

# MATTHEW L. BREWER

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## RESEARCH AREAS

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**Areas of Specialization:** Philosophy of science (geosciences, measurement, data)

**Areas of Competence:** Ancient Greek philosophy, ethics, logic

## EDUCATION

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**Boston University**, Boston, MA 2020 – present (in-progress)  
*Doctor of Philosophy*, Philosophy (Candidate)  
Dissertation advisor: Alisa Bokulich

**Fordham University**, Bronx, NY 2020  
*Bachelor of Arts*, Philosophy, Classical Civilizations  
Minor in History  
*Summa cum laude*  
*In cursu honorum*: Rose Hill Honors Program

## REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

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(2022, November) “When is a Detection a Discovery?” Poster presented at the Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting.

(2022, May) “Husserl’s Phenomenological Critique of the Physical Sciences.” Rotman Institute of Philosophy Graduate Student Conference, Western University.

## COMMENTARIES

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(2023, March) Boston Phenomenology Circle: “Edith Stein on the Emotions,” Dermot Moran

(2022, May) Boston University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference: “Getting Out of the Epistemic Way: A modest proposal for eco-emancipation,” Danielle Douez

## AWARDS

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### Fellowships

Peter Diamandopoulos Fellowships Fund in Hellenic Studies (Summer 2022): Stipend support for summer research related to Hellenic philosophy at Boston University.

Summer Research Fellowship (Summer 2021): Stipend support for summer research associated with the philosophy department at Boston University. Served as research assistant to Professor Marc Gasser-Wingate.

## **Other Awards**

The Archbishop John Hughes Award (May 2020): Bestowed each year by the philosophy department at Fordham College at Rose Hill on the graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the study of philosophy.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Boston University**

#### **Full Responsibility**

History of Ancient Philosophy

#### **Teaching Fellow**

Introduction to Philosophy (2x)

Introduction to Ethics

Reasoning & Argumentation

Medical Ethics

#### **Course Assistant**

Ethical Leadership in the Global Economy

## **GRADUATE COURSEWORK**

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### **Philosophy of Science**

Philosophy of the Earth Sciences (Alisa Bokulich, BU)

Philosophy of Modeling (directed study with Alisa Bokulich, BU)

Philosophy of Physics (Lydia Patton, Virginia Tech, Visiting at BU)

Philosophy of Biology (Rachell Powell, BU)

Philosophy of Science (Alisa Bokulich, BU)

### **Logic and Epistemology**

Symbolic Logic (Peter Hylton, BU)

Epistemology (Daniel Star, BU)

## **Phenomenology**

Phenomenology (Walter Hopp, BU)

Philosophy of Mind (Walter Hopp, BU)

## **History of Philosophy**

Kant (Sally Sedgwick, BU)

Hegel (Sally Sedgwick, BU)

Aristotle (Marc Gasser-Wingate, BU)

Maimonides (Michael Zank, BU)

Philosophy of Religion (directed study with Michael Zank, BU)

## **Contemporary Ethics**

Philosophy of Gender and Race (Samia Hesni, BU)

Aesthetics and Ethics of Photography (Daniel Star, BU)

## **SERVICE**

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Minorities and Philosophy Chapter (BU): Coordinator, 2023-2024

Philosophy Graduate Student Conference (BU): Organizer, 2023-2024

Boston Phenomenology Circle: Convener, 2022-2024

BU Spark! Welcome Back MiniHack Hackathon: Mentor, 2023

BU Spark! Tech for Change Civic Tech Hackathon: Mentor, 2023

Philosophy Department Graduate Student President (BU): Co-President, 2022-2023

Philosophy Seminar Series (BU): Coordinator, 2021-2022

## **RESEARCH GROUPS & ORGANIZATIONS**

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Philosophy of the Geosciences Research Group ( $\Phi$ -Geo): Research group at Boston University on philosophical issues in the geosciences (geology, climate science, etc.), organized by Alisa Bokulich.

Philosophy of Science Association

International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science

Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice

Society for Applied Philosophy

American Philosophical Association