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Areas of Specialization: Phenomenology (esp. Merleau-Ponty), Philosophy of Perception, Moral Philosophy & Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Heroism, Philosophy of Love, Philosophy of Trauma

Areas of Competence: Continental Philosophy, Critical Theory, Ethics, Epistemology & Metaphysics, Kant, Ancient Greek Philosophy, History of Philosophy

EDUCATION

Doctorate in Philosophy 2022 – Present
Université de Montréal
Supervisor : Prof. Maxime Doyon
Thesis Project: Moral Perception in Merleau-Ponty and Early Moral Phenomenology

Visiting Graduate Student Fall 2023
McGill University

Master of Arts in Philosophy 2020 – 2022
Concordia University
Master Research Paper Title: “Spontaneous Heroism and the Intersubjective Nature of Sacrificial Selflessness in Merleau-Ponty”
Defense committee: Prof. David Morris (Supervisor), Prof. Matthias Fritsch (Examiner)

Bachelor of Arts 2016 – 2020
Double Major in Philosophy & English Literature
Concordia University, Montreal

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Course Instructor Winter, Fall 2025
Université de Montréal, Department of Philosophy

- PHI1901 Pensée rationnelle et argumentation (*Introduction to Critical Thinking*)

Course Instructor 2024 – 2026
Institut de tourisme et d'hôtellerie du Québec (ITHQ), CEGEP Curriculum

- 340-101-MQ – Philosophie et rationalité (*Introduction to Philosophy*)
- 340-102-MQ – L'être humain (*Philosophical Conceptions of Being Human*)
- 340-604-TH – Éthique (*Introduction to Ethics*)

Course Instructor Summer 2025
Collège Ahuntsic

Graduate Research Fellow 2023 – 2024
Groupe de Recherche sur la Normativité (GRIN)

Teaching Assistant 2022 – 2024
Université de Montréal

- PHI2990 Fundamentals & Practical Issues in Ethics (x2)
- PHI1880 From Presocratics to Plato
- PHI2960 Chinese Philosophy
- PHI2180 Philosophy of Language

Learning Assistant 2022 – 2024
Collège Brébeuf

- PHI1000 Introduction to Philosophy
- PHI2000 Individual & Social Issues
- PHI3000 Ethical & Political Issues in Philosophy

Research Assistant Winter 2023
Spontaneity & Normativity in Perception – Prof. Maxime Doyon

Teaching Assistant 2020 – 2022
Concordia University

- PHIL-235 Biomedical Ethics (x2)
- PHIL-263 Introduction to Epistemology
- PHIL-210 Critical Thinking (x2)
- PHIL-261 Aristotle & Hellenistic Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. Cuisinier, E. “Heroism, Perception, and The Problem of Expression” in *Journal of Speculative Philosophy*. Forthcoming.
2. Cuisinier, E., Garant, H.. « Numéro spécial sur la normativité : introduction » in *Dialogue : Canadian Philosophical Review*. 2025.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0012217325000137>

EDITED VOLUMES

1. Cuisinier, E., Garant, H., Côté-Bouchard, C. (eds). Special Issue on Normativity in *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review*. 2025.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0012217325000137>
2. Cuisinier, E., Fortin, S. E., eds. *From Beginnings to Ends*. Gnosis: Graduate Journal of Philosophy. Vol. 20. Fall 2022. Print.
3. Cuisinier, E., Faingold, L., and Wenzel, E., eds. *Pensées Canadiennes*. Vol 18. Montreal: McGill University. Fall 2021.

ESSAYS

1. Cuisinier, E. "What Is Trauma? Sketch of a Phenomenological Description" *Oxford Public Philosophy*. Vol. 3. January 2023. <https://www.oxfordpublicphilosophy.com/turn-three/orientation/cuisinier>
2. Nounours, E. "Speaking About Death." *The Sophia Review*, Vol. 1, 2018, pp.16-21.

