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Curriculum Vitae, Spring 2022

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics (Specifically: Metaethics, Normative Ethics); Social and Political Philosophy (Specifically: Socialism and Communism, Critical Approaches to Capitalism, Distributive Justice); Epistemology and Philosophy of Mind (Specifically: Justification, Epistemic Normativity, Nonconceptualism, Phenomenology); Existential Approaches to Moral Theory (Specifically: Existential Normativity, Moral Normativity, the Meaning of Life)

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

History of Philosophy (Specifically: Kant, Marx, 19th- and 20th-C. Anglophone and Phenomenological Traditions) Critical Theory; Logic; Metaphysics, Philosophy of Religion; Philosophy of Science

EDUCATION

University of Colorado at Boulder , Boulder, CO	May 2015
Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy	Dissertation Title: <i>How Justification Works</i> Dissertation Director: Robert Hanna
Northern Illinois University , DeKalb, IL	May 2009
Master of Arts in Philosophy	
Ithaca College , Ithaca, NY	May 2007
Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, with honors	
Bachelor of Music in Sound Recording Technology, Bassoon, with honors	

PUBLICATIONS

Book: <i>In Defense of Intuition</i> , Co-Author (Pub. Palgrave MacMillan)	2013
With Addison Ellis, Robert Hanna, Tyler Hildebrand, and Henry Pickford	

PRESENTATIONS

“The Essentially Existential and Borderless Project of Philosophy” Public Philosophy Network Conference Boulder, CO	Spring 2018
“Christianity in the Classroom” Veritas Forum, Colorado State University	Spring 2017
“What Gives Our Lives Value?” With Francis Su Veritas Forum, University of Colorado Boulder	Spring 2016

“Phenomenology Is Intentionality” University of Colorado Graduate Work-in-Progress Talk	Spring 2015
“The Existential Dimension of Morality” Center for Values and Social Policy University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2014
“The Normative Problem for Passive Seemings” Contemporary Kantian Philosophy Project University of Luxembourg	Summer 2014
“Intuitions and the ‘Grasping’ Relation” University of Colorado Graduate Work-in-Progress Talk	Fall 2012
“Intuitions and Epistemic Luck: A Proposed Solution” University of Colorado Graduate Work-in-Progress Talk	Fall 2011
“Reflective Reasons and Valuable Justification: Against the Knowledge Norm of Assertion” De Philosophia Graduate Student Philosophy Conference University of Ottawa	Spring 2009

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Marinus Smith Award For Making a Significant Impact on the Lives of CU-Boulder Undergraduate Students CU Parents Association University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2016
Morrison Teaching Award Most Outstanding Graduate Instructor for the Academic Year Department of Philosophy University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2015
Graduate Part-Time Instructor Teaching Excellence Award Nomination Graduate School University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2014
Eaton Graduate Student Travel Grant Center for the Humanities and the Arts University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring, 2014
Graduate Travel Grant United Government of Graduate Students University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring, 2014
Department Dissertation Fellowship Department of Philosophy University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring, 2014
Center for Western Civilization Language Study Grant University of Colorado, Boulder	2012, 2013

SPECIAL TRAINING

Graduate Certificate in Critical Theory May 2015
 Department of German and Slavic Languages and Literatures
 University of Colorado, Boulder

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Teaching Professor 2021–Present
 Environment and Natural Sciences Residential Academic Program
 University of Colorado, Boulder

Lecturer 2015–Present
 Department of Philosophy
 University of Colorado, Boulder

Instructor 2019–2021
 Baker Residential Academic Program
 University of Colorado, Boulder

Lecturer 2015–2019
 Baker Residential Academic Program
 University of Colorado, Boulder

Instructor 2013–2018
 Continuing Education
 University of Colorado at Boulder

Graduate Part-Time Instructor 2011–2015
 University of Colorado at Boulder

Teaching Assistant, Research Assistant 2009–2014
 University of Colorado at Boulder, Department of Philosophy

Teaching Assistant 2008–2009
 Northern Illinois University, Department of Philosophy

Graduate Assistant 2008–2009
 Northern Illinois University, Founders Memorial Library
 Circulation Department

ASSISTANTSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Research Assistantship Summer 2010, Summer 2014
 University of Colorado, Boulder
 Professor Robert Hanna

Teaching Assistantship Fall 2009 – Spring 2011
 University of Colorado, Boulder

Teaching Assistantship Fall 2008
 Northern Illinois University

Graduate Assistantship
Northern Illinois University Libraries

2008-2009

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Philosophical Society
Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Colorado, Boulder:

