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## Areas of Interest

Philosophy of science, values and science, philosophy of data, and philosophy of biodiversity

## Areas of Competence

AI ethics, normative ethics, and philosophy of cognitive science

## Education

<b>Ph.D. in Philosophy</b>	<b>Expected 2024</b>
University of Calgary, Calgary AB	
<b>M.A. in Philosophy (Thesis-based)</b>	<b>2019</b>
Bilkent University, Ankara	
<b>BSc Student, Molecular Biology and Genetics</b>	<b>2017</b>
Bilkent University, Ankara	

## Works in Progress

**“Institutional Value Management and Scientific Data Sharing”**

**“Responsible AI”** (co-authors: Mariana Pinheiro Bento, Mahsa Dibaji, Farzaneh Dehghani, and Fahim Anzum)

**“The Enablers and Barriers to Community-Campus Partnerships”** (co-authors: Magda Goemans, Amber Fletcher, and Adhika Ezra)

## Talks and Presentations

<b>“Institutional Value Management in Scientific Data Sharing”</b>	<b>2023 &amp; 2024</b>
<i>The Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology, Graduate Workshop, March 2024 (expected)</i>	
<i>International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology, Biennial Meeting, July 2024</i>	
<b>“Navigating Values in Agricultural Data Sharing”</b>	<b>2023</b>
<i>Interdisciplinary Food Studies Research Group, University of Calgary, April 2023</i>	
<b>“Integrating-for-Purposes: An Aim-Based Approach to Integration in Biology”</b>	<b>2021</b>
<i>International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology, Biennial Meeting, July 2021</i>	
<i>Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, Annual Meeting, June 2021</i>	
<b>“Mind, Modularity, and Cognitive Science”</b>	<b>2019</b>
<i>Öncül Felsefe Dergisi (Öncül Magazine of Philosophy), Ankara, July 2019</i>	
<b>“The Ontic and Epistemic Conceptions of Scientific Explanations from the Mechanistic Perspective”</b>	<b>2018</b>
<i>METU, III. National Graduate Congress in Philosophy, Ankara, December 2018</i>	
<b>“Scientific Explanations and Mechanisms”</b>	<b>2018</b>
<i>Öncül Felsefe Dergisi (Öncül Magazine of Philosophy), Ankara, December 2018</i>	
<b>“The Evolution of Mental Time Travel” (Poster presentation)</b>	<b>2017</b>
<i>International Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium, Istanbul Technical University, July 2017</i>	

## Teaching Experience

<b>Sessional Instructor (University of Calgary)</b>	<b>Spring 2023</b>
PHIL314 Information Technology Ethics	

**Teaching Assistant (University of Calgary)****Fall 2019 - Present**Philosophy

PHIL249 Morality, Virtue, and Society, Fall 2019 &amp; Fall 2021

PHIL201 Mind, Matter, and God, Fall 2020 &amp; Fall 2022

PHIL279 Logic I, Winter 2022

PHIL264 How Do We Know?, Winter 2021 &amp; Fall 2023

PHIL367 Science and Philosophy, Summer 2020

PHIL399 Uncertainty and Climate Change, Spring 2020

Bachelor of Health Sciences

MDSC205 Developing Health Literacy II, Winter 2020, Winter 2022 &amp; Winter 2023

**Teaching Certificate (University of Calgary)**

TI0894 Philosophy Statements and Teaching Dossiers, 2022

TI0896 SoTL Foundations, 2022

TI0897 Theories and Practice, 2021

TI0899 Learning Spaces and Digital Pedagogy, 2021

TI0994 Blended and Online Learning Pedagogy and Practice, 2021

TI0995 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, 2022

**Research Experience****Research Intern (Research and Planning Assistant)****Oct 2023 - Present**

Community Campus Engage Canada

**Visiting Graduate Researcher****Jul 2018 – Sep 2018**

The School of Philosophy, Australian National University, Canberra

**Research Intern (Research Assistant)****Sep 2016 – Jan 2017**

Cevher Lab, the Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics, Bilkent University, Ankara

**Research Intern (Laboratory Assistant)****Jun 2016 – Aug 2016**

Intergen Center for the Diagnosis of Genetic Diseases, Ankara

**Research Intern (Research Assistant)****Jun 2014 – Sep 2014**

Kalsbeek Group, the Netherlands Institute for Neuroscience, Academic Medical Center, University of Amsterdam

**Research Intern (Research Assistant)****Jun 2013 – Sep 2013**

Molecular Systems Biology of Learning, Leibniz Institute für Neurobiologie, Magdeburg

**Awards and Scholarships****Eyes High International Doctoral Scholarship (CAD 10,000)****2023 - 2024**

The Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Calgary

**Transformative Talent Internship Scholarship (CAD 9,600)****2023 – 2024****INTE Tuition Exemption (CAD 2,689.92)**

The Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Calgary

**Alberta Graduate Excellence Scholarship (CAD 15,000)****2021 – 2023****Peer Beyond Research Poster Presentation Award (CAD 250)****2021**

The Graduate Student Association, University of Calgary

**Comprehensive Scholarship (TL 25,600)** **2017 - 2019**  
**Travel Award (AUD 2,250) – Bilkent University – Australian National University Exchange Program**  
The Department of Philosophy, Bilkent University

**European Union Erasmus+ Trainee Scholarship (€1,800)** **2013**

#### **Professional Service**

**Values in Science – Talks Series (Organizer)** **Mar 2022- Feb 2023**

**Graduate Student Colloquium Series Director, University of Calgary** **Fall 2022 - Fall 2023**

**9<sup>th</sup> University of Calgary Philosophy Graduate Student Conference (Organizer)** **May 2021**

**Recent Trends in the Philosophy of Biology, Bilkent University (Organizer)** **May 2019**

**New Directions in Social Cognition Research, Bilkent University (Organizer)** **April 2018**

**Philosophical Problems in Science / Zagadnienia Filozoficzne w Nauce (Reviewer)** **2023**

#### **References**

**Marc Ereshefsky (PhD Co-supervisor)** **University of Calgary**  
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