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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

“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 Trogon, ‘Dualism, Mental Causation, and Counterfactuals,’” APA Pacific Meeting, March 2003.

## **TEACHING**

- Philosophy 863: Graduate Seminar on Tense and Passage (Winter 2010)
- Philosophy 863: Graduate Seminar on Nonexistents (Fall 2007)
- Philosophy 863: Graduate Seminar on Time and Change (Spring 2006)
- Philosophy 700: First Year Proseminar (Fall 2008)
- 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 (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**

*Australasian Journal of Philosophy*  
*American 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:

Wesley Cray, 2009-present

Cathy Muller, 2008-present

Vassilis Tsompanidis (UC Santa Barbara), 2008-present

Eric Carter, 2007-present

Graduate Qualifying Exam Committee Member:

Scott Brown, 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, 2009  
Matthew Grover (Psychology), 2009

## **OTHER SERVICE**

Session Chair, Central APA, 2009.  
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.