

# NATHAN MALCOMSON

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## RESEARCH AREAS

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AOS: Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Action, Wittgenstein  
AOC: History of Analytic Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of Mind

## EDUCATION

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2020–Present **York University, Toronto**  
Ph.D. in Philosophy  
Dissertation Title: *The Act of Meaning*  
Advisors: Claudine Verheggen, Chris Campbell, Henry Jackman

2019–2020 **York University, Toronto**  
M.A. in Philosophy

2014–2018 **University of British Columbia**  
B.A. (with Honours) in English  
Thesis Title: *The Scandal of the Sign: Is Misunderstanding and Non-recognition a Necessary Violence?*  
Supervisor: Sean Lawrence

## PUBLICATIONS

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Malcomson, Nathan. “A Derangement of Arguments: Do Social Conventionalists Have Glory?”  
Under Review.

## PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTS

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### Presentations

“New Solutions, Old Problems: Agreement and Novelty in Dynamic Conventions”  
-*Canadian Philosophical Association* 2024 (Student Essay Prize Winner)  
-*University of Waterloo Graduate Conference* 2024

“Meaning and Social Conventions”  
-*University of Texas at Austin Graduate Conference* 2024  
-*Canadian Philosophical Association* 2023

## Comments

Comment on “A Non-Inferentialist Program for Global Expressivism”  
*York University Graduate Conference 2023*

## AWARDS

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2024	Canadian Philosophical Association Student Essay Prize \$500
2023	Ontario Graduate Scholarship \$15000
2022	Ontario Graduate Scholarship \$15000
2021	Ontario Graduate Scholarship \$15000
2020	Canadian Graduate Scholarship–Master’s \$17500
2020	Ontario Graduate Scholarship \$15000 (declined)

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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### Teaching Assistantships

Fall 2022	<i>Ancient Greek Philosophy</i> (Stefan Rodde, York)
Summer 2022	<i>Philosophy of Law</i> (Margaret O’Brien, York)
Winter 2022	<i>Introduction to Logic</i> (Judy Pelham, York)
Fall 2021	<i>Introduction to Logic</i> (Judy Pelham, York)
Summer 2021	<i>Reasoning about Morality and Values</i> (Cael Cohen, York)
Year 2020-2021	<i>Introduction to Philosophy</i> (Brian Huss, York)

### Graderships

Winter 2023	<i>Locke, Berkeley, and Hume</i> (Jill Cumby, York)
Fall 2023	<i>Descartes, Leibniz, and Spinoza</i> (Jill Cumby, York)
Summer 2023	<i>Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind</i> (Brian Huss, York)
Winter 2023	<i>Perception, Knowledge, and Causality</i> (Jagdish Hattiangadi, York)
Winter 2018	<i>Kant and Cosmopolitanism</i> (Ruth Lowe-Walker, UBC)
Winter 2018	<i>Business Ethics</i> (Ruth Lowe-Walker, UBC)
Fall 2017	<i>Computer Ethics</i> (Ruth Lowe-Walker, UBC)
Fall 2017	<i>Introduction to Philosophy</i> (Ruth Lowe-Walker, UBC)

### Research Assistantships

2023–Present	Research Assistant to Claudine Verheggen (York) <i>Introduction to the Philosophy of Language</i>
2022–2023	Research Assistant to Claudine Verheggen (York) <i>Kripke’s ‘Wittgenstein on Rules and Private Language’ at 40</i>
2017–2018	Research Assistant to Francisco Peña (UBC) <i>SSHRC-funded project on Alfonso X’s General History</i>

## Editorial Assistantships

2023–Present          Editorial Assistant  
*Editing Press*

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### Disciplinary Service

2022, 2024          Ontario High School Ethics Bowl Judge  
2023                  Lead Organizer of York University’s Graduate Student Conference  
*Exploring Expressivism in Language, Thought, and Ethics*

### Departmental Service

2021–2022          Graduate Student Representative for the Philosophy Department  
2021–2022          Graduate Student Representative on Tenure Applications  
2019–2020          Graduate Student Representative for the Philosophy Department

## GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN (\*Audited)

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Winter 2021          *The Metaphysics of Action*—Bob Myers, York  
*Foundations of Expressivism\**—Imogen Dickie and Nate Charlow, UofT  
Fall 2021              *Philosophy of Cognitive Science*—Verena Gottschling, York  
*Contextualism and Conventionalism*—Claudine Verheggen, York  
*Aristotle’s Physics Book II\**—Jessica Gelber, UofT  
Winter 2021          *Semantic Non-Reductionism*—Claudine Verheggen, York  
*Free Will in Early Modern Philosophy*—Matthew Leisinger, York  
*The Philosophy of Language\**—Imogen Dickie and Philip Kremer, UofT  
Fall 2020              *Objectivity*—Robert Myers and Claudine Verheggen, York  
*The Perception-Cognition Border*—Jacob Beck, York  
Winter 2020          *History of Analytic Philosophy*—Judy Pelham, York  
*Philosophy of Action*—Robert Myers, York  
*Core Theoretical Philosophy*—Claudine Verheggen and Chris Campbell  
Fall 2019              *Pragmatism*—Henry Jackman, York  
*Wittgenstein on Rule-Following*—Claudine Verheggen, York  
*Core Practical Philosophy*—Robert Myers and Regina Rini, York