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Areas of Specialization and Competence

AOS: Ethics; Bio/Neuroethics; Philosophy of Race

AOC: Philosophy of Science; Social and Political Philosophy; Philosophy of Religion; Africana Philosophy

Appointments

2024 –	Assistant Professor of Philosophy School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies, Arizona State University	Tempe, AZ
2024 –	Affiliated Faculty Lincoln Center for Applied Ethics, Arizona State University	Tempe, AZ
2022 – 2024	Harold T. Shapiro Postdoctoral Research Associate in Bioethics Center for Human Values, Princeton University	Princeton, NJ

Education

2017 – 2022	Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Pennsylvania Dissertation: <i>On the ethics of neuroenhancements and the use of race theory in biomedical ethics.</i> Committee: Quayshawn Spencer (Advisor), Anita Allen, Errol Lord, Jonathan Moreno	Philadelphia, PA
2019 – 2020	Graduate Certificate, Social, Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience (SCAN), University of Pennsylvania Supervisor: Martha Farah	Philadelphia, PA
2019	Teaching Certificate, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Pennsylvania	Philadelphia, PA
2009 – 2011	M.A., Biola University <i>Graduated magna cum laude</i>	La Mirada, CA
2005 – 2009	B.A., Wheaton College <i>Graduated cum laude</i>	Wheaton, IL

Publications

Philosophy Journals (Peer-Reviewed)

(6) Clay-Gilmore, M., Fryer, D., **Peebles, I.S.**, et al., Contemporary Issues in Black Philosophy: Pluralism in Methodological Approaches. *American Philosophical Quarterly* (forthcoming).

(5) Peebles, I.S. Is racism (necessarily) a moral wrong? *American Philosophical Quarterly* (forthcoming).

(4) Peebles, I.S. (2025). Race, Well-Being, and (Enhancements of) Cognition. *Neuroethics* 18(52). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12152-025-09626-0>.

(3) Hereth, B., de Boisboissel, G., Bricknell, M... **Peebles, I.S.**, et al. (2025). Horizon Scan of Emerging Issues at the Intersection of National Security, Artificial Intelligence, and Human Performance Enhancement. *Science and Engineering Ethics*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11948-025-00546-z>.

(2) Peebles, I.S. (2025). To race or not to race: A normative debate in the philosophy of race. *Philosophers' Imprint* 25(36). <https://doi.org/10.3998/phimp.4295>.

(1) Peebles, I.S. (2024). Toward a virtue-based account of racism. *Philosophical Studies* 181(10), 2499-2523. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11098-024-02193-9>.*

*Selected as one of the ten best articles in philosophy from 2024 by *Philosopher's Annual*.

Science/Biomedical Journals (Peer-Reviewed)

(2) **Peebles, I.S.**, Kinney, D.B. and Foster-Hanson, E. (2024). Systematic decision frameworks for the socially responsible use of precision medicine. *npj Genom. Med.* 9(46). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41525-024-00433-9>.

(1) **Peebles, I.S.**, Phillips, T.O., and Hamilton, R.H. (2023). Toward more diverse, equitable, and inclusive neuromodulation. *Brain Stimulation* 16(3), 737-41. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.brs.2023.04.013>.

Work in Progress

Peebles, I.S. "Searching for peace of mind: Correcting against racial stigma in the age of neurotechnologies," in *The Ethics of Black Health* (ed. Keisha Ray).

Peebles, I.S. and Spencer, Q. "Constructing conceptual frameworks to address racial health disparities," *Philosophy of Science* (under review).

Peebles, I.S. and Peabody-Smith, A. "From policy to practice: On the role of virtue in clinical care and medical research" (in progress).

Presentations (* denotes poster presentation)
(† denotes invitation)

Academic

July 2026	(1) "Searching for peace of mind: Correcting against racial stigma in the age of neurotechnologies," World Congress of Bioethics 2026, Johannesburg, South Africa
	(2) "Disentangling Race-Based Discriminations," World Congress of Bioethics 2026, Johannesburg, South Africa
Dec. 2025	"Race, well-being, and (enhancements of) cognition," Philosophy of Medicine Workshop, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH [†]
Oct. 2025	"From policy to practice: On the role of virtue in clinical care and medical research," Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA (guest lecturer) [†]
Sept. 2025	(1) "A return to virtue in global healthcare," Arizona Bioethics Network Annual Conference (keynote speaker), Phoenix, AZ [†]
	(2) "Partnerships to Foster Trust in Health," Arizona Bioethics Network Annual Conference (panelist), Phoenix, AZ [†]

