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EMPLOYMENT

Professor, Department of Philosophy, New York University. 2025 –
Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, New York University. 2019 – 2025
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, New York University. 2013 – 2019
Leverhulme Early Career Fellow, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford. 2012 – 2013
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto. 2011 – 2012

EDUCATION

D.Phil, Philosophy, University of Oxford. 2011
B.A., Philosophy, McGill University. 2000

PUBLICATIONS

- ‘Zetetic Epistemology’
forthcoming in *Towards an Expansive Epistemology: Norms, Action, and the Social Sphere*
B. Reed & A. K. Flowerree (eds.), Routledge.
- ‘Inquiry in Epistemology: Doxastic Attitudes as Zetetic Attitudes’
in *The Blackwell Companion to Epistemology*, 3rd Edition (2025)
K. Sylvan, E. Sosa, J. Dancy & M. Steup (eds.), Wiley-Blackwell.
- ‘The Aim of Inquiry?’
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 108 (2024): 506-523.
- ‘Suspension of Judgment is a Question-Directed Attitude’
in *Contemporary Debates in Epistemology*, 3rd Edition (2024)
E. Sosa, M. Steup, J. Turri & B. Roeber (eds.), Wiley-Blackwell.
- ‘Committed Neutrality in The Rational Mind’
Critical Notice of Scott Sturgeon’s *The Rational Mind*
Analysis 82:4 (2022): 754-765.

- ‘The Epistemic and the Zetetic’
The Philosophical Review 129:4 (2020): 501-536.
 ↪ Reprinted in *The Philosopher’s Annual*, Volume 40.
 - ‘Checking Again’
Philosophical Issues 29 (2019): 84-96.
 - ‘Inquiry and Belief’
Noûs 53:2 (2019): 296-315.
 - ‘Teleological Epistemology’
Philosophical Studies 176:3 (2019): 673-691.
 - ‘Junk Beliefs and Interest-Driven Epistemology’
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 97:3 (2018): 568-583.
 - ‘Why Suspend Judging?’
Noûs 51:2 (2017): 302-326.
 ↪ Reprinted in *The Philosopher’s Annual*, Volume 37.
 - ‘Question-Directed Attitudes’
Philosophical Perspectives 27:1 (2013): 145-174.
 - ‘Rational Agnosticism and Degrees of Belief’
 in *Oxford Studies in Epistemology*, Volume 4 (2013)
 T. Szabo Gendler and J. Hawthorne (eds.), Oxford University Press.
 - ‘Suspended Judgment’
Philosophical Studies 62:2 (2013): 165-181.
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RECENT TALKS & COMMENTS

(† = online)

Acquisition in Inquiry

- UVA (oct. 2025) / Yale University (sep. 2025) / Syracuse University (William Alston Lecture, sep. 2025) / The Nature of Inquiry workshop, University of Helsinki (aug. 2025) / Everything Agency conference, Université Laval (apr. 2025)

Question Asking, in General / The Interrogative Structure of Inquiry

- Boston University (sep. 2024) / New Work in Knowledge-First conference, Sitges (jun. 2024) / Inquiry Workshop @ Brown (keynote, apr. 2024) / U Chicago, Theoretical Philosophy Workshop (apr. 2024) / UT Austin (mar. 2024) / Eastern APA, NYC (jan. 2024)

Inquiry and the Game of Inquiry

- Inquiry and its Norms Workshop, Madrid (jun. 2023) / MIT (apr. 2023) / Tufts (mar. 2023) / Franklin & Marshall (mar. 2023) / UW-Madison (oct. 2022)

The Aim of Inquiry?

