

Megan A. Dean
Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Philosophy
Michigan State University
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AOS: Feminist Philosophy, Bioethics, Philosophy of Food and Eating

AOC: Science and Values, 20th Century Continental Philosophy (especially phenomenology and Michel Foucault), Philosophy of Science, Fat Studies

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2020- Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, Michigan State University
2019-2020 Chauncey Truax Postdoctoral Fellow and Visiting Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, Hamilton College

EDUCATION

2019 PhD in Philosophy (with Distinction), Georgetown University
2012 MA in Philosophy, University of Alberta
2009 BAH in Contemporary Studies and Philosophy (First Class Honours), University of King's College and Dalhousie University

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2023 Dean, M. and L. Guidry-Grimes. "Smuggled Doughnuts and Forbidden Fried Chicken: Addressing Tensions around Family and Food Restrictions in Hospitals." *Hastings Center Report* 53.4 (2023): 10-15.
- 2022 Dean, M. and N. Liebow. "'White, Fat, and Racist': Racism and Environmental Accounts of Obesity." *Kennedy Institute for Ethics Journal* 32.4 (2022): 435-461.
Dean, M. "Time to Eat: The Importance of Temporality for Food Ethics." *International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics* 15.2 (2022): 76-98.
Dean, M. "The 'Worst Dinner Guest Ever': On "Gut Issues" and Epistemic Injustice at the Dinner Table." *Gastronomica: The Journal for Food Studies* 22.3 (2022): 59-71.
- 2021 Dean, M. "Eating as a Self-Shaping Activity: The Case of Young Women's Vegetarianism and Eating Disorders." *Feminist Philosophy Quarterly* 7.3 (2021).
Guidry-Grimes, L., M. Dean, E. Victor. "Covert Administration of Medication in Food: A Worthwhile Moral Gamble?" *Journal of Medical Ethics* 47 (2021): 389-393.
Dean, M. "A Defense of Mindless Eating." *Topoi* 40 (2021): 504-516.
- 2019 Dean, M. "Identity and the Ethics of Eating Interventions." *Journal of Bioethical Inquiry* 16.3 (2019): 353-364.
- 2018 Dean, M. "Eating Identities, 'Unhealthy' Eaters, and Damaged Agency." *Feminist Philosophy Quarterly* 4.3 (2018). Article 3.
- 2016 Dean, M., E. Victor, L. Guidry-Grimes. "Inhospitable Health Care Spaces: Why Diversity Training on LGBTQIA Issues Is Not Enough." *Journal of Bioethical Inquiry* 13.4 (2016): 1-14.

- 2015 Heyes, C., M. Dean, L. Goldberg. "Queer Phenomenology, Sexual Orientation, and Health Care Spaces: Learning from the Narratives of Queer Women and Nurses in Primary Health Care." *Journal of Homosexuality* 63.2 (2015): 141-155.
- 2014 Dean, M. "You Are *How* You Eat? Femininity, Normalization, and Veganism as an Ethical Practice of Freedom." *Societies* 4.2 (2014): 127-147.
- 2011 Dean, M. "Visualizing Resistance: Foucauldian Ethics and the Female Body Builder." *PhaenEx: Journal of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* 6.1 (2011): 64-89.

Other Refereed Publications

- 2021 Cornell, C. and M. Dean. "Assessing Outside the Box: The Open Format Assignment." *The FLT MAG*. September 3, 2021.

Book Chapters

- 2022 Dean, M. "Feminist Global Food Ethics." *Routledge Handbook on Feminist Bioethics*. Eds. Wendy Rogers, Stacy Carter, Vikki Entwistle, Catherine Mills, and Jackie Leach Scully. Routledge.

Conference Proceedings

- 2012 Dean, M. "Hasana Sharp's *Spinoza and the Politics of Renaturalization*, Feminism, and Embodiment." *PhaenEx: Journal of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* 7.2 (2012): 239-247.