Sep. 2025	(1) "A (Re)turn to Virtue in Health Care," SHU Medical Humanities Speaker Series. Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ [†] (2) "Solving the Racial Health Disparities Problem," SHU Medical Humanities Workshop. Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ [†]
Apr. 2025	Anita Allen's Celebration Conference. University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA [†]
Apr. 2025	(1) "What is (and is not) racist in our healthcare system," Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO [†] (2) "The Ethics of Cognitive Enhancement," Philosophy of Emerging Technologies and Pedagogy. Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO [†]
Mar. 2025	"Is racism (necessarily) a moral wrong?" Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Talk Series, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ [†]
Mar. 2025	"Toward a virtue-based account of racism," Philosophy of Race Seminar, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA (guest lecturer) [†]
Feb. 2025	"The ethics of cognitive enhancement," The Philosophers' Guild, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ [†]
Feb. 2025	"Race, well-being, and (enhancements of) cognition," Neuroethics Research Group, University of Washington, Seattle, WA [†]
Dec. 2024	"Race, well-being, and (enhancements of) cognition," ENHANCE Conference, Bielefeld University, Center for Interdisciplinary Research, ZiF, Bielefeld, Germany
Nov. 2024	"Solving the Racial Health Disparities Problem," Biology and Society Lab Meeting, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ [†]
Nov. 2024	"Solving the Racial Health Disparities Problem," UPSS Session, The 29 th Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association, New Orleans, LA
Nov. 2024	"Race, well-being, and (enhancements of) cognition," Methodologies for Reparative Science Session, PPE Society's Eighth Annual Meeting 2024, New Orleans, LA
Oct. 2024	"Is racism (necessarily) a moral wrong?" First Annual Roundtable on Contemporary Issues in Philosophy and the Black Experience, Emory University, Atlanta, GA [†]
Sep. 2024	"Solving the racial health disparities problem," Academic Society for the Advancement in Contemporary Philosophy, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ [†]
Sep. 2024	"Solving the racial health disparities problem," Philosophy Talk Series, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH [†]
May 2024	"Utilitarianism, Virtue, and (Corrective) Justice in Health Resource Allocation," Bioethics Panel for Peter Singer's Farewell Conference, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ [†]
Apr. 2024	"What's wrong with decision procedures in medical ethics?" Princeton Precision Health Lunch Talk, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ [†]
Mar. 2024	"What is the role of virtue in good medicine?" Princeton Bioethics Exchange Symposium, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ [†]
Mar. 2024	"What is the role of virtue in good medicine?" Columbia University Irving Medical Center, New York, NY [†]
Dec. 2023	"Tools to help resolve racial health disparities," Ethics Grand Rounds, Albany Medical College/Alden March Bioethics Institute, Albany, NY [†]
Oct. 2023	"Understanding racism in a healthcare context," Introduction to Bioethics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (guest lecturer) [†]
Oct. 2023	"The moralization versus the politicization of social phenomena – Some methodological considerations," Inaugural Philadelphia Normative Philosophy Conference, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Oct. 2023	"Solving the racial health disparities problem," 2023 ASBH Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD
Sep. 2023	"Translating Data to Ethical Health Policy," (Panelist) Princeton Precision Health Fall Symposium, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ [†]
Aug. 2023	"Understanding Race (and Racism) in Bioethics Discourse," MSK Bioethics Committee, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY [†]

Aug. 2023 ["Toward a virtue-based account of racism in healthcare,"](#) Kern Institute Ground Rounds, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI[†]

May 2023 "Race, wellbeing, and (enhancements of) cognition," 11th Annual Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology Conference, University of Texas, Dallas, Dallas, TX

May 2023 "On the use of race-based medical research," *panelist for Ethical Considerations in Predicting and Tracking Health Outcomes*, Princeton Precision Health Spring Workshop: From Big Data to Equitable Health, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Feb. 2023 "A virtue-based account of racism and its use in healthcare," Penn State Bioethics Colloquium, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA[†]

Jan. 2023 "Toward a virtue-based account of racism," P-METaL Lab, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

Dec. 2022 "Toward a virtue-based account of racism," UCHV Race Theory Reading Group, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Nov. 2022 "Toward a virtue-based account of racism and its use in healthcare," Ira W. DeCamp Bioethics Seminar, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ[†]

