

## Celia Edell

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- SPECIALIZATIONS** Social philosophy, Applied Ethics, Feminist Philosophy, Social Epistemology
- COMPETENCIES** Political Philosophy, Critical Philosophy of Race, Oppression Studies
- APPOINTMENTS** FRQSC Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Philosophy, University of British Columbia, 2022-Present
- Affiliated Researcher, W. Maurice Young Centre for Applied Ethics, University of British Columbia, 2022-Present
- Visiting Researcher, School of Humanities, University of Glasgow, 2021
- EDUCATION** PhD in Philosophy, McGill University, 2022  
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.
- MA with Distinction in Philosophy, University of Sheffield, 2015  
Supervisor: Jennifer Saul
- BA with Honors in Philosophy, Western University, 2013
- PUBLICATIONS**
- Edited Volumes  
*Feminist Ethics: An Introduction to Fundamental Concepts and Current Issues*, with Charlotte Sabourin (eds.). Routledge. (Under Contract).
- Refereed Journal Articles  
"Reciprocal Recognition and Epistemic Virtue", *Ithaque* 25, pp.1-21, 2019.
- Book Chapters  
"White Ignorance and the Racial Imaginary", in *The Philosophy of Imagination: Technology, Art, Ethics*. London: Bloomsbury. (Forthcoming).  
"Practical Dilemmas of Feminist Online Shaming", *Feminist Ethics: An Introduction to Fundamental Concepts and Current Issues*, with Charlotte Sabourin (eds.). Routledge (Forthcoming).
- Public Philosophy  
"Witches and 'Welfare Queens': The Construction of Women as Threats in the Anti-Abortion Movement", Women in Philosophy Series, Blog of the APA. 2023. <https://blog.apaonline.org/2023/04/05/witches-and-welfare-queens-the-construction-of-women-as-threats-in-the-anti-abortion-movement/>  
"How 'Hogwarts Legacy' video game uses goblins to reinforce antisemitic scapegoating", The Conversation. 2023. <https://theconversation.com/how-hogwarts-legacy-video-game-uses-goblins-to-reinforce-antisemitic-scapegoating-202710>  
"Self-Incrimination as Feminist Pedagogy", Graduate Student Reflection Series, Blog of the APA. 2022. <https://blog.apaonline.org/2022/08/03/graduate-student-reflection-series-self-incrimination-as-feminist-pedagogy/>

## Works in Progress

“Anti-trans legislation as scapegoating” (Under Review).

“Diagnosing ethical distance online”

HONORS &  
AWARDS

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Fonds de Recherche du Québec, 2022-2024 [110K CAD]

Prestigious award in support of the next generation of experts in the social sciences, humanities, arts and literature.

UBC Public Humanities Hub Public Engagement Award, 2023 [1000 CAD]

Recognizing scholars whose work has contributed to the expansion of the range of voices in public discourse and who attempt to facilitate two-way dialogue with broader publics.

Marc Sanders Foundation Mentoring Workshop for Early Career Women Faculty in Philosophy, University of Missouri, 2023.

Réseau Québécois en études féministes (RéQEF) Doctoral Excellence Scholarship, 2021-22 [4000 CAD]

For excellent doctoral work dedicated to the development of research with a feminist perspective.

The Université-de-Montréal Centre for Research in Ethics (CRÉ) Graduate Fellowship, 2021-22 [5000 CAD]

For graduate research in the areas of theoretical and applied ethics who show leadership and initiative.

David Fate Norton Fellowship in Philosophy, 2021 [7000 CAD]

Awarded on the basis of academic merit by the Department of Philosophy, McGill University.

McGill-Glasgow Award, 2021

For researchers seeking to initiate or strengthen research ties with the University of Glasgow.

The Université-de-Montréal Centre for Research in Ethics (CRÉ) Special Scholarship, 2021

Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Doctoral Scholarship, SSHRC, 2018 [105K CAD]

A federal program of scholarships awarded through national competitions, rewarding and retaining high-calibre doctoral students at Canadian institutions.

Society for Ricoeur Studies Travel Grant, 2018

Canada Postgraduate Merit Scholarship, 2014 [7000 GBP]

Competitive merit-based award for a Canadian international student at University of Sheffield.

Faculty of Arts and Humanities Alumni Award, Western University, 2011-12

## PRESENTATIONS

“Rethinking Digital Discourse: Feminist Dilemmas in the Era of Online Shaming”  
W. Maurice Young Centre for Applied Ethics, University of British Columbia, 2023.

“Out of the armchair and into the fire: Self-incrimination as feminist pedagogy”  
Pedagogies of Discomfort, APA Eastern, Montreal, 2023.

“The Cyclical Nature of Structural Scapegoating”

38<sup>th</sup> International Social Philosophy Conference, North American Society for Social Philosophy (NASSP), 2021.

“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”

*philoSOPHIA*: Society for Continental Feminism, Memorial University, 2019.  
Graduate Philosophy Student Association 2019 Conference, Concordia University, 2019.

“Solitary Confinement Through a Ricoeurian Lens”

The Society for Ricoeur Studies Annual conference, Mount St Mary’s University, 2018.

