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Research Areas

Areas of Specialization: Ethics, Moral Psychology, Kant

Areas of Competence: Early Modern Philosophy, Aesthetics, Feminist Philosophy

Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Temple University	2021–present
M.A. in Philosophy, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	2022
B.A. in Philosophy, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	2018

Papers

Publications

1. Israel, Eli Benjamin. "Caring for Valid Sexual Consent." *Hypatia*, 2024, 1–21.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/hyp.2024.42>.
2. Israel, Eli Benjamin. "Do You Mind Violating My Will? Revisiting and Asserting Autonomy." In *The Philosophy of Sexual Violence*, edited by Georgi Gardiner and Micol Bez. Routledge, forthcoming.

Under Review

- A. "A Kantian Account of Moral Trust," R&R at *Kantian Review*
- B. "Participant Trust"
- C. "Addressing Vagueness in Trusting Relationships"
- D. "*Homo Noumenon*: Revisiting Kant's Postulate of the Immortality of the Soul"

Work in Progress

- E. "Calling Out Consent's Normative Power"
- F. "Affairs of Reliance and Trust"
- G. "Relational Trust and Reactive Attitudes"

Talks (* for invited, refereed otherwise)

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1. "Participant Trust," APA Central Division, Colloquium (February 2025)
2. "Participant Trust," 28th Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference (November 2024)
3. "Participant Trust," Liberalism Rekindled Research Group, The Hebrew University (June 2024)**

4. "Caring for Valid Sexual Consent," The Center for Positive Sexuality Talk Series (May 2024)**
5. "A Kantian Account of Moral Trust," Pacific North American Kant Society Conference, University of Washington (March 2024)
6. "Caring for Valid Sexual Consent," APA Eastern Division, The Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love (January 2024)**
7. "Caring for Valid Sexual Consent," Graduate Conference in Ethics, LMU-Munich (July 2023)
8. "Immortality Made Possible: The Practical Role of Kant's Dynamical Sublime," 22nd International Congress of Aesthetics, Federal University of Minas Gerais (July 2023)
9. "Immortality Made Possible: The Practical Role of Kant's Dynamical Sublime," W. H. Werkmeister and Southern North American Kant Society Conference, Florida State University (April 2023)
10. "Desires, Salience, and Motivational Impact," Workshop on Practical Mental Representations, Chapman University (February 2023)
11. "Do You Mind Violating My Will: Revisiting and Asserting Autonomy," The Israeli Philosophical Association Annual Conference (June 2022)
12. "Kant on Marital Rape," The Israeli Philosophical Association Annual Conference (May 2022)
13. "Perfection and Pleasure in Malebranche's Theory of Love," The Princeton-Bucharest Virtual Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy (May 2022)
14. "Do You Mind Violating My Will: Revisiting and Asserting Autonomy," Great Lakes Philosophy Conference (April 2022)
15. "Immortality Made Possible: The Practical Role of Kant's Dynamical Sublime," The Israeli Philosophical Association Annual Conference (February 2020)

Panel Participations

- a. Panel on Routledge's "The Philosophy of Sexual Violence" (Edited Volume Contributor), APA Eastern Division, The Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love (January 2025)**

Commentaries

- b. Comments on "On Lying, Deception, and Using Others Merely as a Means: What Sort of Prohibition on Lying to Others Does Kant's Formula of Humanity Support?" by Melissa Fahmy, APA Eastern Division* (Jan 2025)
- c. Comments on "Toward a Hermeneutic Theory of Aesthetic Value" by Haley Burke, ASA Eastern Division* (Apr 2024)

Grants and Awards

Research Trip Award, The Society for Applied Philosophy	2024
Service Award, Department of Philosophy, Temple University	2024
Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Pacific Reading Group, North American Kant Society (Finalist for the 2024 Marcus Herz Prize)	2024
Travel Grant, The Graduate School, Temple University	2023
Travel Grant, Ira Lawrence Fund	2023-2024
Graduate Assistantship, Department of Philosophy, Temple University	2021-2026

JNF-KKL Israel-Switzerland Philosophy Fund Prize	2019-2020
Prof. Dr. Peter Landesmann German Language Fellowship	2018

Research Projects

Research Affiliate, the Center for Positive Sexuality	2024-present
Affiliated Member, Ethical Dating Online Network	2024-present
Affiliated Member, David "Liberalism Rekindled" research project led by Prof. David Enoch (The Hebrew University)	2024-present
Affiliated Graduate Fellow, Conceptual Foundations of Conflict Project, led by Mark Schroeder (University of Southern California)	2024-2025

Courses Taught

Temple University

Critical Thinking	Spring & Fall 2023-2024
Intro to Ethical Theory	Fall 2023
The Meaning of the Arts	Summer & Fall 2022, Summer 2023, Fall 2024

Rowan University

Intro to Ethical Theory	Fall 2024, Spring 2025
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The Hebrew University

Critical Reading in Philosophical Texts	Fall & Spring 2019-2021
The Enlightenment and Jewish Philosophy	Spring 2021
Central Topics in Jewish Philosophy	Fall 2021
Humanistic Perspectives of the Old Testament	Spring 2020

Service

Referee

Article Referee for *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy*.
 Conference Referee for the *Israeli Philosophical Association*

Department

Philosophy Graduate Student Representative, Temple University	2022-2024
Philosophy Undergraduate Mentor, The Hebrew University	2017-2018

Profession

Chair, the Graduate Student Council of the APA	2024-2025
Council Member, the Graduate Student Council of the APA	2023-2024
Online Seminar Organizer, The Society for the Philosophy of Sex & Love	2022-2024
Tech Consultant, North American Kant Society	2022-2024
Co-founder and co-organizer, Philosophy 360° Annual Conference	2018-2021
Co-founder and co-organizer, Philosophy 360° Monthly Public Philosophy Series	2018-2021

Outreach & Communication

Blog Post, "Conflicts of Discretionary Trust," Blog of the Conceptual Foundations of Conflict Project	Forthcoming
Blog post, "Caring for Valid Sexual Consent," <i>New Work in Philosophy</i>	2024
Public Talk, "Caring for Valid Sexual Consent," <i>Center for Positive Sexuality</i>	2024
Interview, <i>Why Philosophy? substack by Celine Leboeuf</i>	2024
Panelist, "Grad School Application Decisions," <i>APA Live</i>	2024
Interview, <i>The APA Blog</i>	2023
Op-ed, "Building Community and Trust During a Graduate Student Strike," <i>The APA Blog</i>	2023
Podcast Featured Guest, <i>The Philosopher's Nest</i>	2022
Public Talk, "Consent, Autonomy, and Kink," <i>Israel's Center for Alternative Sexuality</i>	2022
Podcast Featured Guest, <i>What 2 Do With That</i>	2022

Professional Affiliations

American Philosophical Association (APA); The Israeli Philosophy Association (IPA); North American Kant Society (NAKS); Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love (SPSL)

Languages

Hebrew (native), Portuguese (native), Spanish (intermediate), Italian (basic/elementary proficiency), German (A1/beginner)