Nov. 2022 "Race: What is it? Why does it matter?" Human Values Forum, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ[†]

Nov. 2022 "Moral bioenhancements," Neuroethics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (guest lecturer)[†]

Aug. 2022 "Using race in medicine," Bioethics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (guest lecturer)[†]

Jul. 2022 "Guidelines for the permissible use of biological racial classifications in medicine," 16th World Congress of Bioethics 2022, Basel, Switzerland

Jun. 2022 Enhancement and AI Horizon Scan Workshop. University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA[†]

Mar. 2022 "Using race in medicine," Philosophy and Race, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario (guest lecturer)[†]

Nov. 2021 "To race or not to race: when (if ever) is it morally permissible to use biological racial classifications in medicine?" The 27th Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association, MAP Session, Baltimore, MD

Oct. 2021 "To race or not to race: when (if ever) is it morally permissible to use biological racial classifications in medicine?" Penn Bioethics Seminar Series, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA[†]

Apr. 2021 "To race or not to race: when (if ever) is it morally permissible to use biological racial classifications in medicine?" Great Lakes Philosophy Conference, Siena Heights University, Adrian, MI

Mar. 2021 "A moral inquiry into social determinants of health and the use of race in medicine," Ernest E. Just Biomedical Society Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Nov. 2020 "What is owed to future generations? On liberal eugenics and its limitations," Wolf Humanities Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Oct. 2020 "Human rights in an age of moral bioenhancements," Penn Normative Philosophy Group, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Jul. 2020 "Moral bioenhancements," Neuroethics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (guest lecturer)[†]

Oct. 2019 (1) "On the moral permissibility of moral bioenhancements," 2019 International Neuroethics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL*

 (2) "Why moral bioenhancements are not morally obligatory," 2019 International Neuroethics Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL (winner of *AJOB Neuroscience* "Top Abstract" Award)*

Apr. 2019 "The Ethics of Moral Bioenhancements," Penn's Philosophy Society Presents Philosophy Table, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA[†]

Jun. 2018 "What is Neurophilosophy?" Neuroethics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (guest lecturer)[†]

May 2017 "Tearing the Veil: On Du Boisian Double Consciousness from a neo-Kingian Perspective of Self-Purification," The Cost of Freedom: Debt and Slavery, Brooklyn College, City University of New York

May 2016 "God and the Normativity of Aesthetic Judgments," CSCP at Congress 2015 of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Public Talks/Interviews

May 2023 "On be(com)ing a bioethicist," Medicine Club, The Peddie School, Hightstown, NJ[†]

May 2021 "[Repair, Part I](#)," *In These Times: Black Lives and the Call for Justice*, OMNIA Podcast, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA[†]

Dec. 2020 "Race after racism," Indian Subcontinent Society, Eton College, Windsor, UK[†]

Sep. 2020 "In Defense of Pursuing Racial Justice and Racial Reconciliation," Antioch, Riverside, CA[†]

Jul. 2014 "Science, Christianity, and Bioethics," Progressive Community Church, Stockton, CA[†]

Fellowships, Grants, Scholarships, Awards

Spr. 2025 Lincoln Center for Applied Ethics Prototyping Ethics Seed Grant, Arizona State University (\$4,575)

Spr. 2025 SHPRS ARC Grant, Arizona State University (\$1,000)

Spr. 2025 SHPRS Philosophy Unit Workshop Grant, Arizona State University (\$2,000)

Spr. 2025 SHPRS Director Workshop Grant, Arizona State University (\$2,000)

Sum. 2024 Diversity Institute Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University (awarded, but declined)

2024 Honorable Mention, Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice Cognate Society Symposium, Philosophy of Science Association 29th Biennial Meeting

2021 Dean's Scholar, School of Arts and Sciences, University of Pennsylvania (\$250)

2021 Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation 2021 Dissertation Fellowship Competition, The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

2020 – 2022 Course Development Grant for Academically Based Community Service (ABCS), Netter Center, University of Pennsylvania (co-applicant for \$10,000)

2020 – 2021 Wolf Humanities Center Research Fellow, University of Pennsylvania (\$2,500)