INTERVIEWS

1. Kounkou, Malia. 2024. « Avez-vous secrètement souhaité la mort de Donald Trump ? » *Urbania*. July 15, 2024. <https://urbania.ca/article/avez-vous-secretement-souhaite-la-mort-de-donald-trump>
2. MisirHiralall, Sabrina D. 2021. "APA Member Interview: Emmanuel Cuisinier." Blog of the APA. September 24, 2021. <https://blog.apaonline.org/2021/09/24/apa-member-interview-emmanuel-cuisinier/>

OPINION ARTICLES

1. Cuisinier, E. "Our Romantic Heart Needs To be Known." *The Concordian* [Montreal, QC], 18 February 2020, <http://theconcordian.com/2020/02/thinkpiece-our-romantic-heart-needs-to-be-known/>
2. Cuisinier, E. "The right to learn comes before the right to free speech." *The Concordian*. 29 August 2017, p. 15. <http://theconcordian.com/2017/08/the-right-to-learn-comes-before-the-right-to-free-speech/>

POETRY

1. Cuisinier, E. "July in June." *The Initial Journal*, Vol. 1, August 2020.
2. Nounours, E. "The Story of Cake" & "For My Editor", *Burning Magazine*, Vol. 1. 2019.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (*R = Refereed; I = Invited*)

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| <p>"Value Theory in Early Moral Phenomenology" (R)
 Colloque des cycles supérieurs en philosophie de l'UdeM
 Université de Montréal</p> | March 2025 |
| <p>"Perception, Heroism, and The Problem of Expression" (R)
 American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting
 New York City, USA</p> | January 2025 |
| <p>"Perception, Heroism, and The Problem of Expression" (R)
 Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
 Rochester, NY, USA</p> | September 2024 |

“Perception, Heroism, and The Problem of Expression” (R) June 2024
Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture, FHSS Congress
McGill University

“A Phenomenological Approach to Romantic Love in Contexts of Mental Health” Apr 2023
APA Pacific Meeting, Society for Philosophy of Sex and Love Session
San Francisco, USA

“Spontaneous Heroism in Merleau-Ponty’s *Phenomenology*” (I) June 2023
Merleau-Ponty & Expression Workshop
Concordia University

“Challenges and Contentions to Romantic Love in Spinoza’s *Ethics*” March 2021
Kent State Philosophy Graduate Conference
Kent State University, Ohio, USA

“Taking Over Subjectivity: The Intersubjective Nature of Being Heroic in Merleau-Ponty”
Philopolis Montreal Jan. 2021
Université du Québec à Montréal

“The Place of Romantic Love as Robust Concern Theory in Spinoza’s *Ethics*” Nov. 2018
The Steven Humphrey Undergraduate Philosophy Colloquium (Refereed by faculty)
University of Louisville, Kentucky, USA

“Counter Arguments to Social-Constructionist and Materialist Theories of Love” Mar.2018
Liberal Arts College Students Academic Conference,
Concordia University, Montreal, Canada

“Fundamentals in Philosophy of Love.” February 2018
Philopolis Montreal
Concordia University, Montreal, Canada

“Ethics in Love : The Case of Spinoza’s *Ethics*” February 2017
McGill University, Montreal, Canada

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Guest Editor 2024 – 2025
Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review

Reviewer Summer 2024
The Montreal Workshop on Emotions and Normativity

Editor 2023 – 2024
Oxford Public Philosophy

Co-Editor-in-Chief Gnosis: Graduate Journal of Philosophy – Concordia University	2021 – 2022
Reviewer Concordia Graduate Philosophy Conference	March 2021
Reviewer Gnosis – Concordia University	Feb. 2021
Editor Gnosis – Concordia University	2020 – 2021
Editor-In-Chief Pensées Canadiennes – McGill University	2019 – 2020
Conference Organizer Philopolis, Montreal, Canada	2017 – 2018
Editor Pensées Canadiennes – McGill University	2017

REFeree REPORTS

Revue Philosophiques

AWARDS, BURSARIES & SCHOLARSHIPS

Travel Stipend, Philosophy Department, Université de Montréal (\$2000)	2025
American Philosophical Association Graduate Travel Stipend (\$300 USD)	2025
Bourse Wilrose Desrosiers et Pauline Dunn (\$1000)	2024
Graduate Merit Award, Canadian Congress of Humanities and Social Science (\$500)	2024
Bourse du Groupe de Recherche sur la Normativité (\$2000)	2023 – 2024
American Philosophical Association Graduate Travel Stipend (\$300 USD)	2023
Université de Montréal Doctoral Bursary (\$6000)	2022 – 2026
Concordia Split Merit Scholarship FAS (\$5000)	2020 – 2021
Kai Nielsen Bursary (\$1000)	2020 – 2021
Carolyn and Richard Renaud Bursary (\$5000)	2016 – 2018

MEMBERSHIPS

International Merleau-Ponty Circle
 American Philosophical Association
 Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
 Society for Philosophy of Sex and Love

LANGUAGES

French (native), English (fluent), German (A1.1 intermediate), Ancient Greek (reading)

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