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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Philosophy in McGill University	2021-present
Master in Philosophy from Laval University	2019–2021
Bachelor in Philosophy from Laval University.	2016–2019
Bachelor in Social Work from Laval University	2006–2009

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Scholarship

Funding package from McGill University (109 000\$ for five years)	2021-2026
Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships (35 000\$/3 years)	2021-2024
Bourse au doctorat en recherche FRQ-SC (21 000\$/4 years) — scholarship declined	2021-2025
Joseph-Armand-bombardier master's scholarship (HHRSC) (\$17,500)	2019–2020
Master's research scholarship (B1Z) (FRQSC) (\$17,500)	2020–2021
Bourse de deuxième cycle de l'Institut d'éthique appliquée (\$2000)	2019–2020

Fellowships

Effective altruism In-Depth Fellowship from Stanford Effective Altruism	Fall–2020
Stanford University Viktor Zhdanov Global Development Fellowship	Summer 2021

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and chapters

Bisson, K. (Forthcoming). "Les critères moraux de l'aide internationale: L'équilibre entre altruisme efficace et critique institutionnelle", *Ethica*, 25(1).

Maclure, J., Bisson, K., (2022). "L'éthique du passeport vaccinal" chap. 27, in "La liberté d'aller et venir dans le soin et l'accompagnement : enjeux éthiques", Aurélien Dutier and Miguel Jean (dir.), Hygée Editions/ Presses de l'EHESP, Nouvelle édition.

Maclure, J., Bisson, K., (2022). "The case for the vaccine passport", *The Canadian Journal of Bioethics*, 5(1), 128-131

Bisson, K., & Prigent A. (2021). La conception individuelle de l'identité: une solution possible au casse-tête du deuil de Marušić ? *Phares*, 21(1).

Bisson, K. (2019). Un grand poème selon Goethe, *Le Banquet*, 3(1), 93–98.

Bisson, K. (2018). Retrouver son coeur d'enfant, *Le Banquet*, 2(1), 65–76.

Direction and co-direction of journals

Marcotte R., & Bisson K. (dir). (2021). Dossier: La rationalité des émotions, *Phares*, 21(1). 242 pages.

Bisson K., Marcotte R., & Lafleur C. (dir.) (2020). Dossier: Interpréter Aristote, de l'interprétation, *Phares*, 20(1), 273 pages.

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Marcotte R., & Bisson K. (dir.) (2020). Acte de colloque: La 12e journée de la recherche, *Phares*, 20(2), 125 pages.

Bisson K., & Marcotte R. (dir.) (2019). Dossier: Philosophie et éthique de l'intelligence artificielle, *Phares*, 19(2), 91 pages.

Bisson K. (dir.) (2019). Numéro III, *Le Banquet*, 3(1), 85 pages.

TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE

Research assistant for the Stepen Jarislowski Chair in Human Nature and technology	2021-present
Teaching Assistant for the course <i>Philosophie politique contemporaine PHI-2100</i> online	2021-S
Teaching Assistant for the course <i>Philosophie politique contemporaine PHI-2100</i>	2021-W
Teaching Assistant for the course <i>Philosophie politique contemporaine PHI-2100</i> online	2021-W
Teaching Assistant for the course <i>Philosophie politique contemporaine PHI-2100</i> online	2020-F
Research Assistant for Jocelyn Maclure to prepare a course in applied ethics	2020-F
Teaching Assistant for the course <i>Éthique et professionnalisme PHI-3900</i>	2020-F
Teaching Assistant for the course <i>Éthique et professionnalisme PHI-3900</i>	2020-W
Research Assistant for Luc Bégin to create a new certificate in applied ethics	2020-S
Teaching assistance for the course <i>Philosophie politique et sociale PHI-1001</i>	2019-F
Creation of an audio document for the course <i>Développement moral en ÉPS EPS-2303</i>	2019-F
Creation of an audio document for the master's seminar : <i>Équité en mesure et évaluation: menaces, biais et solutions actuelles MEV-7023</i>	2019-F

TALKS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCE

TALKS

Talk as a guest speaker for the research group "Ethica at l'UQAR: " La décolonisation forte ou modérée de l'aide internationale: entre altruisme efficace et critique institutionnelle" November 3, 2021

Talk as an invited speaker for the in-depth fellowship offered by the Center for Effective Altruism: Effective altruism and its institutional critics" August 29, 2021

Talk at the *Colloque International Virtuel, "Philosophie pratique et décolonisation des savoirs": "Décoloniser l'aide internationale efficacement"* June 18, 2021

Talk at the 88e congrès de l'ACFAS: "Comment intégrer la critique institutionnelle à l'altruisme efficace sans contrevenir à sa conception de l'efficacité ?" May 4, 2021

Talk at the Canadian Institute of Québec: "La philosophie pour les enfants : une conception différente de l'éducation" March 16, 2021

