

Kate Finley

Employment

2018 – present	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Hope College
2019	Instructor of Record, Calvin Prison Initiative
2018	Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Notre Dame
2018	Instructor of Record, Westville Prison Education Initiative
2015 – 2018	Instructor of Record, University of Notre Dame
2013 – 2014	Graduate Assistant, Center for Philosophy of Religion

Education

2018	University of Notre Dame, Ph.D., Philosophy Dissertation: <i>Perception, Cognition, and Prediction</i> Committee: Ted Warfield, Jeff Speaks, Robert Audi, Larry Shapiro
2012	University of Notre Dame, B.A. Philosophy & Theology, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>

Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Mind & Cognitive Science, Applied Ethics

Areas of Competence

Social Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion

Publications

- Finley, K., Brooke, O., Longfield, V., & Serrao, R. (under contract, forthcoming) The Ethical and Social Dimensions of Computing in Engineering. In *Bias & Machine Learning*. McGraw-Hill.
- Finley, K. (2022). Mental Disorder, Meaning-making, & Religious Engagement. *TheoLogica*.
- Finley, K. (2022). A Defense of Cognitive Penetration & the Face-Race Lightness Illusion. *Philosophical Psychology*, 1-28.
- Finley, K. (2022). Adoption, Abortion, and Integrity: The Demands of Integrity for Opponents of Abortion. In *Pregnancy and Persons*. Routledge.
- Finley, K. & Brooke, O. (2022) A Module on Ethics and Social Implications of Computing for Introductory Engineering Computing Courses. *American Society for Engineering Education*.
- Finley, K. and Seachris, J. (2021). Narrative, Theology, and Philosophy of Religion. Wiley-Blackwell *Encyclopedia of Philosophy of Religion*. Wiley-Blackwell.
- Finley, K. (2021). Philosophy of Mind. *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Christian Theology*. T&T Clark / Bloomsbury.
- Finley, K. (2019). Petitionary Prayer: A Philosophical Investigation, by Scott Davison. *Faith and Philosophy* 36.3 (2019): 390-395.
- Finley, K. (2019). Review of Ritualized Faith by Terence Cuneo. *Religious Studies*, Wiley-Blackwell.

Finley, K. (2018). Perception, Cognition, and Prediction. *University of Notre Dame (Dissertation)*.

Under Review & In Preparation

“Embodied Cognition & the Grip of Computationalism” (*revise & resubmit*)

“Narrative Engagement & Meaning-making in Mental Disorder” (*revise & resubmit*)

“The Conflation of Spiritual Etiologies & Meaning-making in Mental Disorder” (*revise & resubmit*)

“Embodied Cognition, Religious Concepts, & Intellectual Disability” (*under review*)

"Metaphors for the Mind & Understanding Intelligence" (*in prep*)

“Mad Pride, Self-narrative, and Emotional Instability” (*in prep*)

Selected Grants

“Group Membership Modulation of Memory and Judgments for Morally Ambiguous Actions” | *Duke University*, (\$26,860) 2022-2023 (PI) with Ryan Daley, Cecilia Forcato, Lauren Kaczor, Marina Trakas, and Laura Soter

“Prosocial & Emotional Effects of Narratives: The Role of Perspective-taking Brain Networks” | *Duke University*, (\$26,684) 2022-2023 (co-PI) with Fernanda Pérez Gay Juárez, Samantha Fede, Rodrigo Diaz, and Laura Matthews

“Narratives of Mental Disorders in Religious Communities” | *Global Health Interdisciplinary summer research* (\$14,600) 2022 (PI) with Stephanie Pangborn and student research collaborators Brooke Bennett & Emily Davidson

“Explorations of Mental Disorder, Neurodiversity, & Embodiment - and Connections with Religious Engagement” | *Towsley Research Scholars grant* (\$58,000) 2022-2025

"Mental Disorder & Psychological Stability in Christianity" | *Calvin University Scholar-Teacher research grant* (\$17,896) 2022 (PI)

