

# SAHAR JOAKIM

## *Curriculum Vitae*

Saint Louis University, Philosophy Department  
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### **AREA OF SPECIALIZATION**

Traditional, Social Epistemology; Epistemology of Testimony.

### **AREA OF COMPETENCE**

History of Philosophy; Philosophy of Mind.

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Saint Louis University (expected 2020).

Doctoral Candidate as of March 7, 2019

Title of Prospectus Project: Knowledge Beyond Belief

Committee Members: John Greco (Advisor ) Eleonore Stump, Kent Staley, Susan Brower-Toland, Kathryn Lindeman.

M.A. in Philosophy, Saint Louis University (2017).

B.A. in Philosophy, University of California, Los Angeles (2014).

A.A. in Liberal Arts, Major: Philosophy, Santa Monica College (2011).

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Mentoring the Mentors, at the APA Central Division Meeting (2019) with facilitator Mitzi Lee (CU Boulder).

Title IX and Harassment Prevention Training, Johns Hopkins University, Office of Institutional Equity (2018).

Certificate in University Teaching Skills, The Reinert Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning (2017).

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Instructor (College): Ethics 2050-15. Saint Louis University. (Summer 2019).

Instructor (Pre-College): Philosophy of Mind. Johns Hopkins University, Center for Talented Youth. (Session 1 of the 2018 Summer Academic Program at Franklin & Marshall College).

Instructor (College): Introduction to Philosophy 1050-15: Self and Reality. Saint Louis University. (Fall 2016, Spring 2017).

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Joakim, Sahar and Ragland, C. P.. (2018). "[Is Hobbes Really an Antirealist about Accidents?](#)," *European Journal of Analytic Philosophy*. Vol.14, No.2.: pp. 11-25.  
<https://doi.org/10.31820/ejap.14.2.2>

Joakim, Sahar. (2017). "[A Pragmatic Solution to The Value Problem of Knowledge](#)," *Philosophical Investigations*. University of Tabriz-Iran. Vol. 11, No. 21. Pages 53-67.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTATING**

Presenter: "Pasnau on Hobbes and Antirealism about Accidents" presented with Scott Ragland at the Philosophical Collaborations Conference hosted by Southern Illinois University, Carbondale (2019).

Presenter: "Putting Belief in its Place," presented at the CUNY-Milan Workshop on Belief, City University of New York (CUNY) (2018).

Presenter: "Reconciling (Mental) Powers and (Epistemic) Principles in Aquinas's Epistemology," presented at the Northwest Philosophy Conference, Gonzaga University (2016).

Commentator: for Dr. Kimbell Kornu's paper, "Aristotle's Divine Gaze: Anatomical Dissection as the Desire to Know," presented at the Summer Symposium of The International Academy for Bioethical Inquiry (2016).

Commentator: for Daniel Tigard's paper, "Taking the Blame: How Dilemmatic Wrongdoers Are Blameworthy," presented at The Graduate Philosophy Conference at Saint Louis University (Fall 2016).

Presenter: "On Time: McTaggart's Claim of Time's non-Existence, and Commentary," presented at *The C.S. Lewis Conference* at Azusa Pacific University (2014).

## **TEACHING AWARD**

The Fr. James Veltrie, S.J. Cura Personalis Faculty Excellence Award, honored by Saint Louis University's Student Government Association (2017).

## **RESEARCH AWARDS**

Scholarship Award For Graduate Research (Category: Humanities) from Saint Louis University's Graduate Research Symposium (2016).

Recognition Award for Outstanding Achievement in Higher Education from The Association of Professors and Scholars of Iranian Heritage (2014).

Scholarship Award for Undergraduate Research from Azusa Pacific University's *Philosophy Program Colloquia* (2014).

## **ASSISTANTSHIPS at Saint Louis University**

Teaching Assistant: Instructor for “Ethics” (2019).

Research Assistant: John Greco, Leonard and Elizabeth Eslick Chair in Philosophy (2017-2019).

Teaching Assistant: Instructor for “Introduction to Philosophy” (2016- 2017).

Administrative Assistant: Philosophy Department, Saint Louis University (Summer 2016).

Research Assistant: Gregory Beabout (2015-2016).

Research Assistant: Naomi Eilan, Collins Visiting Faculty from Warwick University (2015).

## **SERVICE TO THE FIELD**

Chair: Sub-committee on Teaching of the [Graduate Student Council](#) of the American Philosophical Association (2019-2020).

Councilmember: [Graduate Student Council](#) of the American Philosophical Association (2018-2020).

