

# Joseph Kostousov

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## EXPERIENCE

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### TAISI — Co-founder and Director

September 2025 – present

Toronto, ON

- Founded the University of Toronto's technical AI safety group (taisi.ca).
- Ran eight 8-week intro fellowship cohorts.
- Built an Airtable member portal tracking 100+ participants.
- Secured funding through Pathfinder; ran advertising, logistics, and room bookings.
- 40+ fellowship alumni, several advancing to AISST/MAIA retreats, Action Potential, AI Safety Camp, and the CORDA democracy fellowship.
- Featured in the U of T Economics department newsletter.

### TAISI Summer Intensive — Organizer

June 2026 – present

Toronto, ON

- Organizer of a 3-month technical AI safety bootcamp; 6 cohorts, ~170 applications.
- Drafted and secured a \$30K USD BlueDot rapid grant.
- Assembled a 4-person notebook development team; hired 2 TAs and 1 facilitator.
- On-site support for cohort 2; remote support for cohorts 1, 3, and 4.
- Lead organizer for the working-professionals cohort (in person, October 2026).

### CAMBRIA 'mini-ARENA' interpretability bootcamp

May – June 2026

Cambridge, MA

## PROGRAMS & FELLOWSHIPS

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BlueDot Technical AI Safety Fellowship — Virtual

January – February 2026

OASIS 6.0 — Berkeley, CA

January 2026

AISST AI Policy Intro Fellowship — Virtual

June – July 2025

## EDUCATION

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### University of Toronto

September 2024 – present

Statistics & Economics · Toronto, ON

### Fasman Yeshiva High School

September 2021 – June 2024

Chicago, IL

- Graduated with honours.