2018 – 2019 Geo L. Harrison Graduate Fellow, University of Pennsylvania

2017 – William Fontaine Graduate Fellow, University of Pennsylvania

2017 – 2018 Benjamin Franklin Graduate Fellow, University of Pennsylvania

Teaching

Spring 2026 **Instructor, Introduction to Ethics** (online and in-person)
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Fall 2025 **Instructor, Virtue Ethics and Its Critics**
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Spring 2025 **Instructor, Philosophy of Mind: Cognitive Enhancement**
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
Instructor, Philosophy of Race
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Fall 2024 **Instructor, Racial Justice in Healthcare**
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Spring 2024 **Instructor, Topics in Neuroethics: Cognitive Enhancement**
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Spring 2023 **Instructor, Racial Justice in Healthcare**
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Fall 2021	Instructor, Racial Justice University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Summer 2020	Instructor, The Ethics of Neuroenhancements University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
	Instructor, Introduction to the Philosophy of Race University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Spring 2020	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Philosophy University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Fall 2019	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Philosophy of Science University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Summer 2019	Teaching Assistant, Contemporary African Film University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Spring 2019	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Ethics University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Fall 2018	Teaching Assistant, Biomedical Ethics University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Summer 2018	Teaching Assistant, Race, Religion, and Black Nationalism University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
2014 – 2016	Teaching Assistant, Applied Ethics Biola University, La Mirada, CA

Service

2025 –	Bioethics Curriculum Consultant, Health Humanities Working Group Arizona State University School of Medicine and Advanced Medical Engineering, Tempe, AZ
2025 –	Member, ASU Health Literacy Initiative Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
2024 –	Co-Founder and Organizer, <i>Inaugural Workshop on Race, Politics, and Ethics</i> Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
2024 –	Member, ASU Public Humanities Think Tank ACMRS, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
2024 –	Committee Member, Placement Committee for Philosophy SHPRS, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
2024 –	Committee Member, Revitalizing Graduate Education for Tomorrow in Philosophy SHPRS, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
2023 –	Anonymous Referee, <i>Australasian Journal of Philosophy; Synthese; Erkenntnis; AJOB Neuroscience; American Philosophical Quarterly</i> (co-editor for special issue)
2022 –	Member, Princeton Precision Health Initiative Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
2024 – 2025	Committee Member, Charter Initiative in Philosophy SHPRS, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
Oct. 2024	Commentator, ASU Medical Humanities Series Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
2022 – 2024	Co-Founder, UCHV Race Theory Reading Group Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
2023, 2024	Co-Organizer and Chair, Ira W. DeCamp Bioethics Seminars Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
2023 – 2024	Committee Member, UCHV DEI Committee Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
Apr. 2023	Commentator/Chair, 3rd Annual Philosophical Bioethics Workshop New York University, New York, NY

Mar. 2023	Chair, Black Political Thought Conference Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
Nov. 2022	Discussant, "Luce," presented at the UCHV Film Forum Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
2017 – 2022	Instructor, Philosophy for the Young (P4Y) Philosophy Club Comegys Middle School, Philadelphia, PA
2017 – 2022	Member, Minorities and Philosophy University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Apr. 2022	Commentator-at-large, MAP-Penn 6th Annual Conference: Philosophy of Disability and Illness University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
2018 – 2021	Africana Studies Summer Institute for Pre-Freshmen University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA <i>Advisor to Co-Head Graduate Fellows (2021)</i> <i>Co-Head Graduate Fellow (2020-2021)</i> <i>Graduate Fellow (2018-2020)</i>
Feb. 2021	Co-Organizer, (Re)Constitution of Choice Symposium Wolf Humanities Center, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Nov. 2020	Organizer, MAP-Penn 5th Annual Conference on the Philosophy of Race University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
2018, 2019	Graduate Fellow, Rutgers University's Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
2017 – 2018	Graduate Representative, Penn Colloquium Committee University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Nov. 2017	Graduate Assistant Organizer, Perfect3 Conference University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Other Academic

2024 – 2025 Philosophy, Cognition, and Culture Lab, Arizona State University

Professional Memberships

2023 –	American Society for Bioethics + Humanities
2020 –	The Philosophy of Science Association
2019 –	The American Philosophical Association
2019 – 2025	International Neuroethics Society
2022 – 2023	American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics
2017 – 2021	American Association of Philosophy Teachers

Languages

English (native language)
 Korean (elementary proficiency in reading, writing, and speaking)
 Spanish (elementary proficiency in reading, writing, and speaking)
 Greek (reading and writing)

References available upon request.