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

Areas of Competence: Logic and Critical Reasoning, Philosophy of Science (especially the Cognitive and Social Sciences), Cross-Cultural / Comparative Philosophy (especially Asian and Native American Studies), Metaphysics, Ethics, and the History of Modern, Analytic, and American 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

- U.S. Fulbright Scholar Award, for teaching courses on “Self-Knowledge in American Philosophy and Literature” to students at Jinan University in Guangzhou, China, Award #6082, \$57,600 (estimated) awarded, September 2016 through June 2017

- National Endowment for the Humanities *Enduring Questions* Grant, for development of a new course on “The Pursuit of Self-Knowledge through Philosophy and Literature,” Grant # AQ-51002-14, \$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 UCA Hunt / Farris Faculty Development Fund and \$3500 (estimated) awarded by the Asian Studies Development Program, 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

“The Type / Token Distinction and the Understanding of Mental Phenomena in the Biopsychosocial Model” forthcoming in the *Bloomsbury Companion to the Philosophy of Psychiatry*, Edited by Robyn Bluhm and Şerife Tekin. London, England: Bloomsbury

“Phenomenal Knowledge, Dualism, and Dreams” *Social Epistemology Review and Reply Collective* Vol. 4, Number 6. 2015

“Knowledge, Objects, and the Objective NOW” *Social Epistemology Review and Reply Collective* Vol. 4, Number 2. 2015

“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

The Interdisciplinary Science of Consumption Edited by Stephanie D. Preston, Morten L. Kringelbach, and Brian Knutson. *Metapsychology Online Reviews*, Vol. 19, Number 24. 2015

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

“Ecological Self-Understanding: Towards an Integrative East-West Approach to Self-Environment Relations” *The Asian Studies Development Program 22nd Annual National Conference*, Washington D.C. March 19, 2016 and *The 2016 UCA-ECNU Symposium: Humans and Nature in the Era of Globalization*, Conway, AR. April 18, 2016

“Cross-Cultural Conceptions of Self” *The Asian Studies Development Program 21st Annual National Conference*, Branson, MO. March 20, 2015

“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

- Invited Presentations and Public Talks

“Who am I? War and Peace Within” *University of Central Arkansas Humanities Fair*, November 12, 2015

“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/Summer/Fall 2015; Spring 2016

PHIL 2305 – Critical Thinking: Summer 2016 (online)

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; Spring 2016

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

PHIL 4301 – Philosophy Honors Tutorial: Spring 2016 (Native American Philosophy)

PHIL 4330 - Philosophy of Language: Spring 2008; Spring 2010; Spring 2012; Spring 2014; Fall 2015

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)