th Century Analytic Philosophy

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION

<i>Georgia Institute of Technology, Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School of Public Policy</i> Teaching Postdoctoral Fellow	Jan. 2026 - present
<i>The New School for Social Research</i> Ph.D. in philosophy Dissertation: Abusing Trust Committee: Zed Adams (chair), Alice Crary, Jay Bernstein, Emily Sullivan, and Miranda Fricker	May 2025
M.A. in philosophy Thesis topic: The limits of rational grounds in persuasion in Wittgenstein's <i>On Certainty</i> Thesis Chairs: Alice Crary and Richard J. Bernstein	May 2017
<i>Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX</i> B.A. philosophy Minor: English	Aug. 2014
B.A. English and political science Minor: Philosophy	May 2012

PUBLICATIONS

Articles:

- "[Social Media Companies' Epistemic Responsibility for Disinformation](#)," *Synthese* 207:157 (2026)
- "[Nihilistic Distrust: The Problem with Echo Chambers](#)," *Philosophy & Technology* 38:171 (2025)
- "[Collective Deception: Toward a Network Model of Epistemic Responsibility](#)," *Synthese* 202:3 (2023)