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EMPLOYMENT AND POSITIONS HELD

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame (July 2013 to present)
Editor, Cambridge Elements – Epistemology (September 2018 to present)

EDUCATION

PhD, Philosophy, Rutgers University: May, 2013
MA, Philosophy, Northern Illinois University: May, 2008
BA, Philosophy, Wheaton College: May, 2002

AREA OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology (primarily traditional, but also social and formal epistemology)

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of language, philosophy of mind, philosophy of religion, metaphysics, Early Modern philosophy,

PUBLICATIONS

- “Is Every Theory of Knowledge False?,” *Nous* (forthcoming).
- “Evidence, Judgement, and Belief at Will,” *Mind* (forthcoming).
- “How to Argue for Pragmatic Encroachment,” *Synthese* (forthcoming).
- “Anti-Intellectualism,” *Mind* (2018), Vol. 127, Issue 506, pp. 437-66.
- “The Pragmatic Encroachment Debate,” *Nous* (2018), Vol. 52, No. 1: pp. 171-95.
- “Are Intellectual Virtues Epistemically Relevant?” *Episteme* (2017), Vol. 14, No. 3, pp. 381-92.
- “Reasons to *Not* Believe (and Reasons to Act),” *Episteme* (2016), Vol. 13, No. 4: pp. 439-48.
- “Minimalism and the Limits of Warranted Assertability Manuevers,” *Episteme* (2014), Vol. 11, No. 3, pp. 245-60.
- “Does the Theist Have an Epistemic Advantage Over the Atheist?,” *Journal of Philosophical Research* (2009), VOL. 34, pp. 305-328.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTARY

- “Improbabilism and Apt Belief,” Conference held in honor of Ernest Sosa, Tenerife, Canary Islands, July 2018.
- “Disagreement, Spinelessness, and the Aim of Belief,” Pepperdine University, Large Audience Talk where entire student body is invited to attend.

- “Intellectual Virtues are not Epistemically Relevant,” *Episteme* Annual Conference, Kruger National Park, South Africa, July 2016.
- “Are Skeptical Arguments Truth-Relevant?,” Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop, May 2016
- “Comments on van Elswyk,” Central APA, March 2016
- “A Counterexample to Uniqueness,” University of Wisconsin, Madison, September, 2015
- “Reasons to *Not* Believe (and Reasons to Act),” *Episteme* Annual Conference, Phuket, Thailand, June 2015.
- “Knowledge and Intellectual Interests,” Northwestern University, October 2014.
- “Disagreement, Spinelessness, and the Aim of Belief,” University of Missouri, July, 2014.
- “Disagreement, Spinelessness, and the Aim of Belief,” Baylor University, April, 2014.
- “Disagreement, Spinelessness, and the Aim of Belief,” University of Texas at San Antonio, March, 2014.
- “Problems for Pragmatism,” Northern Illinois University, February 2014.
- “Knowledge and Intellectual Interests,” Midwest Epistemology Workshop, University of Notre Dame, November 2013.
- “Disagreement and Spinelessness,” Killeen Chair Conference on Disagreement, St. Norbert College, April 2012.
- Comments on Magdalena and Brendan Balcerak Jackson’s “Reasoning as a Source of Justification,” Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, July 2012
- Comments on Hud Hudson’s “Transreceptacle Identity,” 1st Annual BGND Philosophy Conference, Georgetown University, October 2011.
- “Disagreement and Spinelessness,” Purdue Summer Seminar on Skepticism, \$5,000 grant, June 2011.

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

- “Skepticism, Naturalism and Theism,” Conference on Plantinga’s Work in the Philosophy of Religion, Princeton Seminary, April 17, 2009
- “Causation, Causal Dependence, and Counterfactual Transitivity,” Rafalson Essay Contest Colloquium, Northern Illinois University, April 27, 2008
- “Contextualism and Virtue Perspectivism: How to Preserve Our Intuitions about Knowledge and ‘Knows’,” Eastern Division APA, December 30, 2007
- “Does the Theist Have an Epistemic Advantage over the Atheist?,” Society for Skeptical Studies Meeting at the Eastern Division APA, December 28, 2007
- “Internalism and the Primacy of the Subject’s Perspective,” Illinois Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, November 9, 2007
- “Against the Bucket Brigade View of Testimonial Knowledge,” University of Calgary Graduate Philosophy Conference, September 29, 2007
- “Does the Theist Have an Epistemic Advantage over the Atheist?,” Rafalson Essay Contest Colloquium, Northern Illinois University, April 27, 2007
- “Contextualism and Virtue Perspectivism: How to Preserve Our Intuitions about Knowledge and ‘Knows’,” Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference, University of Colorado, April 21, 2007

SERVICE

- Chair, Graduate Admissions Prospective Visit, Notre Dame Department of Philosophy, Spring, 2015
- Directed reading group on the problem of evil and the rationality of religious belief for former intro students interested in the subject, Spring 2015
- Chair, Epistemology and Philosophy of Religion Hiring Sub-Committees, Notre Dame Department of Philosophy, Fall, 2014
- Graduate Admissions Committee, Notre Dame Department of Philosophy, Spring, 2014
- Hiring Committee, Notre Dame Department of Philosophy, Fall, 2013
- Eastern APA Interview Committee, Notre Dame Department of Philosophy, Fall, 2013
- Library Representative for ND Philosophy, Fall 2013 to present
- Qualifying Paper Referee: Liz Jackson and Paul Blaschko
- Dissertation Proposal Committee Member: Paul Blaschko
- Dissertation Committee Chair: Paul Blaschko
- Dissertation Committee Member: Jeff Tolly, Nevin Climenhaga, Meg Schmitt
- Oral Exam Committee Chair: Paul Blaschko and Liz Jackson
- Oral Exam Committee Member: Nevin Climenhaga, Jeff Tolly, Justin Christy, and Meg Schmitt, and Ting Lau
- Referee work for *Mind*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Analysis*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Episteme*, *Grazer Philosophische Studien*, *Ergo*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Religious Studies*, Oxford University Press, and Wiley-Blackwell, 2011 to present

ACADEMIC HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Harvey Fellowship: 2010 – 2013

Rutgers Excellence Fellowship (declined for Research Assistantship with Ernest Sosa)

Mellon Research Grant: Summer 2011

Purdue Summer Seminar on Skepticism: June 2011

TEACHING

- *Doxastic Voluntarism (graduate seminar)*, University of Notre Dame: 2016
- *Introduction to Philosophy: Philosophy of Religion (undergrad class)*, University of Notre Dame: 2016
- *Survey in Epistemology (upper-level undergrad seminar)* University of Notre Dame: 2015
- *Introduction to Philosophy: Philosophy of Religion (undergrad class)*, University of Notre Dame: 2015
- *Belief: Norms and Aims (graduate Seminar)*, University of Notre Dame: 2015
- *Introduction to Philosophy (university seminar)*, University of Notre Dame: 2015
- *Introduction to Epistemology (undergrad class)*, University of Notre Dame: 2014
- *Introduction to Philosophy (honors seminar)*, University of Notre Dame: 2014
- *Pragmatic Encroachment (grad seminar)*, University of Notre Dame: 2014
- *Introduction to Philosophy (honors seminar)*, University of Notre Dame: 2013
- *Introduction to Philosophy (undergrad seminar)*, Rutgers University: 2013

- *Descartes, Locke and 17th Century Philosophy (upper-level undergrad seminar)*, Rutgers University: 2012
- *Philosophy of Death and Dying (upper-level undergrad seminar)*, Rutgers University: 2010
- *Introduction to Philosophy (undergrad seminar)*, Rutgers University: 2009