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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics, Metaethics, Epistemology, Practical Reason

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, University of Southern California, March 2012-present

Assistant Professor, University of Southern California, 2006-Feb 2012

Visiting Lecturer II, University of Michigan, 2004-05

Instructor, Rutgers University, 2003-04

Teaching Assistant, Rutgers University, 2002-03

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, 2006
Rutgers University
Dissertation: *Acceptance and Practical Reason*
Advisor: Larry Temkin

B.A. Honors Degree, Philosophy Specialist, 1998
Trinity College, University of Toronto

HONORS AND AWARDS

Philosopher's Annual selection for "Sleeping Beauty, Countable Additivity, and Rational Dilemmas," chosen as one of the ten best philosophy papers published in 2010.

Graduate Awards: Bevier Fellowship, Ontario Graduate Scholarship (declined)

Undergraduate Awards: The Chancellor's Medal, Provost's Scholarship, John A. Jessup Memorial Prize in Philosophy, Nominated by Trinity College for a Governor General's Silver Medal, University of Toronto Scholarship, Hugh Stephenson Memorial Scholarship, Hudson's Bay Scholarship in Arts and Science, The Thomas A. Goudge Scholarship, The Robin L. Armstrong Scholarship, Hugh Stephenson Memorial Scholarship, The John MacDonald Scholarship in Philosophy, Faculty Scholar in the Faculty of Arts and Science,Chancellor's Scholarship, John Knowles Colling Memorial Scholarship in the Humanities

PUBLISHED AND FORTHCOMING WORKS

"Reversibility or Disagreement" (with Mark Schroeder) *Mind*, (conditionally accepted).

"Rationality, Normativity, and Commitment"
Oxford Studies in Metaethics, vol. 7, Russ Shafer-Landau (ed.), OUP, forthcoming.

"Actualism, Possibilism and Beyond"
Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics, vol. 2, Mark Timmons (ed.), OUP, forthcoming.

"Belief, Credence and Pragmatic Encroachment" (with Mark Schroeder)
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, forthcoming.

"Time-Travel, Subjunctive Conditionals, and the Limits of Rational Choice"
Time Travel, Richard Hanley (ed.), OUP, forthcoming.

"Genericity and Repeatable Artworks" (with Shieva Kleinschmidt)
Art and Abstract Objects, Christy Mag Uidhir (ed.), OUP, forthcoming.

"The Scope of the Principle of Sufficient Reason" (with Shieva Kleinschmidt)
The Philosophy of Existence: Why Is There Something Rather Than Nothing? Tyron Goldschmidt (ed.), Routledge, forthcoming.

"Shelley Kagan" *Encyclopedia of Utilitarianism*, James Crimmins (ed.), Continuum Press, forthcoming.

"All Roads Lead To Violations of Countable Additivity" *Philosophical Studies*, Published online May 24, 2011. Print edition forthcoming.

"Sleeping Beauty, Countable Additivity, and Rational Dilemmas"
Philosophical Review, October 2010.
Also forthcoming in *The Philosopher's Annual*, vol. 30.

"The Irreducibility of Personal Obligation"
Journal of Philosophical Logic, June 2010.

"How to be a Cognitivist about Practical Reason"
Oxford Studies in Metaethics, vol. 4, Russ Shafer-Landau (ed.), OUP, 2009.

"Should Kantians be Consequentialists?"
Ratio, March 2009

"Derek Parfit"
12 Modern Philosophers, edited by Christopher Belshaw and Gary Kemp, Wiley-Blackwell, 2009

Review of John Broome's *Weighing Lives*
The Philosophical Review, October 2007

"Rejecting Ethical Deflationism"
Ethics, July 2006

IN PREPARATION

"Any Way You Slice It: On Fission, Fusion, and the Weighing of Welfare"

"Dutch-book Arguments Repragmatized"

"Saving the Appearances: Distinguishing Evidence from Knowledge"

PRESENTATIONS

"Fission, Fusion, and the Weighing of Welfare"
Oxford, November 2011

"Can Revisionary Metaphysics Save Commonsense Ethics?"
University of Leeds, November 2011

"Fission, Fusion, and the Weighing of Welfare"
University of California, Riverside, October 2011

"Repeatable Artworks and Genericity"
University of Nevada, Las Vegas, October 2011

"Belief, Credence, and Pragmatic Encroachment"
8th Formal Epistemology Workshop, May 2011

"Actualism, Possibilism, and Beyond"
Arizona Workshop on Normative Ethics, January 2011

"Rationality, Normativity and Commitment"
7th Wisconsin Metaethics Workshop, September 2010

"Reasons, Rationality, and Commitment"
Rutgers University, February 2010

"Reasoning and Persons"
Columbia-Rutgers Annual Value Theory Conference, December 2009

"Countable Additivity and the Sleeping Beauty Problem"
4th Formal Epistemology Workshop, June 2008

"Acceptance and the Norms of Practical Reason"
University of California, Irvine, January 2008

"Cognitivism about Practical Reason: You'd Better Not Believe It,"
4th Wisconsin Metaethics Workshop, September 2007

"The Mere Uncertainty Paradox"
The University of Western Ontario, October 2006

"The Practical Rejection of Skepticism"
University of California-Irvine, February 2006

"The Practical Rejection of Skepticism"
New York University, January 2006

"The Practical Rejection of Skepticism"
MIT, January 2006

"The Rejection of Skeptical Hypotheses"
Temple University, January 2006

"The Rejection of Skeptical Hypotheses"
University of British Columbia, January 2006

"The Rejection of Skeptical Hypotheses"
University of Pennsylvania, January 2006

"The Rejection of Skeptical Hypotheses"
University of Southern California, January 2006

"The Rejection of Skeptical Hypotheses"

University of Toronto, January 2006

"The Rejection of Skeptical Hypotheses"
Waterloo University, January 2006

"The Dialectic of Beauty: Subjectivist and Objectivist Conceptions"
Beauty and Its Status in the History of Art, Princeton, March 2002

COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS

Comments on Peter Vranas, "New Foundations for Imperative Logic II"
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, March 2008

Comments on Walter Sinnot-Armstrong, "Non-Cognitivism"
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, December 2007

Comments on Joshua Gert, "Generalism about Practical Reason"
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, April 2007

"Reflections on the Normativity of Well-Being"
Rutgers-Princeton Graduate Philosophy Conference, Spring 2003

"Introspective Access to Desires"
Rutgers-Princeton Graduate Philosophy Conference, Spring 2002

SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Colloquium Organizer: 2006-12

Hiring Committee: 2007-2012

Graduate Admissions Committee: 2011-12

Curriculum Committee: 2010

Invited Participant, Conference on the Nature of Value, Columbia University, 2004-2009

Referee for: *Analytic Philosophy*, *Ethical Theory and Practice, Ethics*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, Journal of Moral Philosophy, Journal of Philosophical Logic*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Ratio*, and *Theoria*.