

Eden Lin

Curriculum Vitae

CONTACT	Department of Philosophy 350 University Hall 230 N Oval Mall Columbus, OH 43210-1365	<i>Email:</i> edenlin@gmail.com <i>Website:</i> www.edenlin.com
EMPLOYMENT	The Ohio State University Associate Professor of Philosophy Assistant Professor of Philosophy Core Faculty, Sustainability Institute	June 2020 – present Aug 2016 – June 2020 Aug 2016 – present
	Rutgers University, Newark Assistant Professor of Philosophy	Sept 2013 – June 2016
EDUCATION	Princeton University Ph.D. in Philosophy M.A. in Philosophy	Sept 2013 May 2011
	University of Oxford B.Phil. in Philosophy	June 2008
	University of Pennsylvania B.A. in History and Philosophy (<i>summa cum laude</i>)	May 2006
SPECIALIZATION	Ethics	
COMPETENCE	Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence	
PAPERS	“Fantasy, Pleasure, Desire, and Morality” <i>Analysis</i>	forthcoming
	“Perfectly Balanced Lives and the Value of Conscious Experience” <i>Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Mind</i> (vol. 5), ed. Uriah Kriegel (Oxford: Oxford University Press).	forthcoming
	“Welfare, Connection, and Recognition” <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research</i> 112(2): 346-57	2026
	“Time and Well-Being” <i>Routledge Companion to Philosophy of Time</i> , ed. Nina Emery (Abingdon, UK: Routledge)	2025
	“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” <i>The Philosophical Quarterly</i> 75(2): 632-51	2025

- “Prudential Value and Impersonal Value” 2025
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 110(1): 129-49
- “Two Kinds of Desire Theory of Well-Being” 2022
Midwest Studies in Philosophy 46(1): 55-86
- “Well-Being, Part 1: The Concept of Well-Being” 2022
Philosophy Compass 17(2)
- “Well-Being, Part 2: Theories of Well-Being” 2022
Philosophy Compass 17(2)
- “The Experience Requirement on Well-Being” 2021
Philosophical Studies 178(3): 867-86
- “Attitudinal and Phenomenological Theories of Pleasure” 2020
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 100(3): 510-24
- “Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” 2020
The Philosophical Review 129(1): 95-130
- “Why Subjectivists about Welfare Needn’t Idealize” 2019
Pacific Philosophical Quarterly 100(1): 2-23
- “Simple Probabilistic Promotion” 2018
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 96(2): 360-79
- “Welfare Invariabilism” 2018
Ethics 128(2): 320-45
- “Asymmetrism about Desire Satisfactionism and Time” 2017
Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics (vol. 7), ed. Mark Timmons
(Oxford: Oxford University Press)
- “Enumeration and Explanation in Theories of Welfare” 2017
Analysis 77(1): 65-73
- “Against Welfare Subjectivism” 2017
Noûs 51(2): 354-77
- “How to Use the Experience Machine” 2016
Utilitas 28(3): 314-32
- “The Subjective List Theory of Well-Being” 2016
The Australasian Journal of Philosophy 94(1): 99-114

	“Monism and Pluralism”	2016
	<i>The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy of Well-Being</i> , ed. Guy Fletcher (Abingdon, UK: Routledge)	
	“Prudence, Morality, and the Humean Theory of Reasons”	2015
	<i>The Philosophical Quarterly</i> 65(259): 220-40	
	“Pluralism about Well-Being”	2014
	<i>Philosophical Perspectives</i> 28(1): 127-54	
DISCUSSIONS & SHORT ENTRIES	“Well-Being”	2022
	<i>The Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy Online</i>	
	“The Experience Machine”	2021
	<i>Philosophy Illustrated</i> , ed. Helen De Cruz (New York: Oxford University Press)	
	“Objective Theories of Well-Being”	2020
	<i>The International Encyclopedia of Ethics</i> , ed. Hugh LaFollette	
	“Attraction, Description and the Desire-Satisfaction Theory of Welfare”	2016
	<i>Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy</i> 11(1): 1-9	
REVIEWS	“Alexandrova, Anna. <i>A Philosophy for the Science of Well-Being</i> .”	2018
	<i>Ethics</i> 129(1): 116-22	
	“ <i>Achievement</i> by Gwen Bradford”	2016
	<i>Analysis Reviews</i> 76(3): 402-04	
IN PROGRESS	“Welfare Subjects”	
	“The Subjective Good on the Objective List”	
	“The Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Additivity of Welfare”	
	“Superintelligent AI, Instrumental Convergence, and Promotion”	
	“Basic Goodness and Derivative Goodness”	
MISCELLANEOUS WRITING	“Subjective List Theories”	March 2018
	(Post at PEA Soup) http://peasoup.us/2018/03/eden-lin-subjective-list-theories/	
	“Sophisticated Theories of Welfare”	Oct 2016
	(Featured Philosopher post at PEA Soup) http://www.peasoup.us/2016/10/sophisticated-theories-	