Program Session Presenter and Coordinator: “Two Topics for Improving Graduate Studies in Philosophy” Session 1J at the 2019 Meeting of the Central Division of the American Philosophical Association in Denver, CO.

Judge: [Ethics Bowl, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville](#) (2019).

Assistant to the Editor: *American Philosophical Quarterly* (2017-2019).

Councilmember and Secretary: [Graduate Student Council](#) of the American Philosophical Association (2017-2018).

GSC Liaison to the [Committee on Inclusiveness in the Profession](#) of the American Philosophical Association (2017- 2018).

Local Organizer: [XIth Annual Midwest Epistemology Workshop](#) hosted by Saint Louis University (2017).

Judge: [Ethics Bowl, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville](#) (2016).

Organizing Committee: [The 2nd Conference of the American Pragmatics Association](#) hosted by UCLA (2014).

Organizing Committee: The First Undergraduate Philosophy Conference at UCLA (2014).

### **SERVICE TO THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT**

Organizing Committee: Graduate Student Conference “The Nature and Character of Self-Consciousness” (2018).

President: Philosophy Graduate Student Association (2017-2018).

Organizer: Undergraduate and Graduate Philosophy Mixer (2017).

Conference Staff: *Res Philosophica Conference* “Race and Gender” (2017).

Vice President: Philosophy Graduate Student Association (2016-2017).

Conference Coordinator’s Assistant: *Res Philosophica Conference* “Bridging Formal and Traditional Epistemology,” Saint Louis University (2016).

Reviewer: Graduate Student Conference, Saint Louis University (2015).

### **REFeree WORK**

*American Philosophical Quarterly* (University of Illinois Press); *Philosophia: Philosophical Quarterly of Israel* (Springer).

### **GUEST LECTURES**

Making Ethical Decisions Quickly: ROTC at Saint Louis University (Spring 2019)

Plato’s Meno: Intro to Philosophy (Fall 2018)

Thomas Nagel’s What it is Like: Intro to Philosophy (Spring 2017)

Descartes’ Meditations: Intro to Philosophy (Spring 2016)

### **ASSOCIATION**

*American Philosophical Association* (2014-current)

### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Guest Speaker: “Putting the *Philosophiae* in Ph.D.,” *The 23th Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium*, Saint Louis University (Spring 2017).

Guest Speaker: “Teaching Philosophy as an Iranian Woman,” *The Middle Eastern Student Association* presents “Women of the Middle East.” (Spring 2017).

Presenter: “Stereotyping Speakers in Epistemic Exchanges,” *The Saint Louis University Philosophy Club* (Fall 2016).

Presenter: “Seeing is a Believing not amounting to Knowing,” *The 22nd Annual Graduate Research Symposium*, Saint Louis University (Spring 2016).

Presenter: “On the Journey to Truth,” at *The First Annual Undergraduate Philosophy Conference at UCLA* (Fall 2014).

Presenter: “Knowing That We Do Not Know,” *The Undergraduate Philosophy Club*, UCLA (Spring 2014).

Presenter: “Death and Why it Matters to Those Alive,” *The Undergraduate Philosophy Club*, UCLA (Winter 2013).

## **LANGUAGES**

English, native;

Farsi, oral competence;

Spanish, oral, basic reading and translation competence;

German, basic reading and translation competence.

## **SKILLS / ABILITIES**

*Representative, but not all-inclusive*

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to think critically and solve problems independently
- Ability to be organized and work on multiple tasks simultaneously
- Expert knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint

## **GRADUATE SEMINARS**

*Faculty of Saint Louis University unless otherwise noted*

Teaching Seminar, Scott Ragland

Second Person Knowledge: The Reality of Others, Naomi Eilan (*Warwick University*)

Virtue Epistemology, John Greco

Kant: The 1st Critique, George Terzis

Plato and Aristotle: Selected Topics, Ian McCready-Flora

Thomistic Synthesis, Eleonore Stump

Hume and Reid, John Greco

German for Reading and Translation, Evelyn Meyer

Feminist Epistemology, Penny Weiss

Pasnau's Metaphysical Themes, Susan Brower-Toland and Scott Ragland

Testimony: Speech Act and Epistemic Source, Lizzie Fricker (*Oxford University*)

Pragmatism and Inquiry, Kent Staley

The Transmission of Knowledge, John Greco

Augustine, Jack Marler

Advanced Logic, Joe Salerno

Belief and Knowledge, Kati Farkas (*Central European University*)

Plato & Contemporary Metaphysics, Scott Berman

Scepticism, John Greco (Audited)

Belief and The Doxastic Family, Pascal Engel (*University of Geneva*) (Audited)

Topics in Epistemology, John Greco (Audited)