

MIKAYLA KELLEY

Curriculum Vitae

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION: Philosophy of Action, Formal Epistemology

AREAS OF COMPETENCE: Metaethics, Epistemology, Logic

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Neubauer Family Assistant Professor, University of Chicago, *Department of Philosophy* Nov 2023

Assistant Professor, University of Chicago, *Department of Philosophy* July 2023

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, Stanford University June 2023

Dissertation: *Control in Action*

Committee: Michael Bratman (co-chair), Antonia Peacocke (co-chair), Nadeem Hussain

M.A. Mathematics, University of California, Berkeley August 2019

B.A. Mathematics, University of Wisconsin-Madison May 2016

PUBLICATIONS

A Control Theory of Action

Australasian Journal of Philosophy. forthcoming.

Escaping Arrow's Theorem: The Advantage-Standard Model

with Wesley H. Holliday. *Theory and Decision*. forthcoming.

Separating Action and Knowledge

The Philosophical Quarterly. forthcoming.

Zetetic Indispensability and Epistemic Justification

Philosophical Studies. 181 (4), 671-688. 2024.

How to Perform a Nonbasic Action

Noûs. 58(1), 106-125. 2024.

On Accuracy and Coherence with Infinite Opinion Sets

Philosophy of Science. 90(1), 92-128. 2023

Accuracy and Infinity: A Dilemma for Subjective Bayesians

with Sven Neth. *Synthese*. 201(12). 2023.

A note on Murakami's theorems and incomplete social choice without the Pareto principle

with Wesley H. Holliday. *Social Choice and Welfare*, 55:243-253, 2020.

AWARDS

Fellowship, *Human Abilities Centre for Advanced Studies in the Humanities* 2023

Bersoff Faculty Fellowship, *New York University* (declined) 2023

EDGE Fellow, *Stanford University* 2019-2021

Chancellor's Graduate Fellowship, *University of California, Berkeley* 2016 - 2019

Phi Beta Kappa	2016
Chancellor's Scholarship Program, <i>University of Wisconsin-Madison</i>	2012 - 2016

TALKS (†=refereed; *=invited)

“Accuracy and Epistemic Modalities”

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| - *APA Central Division Meeting, Invited Symposium | February 2026 |
| - †Formal Epistemology Workshop 2025 (presented by Calum McNamara) | May 2025 |

“Acting with Objects”

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| - *LOGOS, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona | September 2025 |
| - †10th SoPhA Triennial Congress | June 2025 |
| - *Human Abilities Center for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, Colloquium | July 2025 |
| - *Action Theory Graduate Seminar, University of Tübingen | June 2025 |
| - *Sharing Anscombean Intentions, University of Chicago | February 2025 |

“Normative Non-naturalism without Alienation”

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| - †Constitutivism in Ethics and Epistemology, University of Lisbon | September 2025 |
| - †7th Frankfurt Metaethics Conference | June 2025 |

“On our ideas of agency”

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| - *Franke Institute, University of Chicago | February 2025 |
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“The Normative Function of Intentional Action”

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| - *Ohio State University, Colloquium | January 2025 |
| - *Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Speaker Series, UNC at Chapel Hill | April 2024 |
| - *Normativity and Reasoning, NYU Abu Dhabi | January 2024 |
| - †Agency and Intentions in Language 3 | March 2023 |

“Action, Self, and Virtual Reality”

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| - *University of Notre Dame, MAP Colloquium | October 2024 |
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“Intentional Action, Intention, and Evaluative Priority”

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| - *Converging on Causal Ontology Analysis, CNRS/Paris 8 | June 2024 |
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“Functions of Action and Faces of Intention”

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| - *Bratmania: A Conference in Honor of Michael Bratman | May 2024 |
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“Accuracy and the Patterns of Rational Credence”

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| - *UChicago Cognitive Science Student Society | April 2024 |
| - *Math and... Speaker Series, UW-Madison Mathematics Department | April 2024 |

“Four Arguments Against Minimalism about Action”

- *Action and Language, Human Abilities Center for Advanced Studies in the Humanities	March 2024
“How to Perform a Nonbasic Action”	
- *Agency and Intentions in Language 4, Keynote	January 2024
“Epistemic and Moral Aggregative Consequentialism in the Infinite Setting”	
- *Formal Ethics Workshop, Australian National University	August 2023
“A Control Theory of Action”	
- *Australian National University, Colloquium	August 2023
- *University of Southern California, Colloquium	February 2023
- *University of Pittsburgh, Colloquium	February 2023
- *New York University, Colloquium	February 2023
- *University of Pennsylvania, Colloquium	February 2023
- *University of Chicago, Colloquium	January 2023
- †Non-Human Agency and the Standard Story of Action Workshop	September 2022
“A Contextual Accuracy Dominance Argument for Probabilism”	
- †Formal Epistemology Workshop 2023	June 2023
- *Pittsburgh Formal Epistemology Workshop	September 2022
“Anscombe’s Knowledge Thesis and the Argument from Distinct Thresholds”	
- †Symposium session, APA Pacific Division meeting	April 2023
- †Athena in Action	June 2022
“On Accuracy and Coherence with Infinite Opinion Sets”	
- †Formal Epistemology Workshop 2022	May 2022
- Logic Seminar, Stanford University	November 2019
- †Workshop on Combining Probability and Logic (Prolog)	July 2019
- Berkeley-Stanford Circle in Logic and Philosophy	April 2019
“Incomplete Aggregation under Ethical Constraints”	
- †Formal Ethics 2020	Cancelled (Covid-19)

TEACHING

Free Will (upper-level undergraduate), <i>University of Chicago</i>	Spring 2025
Metaphysics of Action (upper-level undergraduate), <i>University of Chicago</i>	Winter 2025
Contemporary Analytic Philosophy: Free Will (masters), <i>University of Chicago</i>	Autumn 2024
Bayesian Epistemology (upper-level undergraduate), <i>University of Chicago</i>	Spring 2024
Agency and Virtual Reality (upper-level undergraduate), <i>University of Chicago</i>	Winter 2024
Metaphysics of Action (graduate seminar), <i>University of Chicago</i>	Autumn 2023

SERVICE

Referee for: Analysis, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Ergo, Ethics, European Journal of Philosophy, Law and Philosophy, Mind, Noûs, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, The Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Philosophy, Res Philosophica, Review of Symbolic Logic, Southern Journal of Philosophy, Synthese

Departmental service work: graduate admissions (2024; 2025); graduate recruitment (2025)

Co-founder of the Stanford Philosophy Directed Reading Program, *Stanford University* 2022

Philosophy Directed Reading Program Mentor, *Stanford University* 2022

Co-founder of the Stanford Working Action Group, *Stanford University* 2021

Graduate Student Workshop Organizer, *Stanford University* 2020 - 2022

Co-founder of the Formal Epistemology Reading Course, *University of California, Berkeley* 2018

Mathematics Directed Reading Program Mentor, *University of California, Berkeley* 2016 - 2018

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