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Areas of Specialization: Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language

Areas of Competence: Philosophy of Science (especially the Cognitive and Social Sciences), Logic and Critical Reasoning, History of Modern and Analytic Philosophy, Metaphysics, Ethics (especially Moral Psychology and Research Ethics), Comparative Philosophy

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of Oklahoma (Philosophy) 2006
- B.A. University of Oklahoma (Philosophy major/ History of Science minor) 1996

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Central Arkansas, Fall 2013 - Present
- Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Central Arkansas, Fall 2007 – Spring 2013
- Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, University of Oklahoma, Spring 2007
- Program Specialist, Center for Applied Social Research, University of Oklahoma (interdisciplinary sociocultural research: data collection and analysis, research dissemination, and project development), Summer 2005 - Spring 2007
- Instructor and Course Designer, Center for Independent and Distance Learning, University of Oklahoma, Fall 2003 – Fall 2005
- Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, University of Oklahoma, Fall 1999 – Spring 2006

GRANTS & AWARDS

- National Endowment for the Humanities Enduring Questions Grant, for development of a new course on “The Pursuit of Self-Knowledge through Philosophy and Literature,” \$21,913 awarded, 2014-2017

- Asian Studies Development Program, Infusing Chinese and Japanese Religion, Art and Politics into the Undergraduate Curriculum, Summer Institute Participant, \$500 awarded by the Hunt / Farris Faculty Development Fund & \$500 awarded by the UCA Humanities and World Cultures Institute, 2014
- University of Central Arkansas Research Council Summer Stipend for “The Roles of Language and Interpersonal Communication in Self-Knowledge” project, \$3,773 awarded, 2009
- Kenneth R. Merrill Graduate Teaching Award, \$800 awarded, 2004
- University of Oklahoma Alumni Fellowship, \$5,000 awarded per year x 4 years, 1999-2003

PUBLICATIONS

- Books

Rethinking Introspection: A Pluralist Approach to the First-Person Perspective. New Directions in Philosophy and Cognitive Science. Basingstoke, England: Palgrave Macmillan. 2013

- Journal Articles and Book Chapters

“Knowledge and NOW: What Is the Epistemic Standing of the Present Moment?” *Social Epistemology Review and Reply Collective* Vol. 3, Number 10. 2014

“From Regulation to Virtue: A Critique of Ethical Formalism in Research Organizations” Co-authored with Timothy N. Atkinson. *Journal of Research Administration* Vol. 43, Number 1. 2012

“Introspective Knowledge of Experience and Its Role in Consciousness Studies” *Journal of Consciousness Studies* Vol. 18, Number 2. 2011

“Scan Thyself” in *Philip K. Dick and Philosophy: Do Androids Have Kindred Spirits?*, Edited by D. E. Wittkower. Peru, IL: Open Court Publishing Company. 2011

“Unterminated: The Integration of the Machines” in *Terminator and Philosophy: I’ll Be Back, Therefore I Am*, Edited by William Irwin, Richard Brown, and Kevin S. Decker. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley and Sons, Inc. 2009

“Cancer, HIV, and Terrorism: Translating Public Health Models for Prevention and Control to Counter-Terrorism” Co-authored with M. W. Foster. *Critical Studies on Terrorism* Vol. 1, Number 1. 2008

“Cash Value: The Authenticity of Johnny Cash” in *Johnny Cash and Philosophy: Ring of Truth*. Edited by David Werther and John Huss. Peru, IL: Open Court Publishing Company. 2008

“A New Paradigm for Understanding Conflicts of Interest in Clinical Trials” Co-authored with M. D. Mumford and M. W. Foster. *Philosophy and Ethics: New Research*. Edited by L. V. Siegal. Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publishers, Inc. 2006

- Book Reviews

Language and The Ineffable: A Developmental Perspective and Its Applications by Louis S. Berger. *Philosophical Psychology*. *Philosophical Psychology*, Vol. 28, Number 1, 2015

The Situated Self by J. T. Ismael, *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 30, Number 2. 2010

Describing Inner Experience? Proponent Meets Skeptic by Russell T. Hurlburt and Eric Schwitzgebel, *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 28, Number 4. 2008

The New Science of Dreaming Three Volume Anthology Edited by Deirdre Barrett and Patrick McNamara, *Metapsychology Online Review*, Vol. 11, Number 52. 2007

