



### **2016 President's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching: Matthew LaVine**

The President's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching recognizes its' recipients for going above and beyond what they need to do for their classroom and even the College. Matthew LaVine epitomizes this award in one of the best manners imaginable.

Matthew graduated from SUNY Potsdam in 2008 and was appointed as an Adjunct Instructor for the Philosophy Department. Over his time here, Matthew has taught multiple courses a semester even while writing his dissertation. Some of these courses include Introduction to Philosophy and Introduction to Logic, as well as several upper division courses.

Matthew is a dynamic and dedicated teacher. His students have described his methods as rigorous and engaging. He makes himself available and approachable to his students in an effort to ensure their comprehension and success.

Matthew is a very involved member of his department. He is consistently attending meetings and department events offering his valuable insight and constructive feedback.

In recognition of his outstanding teaching and dedication to his students, SUNY Potsdam presents Matthew LaVine the President's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching.