

# REZA HADISI

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## AREAS

Specialization Metaethics, Epistemology, Kant  
Competence Islamic Philosophy, Early Modern, German Idealism, Existentialism, Logic

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2020 – present Assistant Professor, *University of Arizona*  
Affiliated with the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, *University of Arizona*  
  
2019 – 2020 Visiting Scholar & Lecturer, UCHV and Philosophy, *Princeton University*  
2018 – 2019 Visiting Assistant Professor, *Hamilton College, NY*

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## EDUCATION

2012-2018 Ph.D. (Philosophy), *University of Illinois at Chicago*  
Thesis Kant's Groundwork for the Metaphysics of Epistemic Normativity  
Committee Sally Sedgwick (Chair), Daniel Sutherland, Samuel Fleischacker  
Sarah Buss (Michigan), Andrew Chignell (Princeton)  
  
*Visiting*  
2017-2018 *University of Michigan*, Sponsor: Sarah Buss  
fall 2015 *Yale University*, Sponsor: Paul Franks  
fall 2014 *University of Michigan*, Sponsor: Louis Loeb  
summer 2014 *Konstanz University*, Germany, Sponsor: Dina Emundts  
  
2010-2012 M.A. (Philosophy), *Concordia University*, Montréal, Canada  
2007 – 2010 B.A. (Philosophy), *Sheffield University* (1<sup>st</sup> Class Honours)  
2004 – 2007 B.Sc. (Computer Science), *University of Science*, Malaysia (1<sup>st</sup> Class Honours)

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## PUBLICATIONS

forthcoming Creative Imagining as Practical Knowing, *Res Philosophica*  
2020 with Sara Aronowitz, Iqbal's Fractured Vision: History as a Science and the Moral Weight of the Past, *Philosophy East and West*

## REVIEWS

2019 "Kant on Freedom and Spontaneity, ed. By Kate Moran," *Kantian Review*

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## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, & PRIZES

2020 Research Award, "Ibn 'Arabi's Conception of Imagination: an analytic reading," *Theology, Science, Knowledge Project*, Templeton Foundation (\$7,500)  
2018 – 2019 DAAD Postdoctoral Fellowship at Goethe-Universität Frankfurt (declined)  
2017 Ruth Barcan Marcus Award, "Outstanding Member of the Graduate Program"  
2017 – 2018 Dean's Scholar Award at UIC (\$22,000)  
2016 Chancellor's Research Award at the University of Illinois Chicago (\$5,000)  
2014 Centre for Philosophy North Rhine-Westphalia Award at Universität Bonn (€1,000)  
2013 UIC Provost Deiss Award, "Early 18th Century Influences on Kant's Philosophy" (\$2,600)  
2012 North American Kant Society (NAKS), Markus Herz Prize for best graduate paper for "Kant's Transcendental Arguments, Hegel's Dialectical Method & Pyrrhonism"  
2011-2012 Concordia University MERIT Scholarship for Academic Excellence (CAD 14,000)  
2011, 2012 Concordia University Arts and Sciences Fellowship (CAD 18,000)  
2007 – 2010 Peter Nidditch Prize in Philosophy, University of Sheffield, honorable mention for "students with the best results in philosophy"

- 2009 Sheffield Undergraduate Research Grant, Hang Seng Center for Cognitive Studies  
2007 President's MERIT Prize in the Bachelor of Computer Science

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

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- 2021 "Imagining as Practical Knowing: a reading of Ibn 'Arabi," Eastern APA  
2020 "The Unity of Theoretical and Practical Norms in Kant", Kant's and Kantian Epistemic Normativity, University of Edinburgh [conference cancelled]  
2020 "Permissivism and Direct Doxastic Voluntarism" Epistemic Autonomy in Kant and Beyond, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile [conference cancelled]  
2019 "Al-Ghazālī's Prophetic Dreams and Descartes' Skeptical Nightmares," *Theology, Science, and Knowledge*, University of Missouri-St. Louis  
2018 "Kant on the Primacy of Epistemic Obligations", University of Michigan Graduate Workshop  
2017 "Reflexive Grounding of Normativity: Humean Doubts and Kantian Formalism," the 6th Annual Understanding Value Conference, Sheffield University, England.  
2015 "Doxastic Voluntarism as Epistemic (But not Practical) Agency," 5th Annual Value & Agency Conference: Knowledge & Agency, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.  
2013 "Kant's Solution for the Pyrrhonian Dilemma of the Criterion", University of Illinois at Chicago.  
2012 "Kant's Transcendental Arguments, Hegel's Dialectical Method & Pyrrhonism", North American Kant Society, Princeton University (Winner of 2012 Markus Herz Prize for best graduate paper of the year among all NAKS divisions).  
2009 "On Spinoza's Necessitarianism: A Dilemma", British Undergraduate Philosophy Society, Oxford.  
2009 "Children's Attribution of Function to Artefacts and Natural Kinds", Interdisciplinary Centre for Inquiry-based Learning in the Arts & Social Sciences Conference, Sheffield University.