Philosophy of the Social Sciences by Patrick Baert, *Metapsychology Online Review*, Vol. 10, Number 37. 2006

PRESENTATIONS

- Professional Conference Presentations

“A Dilemma Concerning Phenomenal Knowledge” *Toward a Science of Consciousness*, Tucson, AZ. April 13, 2012 and Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Memphis, TN. February 16, 2013

“The Type / Token Distinction and the Understanding of Mental Phenomena in the Biopsychosocial Model” Annual Meeting of the *Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry*, Philadelphia, PA. May 5, 2012

“Much-Needed Objectivity: Philip K. Dick and the Pursuit of Self-Knowledge” Annual Meeting of the *Arkansas Philological Association*, Conway, AR. October 7, 2011

“The Acquaintance Approach to Phenomenal Knowledge” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. March 5, 2011

“I’ll Be Your Mirror: Social Self-Knowledge and Rational Deference to Others” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. March 6, 2010

“On Acquaintance with Oneself” *Science and Nonduality Conference*, San Rafael, CA. October 24, 2009

“Poking Out McGinn’s Mind’s Eye” Co-presented with Eric Wilson and Nathan McCune. *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. April 18, 2009

“Kinds of Introspection: A Pluralistic Model of First-Person Knowledge of Consciousness” Poster Presentation at the *Toward a Science of Consciousness*, Tucson, AZ. April 11, 2008

“The Epistemic Irreducibility of Phenomenal Knowledge” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. February 23, 2008

- Commentaries on Papers at Professional Conferences

Ryan Cobb’s “An Inconsistent Triad for Epistemologists” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. February 15, 2013

Cody Cash’s “The Ambiguity of ‘Interaction’: A Look at Macpherson’s Argument for Cognitive Penetrability” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. March 4, 2011

Daniel Haggerty’s “Moral Magnetism” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. March 5, 2010

Fernando Martínez-Manrique’s “On the distinction between semantic and conceptual representation” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. April 18, 2009

Delilah Caldwell’s “No Need for Grace: The Evidence and Constraints Guiding Radical Interpretation” *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, Memphis, TN. February 23, 2008

- Invited Presentations and Public Talks

“What is Phenomenal Knowledge?” UCA Phi Sigma Tau *Philosophy Research Forum*, November 11, 2014

“What am I? Perspectives on Self and Society” *University of Central Arkansas Humanities Fair*, November 14, 2013

“Introspection and *Blade Runner*: The Philosophy of Self-Knowledge Meets A.I.” *PhiRe Film and Lecture Series*, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. April 9, 2013

“Minds and Machines: The Possibility of Artificial Intelligence and What It Reveals About the Human Mind” Presentation and Panel Discussion with Charles Harvey and Ronald Novy, UCA College of Liberal Arts *Exploring Our World* seminar, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. November 8, 2011

“Darwinism and American Religious Thought” Presentation and Panel Discussion with Jeff Williams and Phillip Spivey, UCA College of Liberal Arts *Exploring Our World* seminar, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. February 19, 2011

“How Do You Know You Are Not An Android?” UCA Phi Sigma Tau *Philosophy Research Forum*, November 16, 2010

“What is Consciousness?” *University of Central Arkansas Humanities Fair*, November 12, 2009

“Philosophical Reflections on Artificial Intelligence: A Panel Discussion” with Charles Harvey and Ronald Novy, *PhiRe Film and Lecture Series*, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. November 18, 2008

“Poking Out The Inner Eye” *PhiRe Third Annual Interdepartmental Seminar: Perception*, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. October 23, 2008

“How To Be Open-Minded Without Letting Your Brain Fall Out” Invited Presentation for the Arkansas Governor’s School, Hendrix College, Conway, AR. July 1, 2008 and the *Phire Film and Lecture Series*, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. March 18, 2008

“On Knowing What It Is Like: Self-Constitutive Knowledge of Our Own Conscious States” University of Oklahoma Department of Philosophy Colloquium, Norman, OK. November 17, 2006

“Conflicts of Interest in Clinical Trials” University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Department of Family and Preventive Medicine's *Research Forum*, Oklahoma City, OK. July 7, 2006

