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EDUCATION

McGill University Ph.D. candidate Department of Philosophy	<i>Expected August 2026</i>
University of Calgary M.A. Department of Philosophy	<i>2013</i>
University of Calgary B.A. (honours - first class) Department of Philosophy	<i>2011</i>

CERTIFICATION AND ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- Data Scientist Professional Certificate in Python, DataCamp, 2023

SPECIALIZATION

<u>Areas of Specialization</u>	<u>Areas of Competence</u>
Indigenous Philosophy	Philosophy of Language
Philosophy of Disability	Philosophy of Religion
Philosophy of Sex and Love	
Philosophy of Mind	
Neurophilosophy	
Ethics (Bioethics)	
Data Science	
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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

- Indspire Indigenous Bursary, McGill University, October, 2019
- Indspire Indigenous Bursary, McGill University, March, 2019
- Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, January, 2019
- Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, December, 2017
- Macdonald Philosophy Award, McGill University, August, 2016
- Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, August, 2015
- Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, April, 2015
- Philosophy Graduate Award, August 28, 2014
- Dow Hickson Scholarship, McGill University, August, 2013 - March 2014
- Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, August, 2013
- Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, October, 2013
- MacDonald Philosophy Award, April, 2014

- Alberta Graduate Student Scholarship, March, 2013
- Queen Elizabeth II Scholarship, September May 2012 - April 2013
- Queen Elizabeth II Scholarship, September 2011 - April 2012
- First Class Honors, Department of Philosophy, University of Calgary, 2011

PUBLICATIONS

- Aldred, R. (2026). A Sacred Bond: Indigenous Reflections on Disability, Love, and the Church. In A. G. Jorgenson, L. MacGregor, & T. E. Reynolds (Eds.), *Disrupting Stories and Images of the Church: Honoring Voices with Lived Experience of Disability*. Bloomsbury.
- Tremain, S., & Aldred, R. (2025, July 16). Dialogues on Disability: Shelley Tremain Interviews Raymond Aldred. *BIOPOLITICAL PHILOSOPHY*.
- Aldred, R. (2019). Extended Minds, Extended Agents? Cognitive Disability in a Social World. *Journal of Cognition and Neuroethics*, 6(2).

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- Research, PhD Thesis, McGill University, Expected August 2026.
Advisor: Professor Ian Gold and Professor Hasana Sharp
Project: Minds Otherwise: Mental Differences in Theories of Agency and Love
- Indigenous Studies Research Assistant, McGill University, Office of the Provost. Fall 2019 - Winter 2020.
- Lecturer, McGill University, Winter 2019: Indigenous Education.
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Winter 2018: Ethical Theory. (Prof. Sarah Stroud)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Fall 2017: Biomedical Ethics. (Prof. Iwao Hirose)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Winter 2017: Contemporary Moral Issues. (Prof. Kristin Voigt)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Fall 2016: Biomedical Ethics. (Prof. Iwao Hirose)
- Lecturer, McGill University, Summer 2016: Introduction to Deductive Logic.
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Winter 2016: Contemporary Moral Issues. (Prof. Dominic Martin)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Fall 2015: Introduction to Deductive Logic. (Prof. Michael Hallett)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Winter 2015: Contemporary Moral Issues. (Prof. Kristin Voigt)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Fall 2014: Biomedical Ethics. (Prof. Iwao Hirose)
- Teaching Assistant, McGill University, Fall 2013: Introduction to Moral Philosophy 1. (Prof. Sarah Stroud)
- Teaching Assistant, University of Calgary, winter 2011 - 2012: Morality, Virtue and Society. (Prof Ann Levey)

- Research, Masters Thesis, University of Calgary, fall 2011 - fall 2013.

Advisor: Professor Walter Glannon

Project: Broadening the Boundaries of Agency: Cognitive Disability, Agency, and Autonomy

- Research, Honours Thesis, University of Calgary, fall 2009 - winter 2011.

Advisor: Professor Elizabeth Brake

Project: On Disability and the Body: Bringing the Body Back into Social Models of Disabilities

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- *Confessions of an Indigenous AI Frankenstein*, Philosophy, Disability, and Social Change 6, January 29, 2026.
- *A Reply to Dennis Papadopoulos' Theory of Love*, Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Conference, 2018.
- *Rethinking Care, Intimacy, and Sexual Citizenship With Disability in Mind*, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, March 2016.
- *Indigenous Experiences in the Academy*, Resurgence, Reconciliation, & Revitalization Conference, McGill University, March 19, 2016.
- *Cognitive Science - Neuroscience Academic Day*, Panel at McGill University, March 13, 2016.
- *What can philosophers of love learn from trauma? Prolegomena to future theories of romantic love*, McGill Workshop Series, March 11, 2016.
- *Thinking About Sex, Body, and Pleasure With Disability in Mind*, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, April 2015.
- *Extended Mind, Extended Agents? On Cognitive Disability, Agency, and Extended Mind Theories*, McGill Workshop Series, April 25, 2014.
- *Sex Laws and Outlaws: Disability, Sex Work, and Enhancing the Citizenship of Sexual Outlaws*, 3rd Global Conference of Sex and the State, October 17, 2014.
- *Disability, Sexual Oppression, and Sexual Work*, Desiree Alliance Annual Conference, July, 2013.
- *Ableism and the Schooling of Bodies*, Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, October, 2012.
- *Thinking about Disability*, Guest Lecture for Sociology 365, University of Calgary, 2009.
- *Subject Sensitive Invariantism and Evil: A Pragmatic Reply to the Problem of Evil*, Prairie Provinces Undergraduate Philosophy Association Conference, 2007.

SERVICES

- I judged at McGill's ethics bowl on February 16, 2025 and on February 22, 2026
- During my time at McGill I was a member of the Provost's Task Force on Indigenous Studies and Indigenous Education.
- I regularly tutor Indigenous students from the First People's House at McGill from 2013 to 2020.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Canadian Philosophical Association
- Canadian Bioethics Society

- Society for Philosophy of Disability
- The Society for the Philosophy of Sex and Love
- The International Neuroethics Society