- Rutgers Epistemology Conference (apr. 2022) / University of Calgary (apr. 2022)[†] / Arché, St. Andrews (dec. 2021)[†] / Carleton University (nov. 2021)[†] / COGITO Epistemology Research Centre, University of Glasgow (nov. 2021)[†] / Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (dec. 2020)[†]

Zetetic Epistemology

- Nature of Inquiry Conference, Agnes Scott College (keynote, mar. 2020) / Yale University (feb. 2020) / Brown University (feb. 2020)

Checking Again

- University of Pennsylvania (apr. 2019) / Northwestern University (apr. 2019) / NYC-China Epistemology Conference, Fordham University (oct. 2018) / Suspension of Belief Conference, University of Mannheim (oct. 2018)[†]

The Epistemic and the Zetetic

- Southern Normativity Group workshop (sept. 2021)[†] / Stanford University (mar. 2019) / Notre Dame-Northwestern Graduate Conference (keynote, apr. 2018) / CUNY Graduate Center (feb. 2018) / UC Berkeley (jan. 2018) / Harvard University (oct. 2017) / Princeton University (oct. 2017) / NYU Mind & Language Seminar (may 2017) / Pragmatic Encroachment Workshop, Sedona (feb. 2017)

Inquiry and Belief

- Ancient and Contemporary Epistemology Conference, NYU (sept. 2017) / UCLA (jun. 2016) / Temple University (oct. 2015) / LPPRD, St. Catherine's College, University of Oxford (jun. 2015) / University of Pittsburgh (feb. 2015) / Ranch Metaphysics Workshop, Tucson (jan. 2015)[†]

Inquiry and the Doxastic Attitudes

- Pacific APA, San Francisco (apr. 2016) / UNC Chapel Hill (feb. 2016) / SWIP Analytic (feb. 2016)

Comments on: Keith DeRose, 'How to Appear to Know that God Exists'

- International Conference on New Insights and Directions for Religious Epistemology, University of Oxford (jun. 2015)

Epistemically Transformative Experience

- Author Meets Critics session on: L.A. Paul's *Transformative Experience*, Pacific APA, Vancouver (apr. 2015)

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

Teaching

Undergraduate

- Epistemology (f.2023, f.2019, f.2017, f.2015, f.2014) / Independent Study: the Epistemology of Disagreement (s.2022) / Topics in Metaphysics and Epistemology (s.2016, s.2015) / Philosophy of Mind (f.2013)

Graduate

- Proseminar (w/Miranda Fricker): Agency and Normativity (f.2025) / Current Debates in Epistemology (f.2024) / Thesis Prep-WIP Seminar (f. 2025, f.2023, f.2019) / Proseminar (w/Jessica Moss): Ancient and Contemporary Perspectives on Knowledge (f.2022) / Advanced Introduction to Epistemology: The Epistemic Domain (f.2021) / Proseminar (w/Jessica Moss): Ancient and Contemporary Epistemology (f.2018) / Proseminar (w/Dave Chalmers): Normativity (f.2017) / Topics in Epistemology (w/Miriam Schoenfeld): Epistemic Planning (s.2016) / Topics in Epistemology: Rational Inquiry (s.2015) / Advanced Introduction to Epistemology: Knowledge-First Epistemology (s.2014)

Dissertation Committees (PhD)

([‡] = chair)

- Tez Clark (ABD)[‡] / Noga Gratvol (ABD) / Ali Rezaei (ABD) / Lauren Somers (ABD) / Cristina Ballarini (2025) / Josh Myers (2023) / Annette Martín (2020)[‡] / Ben Holguín (2019) / Daniel Friedman (Stanford, 2025) / Ege Yumuşak (Harvard, 2022)

Service

University

- Tenured/Tenure-Track Faculty Senators Council (2019 – 2022)

Philosophy Department

- Placement Director (2017 – curr.) / Writing and Honours Committee (2026) / Search Committee (2021 – 2024, 2013) / Aesthetics committee (2024) / Target of Opportunity Committee (2022, 2021, 2019, 2017) / HIPPO (2021, 2022) / Merit Review Committee (2020) / Climate Committee (2014 – 2020) / Curriculum Committee (2018, 2017)/ Website Committee (2015 – 2016) / Colloquium Committee (2014)

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