

# CELIA EDELL

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## APPOINTMENTS

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- 2022-pres FRQSC Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Philosophy, University of British Columbia  
 2021 Visiting Researcher, School of Humanities, University of Glasgow

## EDUCATION

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- 2022 PhD in Philosophy, McGill University  
 Thesis: "Guilt, Blame, and Oppression: A Feminist Philosophy of Scapegoating"  
 Supervisors: Natalie Stoljar, Alia Al-Saji  
 Examiners: Carol Hay (external) and Kristin Voigt (internal)  
 Passed without corrections.  
 2015 MA with Distinction in Philosophy, University of Sheffield  
 Supervisor: Jennifer Saul  
 2013 BA with Honors in Philosophy, Western University

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Social Philosophy  
 Feminist Philosophy  
 Social Epistemology  
 Oppression Studies

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Ethics  
 Political Philosophy  
 Critical Philosophy of Race

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Edited Volumes

(under contract) *Feminist Ethics: An Introduction to Fundamental Concepts and Current Issues*, with Charlotte Sabourin (eds.). Routledge.

### Refereed Journal Articles

2019 "Reciprocal Recognition and Epistemic Virtue", *Ithaque* 25, pp.1-21.

### Book Chapters

(forthcoming) "White Ignorance and the Racial Imaginary", in *The Philosophy of Imagination: Technology, Art, Ethics*. London: Bloomsbury.

### Public Philosophy

- 2023 "Witches and 'Welfare Queens': The Construction of Women as Threats in the Anti-Abortion Movement", Women in Philosophy Series, Blog of the APA.  
 2023 "How 'Hogwarts Legacy' video game uses goblins to reinforce antisemitic scapegoating", The Conversation.  
 2022 "Self-Incrimination as Feminist Pedagogy", Graduate Student Reflection Series, Blog of the APA.

### Works in Progress

"Anti-trans legislation as scapegoating" (Under Review)  
 "Practical dilemmas of feminist online shaming"

## **AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS**

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2023	UBC-Vancouver Public Humanities Hub Public Engagement Award
2021-22	Réseau Québécois en études féministes (RéQEF) Doctoral Excellence Scholarship
2021-22	The Centre for Research in Ethics (CRÉ) Graduate Fellowship
2021	David Fate Norton Fellowship in Philosophy [7000 CAD]
2021	McGill-Glasgow Award
2021	The Centre for Research in Ethics (CRÉ) Special Scholarship
2018	Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Doctoral Scholarship (SSHRC)[105K CAD]
2018	Society for Ricoeur Studies Travel Grant
2014	Canada Postgraduate Merit Scholarship [7000 GBP]
2011-12	Faculty of Arts and Humanities Alumni Award, Western University

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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2023	“Out of the armchair and into the fire: Self-incrimination as feminist pedagogy”, Pedagogies of Discomfort, APA Eastern, Montreal.
2021	“The Cyclical Nature of Structural Scapegoating”, 38 <sup>th</sup> International Social Philosophy Conference, North American Society for Social Philosophy (NASSP).
2019	“Mediation in Measuring the Pure Experience of Pain”, The Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science (CSHPS) annual conference as part of the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, University of British Columbia.
2019	“Theorizing the Persistence of Oppression: Epistemology of Ignorance”, <i>philoSOPHIA</i> : Society for Continental Feminism, Memorial University.
2019	“Theorizing the Persistence of Oppression: Epistemology of Ignorance”, Graduate Philosophy Student Association 2019 Conference, Concordia University.
2018	“Solitary Confinement Through a Ricoeurian Lens”, the Society for Ricoeur Studies Annual conference, Mount St Mary’s University.
2017	“The Role of Genesis in Claims for Equality and Superiority of Women”, the Department for the Study of Religion Conference, University of Toronto.
2015	“Masculinity and the Internalisation of the Male Gaze”, Centre for the Study of Women and Gender Graduate Conference, The University of Warwick.

## **TEACHING**

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### **Instructor of Record**

- PHIL 330: Social and Political Philosophy (~50 students, UBC, Summer 2023)
- PHIL 442: Topics in Feminist Theory (~30 students, McGill University, Winter 2022)
- PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race (~50 students, McGill University, Fall 2019)

### **Teaching Assistant**

- PHIL 375: Existentialism. (~100 students, McGill University, Fall 2018)
- PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race (~50 students, McGill University, Winter 2018)
- PHIL 200: Introduction to Philosophy (~100 students, McGill University, Fall 2017)
- PHIL 334: Ethical Theory (~70 students, McGill University, Winter 2017)
- PHIL 200: Introduction to Philosophy (~100 students, McGill University, Fall 2016)

### **Invited Lecturer**

- HUMS1101: Frontiers of Thought (Douglas College, Summer 2023)
- PHIL 2360: Philosophy and Feminist Thought. (Douglas College, Fall 2022)

PHIL 1101: Critical Thinking (Douglas College, Fall 2022)  
 PHIL 442: Critical Race Feminisms (McGill University, Fall 2019)  
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 PHIL 237: Contemporary Moral Issues (McGill University, Winter 2019)  
 PHIL 375: Existentialism (McGill University, Fall 2018)  
 PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race (McGill University, Winter 2018)

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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2023 Marc Sanders Foundation Mentoring Workshop for Early Career Women Faculty in Philosophy, University of Missouri  
 2021 Visiting Researcher, COGITO Research Group, University of Glasgow

## **SERVICE**

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### **Refereeing**

2023 *Journal of Social Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy Quarterly, Philosophical Studies*

### **Conference Organization**

2022 Organizer, The Centre for Research in Ethics (CRÉ) International Conference  
 2019–2021 Director of Graduate Studies, Society for Ricoeur Studies  
 2019 Organizer, Montreal Workshop in Critical Philosophy of Race

### **Mentorship**

2018-2022 Co-founder and Organizer, Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) McGill

### **Equity, Diversity, Inclusion**

2023-pres VP EDI, Postdoctoral Association, University of British Columbia  
 2021-2022 Graduate Representative, EDI Community of Practice, Faculty of Arts, McGill  
 2020-2022 Graduate Representative, Equity and Climate Committee, Philosophy, McGill

## **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

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2023 Interview, *Philoparlons* podcast, “A Feminist Philosophy of Scapegoating”.  
 2022 Q&A moderator, *Burlington Literary Festival*, Feminist Fiction Panel.  
 2022 Interview, *American Philosophical Association*.  
 2020 Interview, *The Dandy*, “What Have You Gained from 2020?”.  
 2019 Interview, *The Polyester Podcast*. Episode: Fighting imposter Syndrome  
 2019 Interview, *Retweet* podcast. Episode: “How to be an ally”.  
 2019 Interview, *The Buddle Huddle* podcast with the Dean of Students at McGill University. Episode: “Imposters Everywhere”.  
 2018 Interview, *Study Breaks Magazine*, “Celia Edell Is YouTube’s Budding Philosopher”.  
 2017 Interview, *Rebelliously Tiny* Podcast. Episode: Celia.  
 2015-2017 Content Creator at *Everyday Feminism*.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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Canadian Philosophical Association  
 American Philosophical Association

**REFERENCES**

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