COURSES TAUGHT

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS

PHIL 1301 - Philosophy for Living: Fall 2007; Spring/Summer/Fall 2008; Spring/Fall 2009; Spring/Summer/Fall 2010; Spring/Fall 2011; Spring/Fall 2012; Spring/Summer/Fall 2013; Spring/Fall 2014; Spring 2015

PHIL 2310 - Introduction to Logic: Fall 2009; Spring/Fall 2011; Spring/Fall 2013

PHIL 3341 – Theories of Knowledge: Spring 2009; Spring 2011; Spring 2013

PHIL 3375 - Philosophy of Mind: Fall 2008; Fall 2010; Fall 2012; Fall 2014

PHIL 3395 – Self-Knowledge: Spring 2015

PHIL 4300 – Readings in Philosophy: Fall 2008 (Perception and Metaphor); Fall 2009 (Philosophy of Sound)

PHIL 4330 - Philosophy of Language: Spring 2008; Spring 2010; Spring 2012; Spring 2014

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

PHIL 1013 - Introduction to Philosophy: Fall 2001; Spring 2002; Spring 2003; Fall 2005; Fall 2003 through Fall 2005 as an independent distance learning course (also wrote extensive course manual)

PHIL 1103 - Critical Reasoning: Fall 2002

PHIL 1113 - Introduction to Logic: Spring 2005; Spring 2007

PHIL 1213 Introduction to Ethics: Summer 2003; Fall 2003 through Fall 2005 as an independent distance learning course

PHIL 2900 – Special Topics - Genes, Machines, and Human Beings: Spring 2004

PHIL 3253 - History of Ethics: Fall 2003 through Fall 2005 as an independent distance learning course (also wrote extensive course manual)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & ACTIVITY

PROFESSIONAL PHILOSOPHY

Referee: Synthese, 2014

Referee: European Journal of Analytic Philosophy, 2013

Referee: Central States Philosophical Association, 2012 Conference

Book Reviewer: Wiley-Blackwell, 2011

Referee: Philosophical Frontiers, 2008 – 2010

Member: Asian Studies Development Program Alumni, 2014 to Present

Member: Central Arkansas Philosophers discussion group, 2008 to Present

Member: American Philosophical Association, 2006 to Present

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS

- University

Member (College of Liberal Arts Representative) of the Faculty Development Committee, 2014 - 2016

Member (College of Liberal Arts Representative) of the Retention Committee, 2011 – 2014

Member (College of Liberal Arts Representative) of the Student Evaluation of Teachers Committee, 2011 - Present

Honors Thesis Advisor for Justin Wertz, on Philosophical Skepticism, Fall 2013

Honors Oxford Tutorial Advisor for Justin Wertz, on Philosophical Skepticism, Fall 2011

Honors Thesis Advisor for Eric Wilson, on Experimental Philosophy, Fall 2010

Honors Oxford Tutorial for Eric Wilson, on Music, Aesthetics, and Conscious Experience, Spring 2010

Faculty Advisor for the Green Community Club, 2010 - 2011

Member (College of Liberal Arts Representative) of the Sponsored Programs Advisory Committee, 2009 – 2012

- College of Liberal Arts

Member of the General Studies Degree Committee, 2014

Member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2013

Chair of the Outstanding Student Selection Committee, 2012 & 2014

Guest Speaker and Service Learning Facilitator for ANTH 4395 Sustainability Studies Course, May Intersession 2011

Member of the Outstanding Student Selection Committee, 2010 & 2011

Member of the Research Committee, 2008 – 2011

- Department of Philosophy and Religion

Chair and Member of the Job Search Committee for tenure-track assistant professor position in Early Modern Philosophy, 2014-2015

Chair and Member of Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2013

Member of the Job Search Committee for tenure-track assistant professor position in East Asian religions, 2010 / 2011

Interim Chair, June 14th through June 18th 2010

Faculty Advisor for the UCA chapter (Arkansas Gamma) of Phi Sigma Tau, the International Honor Society in Philosophy, 2009 to Present

Assessment Director for the UCA Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2008 to Present

Member of the Job Search Committee for tenure-track assistant professor position in ancient philosophy, 2007 / 2008

Member of the UCA Department of Philosophy and Religion Curriculum Committee, 2007 to 2011, 2013 to Present