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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Experimental Philosophy, Cognitive Science, Moral Psychology, Causal Reasoning

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics, Philosophy of Social Science, Metaethics, Philosophy of Action, Neuroethics

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor — 2019–present
Director of the Ethics Center
Department of Philosophy
Neuroscience Program
Lake Forest College

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy — 2019
Certificate in Cognitive Neuroscience
Duke University
Committee: Bernstein, Sinnott-Armstrong, Pavese, & De Brigard

MA in Philosophy — 2013
Arizona State University
Committee: Pinillos, Kobes, & Reynolds

BA in English and Philosophy — 2011
Lake Forest College
Advisor: McCracken

VISITING POSITIONS

Summer Visitor — 2019
Australian National University

Visiting Student — 2010
University of Oxford, Magdalen College

ARTICLES

Henne, P., Kulesza, A., Perez, K., & Houcek, A. (2021). [Counterfactual Thinking and Recency Effects in Causal Judgment](#). *Cognition*, 212.

De Brigard, F., Henne, P., & Stanley, M. L. (2021). [Perceived similarity of imagined possible worlds affects judgments of counterfactual plausibility](#). *Cognition*, 209.

Henne, P., O'Neill, K., Bello, P., Khemlani, S., & De Brigard, F. (2021). [Norms Affect Prospective Causal Judgments](#). *Cognitive Science*, 44.

Stanley, M. L., Henne, P., Niemi, L., Sinnott-Armstrong, W., & De Brigard, F. (2021). [Making Moral Principles Suit Yourself](#). *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*.

Stanley, M. L., Henne, P., Yang, B. W., & De Brigard, F. (2020). [Resistance to Position Change, Motivated Reasoning, and Polarization](#). *Political Behavior*, 42, 891–913.

Semler, J. & Henne, P. (2019). [Recent Experimental Work on 'Ought' Implies 'Can'](#). *Philosophy Compass*, 14(9), e12619.

Henne, P., Niemi, L., Pinillos, Á., De Brigard, F., & Knobe, J. (2019). [A counterfactual explanation for the action effect in causal judgment](#). *Cognition*, 190, 157–164.

Stanley, M. L., Henne, P., & De Brigard, F. (2019). [Remembering Moral and Immoral Actions in Constructing the Self](#). *Memory and Cognition*, 47(3), 441–454.

Henne, P., Semler, J., Chituc, V., De Brigard, F., & Sinnott-Armstrong, W. (2019). [Against some recent arguments for 'ought' implies 'can': Reasons, deliberation, trying, and furniture](#). *Philosophia*, 47(1), 131–139.

Stanley, M. L., Dougherty, A. M., Yang, B. W., Henne, P., & De Brigard, F. (2018). [Reasons probably won't change your mind: The role of reasons in revising moral decisions](#). *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 147(7), 962–987.

Henne, P., Pinillos, Á., & De Brigard, F. (2017). [Cause by omission and norm: Not watering plants](#). *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 95(2), 270–283.

Stanley, M. L., Henne, P., Iyengar, V., Sinnott-Armstrong, W., & De Brigard, F. (2017). [I'm not the person I used to be: The self and autobiographical memories of immoral actions](#). *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 146(6), 884–895.

Henne, P., Chituc, V., De Brigard, F., & Sinnott-Armstrong, W. (2016). [An empirical refutation of 'ought' implies 'can'](#). *Analysis*, 76(3), 283–290.

Chituc, V., Henne, P., Sinnott-Armstrong, W., & De Brigard, F. (2016). [Blame, not ability, impacts moral "ought" judgments for impossible actions: Toward an empirical refutation of "ought" implies "can"](#). *Cognition*, 150, 20–25.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Niemi, L. & Henne, P. (*in press*). Victim omissions: How doing nothing affects judgments of cause and blame. *Advances in experimental philosophy of free will and responsibility*. New York: Bloomsbury Academic.

Henne, P., & Sinnott-Armstrong, W. (2018). [Does Neuroscience Undermine Morality?](#). *Neuroexistentialism: Meaning, Morals, and Purpose in the Age of Neuroscience*. Oxford University Press.

OTHER SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Henne, P. (2017). [Correlation and Causation](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

Chituc, C & Henne, P. (2016). [The Data Against Kant](#). *The New York Times*.

Henne, P. (2016). [Formal and Informal Fallacies](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

Henne, P. (2015). [Post Hoc Ergo Propter Hoc](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

Henne, P. (2014). [Ad Hominem](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

Henne, P. (2014). [Fallacy of Division](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

Henne, P. (2014). [Validity](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

Henne, P. (2013). [Fallacy of Composition](#). Video for Wireless Philosophy.

