

# ELLIOT ROSSITER

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

Department of Philosophy & Humanities  
Douglas College  
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### CITIZENSHIP

**Canadian**

### RESEARCH AREAS

**Applied Ethics**  
**Early Modern Philosophy**  
**Moral and Political Philosophy**

### EMPLOYMENT

**Regular Faculty** 2017-  
Department of Philosophy  
Douglas College

**College Professor (term appt.)** Fall 2016  
Department of Philosophy  
Okanagan College

**Visiting Research Fellow** 2015-2016  
Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies  
Concordia University of Edmonton

**Sessional Instructor** 2014-2015  
Department of Philosophy  
University of Western Ontario

**Writing Counsellor** 2014-2015  
Writing Support Centre  
University of Western Ontario

### EDUCATION

**PhD Philosophy** 2010-2014  
University of Western Ontario

Title: *Hypothetical Necessity and the Laws of Nature:  
John Locke on God's Legislative Power*

Advisors: Dr Benjamin Hill (supervisor), Dr Henrik  
Lagerlund, Dr Dennis Klimchuk, Dr Andrew  
Botterell

Examiners: Dr Patricia Sheridan, Dr Lorne Falkenstein,  
Dr Dennis Klimchuk, Dr Allyson May

**Western Certificate in University** 2012-2014  
**Teaching and Learning**

**MA Philosophy** 2009-2010  
University of Western Ontario  
Project Title: *Pascal and Fideism*,  
Pass with Distinction

**BA Philosophy (cum laude)** 2004-2009  
University of Ottawa

**Diploma in Liberal Arts** 2003-2004  
Augustine College

RESEARCH  
ACTIVITIES

**Journal Articles:**

- (1) 'The Virtue of Industry and the Instrumentalization of Work',  
*Points of Interest* 5.2, Special Issue: Philosophy and Work, Then  
and Now (2019): 116-137.
- (2) 'Hedonism and Natural Law in Locke's Moral Philosophy',  
*Journal of the History of Philosophy* 54.2 (2016): 203-225.
- (3) 'Locke, Providence, and the Limits of Natural Philosophy',  
*British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 22.2 (2014): 217-235.

**Edited Volumes:**

- (1) *Changing the Conversation: Reflective Empathy and Public Discourse  
on Social Housing*, Douglas College, forthcoming 2021

**Invited Contributions:**

- (1) 'Locke on Knowledge of Morality', *The Lockean Mind*, eds.  
Jessica Gordon-Roth and Shelley Weinberg, Routledge, 2021,  
pp. 351-359.
- (2) 'From Experimental Natural Philosophy to Natural Religion:  
Action and Contemplation in the Early Royal Society',  
*Experiment, Speculation and Religion in Early Modern Philosophy*,  
eds. Peter Anstey and Alberto Vanzo, Routledge, 2019, pp. 184-  
203.
- (3) 'Locke and the Jesuits on Law and Politics', *Brill Companion to  
the Jesuit Tradition on the Eve of Modernity*, ed. Cristiano Casalini,  
Brill, 2019, pp. 426-443.

### **Conference Proceedings:**

- (1) 'Automation and Craft-Based Management', *Journal of Global Business Management and Economics* 1.1 (August 2018): 21-26.
- (2) 'Cicero, Epicurus, and Systemic Injustice', *Southwest Philosophy Review* 28.1 (January 2012): 55-62.

### **Translations (from French):**

- (1) Lagrée, Jacqueline. 'Justus Lipsius and Neostoicism', tr. Elliot Rossiter, in *The Routledge Handbook of the Stoic Tradition*, ed. John Sellars, Abingdon: Routledge (2016)

### **Book Reviews:**

- (1) Review of Victor Nuovo, *John Locke: The Philosopher as Christian Virtuoso* (Oxford, 2017). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, March 2018