Talk at Effective altruism Montréal, Effective altruism lightning talks : "Le support des transferts de fonds internationaux, une approche efficace?" March, 5 2021

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Talk for Effective Altruism New York for the event Lightning Talks : “Supporte la vague: a new approach to international aid”
Feb. 12, 2021

Talk for Effective Altruism Montreal: “Les meilleures pratiques d’aide internationale—la critique institutionnelle adressée à l’altruisme efficace”
Dec. 5, 2020

Talk at the Colloque étudiant sur la rationalité des émotions: “Reasons do expire. A criticism of the puzzle of the diminution of grief”
Dec. 2, 2020

Talk at *13e journée de la recherche en philosophie de l’Université Laval*: “L’espoir et l’atteinte de la justice raciale”
Nov. 27, 2020

Talk at the *3e colloque étudiant de l’Institut d’Éthique Appliquée*: “Comment peut-on élargir la conception de l’efficacité de l’altruisme efficace ?”
Nov. 5, 2020

Talk at l’Institut d’Éthique Appliquée as an invited speaker: “Comment intégrer la critique institutionnelle à l’altruisme sans contrevenir à sa conception normative”
Sept. 15, 2020

Talk at the Podcast *Éthique en pandémie*: “L’altruisme efficace.” A 90-minute interview by Gabriel Montette, lecturer at the HEC
Sept. 1, 2020

Talk at the VIIe journée de travail en philosophie analytique: “Les biais dans les expériences de pensée de l’altruisme efficace et de ses critiques”
March 13, 2020

Talk at *12e journée de la recherche en philosophie at Laval University*: “Comment intégrer la critique institutionnelle à l’altruisme sans contrevenir à sa conception de l’efficacité ?”
Nov. 29, 2019

Public Appearance

I am one of the presented effective altruists in the Global News article: The virtuous few: how effective altruists are doing good better <https://globalnews.ca/news/8656523/effective-altruism-movement-canada/>
March 5, 2022

Radio Télévision Suisse (RTS), (the Swiss National TV channel) Invitee for the series Zoom zen —
Comment faire un maximum de bien?
Dec. 5, 2021

Talk at the Podcast *Éthique en pandémie for the episode on Effective altruism*: “L’altruisme efficace.”
Sept. 1, 2020

An hour-long interview regarding my non-governmental organization (NGO), *Supporte la vague*, at the show *Mondes musicaux* at the CKIA radio station
Dec. 14, 2019

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-organizer of Efficace Altruism Montréal	2020–present
Co-director of the philosophy journal Phares	2019–2021
Revisor for the sociology journal Aspect sociologique	2020–present
Treasurer of the graduate researcher in philosophy of Laval University	2019–2021
Director of the philosophy journal Le Banquet	2017–2018

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Founder and president of the NGO Supporte la vague
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June 2019–present

Supporte la vague is associated with Gomobe, a money transfer company transferring money from Canada to Cameroon. Supporte la vague is an international aid initiative aiming at reducing money transfer fees between Canada and African countries by paying the transfer fees associated with paying for health bills.

- Supporte la vague pays for an average of \$1000 in transfer fees per month to help more than 200 people each month to receive urgent health care (mainly for typhoid and malaria)
- Our intervention increased the amount of money being transferred through Gomobe from Canada to Cameroon by \$1.2 Million during its first year of activity.

Member of the first cohort of the project L'incubateur d'idée by the International Observatory on the societal impact of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Technology (OBVIA)

2019–2021

Our multidisciplinary team of 10 students is mandated to create an artificial intelligence tool that benefits vulnerable populations. We are creating AI to support the work of 211, a phone service that refers callers to social services. We were scheduled to present our AI project in a workshop at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in October 2020 (cancelled due to pandemic travel restrictions).

Cofounder and co-animator of the philosophy podcast *Parlons Éthique*
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEf7waRhktTZ1hLZ2NO0-uw>

2019–present

In October 2019, I co-created the podcast *Parlons Éthique*. My partner and I have been hosting a monthly in-depth interview with experts on a variety of subjects related to ethics. We provide a platform for outstanding academic research, such as Valéry Giroux's work on veganism, Michel Sasseville's work on philosophy for children, and Aude Bandini's research on dolorism and wilful blindness. I have developed a rich and diverse academic network, confidence in leading academics in interviews, and an ability to make philosophy attractive and accessible to a broad audience. The quality and popularity of our podcast have earned us financial support from the Chair of Philosophy *La philosophie dans le monde actuel*.

Co-facilitator of a philosophy for children workshop in the libraries of Quebec City

2020–present

I initiated a philosophy activity for children in Quebec City libraries where children read a story and raise their own philosophical questions about the reading. Then, they actively construct a collaborative dialogue to learn to think for and by themselves, and in a group. It has been included in Quebec City's libraries' regular program for a year.