“The Role of Genesis in Claims for Equality and Superiority of Women”

The Department for the Study of Religion Conference, University of Toronto, 2017.

“Masculinity and the Internalisation of the Male Gaze”

Centre for the Study of Women and Gender Graduate Conference, The University of Warwick, 2015.

## TEACHING

### Instructor of Record

PHIL 102: Introduction to Philosophy (UBC, Winter 2024)

Topics: Philosophical questions of morality and modern existence, e.g., responsibility, happiness, oppression, sex, love, social media, death

PHIL 1101: Critical Thinking (Douglas College, Winter 2024)

Topics: Argumentation, formal logic, fallacies, fake news, disinformation, pseudoscience, conspiracy theories, echo chambers, intellectual humility

PHIL 330: Social and Political Philosophy (UBC, Summer 2023)

Topics: The social effects and political significance of the internet, e.g., deepfakes, surveillance, online shaming

PHIL 442: Topics in Feminist Theory (McGill University, Winter 2022)

Topics: Feminist epistemologies of ignorance, e.g., epistemic injustice, colonial ignorance, trust, resistance

PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race (McGill University, Fall 2019)

Topics: Introductory survey of themes, e.g., metaphysics of race, racial identity, embodiment, interpersonal and institutional racism, reparations

### Teaching Assistant

PHIL 375: Existentialism (McGill University, Fall 2018)

PHIL 327: Philosophy of Race (McGill University, Winter 2018)

PHIL 200: Introduction to Philosophy (McGill University, Fall 2017)

PHIL 334: Ethical Theory (McGill University, Winter 2017)

PHIL 200: Introduction to Philosophy (McGill University, Fall 2016)

### Invited Lecturer

HUMS 1101: 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  
SERVICE

Visiting Researcher, COGITO Research Group, University of Glasgow, 2021.

Refereeing

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

Conference Organization

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

Mentorship

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

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion

VP EDI, Postdoctoral Association, University of British Columbia, 2023- present  
 Graduate Representative, EDI Community of Practice, Faculty of Arts, McGill, 2021-22  
 Graduate Representative, Equity and Climate Committee, Philosophy, McGill, 2020-22

PUBLIC  
ENGAGEMENT

Interview, *AskMen.com*, “An Exploration into the Concept of the “High-Maintenance Woman”, 2023. [https://www.askmen.com/top\\_10/dating/signs-shes-high-maintenance.html](https://www.askmen.com/top_10/dating/signs-shes-high-maintenance.html)

Interview, *Philoparlons* podcast, “A Feminist Philosophy of Scapegoating”, 2023. <https://open.spotify.com/episode/4aLb1WQatv8Jbhr8SiKlby?si=27f16d020bb4472c>

Q&A moderator, *Burlington Literary Festival*, Feminist Fiction Panel, 2022. <https://attend.bpl.on.ca/event/7403741>

Member interview, *American Philosophical Association*, 2022. <https://blog.apaonline.org/2022/03/11/apa-member-interview-celia-edell/>

Interview, *The Dandy*, “What Have You Gained from 2020?”, 2020. <https://thedandy.club/home/what-have-you-gained-from-2020>

Interview, *The Polyester Podcast*. Episode: Fighting imposter Syndrome, 2019. <https://podcasts.apple.com/ie/podcast/fighting-imposter-syndrome-with-celia-edell-brie/id1451311975?i=100044537572>

Interview, *Retweet* podcast. Episode: “How to be an ally”, 2019. <https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/episode-13-how-to-be-an-ally/id1434269356?i=1000430066043>

Interview, *The Buddle Huddle* podcast with the Dean of Students at McGill University. Episode: “Imposters Everywhere”, 2019. <https://www.mcgill.ca/deanofstudents/podcast>

Interview, *Study Breaks Magazine*, “Celia Edell Is YouTube’s Budding Philosopher”, 2018. <https://studybreaks.com/thoughts/celia-edell-aka-ceedling-is-youtubes-budding-philosopher/>

Interview, *Rebelliously Tiny* Podcast. Episode: Celia, 2017. <https://www.ambivalentlyyours.com/podcast/2017/6/28/episode-4-celia>

Content Creator at *Everyday Feminism*, 2015-17.  
<https://everydayfeminism.com/author/celiae/>

**GRADUATE  
COURSEWORK**

PhD, McGill University:  
 Forgiveness: Jankélévitch, Arendt, Derrida and Ricoeur (Gaelle Fiasse), grade A  
 Measuring the Mind (Eran Tal), grade A  
 Care of Self (Alison Laywine and Sarah Stroud), grade A  
 Politics of Recognition (Natalie Stoljar), grade A  
 Aristotle's Biology (Marguerite Deslauriers), grade A-  
 Philosophy of Time: Bergson and Deleuze (Alia Al-Saji), grade A  
 Feminist Metaphysics (Natalie Stoljar), grade A-  
 History of Conceptions of Sexual Equality (Marguerite Deslauriers), grade A  
 Thought Experiments (Emily Carson & David Davies), grade A

**PROFESSIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS**

Canadian Philosophical Association  
 American Philosophical Association

**REFERENCES**

Natalie Stoljar  
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 Professor  
 Department of Philosophy  
 McGill University  
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