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Employment

Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University, 2005—present.

Education

Ph.D., Philosophy, UCLA, 2005.

Dissertation: *Being and Time: The Metaphysics of Past and Future in a Dynamic World*

Committee: Calvin Normore (chair), David Kaplan, Terry Parsons, Philippe Schlenker

M.A., Philosophy, UCLA, 2003.

B.A., Philosophy, Reed College, 1996.

Thesis: “Intending to Act”

Supervisor: Mark Hinchliff

Area of Specialization

Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Language, Medieval Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy, Logic

Publications

“Presentism and Truthmaking,” with Ben Caplan, *Philosophy Compass*, forthcoming.

“The Way Things Were,” with Ben Caplan, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (81.1) 2010: 24–39.

“The Early Arabic Liar,” with Ahmed Alwishah, *Vivarium* (47:1) 2009: 97–127.

Presentations

- “Locality and Necessity,” with Ben Caplan, APA Pacific Meeting, March 2008
- “The Essentially Unreal Past,” APA Central Meeting, April 2007 (invited)
- “Fatalism and Future Contingents,” OSU Undergraduate Philosophy Club, November 2005
- “The Way Things Were,” with Ben Caplan
 - CPA Annual Congress, University of Western Ontario, May 2005 (refereed)
 - APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2005 (refereed)
 - 8th Annual INPC, University of Idaho and WSU, April 2005 (refereed)
- “The Once Present and the Now Past”
 - University of Rochester, February 2005 (invited)
 - University of Manitoba, January 2005 (invited)
 - Ohio State University, January 2005 (invited)

Comments

- “Comments on Dana Goswick, ‘Counterfactual Analysis & Causal Overdetermination,’” APA Pacific Meeting, March 2006.
- “Comments on Marie Pannier, ‘Presentism and Singular Propositions,’” WCPA Meeting, October 2005.
- “Comments on Kelly Trogdon, ‘Dualism, Mental Causation, and Counterfactuals,’” APA Pacific Meeting, March 2003.

Teaching

Graduate Seminars

- Dissertation Seminar (Spring 2011)
- Tense and Passage (Winter 2010)
- Nonexistents (Fall 2007)
- Time and Change (Spring 2006)
- First Year Proseminar (Fall 2008)

Undergraduate Courses

- Philosophy 670: Advanced Topics in Philosophy of Religion (Fall 2010)
- Philosophy 663: Advanced Metaphysics (Winter 2009)
- Philosophy 463: Introduction to Metaphysics (Winter 2010, Winter 2007)
- Philosophy 302: Introduction to Medieval Philosophy (Fall 2008, Fall 2007, Spring 2007, Winter 2006)

Philosophy 301: Introduction to Ancient Philosophy (Fall 2010, Fall 2009, Winter 2009, Winter 2008, Winter 2007)

Philosophy 250: Symbolic Logic (Spring 2011, Winter 2008)

Philosophy 150: Informal Logic (Winter 2006)

Philosophy H101: Introduction to Philosophy, Honors (Fall 2009, Spring 2006)

Philosophy 101: Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2007)

Philosophy C119: Topics in Early Modern Philosophy (UCLA, Summer 2003)

Philosophy 31: Symbolic Logic (UCLA, Summer 2001)

Awards and Grants

UCLA Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2004–2005.

UCLA Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, 2004.

Robert M. Yost Prize for Excellence in Teaching, UCLA Philosophy Department, 2000.

UCLA Department of Philosophy Fellowship, 1996–97.

Refereeing

American Philosophical Quarterly

Australasian Journal of Philosophy

Pacific Philosophical Quarterly

Philosophical Studies

Departmental Service

Colloquium Committee, 2005–present

Salary Committee, 2009–10

Hiring Committee, 2008–09

Undergraduate Committee, 2008–09, 2005–06

Bingham Committee, 2008–09

Research Committee, 2007–08

Executive Committee, 2006–07

Curriculum Committee, 2005–06

Fink Committee, 2005–06

Supervision

Dissertation Committee Member

Current

James McGlothlin, 2011-present.

Wesley Cray, 2009-present

Cathy Muller, 2008-present

Eric Carter, 2007-present

Completed

Vassilis Tsompanidis, *Tensed Belief* (UC Santa Barbara), 2008–2010.

Graduate Qualifying Exam Committee Member

Scott Brown, 2011

James McGlothlin, 2011

Wesley Cray, 2009

Patrick Reeder, 2009

Cathy Muller, 2008

Graduate Candidacy Exam Committee Member

David Blanks, 2011

Ben Horne, 2011

Scott Brown, 2010

Daniel Pearlberg, 2009

Conrad Robinson, 2009

Wesley Cray, 2008

Andrew Choi, 2007

Thomas Evans, 2007

Cathy Muller, 2007

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee Member

Ben Flowers, “Rule A and Responsibility: A Defense of the Compatibility of Moral Responsibility and Causal Determinism,” 2009

Matthew Grover (Psychology), “Using attitude formation towards novel stimuli to predict changes in depressive symptoms,” 2009

Other Service

Session Chair: Central APA, 2010; Central APA, 2009; Pacific APA, 2006.

Oberlin, external examiner

Rachel Randall, “The Ethics of Creation of Persons,” BA Honors Thesis, Defended December 2007
Michael Siniscalchi, “Can Representationalism Bridge Levine’s Gap?” BA Honors Thesis, Defended December 2007

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