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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
Philosophy of Law & Political Philosophy

Publications

Peer reviewed

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

Publications (continued)

Non-peer reviewed

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

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

Presentations

Conference Presentations

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

Social Sanctions, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 2016

Repugnant Accuracy, Formal Epistemology Workshop, 2016

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

Conflicts and Collective Action, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 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, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, 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

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

When, Why, and How False Moral Views Affect Moral Obligations, Australian National University, 2018

Moral Uncertainty and Legal Action, Morehead State University Constitution Day lecture, 2017

Normative Force and Epistemic Consequentialism, St. Louis University Epistemology Workshop, 2014

The Normativity and Universalizability of Epistemic Prescriptions, Australian National University, 2013

Philosophers' Problems are Everyone's Problems, CU Boulder, Think! Talk, 2013

Killing and Priming, CU Boulder, Think! Talk, 2012

Should Lawyers Defend Guilty Clients?, CU Boulder, Center for Values and Social Policy, 2011

Virtue and Video Games, CU Boulder, Think! Talk, 2010

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 for \$43,700, CU Boulder (university-wide competition), 2010
 Beaumont Fellowship, USC (university-wide competition), 2008
 Award for Excellence in Teaching, USC (department-wide competition), 2006
 Flewelling Award, for excellence in research, USC (department-wide competition), 2005
 General Education Graduate Assistant Award, for excellence in teaching, USC (university-wide competition), 2004

Courses Taught

University of Colorado at Boulder

- Critical Reasoning and Contemporary Topics
- Seminar on Epistemic Value (graduate)
- Epistemology (upper division and graduate)
- Seminar on Experimental Philosophy (graduate)
- Introduction to Ethics
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Philosophy and Law (lower division, upper division, and graduate)
- Political and Social Philosophy

Washington University in St. Louis

- Biomedical Ethics
- Business Ethics
- Environmental Ethics
- Philosophy of Law
- Present Moral Problems
- Problems in Philosophy
- Theory of Knowledge

California State University, Los Angeles

- Human Diversity and Justice
- Philosophical Ideas – Human Values
- Theory of Knowledge (upper division and graduate)
- Epistemology (graduate)

Advisement

Honors Thesis advisor, Lauren Rosenthal, CU Boulder, 2018

Advisor for Young Mi Cho, CU in DC internship, CU Boulder, 2018

Advisement (continued)

Mentor for T-Herbert Jeffrey, Mellon Mays Program, Washington University in St. Louis, 2016-present

- “An inconsistent triad: Conflicting intuitions on the nature of suspicion”

Honors Thesis advisor for Michael Lind, CU Boulder, 2010-2011

- “Feelings and Emotions in Morality”
- Received highest honors

Honors Thesis advisor for Dustin Ricketts, CU Boulder, 2010

- “Intuitions in Philosophy”
- Received highest honors

Independent Study advisor for Jonathan Dang and Duncan Purves, CU Boulder, 2010

- Research topic: Empirical perspectives on the killing / letting die

Masters Thesis advisor for Jeremy Gomer, CSU Los Angeles, 2008–2009

- “Virtue Epistemology and the Pyrrhonian Problematic”
- Selected as 2009 Outstanding Thesis in the College of Arts and Letters

Service

Referee: *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Consciousness and Cognition*, *Episteme*, *Ethics Policy & Environment*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *Minds and Machines*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Synthese*, *Teaching Philosophy*

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

Referee, Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, 2010-2015, 2017-2018

Referee, Jensch Prize Committee, 2011-2012

Chair, Climate Committee, CU Boulder, 2018

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, CU Boulder, 2018

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

Undergraduate Advisor, Philosophy/Neuroscience/Psychology program, Washington University in St. Louis, 2016-2018

Study Abroad Advisor, Philosophy/Neuroscience/Psychology program, Washington University in St. Louis, 2016-2018

Pre-law program advisement committee, CU Boulder, 2009-2010

Director, U.S.C. Philosophy Department TA Training, 2004-2006