Book Reviews

- 2020 Dean, M. Review of Ásta, *Categories We Live By: The Construction of Sex, Gender, Race, & Other Social Categories*. *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 98:3 (2020): 623-627.
- Dean, M. Review of Morris, Amelia, *The Politics of Weight: Feminist Dichotomies of Power in Dieting*. *London School of Economics Review of Books Blog*, January 24. Web. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/lsereviewofbooks/2020/01/24/book-review-the-politics-of-weight-feminist-dichotomies-of-power-in-dieting-by-amelia-morris/>
- 2013 Dean, M. "On Fat Agency, Activism, and Academia." Review of Chastain, Ragen, *Fat: The Owner's Manual: Navigating a Thin-Obsessed World with Your Health, Happiness, and Self-Esteem Intact* and McMichael, Lonie, *Talking Fat: Health Vs. Persuasion in the War on our Bodies*. *Fat Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Body Weight and Society* 2.2 (2013): 210-215.
- 2011 Dean, M. "Considering the Value of Bodily Transgressions." Review of Bobel, Chris; Kwan, Samantha, eds., *Embodied Resistance: Challenging the Norms, Breaking the Rules*. *H-Histsex, H-Net Reviews*. December, 2011. Web. <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=33952>

Edited Volumes

- 2014 Dean, M. and R. Kukla, *Regulating Bodies in the 'Obesity Era': Ethical, Social, and Legal Perspectives*. Special issue, *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal* 24.3 (2014).

Blog Posts

- 2023 Dean, M. "Syllabus Showcase: Ethical Issues in Health Care." *Blog of the American Philosophical Association*. November 1.
- 2021 Dean, M. "Lessons on Eating in a Pandemic." *MSU Bioethics in the News* (blog), January 21, 2021.
- 2020 Dean, M. "Stress Eating in the Time of Covid-19." *Fit is a Feminist Issue*. March 21.
Dean, M., Guidry-Grimes, L., Victor, E. "What's in the Applesauce? Reflections on the Covert Administration of Medication in Food." *Journal of Medical Ethics Blog*. February 14.
- 2018 Dean, M., M. Denning, D. Luciano. "Reflections on Accessibility." *Approaching the Anthropocene: Global Culture and Planetary Change Blog*. June 1.
Dean, M., M. Denning. "Best Practices for (More) Sustainable Events: Event Planning in Compromised Times." *Approaching the Anthropocene: Global Culture and Planetary Change Blog*. April 19.
- 2017 Dean, M. "Mini Cupcakes? Really, Google Maps?" *Fit is a Feminist Issue*. October 14.
Dean, M. "Some Thoughts on Affect, Action, and White Women Who Marched." *Philosophers Reflect on the Women's March. Discrimination and Disadvantage Blog*. January 31.
- 2015 Dean, M. "Can we Train the Shame Away?" *Fit is a Feminist Issue*. November 6.
- 2012 Dean, M. "[Guest Post]." *Hook and Eye: Fast Feminism Slow Academe*. July 23.

Other Publications

- 2022 Dean, M. "Reflection on the Feminist Bioethics and the Pandemic." *International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics* 15.1 (2022): 98-99.

Interviews

- 2022 Dean, M. "Megan Dean on Clock Time, Stomach Time, and the Ethics of Eating." By Kathryn MacKay. *FAB Gab: The Podcast of the International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics*. December 14. (Podcast)
Dean, M. "How to be a good host and a good guest." By Jeremy Cherfas. *Eat This Podcast*. November 14. (Podcast)
Dean, M. "APA Member Interview: Megan Dean." By Sabrina D. MisirHiralall. *American Philosophical Association Blog*. February 11.
- 2021 Dean, M. "Megan Dean – Food for Thought." By Bridget Carrigan. *Bricks: Talking to Strong Women*. April 12. (Podcast)
- 2018 Dean, M. "Dialogues on Disability: Shelley Tremain Interviews Megan Dean." By Shelley Tremain. *Discrimination and Disadvantage Blog*. January 17.

Video

- 2020 Dean, M. "Why it Matters How We Eat." *Public Philosophy Network Video Series*. YouTube.

PRESENTATIONS**Invited Presentations**

- 2023 "The Ethics of Eating with Family." Food Justice, Aesthetics, and Morality Workshop, Hamilton College, New York, September 15-17.
"Bad Eaters." Keynote address, 44th Annual Graduate Philosophy Conference,