welfare-featured-philosopher-eden-lin/

TALKS	“The Subjective Good on the Objective List” 17 th Arizona Workshop in Normative Ethics University of Arizona	January 2026
	“The Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Additivity of Welfare” 18 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2025
	“The Value of Connection” Bowling Green State University	Feb 2025
	“The Value of Connection” University of Miami	Feb 2025
	“The Value of Connection” Louisiana State University	Dec 2024
	“Fantasy, Pleasure, Desire, and Morality” Conference on Fantasy: its Nature, Norms, and Value University of Geneva	Oct 2024
	“The Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Additivity of Welfare” Axiology Workshop 2024 McGill University	Oct 2024
	“The Value of Conscious Experience” The Well-Being Working Group	Sept 2024
	“The Value of Conscious Experience” 17 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2024
	“The Value of Connection” The Kansas/Helsinki Workshop on Well-Being University of Helsinki	July 2024
	“The Value of Conscious Experience” Conference on the Ethics of Consciousness Rice University Global Paris Center	April 2024
	“The Subjective Good on the Objective List” 16 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2023
	“Prudential Value and Impersonal Value” Tokyo Axiology Workshop	June 2023

University of Tokyo	
“The Value of Connection” University of Colorado, Boulder	Oct 2022
“Two Kinds of Desire Theory of Well-Being” The Kansas/Edinburgh Workshop on Well-Being University of Edinburgh	July 2022
“Variabilism and Cross-Species Welfare Comparisons” Society for the Study of Ethics and Animals Pacific APA	April 2022
“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” Workshop on Welfare Saarland University	July 2021
“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” University of Texas at Austin	April 2021
“The Experience Requirement” Washington University in St. Louis	Feb 2020
“The Experience Requirement” University of California, Santa Barbara	Feb 2020
“The Experience Requirement” Syracuse University	January 2020
“The Experience Requirement” University of Notre Dame	January 2020
“Variabilism and Cross-Species Welfare Comparisons” Conference on Animals and Social Welfare Duke University	Nov 2019
“The Experience Requirement” 12 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2019
“The Experience Requirement” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being University of Kansas	July 2019
“Adding Prudential Value” University of Wisconsin, Madison	Feb 2019
“Adding Prudential Value”	January 2019

McGill University

“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” Ohio Normativity Workshop The Ohio State University	Sept 2018
“Adding Prudential Value” 11 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2018
“Adding Prudential Value” The OSU/Maribor/Rijeka Philosophy Conference Dubrovnik, Croatia	June 2018
“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” Higher Seminar in Practical Philosophy Uppsala University	June 2018
“Adding Prudential Value” Stockholm June Workshop in Philosophy Stockholm University	June 2018
“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” University of California, Irvine	April 2018
“Should We Respect the Past Desires of People with Dementia?” California State University, Long Beach	April 2018
“Attitudinal and Phenomenological Theories of Pleasure” Eastern APA Symposium Paper	Jan 2018
“Subjective and Objective Theories of Well-Being” Workshop on Subjectivism and Objectivism about Well-Being University of Tampere	Dec 2017
“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” The Value Theory Reading Group Rutgers University, New Brunswick	Nov 2017
“Should We Respect the Past Desires of People with Dementia?” Ira W. DeCamp Bioethics Seminar Princeton University	Nov 2017
“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” Epistemology & Ethics Workshop Fordham University	Nov 2017

