

# Alejandro Naranjo Sandoval

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- RESEARCH INTERESTS**      *Areas of Specialty:* Kant; Early Modern Philosophy (esp. Leibniz)  
*Areas of Competence:* Social Ontology (esp. race); Philosophy of Mind (esp. social cognition)
- ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**      *Assistant Professor of Philosophy*  
Affiliate Professor, German Program  
University of California, Davis  
July 2021 - present
- EDUCATION**      *PhD in Philosophy.*  
Dissertation: “On the Relation between Kant and Leibniz: Intuition, Sensibility, and Cognition”  
Committee: Desmond Hogan (adviser), Andrew Chignell, and Daniel Garber  
Princeton University, September 2021  
  
*Bachelor of Arts.* Double Major in Philosophy and Mathematics  
*Summa cum Laude* in Philosophy; *cum Laude* in Mathematics  
Cornell University  
Graduated May 2015
- PUBLISHED WORK**      “Kant’s Monstrous Claim: Schopenhauer on the Intuitive Intellect and the Cognition of Causes”  
In *The Schopenhauerian Mind*, Routledge, forthcoming  
  
“Noumenal Ignorance: Why, for Kant, Can’t We Know Things in Themselves?”  
with Andrew Chignell  
In *The Palgrave Kant Handbook*, 2017
- SELECTED TALKS**      “Does History Elucidate Present Racial Categories?”  
• Invited Minorities and Philosophy Speaker  
Princeton, NJ, February 2024  
• †Social Ontology 2023  
Stockholm, Sweden, August 2023  
  
“Faculty Monism in Wolff and Baumgarten: How to Best Deny the Distinction between Perception and Thought”  
• †Australasian Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy  
Dunedin, New Zealand, November 2023  
• American Association of Mexican Philosophers Meeting  
New York, May 2023
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- †Leibniz Society of North America, Princeton, October 2022
  - North American Kant Society Session at the Pacific APA Vancouver, April 2022
- “On Racial Disagreements and Racial Realities”
- †Pacific APA, Symposium Session San Francisco, April 2023
  - California Philosophy Workshop Santa Barbara, California, November 2022
  - †Social Ontology 2021 University of California, San Diego, August 2021
  - Davis Reading Group on Ethics and Related Subjects University of California, Davis, February 2021
- “Kant’s Monstrous Claim: Schopenhauer on the Intuitive Intellect and the Cognition of Causes”
- Invited Speaker German Program, University of California, Davis, March 2023
- “The Recognition-First Account of Race”
- New Perspectives on the Ontology of Social Identities Bucknell University, Pennsylvania, June 2022
  - Invited Speaker Bard College, New York, February 2021
- “Faculty Monism and Leibniz’s Account of Sensation”
- †Pacific APA Vancouver, April 2022
  - †Bucharest-Princeton Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy University of Bucharest, July 2018
  - †Berlin-Hamburg Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy Humboldt Universität, June 2018
- “Kant on the Singularity of Intuition: Thoroughgoing Determination and Cognition”
- Pacific Study Group of the North American Kant Society Claremont, California, February 2022
  - Invited Speaker University of California, Davis, March 2021
  - Invited Speaker University of Colorado, Boulder, November 2020
  - Princeton Kant Work-in-Progress Group Princeton University, October 2020
  - †Eastern APA, Colloquium Session Philadelphia, January 2020

“Kant on Representation, Consciousness, and (a Weak Sense of) Cognition: Against Transparency”

- Princeton Kant Work-in-Progress Group  
Princeton University, February 2020
- Dissertation Seminar  
Princeton University, October 2019

“Saving Truth from Arbitrariness: Leibniz on Names, Definitions, and their Meaning”

- †11th Annual Conference of the Leibniz Society of North America  
University of Toronto, October 2017
- A Weekend of Workshops in the History of Philosophy  
Princeton University, May 2016

“Kant on Why We Can’t Know Things in Themselves”

- American Association of Mexican Philosophers Meeting  
University of Colorado, Boulder, September 2017

Selected Comments:

On Daniel Sutherland’s “Kant on Pure and Applied Mathematics”

- Eastern APA  
Baltimore, January 2017

On Marco Santi’s “Kant on Judgments of Perception”

- Humboldt-Princeton Graduate Workshop ‘Cognition and Causality’  
Humboldt Universität, June 2016

## TEACHING

At UC Davis  
unless  
stated  
otherwise

Graduate seminars:

*PHI275: Kant and Leibniz: Metaphysics and Method*  
Spring 2023

*PHI290: Early Modern Philosophy of Mind*  
Winter 2022

Undergraduate classes:

*PHI022: Philosophical Classics of the Modern Era*  
Fall 2022; Fall 2023

*PHI170: Spinoza and Leibniz*  
Fall 2021; Fall 2023

*PHI174: Hume*  
Spring 2023

*PHI189H: The Philosophy of Social Cognition*  
Fall 2022

*PHI175: Kant*  
Winter 2022

*PHI 329: Mind and Body, Soul and Life in Early Modern Philosophy*  
Co-taught with Daniel Garber; Spring 2020  
Princeton University