- University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign, April 21-22.
- 2022 “Putting Dietary Restrictions on the Table: On Hospitality and Ableism at Shared Meals.” *Philosophy, Disability, and Social Change* 3, December 6-9.
- “Panel presentation on Quill R. Kukla’s *City Living*.” American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, January 14.
- 2020 “Why it Matters How We Eat,” St. Paul’s Girls School Medical Ethics Society, London, England, November 4.
- “Big Fat Liars, Sneaky Dieters, and Factitious Allergies: On Distrust and Eating,” *Culinary Mind Half-Baked Online Colloquia Series*, October 16.
- “Time to Eat: Healthist Eating and our Experience of Time.” *Philosophers on Eating, Culinary Mind Online Symposium*, June 26.
- “Why it Matters How We Eat: Food Ethics and Eating as a Self-shaping Activity,” *Contemporary Studies Programme, University of King’s College, Halifax, NS, Canada*, January 15.
- 2019 “Young Women, Eating Disorders, and Vegetarianism: An Ethical Analysis of an Uncertain Hypothesis,” *Bioethics Club, William Paterson University, NJ*, December 5.
- “Food Ethics and Eating as a Self-shaping Activity,” *Philosophy Department at Illinois State University, IL*, November 21.
- “The Value of Mindless Eating,” *Food Justice and Morality Workshop, Hamilton College, NY*, September 20-22.
- 2017 “Healthism, Eating, and the Anthropocene.” *Anthropocene Impacts: A Work-in-Progress Forum, Approaching the Anthropocene: Global Culture and Planetary Change, Georgetown University*, November 28.
- “Eating, Agency, and Fat.” *American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, Baltimore, MD*, January 4-7.
- 2016 “Who Fits in Philosophy?” *Philosophy Outside the Canon, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Colombia*, October 28.
- 2012 “Panel Presentation on Hasana Sharp’s *Spinoza and the Politics of Renaturalization*,” *Joint panel for The Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture and The Canadian Philosophical Association, Waterloo, ON*, May 31-June 3.

Peer-reviewed Presentations

- 2023 “Food Ethics and the Family.” *Knowing Food: Meeting of The Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and Association for the Study of Food and Society, Boston University, Boston, MA, USA*. May 31-June 3.
- 2022 “Smuggled Donuts and Forbidden Fried Chicken: Analyzing Ethical Tensions Around Family and Food Restrictions in Hospital Settings.” *With Laura Guidry-Grimes. World Congress of Bioethics, Basel, Switzerland*, July 20-22.
- “The ‘Worst Dinner Guest Ever’: On the Moral Difficulties of Eating Right with Food Allergies and Intolerances.” *Cultivating Connections: Meeting of The Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and Association for the Study of Food and Society, Athens, GA, USA*. May 18-21.
- 2021 “Lessons from Eating in a Pandemic: New Directions for Bioethics of Food,” *American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, virtual conference*, October 11-16.

- “Lessons from Eating in a Pandemic,” Canadian Bioethics Society, virtual conference, May 26-28.
- 2020 “Big Fat Liars: Testimonial Injustice, Untrustworthy Eaters, and Eating Identities,” FEMMSS. Conference cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.
- 2019 “Vegetarianism and Eating Disorders: An Ethical Analysis of an Uncertain Hypothesis,” Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Guelph, ON, October 25-27.
- “Covert Drugging in Food: A Worthwhile Moral Gamble?” With L. Guidry-Grimes and E. Victor. American Society for Bioethics and Humanities. Pittsburgh, PA, October 24-27.
- “Covert Drugging in Food: A Feminist Ethical Analysis.” With L. Guidry-Grimes and E. Victor. 36th International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Rome, Italy, July 21-27.
- “Food Ethics and Eating as a Self-shaping Activity,” American Philosophical Association Central Division, Denver, CO, February 20-23.
- 2018 “Covert Drugging in Food: A Feminist Ethical Analysis.” With L. Guidry-Grimes and E. Victor. Feminist Approaches to Bioethics World Congress, Bangalore, India, December 3-5.
- “In Defense of (Some) Mindless Eating,” Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Sydney, NS, September 28-30.
- “In Defense of Mindless Eating,” Feminist Epistemologies, Methodologies, Metaphysics and Science Studies, Corvallis, OR, August 1-5.
- “Identity and the Ethics of Eating Interventions,” Canadian Bioethics Society, Halifax, NS, May 23-25.
- 2017 “Identity and the Ethics of Eating Interventions,” Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, London, ON, October 27-29.
- 2016 “Be a Good Influence (on Yourself!): A Foucauldian Critique of Situationist Moral Theory,” Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Sackville, NB, November 4-6.
- “Who’s a Good Eater?” Feminist Epistemologies, Methodologies, Metaphysics and Science Studies, South Bend, IN, October 2-4.
- “Situationist Moral Theory and Foucault.” Canadian Philosophical Association, Calgary, AB, May 29-June 1.
- “Who’s a Good Dieter?” Women’s and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes, Calgary, AB, May 28-31.
- 2015 “Fat Shame is not Moral Shame.” Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Regina, SK, October 23-25.
- “Losing Normal: On Mourning Norms and *Murderball*.” Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture, Ottawa, ON, June 2-5.
- “Inhospitable Healthcare Spaces: Why Training on LGBTQIA Issues Is Not Enough.” With E. Victor and L. Guidry-Grimes. Canadian Bioethical Society, Winnipeg, MB, May 27-29.
- 2014 “Inhospitable Healthcare Spaces: Why Training on LGBTQIA Issues Is Not Enough.” With E. Victor and L. Guidry-Grimes. American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, San Diego, CA, October 16-19.
- “You Are How You Eat: A Foucauldian Critique of Dietetics Research on Eating Disorders & Vegetarianism.” Feminist Epistemologies, Methodologies,

