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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Science
Philosophy of Biology
Data Ethics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Bioethics
Feminist Philosophy
20th Century Continental Philosophy

EMPLOYMENT

- 2024 - 2026 FRQSC Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of Philosophy
Université du Québec à Montréal
- 2022 - 2023 Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology and Department of
Philosophy
Dalhousie University

EDUCATION

- 2017 - 2022 PhD Philosophy, McGill University
Thesis title: Beyond the Divide: the
Conceptual Foundations of Evolutionary
Developmental Biology.
- 2019-2020 Graduate Degree in Teaching Faculty of
Education, Université de Montréal
- 2015-2017 M.A. Philosophy, Pontifical Catholic
University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- 2011-2014 B.A. Philosophy, Federal University of
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- 2010-2013 B.A. Finance and Business
Administration, Ibmec-RJ

LANGUAGES

Fluent in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

PUBLICATIONS

- Haddad, Yasmin. 2024. “Demystifying Downward Causation in Biology”. *Forthcoming in Journal for General Philosophy of Science*.
- Haddad, Yasmin. 2024. “The Scope of Reciprocal Causation”. *Forthcoming in Philosophy, Theory, and Practice in Biology*.
- Haddad, Yasmin. 2023. “The Epistemic Harms of Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Tests.” *Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11019-023-10164-w>
- Longino, Helen, **Haddad, Yasmin**, Arbo, Jade Bueno and Silva Soares, Maria Helena. 2021. “Feminist Epistemologies and Philosophy of Science” (in Portuguese). *Em Construção*, no. 10 (November).
- Haddad, Yasmin. 2016. “On Causation in Bergson’s *Creative Evolution*” (in Portuguese) *ANALÓGOS* 16 (1). <https://doi.org/10.17771/PUCRio.ANA.28210>
- [Forthcoming and under review]**
- **Haddad, Y.**, Neto, C. (Forthcoming) Values in Genomics. In: *The Routledge Handbook for Values and Science*. – Haddad, Y. (Revise & Resubmit) The Scope of Reciprocal Causation.
- Haddad, Y. (Under Review) The Value-Ladenness of Population Descriptors
- Haddad, Y., Doolittle, W. F. (Under Review) Reciprocal causation: Reviving Mayr’s Proximate/Ultimate Distinction.
- [In preparation]**
- Haddad, Y. Measuring Ancestry
- **Haddad, Y.** Neto, C. Value Trade-Offs and Alignments: A Case from Genomics.
- **Haddad, Y.** Hazelwood, C. The Unbearable Lightness of Intervening.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2024-26 Fonds de Recherche du Québec Postdoctoral Funding, \$90,000.
Project title: Rethinking our Individual Differences Through Genomics
- 2022-23 New Frontiers in Research Fund Postdoctoral Funding, \$50,000
- 2022 McGill Graduate Excellence Award, \$5,300
- 2020 -21 Wolfe Graduate Fellowship in Scientific and Technological Literacy, \$7,000
- 2020 MITACS Research Training Award, \$6,000
- Early Career Fellowship, Konrad Lorenz Institute, Klosterneuburg, Austria (Unable to take fellowship due to Covid-19)
- 2019 G.R.E.A.T Mobility Award, \$2,400
- 2017 McGill Graduate Excellence Award, \$80,000
- 2016 Faperj Nota 10 Excellence Scholarship, \$10,000
- 2015 CAPES/CNPQ Research Grant, \$6,000
- 2014 PIBIC Undergraduate Research Scholarship, \$6,000

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2020-22 Research Assistant
Project: Data Ethics: Responsible Measurement for the Digital Age (led by Prof. Eran Tal)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2021 - present Instructor, Bois-de-Boulogne College
– Philosophy and Rationality (introduction to logic and critical thinking)
– The Human Being (a survey of key conceptions of the human being through 18th - 20th century philosophers)
– Ethics and Politics (key contemporary moral and political issues)
- 2020 Instructor, McGill University
– PHIL341 - Philosophy of Science
- 2017-20 Teaching Assistant, McGill University
Courses
– Contemporary Moral Issues (Summer 2020)
– Biomedical Ethics (Fall 2019)
– Introduction to History and Philosophy of Science (Winter 2019)
– Introduction to Feminist Philosophy (Fall 2018)
– Introduction to History and Philosophy of Science (Winter 2018)
– Introduction to Feminist Philosophy (Fall 2017)

TRANSLATIONS

- De Laços, Choderlos. 2019. "On the Education of Women" (in Portuguese) In *Arqueofeminismo: Mulheres Filósofas e Filósofos Feministas Do Século XVII-XVIII*, edited by Maxime Rovere, translated by Yasmin Haddad. São Paulo: n-1 edições.
- Poullain De La Barre, François. 2019. "On the Equality of the Two Sexes" (in Portuguese) In *Arqueofeminismo: Mulheres Filósofas e Filósofos Feministas Do Século XVII-XVIII*, edited by Maxime Rovere, translated by Yasmin Haddad. São Paulo: n-1 edições.
- Ravaisson, Félix. 2018. "On Habit" (in Portuguese) Translated by Yasmin Haddad. *Revista Ideação* 1 (37).

REFEREED TALKS

- 2024 – "Measuring Ancestry", CSHPS Conference, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.
– "Value trade-offs and alignments: a case from genomics" (with Celso Neto), PSA Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2023 – "The Scope of Reciprocal Causation". ISHPSSB Conference, Toronto, Canada.
– "The Value Ladenness of Population Descriptors". CLMPST Conference, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2022 – "Demystifying Downward Causation in Biology" New Perspectives on Causation in the Life Sciences, University of Kent, June 2022.
- 2021 – "Demystifying Downward Causation in Biology". International Society for the History, Philosophy and Social Studies of Biology (ISHPSSB), Cold Spring Harbour (online).
- 2020 – "Downward Causation in Biology: a Philosophical Account". Redpath Museum Seminar Series, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.
- 2019 – "The Emergence of Evolutionary Novelty". Canadian Philosophical Association (CPA), University of British Columbia, Vancouver.
– "Emergence and Novelty in Evolutionary Biology". Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science (CSHPS), University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 2021 – Podcast interview: "Philosophy of Biology", Podcast PPGLM
- Podcast interview: "Philosophy of Science", Podcast Dragões de Garagem (2021)

REFEREE WORK

- British Journal of Philosophy of Science (BJPS)
- Philosophical Explorations

REFERENCES

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INVITED TALKS

- 2024 – "Measuring Ancestry". International Postdoc Forum for the Philosophy of Science, University of Minnesota, U.S.A. (online)
- 2023 – "The unbearable lightness of intervening". ROTO Lecture series, University of Bochum, Germany (online)
– "The Value Ladenness of Population Descriptors". Egenis, University of Exeter, United Kingdom.
- 2022 – "The Scope of Reciprocal Causation" Halifax Workshop in Philosophy of Biology. Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada.
- 2021 – "Demystifying Downward Causation in Biology". Colloquium Series, Department of Philosophy. Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada.
- 2019 – "Emergence and Novelty in Evolutionary Biology". McGill Workshop Series, McGill University. Montreal, Canada.