

N. G. LASKOWSKI

Curriculum Vitae

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California State Long Beach, Philosophy Department, 1250 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90840-2408 USA

EMPLOYMENT

California State University Long Beach, *Assistant Professor* (TT) since 2019

Parental leave, AY 2020-2021

Duisburg-Essen Universität, *Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter* 2017 – 2019

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Southern California, 2010-2017

Dissertation: *Rethinking Reductive Realism in Ethics*

Committee: Stephen Finlay, Janet Levin, Mark Schroeder (chair), Ralph Wedgwood

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Philosophy, History, Rutgers University, 2003-2008

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics (esp. Metaethics)

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Social Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind, Epistemology

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

External

08 The John Templeton Foundation, Philosophy of Honesty Fellowship. Joint work with Nathan Robert Howard. (\$40,000)

07 2021 Presidential Prize Award for ‘What Makes Normative Concepts Normative’, chosen as the best article from a junior scholar in annual publication of *Southwest Philosophy Review*. Joint work with Shawn Hernandez. (\$150)

06 Oxford University, The Queen’s College, Bursary for Linguistic Meaning Conference, Spr 2019 (\$300)

Internal

05 Faculty Small Grant, 2021-22 (\$5,000)

02 Travel Award, 2019-20 (\$1,200)

04 Travel Award, 2020-21 (\$600)

01 Summer Research Stipend, 2019 (\$1,200)

03 Faculty Small Grant, 2020-2021 (\$5,000)

PUBLICATIONS [‘ ’ =df ‘ not refereed anonymously ’]

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

14 Forth. ‘Another Practical Kind of Epistemic Reason’. w/ Shawn Hernandez. *Analytic Philosophy*

13 Forth. ‘Wronging by Requesting’. w/ Kenneth Silver. *Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics Vol. 11*

12 2021 ‘The World is Not Enough’. w/ Nathan Robert Howard. *Noûs* 55 (1):86-101

11 2020 ‘Resisting Reductive Realism’. *Oxford Studies in Metaethics Vol. 15*

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- 10 2020 'Moral Constraints on Gender Concepts'. *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* 23:39–51
- 09 2019 'The Sense of Incredibility in Ethics'. *Philosophical Studies* 176 (1): 93–115
- 08 2018 'Epistemic Modesty in Ethics'. *Philosophical Studies* 175 (7): 1577–1596
- 07 ▶ 2018 'Conceptual Analysis in Metaethics'. w/ Stephen Finlay, *Routledge Handbook of Metaethics* 536–551
- 06 2014 'How to Pull a Metaphysical Rabbit Out of an End-Relational Semantic Hat'. *Res Philosophica*, 91(4): 589–607

Discussions and Critical Notices

- 05 2021 'Phenomenal Concepts as Complex Demonstratives'. w/ Nathan Robert Howard. *Res Philosophica*, 98(3): 499–508
- 04 2021 'What Makes Normative Concepts Normative'. w/ Shawn Hernandez *Southwest Philosophy Review* 37(1): 45–51
- Winner, SJP Presidential Prize Award
 - Matti Eklund responds in 'Reply to Hernandez and Laskowski' *Southwest Philosophy Review*
- 03 2019 'Moral Realism, Speech Act Diversity, and Expressivism'. *The Philosophical Quarterly* 69 (274): 166–174
- 02 ▶ 2018 'Reductivism, Nonreductivism, and Incredulity about Streumer's Error Theory'. *Analysis Reviews* 78(4): 766–776
- 01 2015 'Non-Analytical Naturalism and the Nature of Normative Thought: A Reply to Parfit'. *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 9(1): 1–6

Book Reviews

- 00 ▶ 2018 "Double Review" of *On What Matters Volume Three* by Derek Parfit and *Does Anything Really Matter? Parfit on Objectivity* ed. Peter Singer. *Ethics* 128: 496–505
- 00 ▶ 2017 *Speech and Morality: On the Metaethical Implications of Speaking* by Terence Cuneo. *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, 14(6): 781–784

Other

- 00 2019 'My Way: The Ethics of Financial Contributions'. With Kenneth Silver. Blog entry, *Pea Soup*, April

PRESENTATIONS

Invited

- 10 'No Authoritative Normativity'. 2021/07 w/ Nathan Robert Howard. Workshop, University of Leeds.
- 09 'Explaining Sexual Orientation'. 2021/06 w/ Tanner Whitlow. Workshop, University of Barcelona.
- 08 'Unexemplified Properties'. 2019/07 w/ Nathan Robert Howard. Seminar, University of Barcelona.
- 07 'There are No Normative Concepts'. 2019/04, Seminar, University of St. Andrews.

