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Academic Positions

University of Colorado, Boulder, Assistant Professor, August 2018-present
Washington University, St. Louis, Lecturer, January 2014-June 2018
Australian National University, Visiting scholar, August 2013-December 2013
University of Colorado, Boulder, Visiting assistant professor, 2009–2013
California State University, Los Angeles, Instructor, January–August 2009

Education

PhD, Philosophy, University of Southern California, 2002-2009
JD, University of California, Berkeley, 1998
BA, Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley, 1995

Research Areas

Epistemology
Ethics & Applied Ethics

Publications

Peer reviewed

The End of Epistemology as We Know It, Oxford University Press (2024)

Headaches for Epistemologists, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (2022), 104, 408-433

Epistemic Repugnance Four Ways, *Synthese* (2021), 199, 3001-3022

Why Impossible Options Are Better: Consequentializing Dilemmas, *Utilitas* (2021) 33, 221-236

Repugnant Accuracy, *Noûs* (2019) 53, 540-563

Collective Action Problems and Conflicting Obligations, *Philosophical Studies* (2018) 175, 2239-2261

Replaceable Lawyers and Guilty Defendants, *Journal of Moral Philosophy* (2017) 14, 23-47

The Best Argument for "Ought Implies Can" is a Better Argument Against "Ought Implies Can," *Ergo* (2016) vol.3

Why So Negative? Evidence Aggregation and Armchair Philosophy, *Synthese* (2014) 191, 3865-3896

Truth Promoting Non-Evidential Reasons for Belief, *Philosophical Studies* (2014) 168, 599-618

Reforming Intuition Pumps: When are the Old Ways the Best? *Philosophical Studies* (2013), 165, 315-334

Interest as a Starting Place for Philosophy, *Essays in Philosophy*, special edition on philosophical methodology (2012) 13, 119-144

The Irrelevance of Folk Intuitions to the "Hard Problem" of Consciousness, *Consciousness and Cognition* (2012) 21, 644-650

Publications (continued)

Peer reviewed (continued)

The Irrelevance of Dispositions and Difficulty to Intuitions about the 'Hard Problem' of Consciousness, *Consciousness and Cognition* (2012) 21, 661-666

Student Relativism: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb, *Teaching Philosophy* (2012) 35, 171-187

Psychology and the Use of Intuitions in Philosophy, *Studia Philosophica Estonica*, special edition on intuitions in philosophy (2009) 2, 157-176

Non-peer reviewed

Review of *Metaepistemology*, *Analysis* (2020) 80, 604-607

Review of *Epistemic Consequentialism*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2018)

When Robots Should Do the Wrong Thing, with Ryan Jenkins and Duncan Purves, *Robot Ethics 2.0*, Oxford University Press (2017)

Presentations

Conference Presentations

Are Ordinary Beliefs Any Good? Formal meets Normal Epistemology Conference, 2023

Pragmatic Anti-skepticism and Changing Values, European Conference on Analytic Philosophy, 2023

Pragmatic Anti-skepticism and Justification, Munich Conference on Epistemic Justification, 2023

A Picture of Epistemic Value, Central APA, 2023

The Importance of Incoherence, Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop, 2022

Headaches for Epistemologists, Central APA, 2020

Formal Deontological Epistemology, Formal Epistemology Workshop, 2019

Epistemic Irrationality and Ethical Decisions, Workshop on Risk and Ethics, Australian National University, 2018

Social Sanctions, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress (RoME), 2016

Repugnant Accuracy, Formal Epistemology Workshop, 2016

Why We Should Nitpick Philosophical Experiments, Some Ways to Do It, One Way to Avoid It, Buffalo Experimental Philosophy Workshop, 2015

Conflicts and Collective Action, RoME, 2015

Trust Creates Disagreement; Trust Resolves Disagreement, Humboldt University Conference on Deep Disagreement, 2015

Normative Force and Epistemic Consequentialism, Morris Colloquium Conference on Cognitive Values, 2015