- Metaphysics and Science Studies/Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Waterloo, ON, August 10-13.
- “Fat Shame as a Way of Being-In-The-World.” Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture, St. Catherine’s, ON, May 27-29.
- “When Knowing Better is Not Enough: A Foucauldian Defense of Feminist Critiques of Embodiment.” Feminism: Body, Image, Power, Villanova University, PA, March 21-22.
- 2013 “Nourishing a Beautiful Life: Ethics, Vegetarianism, and Disordered Eating.” philoSOPHIA: A Feminist Society, Banff, AB, May 2-5.
- 2012 “Experiential Truth and Fiction: Toward a Foucauldian Strategy for Undoing Certainties.” Association for Feminist Epistemologies, Methodologies, Metaphysics and Science Studies, The Pennsylvania State University, PA, May 10-12.
- 2011 “Experiential Truth and Fiction: A Foucauldian Strategy for Undoing Certainties.” Diotima: A Graduate Conference for Feminist Philosophers, Western University, ON, September 23-24.
- “Foucauldian Ethical Resistance and the Muscled Woman.” Canadian Philosophical Association, Fredericton, NB, May 30-June 2.
- “The Muscled Woman and the Weight Lifter: The Importance of the Image in Foucauldian Askesis.” Foucault Circle, Banff, AB, March 25-27.

Commentaries

- 2015 “Commentary on ‘Cartesian Prejudice and Critique of Gender in Poullain de la Barre’ by Amy Schmitter.” Canadian Philosophical Association, Ottawa, ON, May 31-June 3.
- 2012 “Commentary on ‘Critique of Haslanger’s Concept of Woman,’ by Stephanie Kapusta.” Canadian Philosophical Association, Waterloo, ON, May 27-30.

Campus and Departmental Talks

- 2022 “Bad eaters: In defense of mindless munchers, big fat liars, and food allergy ‘fakers’.” Engaged Philosophy: Building Bridges 2.0, Michigan State University and The University of Utah Departments of Philosophy Online Event, Nov. 4.
- 2020 “On Distrust and Eating: The Case of Fictitious Food Allergies.” Philosophy Department Faculty Works-in-Progress, Michigan State University, December 11.
- “Green Eating, Green You? Or, Why Being Too into Healthy Eating is Bad for you and the Environment,” Food and Sustainability Series, Levitt Public Affairs Center, Hamilton College, NY, February 18.
- 2017 “Unhealthy Eater as Damaged Identity.” Prospective Students Day, Philosophy Department, Georgetown University, March 31.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

- 2022-2023 Center for Interdisciplinarity (C4I) Seed Grant, for “An interdisciplinary approach to infant growth and development in Mexico: the role of structural, sociocultural, and biological factors,” with Nerli Paredes Ruvalcaba, Elena Ruíz, Alejandra Núñez de la Mora, and Masako Fujita -- \$10,000
- 2020 Harold N. Glassman Distinguished Dissertation Award in the Humanities, Georgetown University – \$2,500