### **Recent Presentations:**

- (1) 'Capabilities, Narrative, and the Free-Riding Objection'  
*North American Basic Income Guarantee Congress*, Silberman School of Social Work, Hunter College, New York, NY, June 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- (2) 'Locke and the Virtue of Industry'
  - (i) *Canadian Philosophical Association General Meeting*, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, June 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2019
  - (ii) *Pacific Northwest / Western Canada Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy*, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, March 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- (3) 'Automation and Craft-Based Management'  
*Global Conference on Business Management and Economics*, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, July 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- (4) 'Mixed Modes and Moral Epistemology in John Locke's *Essay concerning Human Understanding*'
  - (i) *Canadian Philosophical Association General Meeting*, Université de Québec à Montréal, Montréal, PQ, June 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2018
  - (ii) *Western Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting*, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, October 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

- (5) 'Reciprocity and Basic Income'  
*North American Basic Income Guarantee Congress*, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, May 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- (6) 'Natural Religion and the Ambiguity of Locke's Theological Commitments'  
*John Locke Workshop*, University of Western Ontario, London, ON, June 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- (7) 'Precarious Academic Labour and the Nature of Meaningful Work'  
*Precarious Academic Labour in the Age of Neoliberalism*, Okanagan College, Kelowna, BC, May 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- (8) 'Work, Virtue, and Guaranteed Income'  
 (i) *Labor, Capital, and Technology in the 21st Century: Insights from Catholic Social Teaching*, Providence College, RI, December 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
 (ii) *Character and Virtue in the Professions*, Jubilee Centre for Character and Virtues, University of Birmingham, UK, June 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

GRANTS/AWARDS    **Research Incentive Grant** (2020), Douglas College – Project Title: "Evaluation of Arts Empowerment and Social Change Initiative"

Supporting Applicant for **Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Grant** (2020), Union of BC Municipalities – Primary Applicant: City of New Westminster – Project Title: "Arts Empowerment, Income Boosting, and Social Change Project"

**Develop Grant** (2019), Systems Change Program, Vancouver Foundation – Primary Applicant – Project Title: "Changing the Conversation: Reflective Empathy and Public Discourse on Social Housing"

**Open Educational Resources Incentive Grant** (2018), Douglas College

**Research and Scholarly Activity Travel Fund Award** (2018), Douglas College

**University Students' Council Teaching Award of Excellence, Honour Roll**, University of Western Ontario (2015)

**Social Sciences and Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship** (2013/2014)

**Ontario Graduate Scholarship** (2012/2013)

**Ontario Graduate Scholarship (2011/2012)**

TEACHING

**Probationary Regular Faculty**, Department of Philosophy, Douglas College

Courses Regularly Taught:

*Critical Thinking*

*Knowledge, Reason & Experience*

*Values & Contemporary Issues*

*Business Ethics*

*Sports Ethics*

*Urban Challenges*

**College Professor**, Department of Philosophy, Okanagan College

Fall 2016: *Introduction to Philosophy I*

*Criminal Justice Ethics*

*Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking* (two sections)

**Visiting Fellow**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Concordia University of Edmonton

Fall 2015: *Introduction to Ethics* (two sections)

Winter 2016: *Introduction to Ethics*

*Early Modern Philosophy*

*Introduction to Logic*

July 2016: *Introduction to Ethics*

**Course Instructor**, *Philosophy of Witchcraft*, University of Western Ontario, Fall 2014 / Winter 2015

**Tutor**, Writing Support Centre, University of Western Ontario, Fall 2013 – Winter 2015

**Course Instructor**, *Evil*, University of Western Ontario, Fall 2012

INSTITUTIONAL  
ACTIVITY

**Member**, Research Ethics Board, Douglas College, 2020-present

**Member**, Strategic Plan Working Group (Open Access), Douglas College, 2020-present

**Member**, Open Douglas (OER working group), Douglas College, 2017-present

**Member**, Rotman Institute of Philosophy, University of Western Ontario, 2012 – 2014

COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITY

**Member**, Community Poverty Reduction Committee, City of New Westminster, 2019-present

**Member**, Financial Literacy and Employment Working Group,  
City of New Westminster, 2021-present

PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE

**Reviewer** for *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Locke Studies*

**Secretary**, Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers,  
2012 – 2019

PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS

Canadian Philosophical Association  
Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers

LANGUAGES

Advanced: French, Latin  
Basic Reading: German, Spanish