

# Sahar Joakim

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**AOS:** Epistemology

**AOC:** Philosophy of Mind; Philosophy of Language; Ethics; History of Philosophy

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## Education

**Ph.D.** in Philosophy (2020)  
Saint Louis University

Dissertation Title: *Knowledge Beyond Belief*  
Dissertation Committee: John Greco (Advisor)  
Kent Staley  
Scott Ragland

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

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

**A.A.** in Liberal Arts (2011)  
Santa Monica College

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## Research

### Published Articles:

Joakim, Sahar & 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*. The University of Tabriz-Iran. Vol. 11, No. 21. Pages 53-67.

### Articles Under Review:

Greco, John; Joakim, Sahar; Turri, John: "Knowledge Without Belief"

Joakim, Sahar: “Is This Beliefless Knowledge?”

### **Published Book Reviews:**

*The Epistemic Innocence of Irrational Beliefs* by Lisa Bortolotti (in queue for publishing in *Metapsychology Online Reviews*).

*God and Morality* by Anne Jeffrey *Religious Studies Review*, Vol. 46, No. 3 (2020). Wiley Blackwell.). <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/rsr.14754>

*We Know it When We See It* by Richard Masland, *Metapsychology Online Reviews*, Vol. 24, No. 32 (2020). <https://metapsychology.net/index.php/book-review/we-know-it-when-we-see-it/>

### **Honors and Awards:**

American Philosophical Association, [Graduate Student Council](#)  
*Elected in a nationally competitive process*

- Councilmember (2017-2020)
- Elected Chair (2019-2020)
- Elected Secretary (2017-2018)

Collins Award for Graduate Student Excellence (2020)  
Philosophy Department, Saint Louis University

Assistant to the Editor  
*American Philosophical Quarterly* (2017-2020)

Award for Graduate Research in Humanities (2016)  
University-Wide Graduate Research Symposium, Saint Louis University

### **Conference**

#### **Presentations and Participation:**

“Dharmottara and Gettier’s Cases Against Knowledge”  
Session of The Society for Indian Philosophy and Religion  
Central Divisional Meeting of the American Philosophical Association (2021)  
Remote Conference due to COVID-19

“A Novel Epistemology in light of Aquinas and Anscombe”  
Eastern Divisional Meeting of the American Philosophical Association (2021)  
Remote Conference due to COVID-19

Chair, Colloquium Paper Session

American Philosophical Association, Central Division (2020).

“How Can One Assert what one does not Believe without Lying?”

[The Central States Philosophical Association](#) (2019)

Washington University in Saint Louis

“Pasnau on Hobbes and Antirealism about Accidents” with Scott Ragland

Philosophical Collaborations Conference (2019)

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale

“Improving Graduate Studies in Philosophy”

Central Division, The American Philosophical Association (2019).

“Putting Belief in its Place”

The CUNY-Milan Workshop on Belief (2018)

City University of New York

“Reconciling (Mental) Powers and (Epistemic) Principles in Aquinas’s Epistemology”

The Northwest Philosophy Conference (2016)

Gonzaga University

“Putting the Philosophiae in Ph.D.”

The 23rd Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium, SLU (Spring 2017)

“Teaching Philosophy as an Iranian Woman”

The Middle Eastern Student Association, SLU (Spring 2017)

“Stereotyping Speakers in Epistemic Exchanges”

Invited Speaker for The Undergraduate Philosophy Club, SLU (Fall 2016)

“Is Seeing Believing, not Knowing?”

The 22nd Annual Graduate Research Symposium, SLU (Spring 2016)

Comments on Kimbell Kornu’s, “Aristotle’s Divine Gaze: Anatomical Dissection as the Desire to Know” at The Summer Symposium of The International Academy for Bioethical Inquiry (2016)

Comments on Daniel Tigard’s, “Taking the Blame: How Dilemmatic Wrongdoers Are Blameworthy” at The Graduate Philosophy Conference at Saint Louis University (2016)

“Knowing That We Do Not Know”

Invited Speaker for The Undergraduate Philosophy Club, UCLA (Spring 2014)

## Teaching

Jefferson College (Hillsboro, MO)

- **Logic**
  - Fall 2020 (online)
- **World Religions**
  - Winter 2020 (online)
  - Fall 2020 (online)
  - Spring 2020

Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville (Edwardsville, IL)

- **Reasoning and Argumentation**
  - Fall 2020 (three sections, online)

Saint Louis University (St. Louis, MO)

- **Ethics**
  - Spring 2020 (online after spring break)
  - Fall 2019 (two sections)
  - Summer 2019
- **Introduction to Philosophy: Self and Reality**
  - Spring 2017
  - Fall 2016

### Teaching Award:

The Father James Veltrie, S.J. *Cura Personalis* Faculty Excellence Award (2017)  
Student Government Association, Saint Louis University  
(won in competition with the University faculty)

### Training in Teaching:

Introduction to Online Teaching (2020)  
The Reinert Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning

[Mentoring the Mentors](#) (2019)  
The APA Central Division Meeting with facilitator Mitzi Lee (CU Boulder)

Teaching Seminar (2015-2016)  
Scott Ragland, Saint Louis University

## **Certificates in Teaching:**

[Certificate in University Teaching Skills](#) (2017)

The Reinert Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning

## **Presentation on Pedagogy:**

“Teaching Lesson Plans that Humanize: On Friendship”

AAPT-APA Teaching Hub Poster Session (2020)

The APA Central Division Meeting

## **Pre-Collegial Teaching:**

Long-Term Substitute Teacher, A-C Central High School

- Western Literature; Communications (Fall 2020)

Instructor, Johns Hopkins University, [Center for Talented Youth](#)

- Philosophy of Mind (Summer 2018)

Substitute Teacher, State of Illinois (License #2477821)

- Pre-kindergarten through grade 12

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## **Service**

### **For the Profession**

Judge: [Ethics Bowl](#) (2016, 2019)

Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville

Conference Organizing Committee:

- Co-Organizer “The Nature and Character of Self-Consciousness” (2018)
- [Xlth Annual Midwest Epistemology Workshop](#), SLU (2017)
- The First Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, UCLA (2014)
- [The 2nd Conference of the American Pragmatics Association](#), UCLA (2014)

Journal Referee Work

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

## **Service**

### **For the Department**

Representative of the Philosophy Department (2019-2020)

- Graduate Student Association, SLU

Philosophy Graduate Student Association

- President (2017-2018)
- Vice President: (2016-2017)

Event Organizer

Undergraduate and Graduate Student Philosophy Mixer (2017)

*Res Philosophica* Conference Assistant

- "Race and Gender" (2017)
- "Bridging Formal and Traditional Epistemology" (2016)

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## **Assistantships**

### **As Graduate Student**

Research Assistant:

- John Greco, Leonard and Elizabeth Eslick Chair in Philosophy (2017-2019)
- Greg Beabout (2015-2016)
- Naomi Eilan, Collins Visiting Faculty from Warwick University (2015)

Teaching Assistant:

- Instructor of record for Ethics (2019-2020)
- Instructor of record for Introduction to Philosophy (2016-2017)

Administrative Assistant:

- Philosophy Department, Saint Louis University (Summer 2016)

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## **Languages**

English: native

Farsi: speaking fluency

Spanish: speaking, reading, and translation competence

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## **Associations**

Society for Indian Philosophy and Religion (2020)

American Philosophical Association (2014-2020)