2019	American Philosophical Association Graduate Student Travel Stipend - \$300
2017-2018	Mellon-Sawyer Predoctoral Fellowship, "Approaching the Anthropocene: Global Culture and Planetary Change" - \$28,000
2017	Jean Harvey Student Essay Award, Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy - \$200
2016	Bioethics Bootcamp Stipend, University of Pennsylvania - \$3000
2015	Jean Harvey Student Essay Award, Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy - \$200
2013 – 2017	Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council – \$80,000
2011 – 2012	Graduate Student Scholarship, Alberta Advanced Education and Technology – \$3000 QEII Graduate Scholarship, Master's Level, University of Alberta - \$10,800
2010 – 2011	J. Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship, Master's - \$17,500 Walter H Johns Graduate Fellowship, University of Alberta - \$5010 University of Alberta Master's Scholarship - \$17,000 plus tuition (declined) Honorary University of Alberta Master's Scholarship

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

As Primary Instructor

Michigan State University

PHL 870: Seminar in Philosophy of Health Care: Feminist Bioethics (Fall 2022)
 PHL 840: Seminar in Value Theory: Ethics of Food and Eating (Spring 2022)
 PHL 440: Central Issues in Ethics: Ethics of Food and Eating (Spring 2023)
 PHL 344: Ethics of Health Care (Fall 2020, Spring & Fall 2021, Spring & Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
 PHL 356: Philosophical Issues of Feminism (Spring & Fall 2021)

Hamilton College

Ethics and Politics of Food (Spring 2020)
 Bioethics and Disability (Spring 2020)
 Philosophy of the Body (Fall 2019)

Georgetown University

Bioethics and Disability (Spring 2019)
 Philosophy of Science (Summer 2018, Fall 2018)
 Bioethics (Fall 2016)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2023	Reviewer, National Science Foundation Co-organizer with Culinary Mind of "Author-meets-critics roundtable for Paul B. Thompson's <i>From Silo to Spoon</i> ," and "New Trends in the Philosophy of Food: Food Ontologies and the Material Realities of Eating" at Knowing Food: Meeting of The Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and Association for the Study of Food and Society, Boston University, MA, USA. May 31-June 3. Co-organizer of Culinary Mind's 2023-2024 Virtual Speaker Series Reviewer, <i>Philosophy Compass</i> Reviewer, <i>Public Health Ethics</i>
2022-present	North American Coordinator, Culinary Mind: Center for the Philosophy of Food
2022	Co-organizer with Culinary Mind of two panels "New Philosophical Work on Food Justice," "New Philosophical Work on Food Consumption," and two workshops "Philosophical Perspectives on Eaters and Eating" and "Rethinking Food Concepts"

- with Conceptual Engineering” at Cultivating Connections: Meeting of The Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and Association for the Study of Food and Society, Athens, GA, USA. May 18-21
- Reviewer, abstract submissions for 2022 meeting of Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy
- 2021 Co-organizer, Philosophers on Eating II: Food Waste, Culinary Mind Online Symposium, July 29
- Reviewer, *East Asian Journal of Philosophy*, special issue on “Local Food”
- 2020-present Co-organizer, Half-Baked Online Colloquia Series, Culinary Mind
- 2020 Reviewer, *Ergo*
- Reviewer, *Journal of Bioethical Inquiry*
- Reviewer, *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal*
- Co-organizer, Philosophers on Eating, Culinary Mind Online Symposium, June 19 & 26 [In-person workshop cancelled due to pandemic; reorganized as online event]
- 2019 Reviewer, *Feminist Philosophy Quarterly*
- 2018-2019 Mentor, Kent Place School Bioethics Project
- 2018 Organizer and host, *How Should We Eat? Eating in the Anthropocene*, 2016-2018 Mellon Sawyer Seminar, *Approaching the Anthropocene: Global Culture and Planetary Change*, Georgetown University, February 9
- Reviewer, *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal*
- 2015 Reviewer, *Graduate Journal of Social Science*, special issue on “Men, Masculinities and Violence”
- Reviewer, *Feral Feminisms*, special issue on "Untimely Bodies: Futurity, Resistance, and Non-normative Bodies"
- 2014 Reviewer, *Florida Philosophical Review*
- 2013 Reviewer, *PhaenEx*, special issue on “Animal and Food Ethics”
- 2012 Reviewer, *Philosophy and Technology*

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated faculty, Center for Interdisciplinary Research, Collaboration, Learning, and Engagement (CIRCLE), Michigan State University

Socially Engaged Philosophy of Science (SEPOS), Michigan State University

American Philosophical Association

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities

Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy

Southwest Ontario Feminism and Philosophy Group

International Association of Bioethics

Association for the Study of Food and Society

OTHER LANGUAGES

French, intermediate (read, write, speak)