## COMMENTS

- 2018 On Carolina Flores (Rutgers), "Spinoza's Account of Self-Knowledge," APA Central Div.  
2018 On Adam Schmidt (BU), "Freedom and Responsibility in Kant," APA Eastern Div.  
2016 On Jessica Tizzard (Chicago), "The Possibility of Kantian Frailty," 3rd Chicagoland Graduate Conference.  
2015 On Karl Ameriks (Notre Dame), "On Some Reactions to Kant's 'Tragic Problem'", Chicago Area German Philosophy Consortium.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### INSTRUCTOR

- 2020 Justice and Virtue  
2019 History of Modern European Philosophy  
2019, 2020 Existentialism and Phenomenology  
2018 Senior Seminar on the *Critique of Pure Reason*  
2018 Islamic Sufi Philosophy  
2018 Ethics of Belief  
2017 Critical Thinking  
2016 19th Century Philosophy  
2015, 2016 Introduction to Logic  
2015 Introduction to Philosophy  
2014 Naturalism and Antinaturalism

## SECTIONS

Intro to Moral Philosophy, Intro to Political Philosophy (twice), Intro to Logic (twice),  
Intro Metaphysics, Critical Thinking

## SERVICE & OTHER EXPERIENCE

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2020- present Board Member for the Corrupt the Youth Organization  
2018 – present Volunteer website developer for Corrupt the Youth [<http://corrupttheyouth.org/>]  
2020 Assistant Editor of “Kant” in PhilPapers.  
2019 – 2020 Co-organizer of Islamic Philosophy group at Princeton Project in Philosophy & Religion  
2014 – 2017 Workshop organizer, UIC Work in Progress Series  
2014, 15, 16 Conference organizer, 1st, 2nd, & 4th Chicagoland Graduate Conference.  
2016 – 2017 Webmaster for UIC philosophy department.  
2012 Conference organizer, “The Status of Minorities in Philosophy” [<https://bit.ly/2k5iCCY>]  
2009 Research Assistant, Hang Seng Center for Cognitive Studies: “Children’s Attribution of  
Function to Artefacts and Natural Kinds” [<https://bit.ly/2lCDNNa>]  
2008-2010 Volunteer for the Philosophy in the City outreach program. Sheffield, UK.  
2006 – 2007 Database Developer, LEO Smart Loyalty. Main skills: Java, Oracle & .Net technologies.

## LANGUAGE & OTHER SKILLS

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languages English (fluent), Persian (native), German (reading), Arabic (reading)  
programming Java, C++, PL/SQL, PHP

## MEMBERSHIP

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American Philosophical Association                      North American Kant Society

## REFERENCES

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research Sarah Buss, *University of Michigan* [sbuss@umich.edu](mailto:sbuss@umich.edu)  
Andrew Chignell, *Princeton University*, [chignell@princeton.edu](mailto:chignell@princeton.edu)  
Samuel Fleischacker, *University of Illinois, Chicago*, [fleischert@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fleischert@sbcglobal.net)  
Sally Sedgwick, *Boston University*, [ssedqw@bu.edu](mailto:ssedqw@bu.edu)  
Daniel Sutherland, *University of Illinois Chicago*, [sutherla@uic.edu](mailto:sutherla@uic.edu)  
teaching Katheryn Doran, *Hamilton College*, [kdoran@hamilton.edu](mailto:kdoran@hamilton.edu)  
Marya Schechtman, *University of Illinois, Chicago*, [marva@uic.edu](mailto:marva@uic.edu)