*PHI 205: Social Philosophy: Race and Racism*  
Co-taught with Adele Watkins and Gabriel Shapiro; Spring 2020  
Federal Correctional Institution, Ft. Dix

*PHI 101: Introduction to Philosophy*  
Co-taught with Savannah Kincaid (Rutgers); Fall 2018  
Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women

Mentoring and Advising:

- Undergraduate Honors Thesis Adviser: x3
- Graduate Prospectus Defense Chair: x1
- Dissertation Committee Member: x3
- External Committee Member: x1

**SELECTED  
SERVICE**

*Referee.* Kantian Review; Inquiry; British Journal for the History of Philosophy; The Southern Journal of Philosophy

Departmental Service:

Diversity Working Group  
*Chair:* AY 2023-2024; *Member:* AYs 2021-2022; 2022-2023

*Faculty Advisor.* MAP Chapter at UC Davis  
AYs 2021-2022; 2022-2023; 2023-2024

*Graduate Program Liaison*  
AYs 2022-2023; 2023-2024

*Member.* Graduate Admissions Committee  
AY 2022-2023

*Member.* Undergraduate Committee  
AYs 2021-2022; 2022-2023

*Member.* Search Committee for Tenure-Track Position  
AY 2021-2022

Professional Service:

*President.* American Association for Mexican Philosophers  
May 2023-

*Organizer.* 2024 Meeting of the American Association for Mexican Philosophers  
Davis, June 2024

*Chair.* Princeton Workshop in Mind and Epistemology  
Princeton University, February 2023

*Organizing Committee Member.* Biannual Meeting of the North American Kant Society  
Mexico City, March 2023

*Panelist.* Teaching Hub on Anti-Racist Pedagogy  
Organized by MAP International  
Central APA, Chicago, March 2022

*Chair.* Teaching Hub on Teaching about Slavery  
Central APA, Chicago, March 2022

*Co-Organizer.* The Iberoamerican Kant Studies Scene  
Virtual Meeting of the North American Kant Society  
with A. Chignell. August 2021

While at Princeton University:

*Co-Organizer.* NY MAP Conference: “Oppression and Resistance”  
with graduate students from NYC area institutions  
NYU, October 2018

*Co-Organizer.* Conference: “Kant on the Self”  
with H. Brennan. Spring 2021

*Co-Organizer.* Reading Group on Race and Racism  
with H. Lorenz and A. Watkins. AY 2019-2020

*Graduate Mentor.* COMPASS Undergraduate Workshop  
(Two-day undergraduate workshop for minorities in philosophy)  
Fall 18; Fall 19

*Graduate Affiliate to the Program in European Cultural Studies.*  
AYs 2018-2019; 2019-2020

*Career Development Committee.*  
with A. Meehan. AY 2018-2019

*Organizer.* Reading Group: “Social Ontology and Epistemology: Race”  
Funding from IHUM (interdisciplinary humanities organization).  
AY 2018-2019

*Princeton MAP (Minorities and Philosophy) Representative.*  
with J. Shim and S. Kim. AY 2018-2019

*Graduate Student Representative.* (Elected position.)  
with E. Di Rosa. AY 2017-2018

*Co-Organizer.* Conference: “Philosophy of Mind in Early Modern  
Philosophy”  
with C. Dumitru and D. Romagni. April 2018

*Co-Organizer.* 2018 COMPASS Undergraduate Workshop  
with C. Yau

*Co-Organizer.* Reading Group on Implicit Bias, Prejudice, and Stereotypes  
with G. Helton and E. Di Rosa. Spring 2017-Fall 2017

*Co-Organizer.* Princeton Graduate Conference in Modern Philosophy  
with C. Dumitru, Spring 2016; R. Cristy, Spring 2015

*Co-Organizer.* 2016 MAP Conference: “Implicit Biases/Stereotype  
Threat and Pedagogy”  
with K. Landrum and A. Meehan

**ADDITIONAL  
EXPERIENCE**

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†*MAP-Penn’s 5th Annual Conference: Philosophy of Race*  
Commentator-at-Large  
November 2020

†*Leibniz Summer School*  
Max Planck Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences  
Leipzig, July 2016

**AWARDS  
& HONORS**

*Underrepresented Scholars Fellowship*  
Awarded by the University of California’s Humanities Research Institute  
AY 2023-2024

*Manuscript Writing Workshop*  
Awarded by Faculty of California United in Scholarship (FOCUS)  
April 2023

*DAAD Fellowship*  
For study in Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, supervised by Marcus Willaschek  
Spring - Summer 2021

*Collaborative Teaching Initiative*  
To design and co-teach an advanced undergraduate class with Daniel Garber  
“PHI329: Mind and Body, Soul and Life in Early Modern Philosophy”  
Spring 2020

*Travel Grant from the Program in European Cultural Studies*  
Summer 2018

*Dean's Funds for Scholarly Travel*

Summer 2018

*Graduate Language Research Funds*

Summer 2017

*Graduate Fellowship, Princeton University*

Fall 2015 - August 2021

**LANGUAGES**

- Spanish (native)
- English (fluent)
- German (advanced: reading; intermediate: speaking and writing)
- Latin (intermediate: reading)
- French (beginner: reading)

**REFERENCES**

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