Introduction to Philosophy
Introduction to Medical Ethics
Introduction to Ethics
The Meaning of Life
Contemporary Social Problems
Introduction to Philosophy of Science
Introduction to Philosophy of Religion
History of Early Modern Philosophy
Social and Political Philosophy
Sex, Race, and Death
Philosophy of Religion
Existentialism

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee Membership, University of Colorado, Boulder

Student: Alex Vrabely; Committee Chair & Thesis Director	Spring 2019
Student: Kristin Zachman, Committee Member	Spring 2021
Student: Landin Chesne, Committee Member	Fall 2020
Student: Colton Paterson, Committee Member	Spring 2020
Student: Parker Benson, Committee Member	Spring 2018
Student: Nora Hickins, Committee Member	Spring 2018
Student: Chiara Neilson; Committee Member	Spring 2018

Other Service, University of Colorado, Boulder:

Creator and Chair, Graduate Student Teaching Support Committee	2014-2015
Member, Graduate Curriculum Committee	2011-2012, 2014-2015
Referee, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress	2011-2015
Organizer, Philosophy and Inclusion Colloquium	2013
Referee, Society for Christian Philosophers Conference	2013
Graduate Student Co-President	2012-2013
Moderator, Regional Ethics Bowl	2009-2013
Co-Organizer, 14 th Annual Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference	2012
Graduate Student Assistant, Committee on the History and Philosophy of Science	2010-2012
Referee, Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference	2010-2011

COURSES TAKEN AT THE GRADUATE LEVEL

Intermediate Logic , Tomis Kapitan, Northern Illinois University	Fall 2007
20th-Century Analytic Philosophy , David Buller, Northern Illinois University	Fall 2007
Metaphysics , Alicia Finch, Northern Illinois University	Fall 2007
Philosophy of Language , Tomis Kapitan, Northern Illinois University	Spring 2008
Political and Social Philosophy , James Hudson, Northern Illinois University	Spring 2008
Philosophy of Science , Valia Allori, Northern Illinois University	Spring 2008
Epistemology Mylan Engel, Northern Illinois University	Fall 2008
Philosophy of Mind , Carl Gillett, Northern Illinois University	Fall 2008
Modality , Mylan Engel, Northern Illinois University	Spring 2009
Truth , David Buller, Northern Illinois University	Spring 2009
Kant's Critique of Pure Reason , Robert Hanna, University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2009
Ethics Proseminar , Alastair Norcross, University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2009
Mathematical Logic , Graeme Forbes, University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2009
Epistemology Proseminar , Michael Tooley, University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2010
Philosophy of Language , David Barnett, University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2010
Independent Study: Hegel's Metaphysics , Robert Hanna, University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2010
Introduction to Literary Theory , Eric White, University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2010
Nietzsche , Michael Zimmerman, University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2010
Aquinas , Robert Pasnau, University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2011
Kantian Ethics , Robert Hanna, University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2011
Foundations of Critical Theory , Arne Hoecker, University of Colorado, Boulder	Fall 2014
Critical Theory of the Frankfurt School , Patrick Greaney, University of Colorado, Boulder	Spring 2015

REFERENCES

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Abstract of Dissertation

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How Justification Works

Thesis directed by Professor Robert Hanna

Essential to our self-conception as rational human animals is that we are the makers and takers of reasons—we believe and act based on evidence. The project of determining exactly what this means for us is one of the central projects of philosophical epistemology. One dimension of this project that has been largely neglected, however, is how justification is supposed to play the specifically normative role that it's claimed to play. The project of this dissertation is to examine the specifically normative role of internalistic justification and to provide a positive theory for its nature and function.

When epistemologists claim that justification is normative, what they mean is that it is epistemically better, all things considered, to possess justification than to lack it. According to what I call the Standard Picture of Epistemic Normativity, the epistemic normativity of justification is to be explained in terms of justification's instrumental ability to bring about true beliefs. However, the Standard Picture, as I show, is fatally flawed and therefore cannot explain the epistemic value of justification. The question of how justification can play its properly normative role thus remains unanswered.

This dissertation proceeds in four parts. In the first part, I lay out, explicate, and analyze the target concept of the dissertation: justification. In the second part, I show how the Standard Picture has been claimed to be able to explain the epistemic normativity of justification and how it has failed to do so. In the third part, I lay out a number of adequacy conditions on a theory of the epistemic normativity of justification—conditions any plausible theory would need to satisfy in order to satisfy its explanatory task. In the fourth part I present a two-part positive theory of the epistemic normativity of justification. This theory relies on philosophical tools developed by Kant, Husserl, and Heidegger and presents a picture of justification as grounded not in an instrumental ability to bring about true beliefs, but in the intrinsically valuable role it plays in our self-consciously social lives.