“Mental Disorder, Religious Engagement, & Emotional Stability” | *New Visions in Theological Anthropology*, (\$26,209) 2022 (PI)

"Mental Disorder & Psychological Stability in Christianity" | *Nyenbuis research grant* (\$4,900) 2022 (PI) with student research collaborator Cristina Chiazzola

"NetVUE Across The Academy Grant," | *Hope College, Integrating Vocation into Coursework* (\$2,000) 2022

“Transformative Narratives of Mental Disorder & Religion” | *Blueprint 1543* (\$14,644) 2021 (PI)

“Transformative Narratives of Mental Disorder & Religion” | *Nyenbuis research grant* (\$7,488) 2021 (PI) with student research collaborator Megan Jacobs

“Symptoms of Mental Disorder & Components of Faith” | *Nyenbuis research grant* (\$7,088) 2020 (PI) with student research collaborator Emma Passaglia

Graduate School Scholarship | *Beinecke Foundation* (\$60,000) 2012-2016

Selected Workshops & Seminars

Mental Health & Faith Workshop | *University of Notre Dame (invited participant, funded), 2023*

Beyond the Ivory Tower Public Writing Workshop | *Northeastern University, New York Times, (selected participant, funded) 2022*

Non-ideal Philosophy of Religion Workshop | *University of Notre Dame & Calvin University, (invited participant, funded), 2022*

Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy | *Duke University (selected participant, funded), 2022*

New Currents in Teaching Philosophy Workshop | *Council of Independent Colleges (selected participant, funded), 2022*

NViTA Science-Engaged Theology Conference | *University of St. Andrews (selected participant, funded), 2022*

Rutgers Cognitive Science of Religion Workshop | *Rutgers University, (invited participant, funded), 2022*

Psychopathology & Religious Experience Workshop | *University of Leeds (invited participant, funded), 2022*

“Scientific & Theological Explanations of Mental Disorder” | *SET Foundations: science-engaged theology seminar, Loyola University (selected participant, funded), 2021*

“Self-Narrative & the Problem of Evil” | *TheoPsych: bringing theology to mind seminar, Fuller Theological Seminary (selected participant) 2020*

"Trapped in Your Own Story: Self-narrative reconsidered." | *Logos workshop, Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame (selected participant, funded) 2020 (rescheduled for 2021)*

"Trapped in Your Own Story: Self-narrative reconsidered" | *Junior Workshop in Philosophy of Religion, APA Central, 2020 (invited keynote)*

“Teaching Philosophy with Marginalized Groups” | *Philosophy as a Way of Life Workshop, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, University of Notre Dame, 2019*

“Embodied Cognition in Religion” | *Templeton Interfaith Workshop, The Royal Institute for Inter-Faith Studies, Jordan, (invited participant, funded) 2017*

“Embodied Religious Experience & Disability” | *Embodied Religious Experience Workshop, Princeton University, (selected participant, funded) 2016*

Other Selected Presentations

Title TBD, *Mental Health & Faith Workshop, University of Notre Dame, 2023*

“Empirical Work on Mental Disorder & Religious Cognition”, *Invited Presentation, Calvin University, upcoming 2023*

“Meaning-making & Supernatural Etiologies of Mental Disorder”, *Hope College – Western Theological Seminary research group, 2022*

“Meaning-making & Supernatural Etiologies of Mental Disorder”, *Non-ideal Philosophy of Religion Workshop, University of Notre Dame & Calvin University, 2022*

“Narrative & Theological Meaning-making in Mental Disorder”, *NViTA Science-Engaged Theology Conference, University of St. Andrews, 2022*

