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appointments

2018–   **Koç University** Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy

2016-18   **University of Pittsburgh** Visiting Lecturer, Department of Philosophy

education

2017   **University of Toronto** PhD in Philosophy, Certificate in Collaborative Programme in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy. Dissertation: "Aristotle's Case For Perceptual Knowledge," Supervised by Jennifer Whiting, Read by Brad Inwood, Lloyd Gerson, and Justin Broackes (External Examiner).

2015-16   **University of Pittsburgh** Visiting Scholar, Department of Philosophy

2015   **Yale University** Visiting Assistant in Research, Department of Philosophy

2013   **University of Oxford** Visiting Graduate, Corpus Christi College Centre for the Study of Greek and Roman Antiquity

2010   **Texas A&M University** MA in Philosophy. Thesis: "Aristotle's Criticism of Plato's Method of Division," Supervised by Robin Smith, Read by Scott Austin and Craig Kallendorf.

2008   **Louisiana State University** BA with Honors in Philosophy, Minors in Greek, Classics

specialization & competence

specialization

Ancient Philosophy   Philosophy of Perception

competence

Philosophy of Mind   Medieval Philosophy

Epistemology   Early Modern Philosophy

publications

papers

2020   Robert Howton. "Why *De Anima* Needs III 12–13," in *Aristote et l'Âme Humaine: Lectures de De Anima III Offertes à Michel Crubellier*, edited by Charlotte Murgier, Claire Louguet, and Gweltaz Guyomarc'h. Leuven: Peeters.

reviews

2020   Geert Keil and Nora Kreft (eds.), *Aristotle's Anthropology. Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.

2016   Thomas Johansen, *The Powers of Aristotle's Soul. Philosophical Review* 125 (1): 135–138.

work in progress

Paper on *Posterior Analytics* 2.19 (Revise & Resubmit)

"Reduction and Revelation in Aristotle's Science of Sensible Qualities" (Submitted to Editor, Draft Available Upon Request)

Paper on Aristotle's Theory of Sensory Discrimination (In Progress)

Paper on the "Natural End" of Living Things in Aristotle's Biology (In Progress)

invited   2020   "Aristotle on the End of an Organism's Nature." Philosophy in Assos/Assos'ta Felsefe, 2 October 2020.

2019   "Aristotle on Why the Senses Discriminate." Higher School of Economics, Moscow, 18 October 2019.

"Aristotle on the End of an Organism's Nature." Tübingen Universität, 25 July 2019.

"Aristotle on Why the Senses Discriminate." Tübingen Universität, 23 July 2019.

"*De Memoria* 2, 451a18–b10: Translation and Commentary." Workshop on Aristotle's *Parva Naturalia*, Yale University, 13 June 2019.

"Aristotle on Why the Senses Discriminate." CABAL Workshop 2019, Pocatello, ID, 25 May 2019.

Comments on Samuel Meister, "Aristotle on Mathematical Objects as Intelligible Composites." 2019 Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, 22 February 2019.

2018   "The Argument of *Posterior Analytics* 2.19." Türkiye Felsefe Kurumu İstanbul Semineri, Istanbul, 30 November 2018.

"*Rhetoric* 1.2, 1357a22–b25: Translation and Commentary." Southeast-European Association for Ancient Philosophy, Charles University, Prague, 22 November 2018.

"*De Sensu* 7, 448b16–449a20: Translation and Commentary." Workshop on Aristotle's *Parva Naturalia*, Yale University, 15 June 2018.

"'Mixture and Motion': Aristotle on Sensible Qualities." Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Congress, Université du Québec à Montréal, 7 June 2018.

"Aristotle on Soul as a Complex Activity." Workshop on "For the Sake Of" Relations in Aristotle, Virginia Tech University, 22 April 2018.

Comments on Rosemary Twomey, "Aristotle on Discriminating the Common Sensibles." Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, 5 January 2018.

2016   "Aristotle on Why Animals are Perceivers." *De Anima* III: International Workshop in Honor of Michel Crubellier, Université Lille 3, 11 March 2016.

2015   "Perception and Hypothetical Necessity in *Posterior Analytics* 2.19." Workshop on Aristotle's Epistemology, University of Pittsburgh, 17 April 2015.

"Aristotle on Why Animals Need *Phantasia*." Yale Working Group in Ancient Philosophy, Yale University, 15 April 2015.

2014   Comments on Klaus Corcilius, "Hylomorphism, Aristotle's Science of Life, and the Explanation of Mental Episodes." Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, CA, 18 April 2014.

Comments on Marc Gasser, "Aristotle on Perceiving Universals." 37th Annual Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Philadelphia, PA, 5 April 2014.

2013   "Aristotle on the Epistemic Role of Perception: *Posterior Analytics* 1.31." Toronto Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, University of Toronto, 15 March 2013.

2012   Comments on David Charles, "Aristotle on Perception." Hylomorphism in Kant and Aristotle, University of Toronto, 11 November 2012.

"Virtue as *Dunamis* in Plato's *Hippias Minor*." Second Graduate Conference of the Ancient Philosophy & Science Network, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, 1 July 2012.

Comments on David Charles, "Aristotle: Actions as Processes." Toronto Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, University of Toronto, 16 March 2012.

submitted   2017   Comments on Klaus Corcilius, "*Generation of Animals* V.1–8." Aristotle on Living Beings: The *Generation of Animals* International Symposium, Tübingen Universität, 5 May 2017.