<p>“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” 10th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder</p>	August 2017
<p>“Pleasure, Pain, and Pluralism about Well-Being” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being University of Kansas</p>	July 2017
<p>“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” University of Birmingham</p>	June 2017
<p>“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” The Choice Group London School of Economics</p>	May 2017
<p>“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” University of Leeds</p>	May 2017
<p>“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” White Rose Early Career Ethics Researchers (WRECERs) University of York</p>	May 2017
<p>“Future Desires, the Agony Argument, and Subjectivism about Reasons” University of Edinburgh</p>	May 2017
<p>“Effective Altruism and American Electoral Politics” Conference on the Ethics of Giving University of St. Andrews</p>	May 2017
<p>“Attitudinal and Phenomenological Theories of Pleasure” Center for Values and Social Policy University of Colorado, Boulder</p>	March 2017
<p>“Well-Being and Hedonic Indispensability” 9th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder</p>	August 2016
<p>“Welfare Invariabilism” 12th Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network Syracuse University</p>	July 2016
<p>“Well-Being and Hedonic Indispensability”</p>	May 2016

Princeton Workshop in Normative Philosophy
Princeton University

“Enumeration and Explanation in Theories of Welfare” Ethics and Explanation Conference University of Nottingham	Feb 2016
“Welfare Invariabilism” The Ohio State University	Feb 2016
“Welfare Invariabilism” Rice University	January 2016
“Asymmetrism about Desire Satisfactionism and Time” 7 th Arizona Workshop in Normative Ethics University of Arizona	January 2016
“Sophisticated Theories of Welfare” 8 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2015
“Welfare Invariabilism” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being University of Kansas	July 2015
“Theories of Welfare: Monistic or Pluralistic, Enumerative or Explanatory?” Central APA Colloquium Paper	Feb 2015
“Humeanism and Desire Satisfactionism” 7 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress University of Colorado, Boulder	August 2014
“Why Subjectivists about Welfare Shouldn’t Idealize” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being University of Kansas	July 2014
“The Hedonic Coincidence Problem for Desire Satisfactionism” Pacific APA Colloquium Paper	April 2014
“Objectivism about Welfare” Rutgers University, Newark	Feb 2013
COMMENTS Comments on Dale Dorsey’s “The Quest for a Qualitative Hedonism” The Kansas/Helsinki Workshop on Well-Being (University of Helsinki)	July 2024

Comments on Anthony Kelley’s “The Homogeneity Objection to the Hedonic Tone Theory of Pleasure” The Kansas/Minnesota Workshop on Well-Being (University of Minnesota)	July 2023
Comments on Leif Wenar’s “The Value of Unity” McCoy Family Center for Ethics (Stanford University)	Oct 2021
Discussant for Shigehiro Oishi et al., “What Is a Good Life? A Happy Life, a Perfectionist Life, or a Psychologically Rich Life?” Happiness & Well-Being Project Capstone Conference (Saint Louis University)	May 2018
Comments on Anne Baril’s “The Role of Coherence in Objective List Theories” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being (University of Kansas)	July 2017
Comments on Jason Raibley’s “Interspecific Well-Being” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being (University of Kansas)	July 2015
Comments on Molly Gardner’s “Defense of the Harm-Based Solution to the Non-Identity Problem” The Kansas Workshop on Well-Being (University of Kansas)	July 2014

TEACHING

The Ohio State University	
PHILOS 1100: Introduction to Philosophy	
PHILOS 1100H: Honors Introduction to Philosophy (2)	
PHILOS 1332: Introduction to Engineering Ethics (3)	
PHILOS 2194: Group Studies (2)	
PHILOS 2340: The Future of Humanity (5)	
PHILOS 5300: Advanced Moral Philosophy (2)	
PHILOS 7080: Engineering Ethics (4)	
PHILOS 8010: First-Year Seminar	
PHILOS 8300: Seminar in Value Theory (3)	
PHILOS 8999: Dissertation Seminar	
Rutgers University, Newark	
PHI 385: Special Topics in Philosophy – The Good Life (2)	
PHI 212: Introduction to Ethics (8)	
Princeton University (as an Assistant in Instruction)	
PHI 319: Normative Ethics	
PHI 202: Introduction to Moral Philosophy	
PHI 203: Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology	