How Unfulfillable Obligations Can Guide, RoME, 2014

Why So Negative?, Society for Exact Philosophy, 2014

Truth Promoting Non-Evidential Reasons for Belief, Pacific APA, 2013

Disagreement, Central Division APA Meeting, 2013

Which Epistemic Norms?, Midsouth Philosophy Conference, 2012

An Argument for Old-Fashioned Intuition Pumping, Pacific APA, 2011

Normative Dilemmas, Midsouth Philosophy Conference, 2011

Is Experimental Philosophy Insufficiently Empirical?, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2010

Presentations (continued)

Conference Presentations (continued)

The Irrelevance of Folk Intuitions to the "Hard Problem" of Consciousness,
Second Annual Online Consciousness Conference, 2010
Empirically Defending Intuitions, Pacific Division APA Meeting, 2010

Campus Presentations

The End of Epistemology as We Know It, University of Kansas, 2023
The Importance of Mundane Beliefs, University of Victoria, 2020
Degrees of Wrongness in Modeling Ethical Theories, CU Boulder, Center for
Values and Social Policy, 2020
Deontology for Actions, Consequentialism for Belief, CU Boulder, Center
for Values and Social Policy, 2020
When, Why, and How False Moral Views Affect Moral Obligations,
Australian National University, 2018
Normative Force and Epistemic Consequentialism, St. Louis University
Epistemology Workshop, 2014
The Normativity and Universalizability of Epistemic Prescriptions, Australian
National University, 2013
Should Lawyers Defend Guilty Clients?, CU Boulder, Center for Values and
Social Policy, 2011

Public Philosophy

What is Ethics and How Do We Do It? CU Boulder, CU Gold!, 2020
Moral Uncertainty and Legal Action, Morehead State University
Constitution Day lecture, 2017
Philosophers' Problems are Everyone's Problems, CU Boulder, Think! Talk,
2013
What is Ethics? LEAD: Moral Foundations leadership conference, 2020
Killing and Priming, CU Boulder, Think! Talk, 2012
Virtue and Video Games, CU Boulder, Think! Talk, 2010

Comments for Conferences

American Philosophical Association meetings, 2022, 2019, 2015, 2012
Formal Epistemology Workshop, 2020
MidSouth Philosophy Conference, 2012, 2011
Res Philosophica Bridges Between Formal and Traditional Epistemology
conference, 2016
Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2014, 2013,
2012, 2011
St. Louis Workshop on Politics, Ethics, and Society, 2017, 2015

Awards & Grants

Australian National University School of Philosophy Visiting Fellow, 2018
Award for Best Medium Sized Class Experience, (college-wide
competition, student selected), Washington University in St. Louis, 2016
Kayden grant, CU Boulder (university-wide competition), 2011
Innovative Seed Grant, CU Boulder (university-wide competition), 2010

Courses Taught

- Biomedical Ethics
- Business Ethics
- Environmental Ethics
- Critical Reasoning
- Epistemology (upper division and graduate)
- Experimental Philosophy (graduate seminar)
- Introduction to Ethics
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Philosophy of Law (lower division, upper division, and graduate)
- Political and Social Philosophy

Service

Referee: *Advanced Robotics, American Philosophical Quarterly, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Consciousness and Cognition, Episteme, Ergo, Erkenntnis, Ethics Policy & Environment, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, Journal of Philosophy, Mind, Minds and Machines, Noûs, Oxford University Press, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophia, Philosophical Psychology, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Philosophy of Science, Res Philosophica, Social Theory and Practice, Synthese, Teaching Philosophy, Theoria*

Referee, Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, 2010-2015, 2017-2023

Referee, St. Louis Annual Conference on Reasons and Rationality, 2015-2016

Referee, Jentzsch Prize, 2011-2012, 2022, 2023

Referee, Judd Prize, Stahl Prize, 2019, 2022

Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate Representative, CU Boulder, 2023

Climate Committee, CU Boulder, Chair 2018-2022, Member 2022

Colloquium Committee, CU Boulder, Chair 2022-present

Honors Council Representative, CU Boulder 2023

Placement Committee, CU Boulder, 2021-present

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, CU Boulder, 2018-2021

Director of departmental TA training, CU Boulder, 2019-2022

Director of departmental TA training, Washington University in St. Louis, 2016-2018

Director of departmental TA training, USC, 2004-2006