



Nadeem Hussain

Associate Professor of Philosophy and, by courtesy, of German Studies

 Curriculum Vitae available Online

Bio

BIO

I received my B.S. in Symbolic Systems from Stanford University in 1990. I then went to the Department of Philosophy at The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. I completed a Ph.D. there in 1999. I also spent the academic year of 1998-99 at Universität Bielefeld in Germany. I have been teaching at Stanford since 2000.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Philosophy
- Associate Professor (By courtesy), German Studies

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Dean of the Freshman Sophomore College, Stanford University, (2010-2016)
- Faculty Director, Residential Programs, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Stanford University, (2014-2015)
- Senior Associate Vice Provost for Residential Affairs, Stanford University, (2013-2015)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dean's Award for Distinguished Teaching, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford University (2009)
- The Philosophers Annual 2008, The Philosopher's Annual (2008)
- Visiting Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem (May - August 2008)
- Charles A. Ryskamp Research Fellowship, American Council for Learned Societies (2006 - 2007)
- Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Fellow, University Center for Human Values, Princeton University (2006 - 2007)
- Germanistic Society of America Fellowship, Germanistic Society of America (1998 - 1999)
- Fulbright Travel Grant, Institute of International Education (1998 - 1999)
- Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, Woodrow Wilson Foundation (1996 - 1997)
- Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan (1996 - 1997 (declined))
- Rackham One-Term Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan (1995)
- Recognition for Excellence in the Teaching of Philosophy, American Philosophical Association (1995)
- Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of Michigan (1994 - 1995)
- Department of Philosophy John Dewey Prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, University of Michigan (1994 - 1995)
- Regents' Fellowship, University of Michigan (1990 - 1994)
- Wirt and Mary Cornwell Prize in the Humanities, University of Michigan (1990 - 1991)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Member, American Philosophical Association (1999)
- Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Philosophy, Stanford University (2015 - 2019)
- Undergraduate Honors Director, Stanford University (2012 - present)
- Member, Mind/Bio/Logic Junior Search Committee, Stanford University (2012 - 2013)
- Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Stanford University (2012 - 2013)
- Member, Junior Ethics Search Committee, Stanford University (2010 - 2011)
- Member, Junior Core Search Committee, Stanford University (2010 - 2011)
- Chair, Committee for Redesigning Departmental Web Site, Stanford University (2005 - 2011)
- Co-Chair, Placement Committee, Stanford University (2009 - 2010)
- Chair, Admissions Committee, Stanford University (2008 - 2009)
- Faculty Advisor for Undergraduate Philosophy Association, Stanford University (2008 - 2009)
- Member, Admissions Committee, Stanford University (2007 - 2008)
- Member, Placement Committee, Stanford University (2001 - 2003)
- Member, Placement Committee, Stanford University (2005 - 2006)
- Member, Ancient Philosophy Search Committee, Stanford University (2003 - 2004)
- Member, Library Committee, Stanford University (2001 - 2002)
- Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Stanford University (2000 - 2001)
- Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee, University of Michigan (1996 - 1997)
- Member, Graduate Studies Committee, University of Michigan (1994 - 1995)
- Faculty Task Force, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Stanford University (2010 - present)
- Chair, Task Force on Residential Education, Stanford University (2010 - 2013)
- Member, Committee on Academic Computing and Information Systems, Stanford University (2010 - 2013)
- Member, Subcommittee on Residential and Co-Curricular Learning, Study of Undergraduate Education at Stanford, Stanford University (2010 - 2012)
- Member, Governance Board, Introduction to the Humanities Program, Stanford University (2007 - 2010)
- Member, Steering Committee, Web Design Project, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford University (2006 - 2009)
- Member, Islamic Studies Faculty Advisory Board, Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford University (2003 - 2008)
- Member, Program Committee, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (2009 - 2012)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- B.S., Stanford University , Symbolic Systems (1990)
- M.A., University of Michigan , Philosophy (1995)
- Ph.D., University of Michigan , Philosophy (1999)

Research & Scholarship

PROJECTS

- Habib University - Stanford University, Habib University

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Explanation: PHIL 188A, PHIL 288A (Win)
- Philosophy of Applied Mathematics: PHIL 355 (Aut)
- Philosophy of Science: PHIL 160, PHIL 260 (Win)
- Survey of Formal Methods: PHIL 49 (Aut)