ADVISING

Dissertation advisor Xiang Yu	2019-22
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	Dissertation committees	
	Seungsoo Lee	2024-
	Jacob MacDavid	2023-
	Vaughn Papenhausen	2022-25
	Tyler Cook	2020-23
	Doctoral candidacy examination committees	
	Laurel Dunham	2025-
	Inchul Yum	2023-25
	Seungsoo Lee	2023-24
	Jacob MacDavid	2022-23
	Vaughn Papenhausen	2021-22
	Tyler Cook	2019-20
	Xiang Yu	2018-19
	Undergraduate thesis examination committees	
	Laura Geraciotti	2017
	External examinations	
	Chad Stevenson (MA, University of Melbourne)	2017
HONORS AND AWARDS	Ohio State Global Arts and Humanities Society of Fellows	2025-26
	Visiting Scholar in Residence at the Humanities Center at Louisiana State University	2024
	Ohio State College of Arts and Sciences Early-Career Faculty Excellence Award	2020
	PEA Soup Award for Best Original Post	2018
	PEA Soup Ideas Award (Metaethics)	2017
	Runner-up, Young Ethicist Prize (8 th Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress)	2015
	Princeton University Center for Human Values Graduate Prize Fellowship	2012-13
	Kirtland Manley '31 Merit Fellowship	2008-09
	Graduate Scholarship in Philosophy at Magdalen College, Oxford	2006-08
	Phi Beta Kappa	2005
	Benjamin Franklin Scholar	2002-06
GRANTS	Sustainable and Resilient Economy (SRE) seed grant (\$10,500) for	2017

“Integrating Philosophical and Economic Perspectives on Human Well-Being: A One-Day Conference”

SERVICE

Journal Referee

American Philosophical Quarterly (2)
Analysis (9)
Analytic Philosophy
Australasian Journal of Philosophy (7)
Canadian Journal of Philosophy (2)
Ergo (8)
Erkenntnis
Ethical Theory and Moral Practice (3)
Ethics (3)
Journal of Ethics
Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy (12)
Journal of Moral Philosophy (4)
Journal of Philosophy (3)
Journal of Social Philosophy
Journal of the American Philosophical Association (2)
Journal of Value Inquiry (3)
Les Ateliers de L'Éthique/The Ethics Forum
Mind (2)
Noûs (3)
Pacific Philosophical Quarterly
Philosophers' Imprint
Philosophical Psychology
Philosophical Review (2)
Philosophical Quarterly (5)
Philosophical Studies (14)
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research (2)
Philosophy Compass (2)
Ratio
Res Philosophica (2)
Social Theory and Practice
Southern Journal of Philosophy
Synthese (2)
Utilitas (9)

Book Proposal Referee

Oxford University Press (2)

Book Manuscript Referee

Oxford University Press (2)

Cambridge University Press

Tenure and Promotion Referee (1)

Departmental Service at Ohio State

Graduate Admissions (chair)	2024-
Colloquium Committee (co-chair)	2016-23
Curriculum Committee (chair)	2019-24
Research and Awards Committee	2019-20, 2024
Undergraduate Committee	2017-19
Salary Committee	2017-18
Graduate Committee	2016-17
Graduate Admissions	2017, 2024
Bingham Award Committee	2021-22
Search Committee	2021-22
Reading Committee for Sahar Heydari Fard	2022-23
Service to the College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio State	
Workgroup on “Health and Well-Being” General Education Theme	2019-20
Service to the Ohio State University	
“Health and Well-Being” General Education Theme Advisory Group (chair)	2021-23
Organizer and Fundraiser	
The Princeton Workshop on Well-Being	May 2013
Co-organizer	
The 2018 OSU/Maribor/Rijeka Philosophy Conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia	June 2018
New York Early Career Ethics Workshop	Spring 2015

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