- “A Module on Ethics and Social Implications of Computing for Introductory Engineering Computing Courses” with Brooke Odle, *American Society for Engineering Education, Minneapolis, 2022*
- “Mental Disorder, Meaning-making, & Religious Engagement”, *Psychopathology & Religious Experience Workshop, University of Leeds, 2022*
- “Mental Disorder & Psychological Stability in Christianity” *Calvin Symposium on Worship, 2022* “The Relationship Between Mental Disorder & Religion” *Hope College Continuum Scholars Lecture Series, 2022*
- “Empirical Work on Mental Disorder & Religious Cognition”, *Invited Presentation, Hillsdale College, 2022*
- “Evangelical Philosophy in an Exvangelical World” *Invited Presentation, Evangelical Philosophical Society, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Conference, Chicago, 2022*
- “Identity, Narrative, and Meaning-making in Mental Disorder” *Invited Presentation, Center for Philosophy of Religion Reading Group, Notre Dame, 2022*
- “Mental Disorder Transforms Faith” *Princeton-Rutgers Philosophy of Religion Incubator Conference, 2021*
- “Psychiatric Disorder & Religious Transformation.” *Institute on Theology and Disability, Western Theological Seminary (2020, rescheduled for 2021)*
- “Embodied Cognition & the Grip of Computationalism.” *Guest Lecture, Alabama State University, 2021*
- “Thought Insertion in Schizophrenia”, *Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry Annual Conference, San Francisco, 2019*
- “Embodied Faith in Intellectual & Psychiatric Disability”, *Summer Institute on Theology and Disability, Western Theological Seminary, 2019*
- “Future Directions in Christian Philosophy” *Panel Presentation, The Society of Christian Philosophers 40th Anniversary Conference, Calvin College, 2018*
- “Delusions, Rationality, and the Self”, *Women in Philosophy WIPHICA Conference, Northwestern University, 2018*
- “A New Understanding of Perception and Cognitive Penetration”, *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference, Savannah, 2018*
- “A Defense of Cognitive Penetration”, *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, Seattle, 2017*
- “Harmful Mindsets, Threats, and Biases”, *Notre Dame Minorities and Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 2016*
- “Religious Experience and Intellectual Disability”, *Society of Christian Philosophers Conference, Evangel University, 2016*
- “An Improved Account of Thought Insertion”, *The NCH Mind and Brain Conference, New College of the Humanities, London, United Kingdom, 2016*
- “Self-Narrative and the Problem of Evil”, *Society of Christian Philosophers Conference, Spring Hill University, 2015*
- “Self-Narrative and the Problem of Evil”, *University of Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion, University of Notre Dame, 2015*

“Tycho Brahe and the Aesthetics of Scientific Revolution”, *History of Philosophy of Science Conference, University of Ghent, Belgium, 2014*

“Tycho Brahe and the Aesthetics of Scientific Revolution”, *Scientiae Conference, University of Vienna, Austria, 2014*

“Tycho Brahe and the Aesthetics of Scientific Revolution”, *Society for Literature, Science and the Arts Conference, University of Notre Dame, 2013*

“A Unified Account of Thought Insertion,” *Southeast Graduate Philosophy Conference, Florida State University, 2013*

Public Philosophy

“Warped Religious Beliefs & Misunderstanding Mental Disorder”, *Holland Hospital, 2023*

Development and Expansion of FaithNet presentation materials, *National Alliance on Mental Illness, 2023*

“Mental Disorder & the Christian Community”, *Hope Church presentation, 2022*

“Mental Disorder & the Christian Person”, *Hope Church presentation, 2022*

“Christian Over-spiritualization of Mental Disorders”, *Christian Scholar’s Review blog post, 2022*

“Interfaith Perspectives on Mental Disorder”, *Keynote, National Alliance on Mental Illness annual conference, Michigan branch, 2022*

“Mental Disorder & Religious Cognition”, *The Reluctant Theologian podcast interview, 2022*

“Mental Disorder & Religion”, *Church of the Savior presentation, 2021*

“Mental Disorder Transforms Faith”, *The Analytic Christian YouTube interview, 2021*

“The Power of Beliefs”, *Broken People blog post, 2021*

“Research on Mental Disorder & Religion”, *National Alliance on Mental Illness Board Meeting presentation, 2021*