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- 06 'There are No Normative Concepts'. 2018/11, Metaethics workshop, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management.
- 05 'Resisting Reductive Realism'. 2018/09, Theoretical Philosophy Higher Seminar, Uppsala University.
- 04 'Resisting Reductive Realism'. 2018/09, Metaethics Seminar, University of Groningen.
- 03 'Moral Constraints on Gender Concepts'. 2018/02, Social Kinds Conference, Institute of Advanced Study at Essen, Germany.
- 02 'Conceiving Supervenience Violations in Ethics'. 2017/12, Normativity workshop, Uppsala University.
- 01 'Conceiving Supervenience Violations in Ethics'. 2017/11, Normativity workshop, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management.

Refereed

- 15 'Normative Concepts and their Nature'. 2021/01, Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.
- 14 'Normative Concepts and their Nature'. 2020/10, Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference, Weber State University, Online.
- 13 'Standing, Requesting, and Wronging'. 2020/01, Workshop in Normative Ethics, Tucson, AZ, USA.
- 12 'Moral Constrains on Gender Concepts'. 2019/07, British Society for Ethical Theory, University of Glasgow.
- 11 'There are No Normative Concepts'. 2019/04, Linguistic Meaning Conference, The Queen's College, University of Oxford.
- 10 'Resisting Reductive Realism'. 2018/09, Madison Metaethics Workshop, University of Wisconsin at Madison.
- 09 'Moral Constraints on Gender Concepts'. 2018/08, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado at Boulder.
- 08 'The World is Not Enough'. 2018/06 with Nathan Robert Howard, Future of Normativity Conference, Kent University.
- 07 'The World is Not Enough'. 2018/06, Metaethics Conference, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management.
- 06 'Moral Constraints on Gender Concepts'. 2018/05, Human Kinds Workshop, KU Leuven.
- 05 'Epistemic Modesty in Ethics'. 2017/02, Graduate conference, National Autonomous University of Mexico.
- 04 'What Moral Mary Didn't Know'. 2015/08, Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, University of Colorado at Boulder.
- 03 'What Moral Mary Didn't Know'. 2015/04, Normativity Graduate Conference, York University.
- 02 'How to Pull a Metaphysical Rabbit Out of an End-Relational Semantic Hat'. 2014/04, Graduate Conference, Princeton University and Rutgers University.
- 01 'Practical and Evidential Epistemic Reasons'. 2013/06, Epistemology Graduate Conference, University of Edinburgh.

Delayed or canceled due to Covid-19

- 00 'How to Argue for What's First'. SLACRR, 2020/05, Delayed, Refereed, St. Louis, Missouri, USA.

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00 'Normative Concepts and their Nature'. New Mexico-Texas Philosophical Society, 2020/04, Canceled, Refereed, Waco, TX, USA.

Comments and Panels

04 Comments on David Plunkett's 'Conceptual Truths, Evolution, and Authoritative Normativity'. 2018/07, Normativity Workshop, University of Freiburg .

03 Comments on Bart Streumer's *Unbelievable Errors*. 2018/05, Author-meets-critics, U. Groningen.

02 Comments on Terence Cuneo's *Speech and Morality*. 2016/04, Author-meets-critics, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.

01 Comments on Aaron Eliot's 'Reasons, Dispositions, and Value'. 2016/01, Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.

TEACHING

Graduate

CSULB PHIL 663: Philosophical Anarchism and Political Normativity, Spring 2021

CSULB PHIL 610: Proseminar on normativity & consciousness, ~15 students, Fall 2020

Courses listed jointly at both graduate and undergraduate level

CSULB PHIL 496/596: Special topics - gender and sexual orientation, ~30 students, Spring 2020

CSULB PHIL 496/596: Special topics - ethical naturalism, ~30 students, Fall 2019

DEU, Seminar on metaethics, ~15 students, Winter 2018-2019

DEU, Seminar on gender and sexual orientation, ~30 students, Winter 2018-2019

DEU, Seminar on sexual orientation, ~30 students, Summer 2018

DEU, Seminar on disability and well-being, ~8 students Summer 2018

DEU, Seminar on philosophical anarchism, ~30 students, Winter 2017-2018

DEU, Seminar on gender and race, ~30 students, Winter 2017-2018

DEU, Seminar on metaethics, 4 students, Summer 2017

Undergraduate

CSULB PHIL 101: *The Meaning of Life*, ~100 students, Fall 2021 (scheduled)