2024-25

- External World Skepticism: PHIL 16N (Win)
- Introduction to Philosophy of Science: HPS 60, PHIL 60 (Aut)
- Proseminar: PHIL 300 (Aut)
- Reduction and Grounding: PHIL 189, PHIL 289 (Win)
- The Dualist: PHIL 198 (Aut, Win, Spr)

2023-24

- Explanation: PHIL 188A, PHIL 288A (Spr)
- Metaphysics: PHIL 180, PHIL 280 (Aut)
- Naturalism, Physicalism, and Materialism: PHIL 367 (Aut)
- Scientific Realism, Perspectivism, and Antirealism: PHIL 164, PHIL 264 (Spr)

2022-23

- Advanced Dissertation Seminar: PHIL 500 (Aut, Win, Spr)
- Capstone Seminar: What is Explanation?: PHIL 194H (Win)
- Epistemology: PHIL 184, PHIL 284 (Aut)
- Metaphysics: PHIL 180, PHIL 280 (Win)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Shayan Koeksal, Rupert Sparling

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Claire Ganiban, Zihan Wang

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Practical Reasoning and Linking Beliefs** *PHILOSOPHY AND PHENOMENOLOGICAL RESEARCH*
Hussain, N. J.
2015; 91 (1): 211-219
- **Nietzsche's Metaethical Stance** *The Oxford Handbook on Nietzsche*
Hussain, N.
edited by Richardson, J., Gemes, K.
Oxford: Oxford University Press.2013: 389–414

- **Contents, Normativity, and Rule-Following** *Rationality through Reasoning*
Hussain, N.
Wiley-Blackwell.2013
- **Metaethics and Its Discontents: A Case Study of Korsgaard** *Constructivism in Ethics*
Hussain, N., Shah, N.
edited by Bagnoli, C.
Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.2013: 82–107
- **Metaethics and Nihilism in Reginster's The Affirmation of Life** *JOURNAL OF NIETZSCHE STUDIES*
Hussain, N. J.
2012; 43 (1): 99-117
- **A Problem for Ambitious Metanormative Constructivism** *Constructivism in Practical Philosophy*
Hussain, N.
edited by Lenman, J., Shemmer, Y.
Oxford: Oxford University Press.2012: 180–194
- **Nietzsche and Non-Cognitivism** *Nietzsche, Naturalism & Normativity*
Hussain, N.
edited by Robertson, S., Janaway, C.
Oxford: Oxford University Press.2012: 111–132
- **The Role of Life in the Genealogy** *Nietzsche's On The Genealogy of Morality: A Critical Guide*
Hussain, N.
edited by May, S.
Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.2011: 142–169
- **Error Theory and Fictionalism** *The Routledge Companion to Ethics*
Hussain, N.
edited by Skorupski, J.
London and New York: Routledge.2010: 335–345
- **Honest Illusion: Valuing for Nietzsche's Free Spirits** *Nietzsche and Morality*
Hussain, N.
edited by Leither, B., Sinhababu, N.
Oxford: Oxford University Press.2007: 151–191
- **Misunderstanding Metaethics: Korsgaard's Rejection of Realism** *Oxford Studies in Metaethics*
Hussain, N., Shah, N.
edited by Shafer-Landau, R.
Oxford: Clarendon Press.2006: 265–294
- **Book Review of Ethical Explorations** *Ethics*
Hussain, N.
2005; 115 (3): 626 - 628
- **Nietzsche's positivism** *EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHY*
Hussain, N. J.
2004; 12 (3): 326-368
- **Discussion - "The guise of a reason"** *PHILOSOPHICAL STUDIES*
Hussain, N. J.
2004; 121 (3): 263-275
- **The return of moral fictionalism** *NOUS*
Hussain, N. J.
2004: 149-187

- **Reading Nietzsche through Ernst Mach** *Nietzsche and Science*
Hussain, N.
edited by Moore, G., Brobjer, T. H.
Aldershot: Ashgate.2004: 111–129
- **Book Review of Nietzsche and the Transcendental Tradition** *The Philosophical Review*
Hussain, N.
2004; 113 (2): 275 - 278