“Trapped in Your Own Story”, *Broken People blog post, 2021*

“Feminism & Philosophy”, *She’s the Man radio interview, 2021*

“Hearing Different Voices”, *Broken People blog post, 2021*

“Key Topics in Philosophy of Mind”, *Hope Academy of Senior Professionals presentation, 2019*

Other Awards, Honors, & Grants

Faith Leader Award Nominee, National Alliance on Mental Illness, Michigan (2022)

Theta Gamma Pi Honorary Membership, Multicultural student organization (2019)

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Dept of Arts & Letters, Office of Digital Learning, Notre Dame (2017–2018)

Community-Based Course Development Grant, Center for Social Concerns, Notre Dame (2017)

Community Engagement Faculty Institute, Center for Social Concerns, Notre Dame (2017)

Certificate in Community Engagement & Public Scholarship, Center for Social Concerns, ND (2017)

Department Conference Presentation Grant, Notre Dame (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)

National Science Foundation Travel Grant (2014)

Graduate School Conference Presentation Grant, Notre Dame (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
Graduate Fellowship, Center for Philosophy of Religion, Notre Dame (2013, 2014)
Rivendell Graduate Student Institute selected participant, Yale (2012)
Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society (2012)
Glynn Family Honor's Program, Notre Dame (2008 – 2012)
Dean's Fellows Honor Society, Notre Dame (2008 – 2012)

Teaching Experience

Courses taught at Hope College: Philosophy of Mind; Senior Capstone Seminar: Philosophy of Mind & Philosophy of Religion; Philosophy of Ability, Race, and Gender; Philosophy of Disorder & Disability; Applied Ethics; Aesthetic Understanding (First Year Seminar); Self, Narrative, & Reality (Interdisciplinary Cultural Heritage course)

Directed Research & Independent Study at Hope College: Mental Disorder & Religion Research; Philosophy of Mental Health & Trauma; Cross-cultural perspectives on Mental Disorder

Courses taught at the University of Notre Dame: Religion, Identity, and Social Justice (community-engaged course); Ethics & Personhood; Moreau First Year Seminar; God & the Good Life (TA); Introduction to Philosophy (Head TA); Medical Ethics (TA)

Outreach Teaching: Applied Ethics, Mental Health (*Hope-Western Prison Education Program, upcoming*); Introduction to Philosophy (*Calvin Prison Initiative*); Applied Ethics (*Westville Prison Education Initiative*); Philosophy, Ethics, & Identity (*South Bend Center for the Homeless*)

Selected Service & Other Professional Activities

Reviewer, SET Foundations Workshop (2022)
Innovation Foundations Workshop, Office of Possibilities, Hope College (2022)
Faculty Research Project Mentor, 11 students, Hope College (2020, 2021, 2022)
Leader, Innovative Technology in Research & Teaching interest group, Office of Possibilities, Hope College (2021 – present)
Reviewer, American Philosophical Association Journal, (2021)
General Education Council, Cultural Heritage representative (2020 – present)
Culture & Inclusion Initiative, department representative (2020 – present)
Student-Faculty Judicial board member (2020 – 2021)
Reviewer, The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, (2020)
Presenter, "How to Think" Panel Response, Faculty & Staff Retreat, Hope College (2020)
General Education Council member (2019 – 2022)
Philosophy Club, faculty leader (2019 – present)
Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid member (2019 – 2020)
Co-Organizer of Templeton Christian Women in Philosophy Workshop (2018)
Commenter, The Society of Christian Philosophers Conference, Calvin College (2018)
Community Engagement Faculty Institute, Center for Social Concerns, Notre Dame (2017)
Graduate Student Mentor, Notre Dame (2016, 2017)
Commenter, Notre Dame/Northwestern Epistemology Conference, Notre Dame (2013, 2015)
Graduate Assistant, Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion (2013 – 2014)
Climate Committee member, Notre Dame (2013 – 2014)
Referee, Notre Dame/Northwestern Epistemology Conference (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
Graduate Student Recruitment Organizer, Notre Dame Philosophy Department (2013)
Research Assistant, Katherine Brading, Digital Visualization Project, Notre Dame (2011 – 2013)