CSULB PHIL 160: *Introduction to Ethics*, ~30 students, Spring 2020

CSULB PHIL 101: *The Meaning of Life*, ~30 students, Spring 2020

CSULB PHIL 101: *The Meaning of Life*, ~100 students, Fall 2019

Directed studies or honor's thesis supervision

CSULB PHIL 599: Directed study on normative metaphysics w/ Ning Shao, Spring 2021

CSULB PHIL 599: Directed study on moral realism w/ Ryan Lam, Spring 2021

CSULB PHIL 599: Directed study on moral error theory w/ Shawn Hernandez, Spring 2021

CSULB PHIL 599: Directed study on gender w/ K. Bollin & T. Whitlow, Spring 2021

CSULB PHIL 599: Directed study on normative thought w/ Shawn Hernandez, Spring 2020

CSULB PHIL 599: Directed study on philosophical anarchism w/ David Ramirez-Ruiz, Spring 2020

CSULB PHIL 498h: Honor's thesis, Kyle Bollin, non-binary gender identity, Fall 2019-Spring 2020

CSULB PHIL 498h: Honor's thesis, Tanner Whitlow, sexual orientation, Fall 2019-Spring 2020

Thesis committee advising

Chair

Shawn Hernandez, CSULB graduate student, chair, Fall 2020 –

David Ramirez-Ruz, CSULB graduate student, chair, Fall 2020 – Spring 2021

Miguel Hernandez, CSULB graduate student, chair, Spring 2020 – Fall 2020

Member

Ian Browning, CSULB graduate student, member, Fall 2020 –

Lissa Dechakul, CSULB graduate student, member, Fall 2020 –

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- CSULB Applied Ethics Forum, Organizer, Fall 2021 • Spring 2021 • Fall 2020 • Spring 2020 • Fall 2019

- CSULB Graduate Committee, Member, Spring 2021 • Spring 2020 • Fall 2019

- CSULB Philosophy Departmental Events (inc. “Philosophy Day”), Organizer, CSULB, Spring 2021 • Fall 2020

COLLEGE SERVICE

- CSULB Student Research Competition, Juror, Spring 2021

- CSULB CLA Awards, Alternate Member 1, Fall 2020.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- General Education Governing Committee, (Fall 2021 – Spring 2024)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Conferenced organized

- Organizer, 2018, Essen-Wuhan Metaethics Conference, Duisburg-Essen Universität

- Co-founder and organizer, 2018, Meta-Essen Workshop Series

- Organizer, 2013, USC-UCLA Graduate Conference.

Book refereeing

Oxford University Press (2019/Spring); Routledge (2018/Fall).

Journal refereeing

Australasian Journal of Philosophy; Acta Analytica; Analysis; Analytic Philosophy; Canadian Journal of Philosophy; Ergo; Ethical Theory & Moral Practice; Ethics; European Journal of Philosophy; Journal of Ethics; Journal of Ethics & Social Philosophy; Philosophical Psychology; The Philosophical Quarterly; Nous; Philosophical Studies; Pacific Philosophical Quarterly; Synthese; Thought.

Conference refereeing

Context, Content and Cognition; German Analytic Philosophy Congress: Best Paper Award (2018); UNC Chapel Hill Normativity Conference (2017); USC-UCLA Graduate Conference (2010-2017).

Other

PhilPapers “Moral Concepts” Category Editor, 2018 –

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MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Philosophy Teachers; American Philosophical Association; European Normativity Network.

REFERENCES

David Copp, Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, University of California, Davis, dcopp@ucdavis.edu

Terence Cuneo, Marsh Chair of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy, University of Vermont,
tcuneo@uvm.edu

Stephen Finlay, Professor of Philosophy, University of Southern California, finlay@usc.edu

Janet Levin, Professor of Philosophy, University of Southern California, levin@usc.edu

Neil Roughley, Professor of Philosophical Anthropology and Ethics, neil.roughley@uni-due.de

Mark Schroeder, Professor of Philosophy, University of Southern California, mashroe@usc.edu

Bart Streumer, Professor of Philosophy, University of Groningen, b.streumer@rug.nl

Ralph Wedgwood, Professor of Philosophy, University of Southern California, wedgwood@usc.edu