"Aristotle's Doctrine of the Discriminative Mean." Pennsylvania Circle of Ancient Philosophy, Duquesne University, 4 March 2017.

2016   "Aristotle's Doctrine of the Discriminative Mean." BPPA Masterclass, University of Cambridge, 21 May 2016.

2015   "Perception and Hypothetical Necessity in *Posterior Analytics* 2.19." 38th Annual Ancient Philosophy Workshop, University of Texas at Austin, 21 February 2015.

2014   "Natural Teleology in Aristotle's Account of Incidental Perception." Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Philadelphia, PA, 29 December 2014.

"Natural Teleology in Aristotle's Account of Incidental Perception." Western Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, University of British Columbia, 4 October 2014.

2012   "Virtue as *Dunamis* in Plato's *Hippias Minor*." North American Meeting of the International Plato Society, University of Michigan, 6 October 2012.

2011   "The Object of Thought Argument." Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, Fordham University, 23 October 2011.

awards, fellowships, & grants

Erasmus+ Higher Education Staff Exchange Grant, Spring 2020

KOLT Teaching Innovation Grant (with Haris Theodorelis-Rigas), Koç University, Fall 2019

Visiting Scholar Grant, Koç University, Summer 2019

Celebration of Teaching & Learning Award, Koç University, Spring 2019

Robinson Fellowship in Ancient Philosophy, University of Toronto, 2014–2015, 2015–2016

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, University of Toronto, 2013–2014, 2014–2015

Graduate Student Travel Stipend, American Philosophical Association, 2014

Michael J. Herman Fellowship, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, 2011

Association of Former Students Graduate Merit Fellowship, Texas A&M University, 2008–2010

teaching

Koç University

2020   HUMS 132: Illusion: When Appearances Deceive

PHIL 451: Philosophy of Perception: Color and Color Experience

PHIL 217: Modern Philosophy

2019   PHIL 453: Mind & Reality in the Ancient World: the Problem of the Criterion

HUMS 132: Illusion: When Appearances Deceive

PHIL 217: Modern Philosophy

2018   PHIL 403: Topics in Ancient Philosophy: Aristotle's Psychology

HUMS 132: Illusion: When Appearances Deceive

University of Pittsburgh

2018   PHIL 0210: Introduction to Modern Philosophy

2017   PHIL 0080: Introduction to Philosophical Problems

PHIL 1040: Aristotle

PHIL 0450: Theories of Knowledge and Reality

2016   PHIL 0460: Introduction to Philosophy of Mind

PHIL 1440: Philosophy of Mind

University of Toronto

2014   PHL340: Issues in Philosophy of Mind: Perception and Singular Thought

graduate coursework

ancient philosophy

2015   Aristotle's *De Anima*. Instructor: David Charles (Yale)* [* = audited]

Aristotle on Definition and Essence. Instructor: David Charles (Yale)*

2013   Plato's *Philebus* and its Aristotelian Legacy. Instructor: Jennifer Whiting (Toronto)*

Aristotle on *Phantasia*, Cognition, and Action. Instructor: Jennifer Whiting (Toronto)*

2012   Aristotle's *Metaphysics*. Instructor: Lloyd Gerson (Toronto)

Presocratic Philosophy. Instructor: Brad Inwood (Toronto)

	2011	Plato's Ethical Dialogues. Instructor: Rachel Barney (Toronto)
		Aristotle's Criticism of Plato's Theory of Forms. Instructor: Lloyd Gerson (Toronto)
	2010	Plato's *Gorgias*. Instructor: Rachel Barney (Toronto)
	2009	Ancient Determinism. Instructor: Robin Smith (TAMU)
		Presocratic Philosophy. Instructor: Scott Austin (TAMU)

philosophy of mind & language

	2014	Perception, Singular Thought, Ontology. Instructor: Imogen Dickie (Toronto)*
	2012	Rationality, Consciousness, Action. Instructors: Benj Hellie, Andrew Sepielli (Toronto)
	2010-11	Reference and Communication. Instructor: Imogen Dickie (Toronto)

logic

	2011	Formal Tools in Philosophy. Instructor: Jonathan Weisberg (Toronto)
	2010	Modal Logic. Instructor: Christopher Menzel (TAMU)
	2008	Mathematical Logic. Instructor: Robert Burch (TAMU)

medieval & early modern philosophy

	2011	Peter Abelard. Instructor: Peter King (Toronto)
	2009	Modern Philosophy. Instructor: Stephen Daniel (TAMU)

metaphysics & epistemology

	2013	Actions, Events, and Processes. Instructors: David Charles, Ursula Coope (Oxford)*
		Epistemology. Instructors: Timothy Williamson, John Hawthorne (Oxford)*
	2010	Teleology. Instructors: Denis Walsh, Jennifer Whiting (Toronto)
		Trope Theory. Instructor: Robert Garcia (TAMU)
	2009	Epistemology. Instructor: Benjamin McMyler (TAMU)

misc.

	2011	Wittgenstein. Instructor: Sonia Sedivy (Toronto)
	2008	William James. Instructor: John McDermott (TAMU)
		Feminist Ethics. Instructor: Linda Radzik (TAMU)

research languages

Ancient Greek	French
Latin	German

professional activities

	2020-	Department Coordinator, Department of Philosophy, Koç University
	2012-15	Steward for the Department of Philosophy, CUPE 3902 Unit 1, University of Toronto

references

Dr. Jennifer Whiting
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University of Pittsburgh
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Howard H. Newman Professor of Philosophy and Classics
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