SELECTED TALKS

* = invited

“Counterfactual Thinking and Recency Effects in Causal Judgment”

Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Online, 2021

European Experimental Philosophy Conference, Charles University, 2021

*Imagination and Modal Cognition Lab, Duke, 2020

“Causal Attributions to Victims”

*Social and Intergroup Perceptions Lab, DePaul, 2020

“Does Implementing the Rationalization Principle Promote Belief Revision”

Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society, New Orleans, 2020

*Brain Awareness Week, Lake Forest College, 2019

“Causal Superseding with Action”

*Graduate Seminar on Counterfactuals, Cornell, 2020

*Causality in Cognition Lab, Stanford, 2020

*Eastern APA, Philadelphia, 2020

*Experimental Philosophy and Normativity, Australian National University, 2019

“A Counterfactual Explanation for the Omission Effect”

Department of Philosophy Lunch Talk Series, Notre Dame, 2018
Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Michigan, 2018

“Denorming Omissive Causation”

Notre Dame Metaphysics Reading Group, Notre Dame, 2018
Causal Reasoning Workshop, Duke University, 2018
Cognitive Science and Human Robot Review, Arlington Virginia, 2018
Models and Simulations 8, University of South Carolina, 2018

“I’m Not the Person I Used to Be”

Kenan Ethics Lunch Talk Series, Duke University, 2017
Moral Psychology Research Group, Duke University, 2017

“An Empirical Refutation of Ought Implies Can”

Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Texas, Austin, 2016

“Cause by Omission and Norm”

*Department of Philosophy, Lake Forest College, 2016
GSU Student Philosophy Conference, Georgia State University, 2013
The Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference, University of Utah, 2013

SELECTED COMMENTS

Tim Aylsworth’s “Consequentializing Group Membership: A Reply to Causal Impotence”

Central APA, Chicago, 2020

Jonathan Payton’s “Proportionality and Omissions Reconsidered”

Central APA, Chicago, 2018

Edouard Machery’s “On Second Thought”

*Experimental Philosophy Conference, Sedona, 2016

Aaron Segal’s “Measure is Puzzling”

Pacific APA, Vancouver, 2015

Kurt Blankschaen’s “Davidson and the Truth about Fiction”

Southwest Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Tempe, 2013

Joey Miller’s “Why Ought I be Rational”

Southwest Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Tempe, 2012

TEACHING

Primary Instructor at Lake Forest College

Experimental Philosophy (Fall 2019, Spring 2021)

Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2019, Spring 2021, Spring 2022)

Logic (Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Fall 2021)

Neurophilosophy (Spring 2020)

My Brain Made Me Do It (Fall 2020)
Philosophy of Mind (Fall 2021)
Neuroethics (Spring 2022)

Primary Instructor at Duke

Logic (Summer 2016, Fall 2016, Summer 2017, Summer 2017)
Reason and Argument (Fall 2015)

Teaching Assistant at Duke

Neuroethics (Spring 2016, Spring 2017)
Problems in Ethical Theory (Spring 2015)
Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2014)

Teaching Assistant at Arizona State University

Applied Ethics (Fall 2012)
Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2013)

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Wireless Philosophy (\$250,000)

National Endowment for the Humanities, 2019–2021
Role: Co-Investigator

Counterfactual Thinking and Omissive Causation (\$555,560)

Office of Naval Research, 2017–21
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Felipe De Brigard)

Wireless Philosophy (\$4,000)

Duke Digital Humanities Initiative Grant, 2017
Role: Co-Investigator

Kenan Ethics Fellowship (\$3,000)

For 2016–17

Wireless Philosophy (\$5,000)

APA Small Grant, 2014
Role: Co-Investigator

AWARDS AND HONORS

William James Prize Honorable Mention

Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2018

Best Graduate Paper

Georgia State University Student Philosophy Symposium, 2013

Phi Beta Kappa

Lake Forest College, 2011

McPherson Philosophy Award
Lake Forest College, 2011

Magna Cum Laude
Lake Forest College, 2011

SERVICE TO DISCIPLINE

Associate Director, Contributor, and School Liaison for [Wireless Philosophy](#)

Elected Member of APA Board of Public Philosophy (2016–9)

Coordinator for 2013 ASU Philosophy Graduate Conference

Reviewer for:

Analysis, Cognition, Cognitive Science, CogSci 2019, CogSci 2020, Erkenntnis, Journal of Experimental Psychology: General, Minds and Machines, Nature Human Behavior, Oxford Studies in Experimental Philosophy, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Psychology, Philosophical Studies, Philosophia, Philosophy of Science, PLOS ONE, Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology, The Review of Philosophy and Psychology, SPP 2019, SPP 2020, Synthese, [and more](#)

SERVICE TO INSTITUTION

Ethics Center Advisory Committee
Lake Forest College, 2021–

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
Lake Forest College, 2021–

Coordinator for Department Talks
Lake Forest College, 2019–2021

Philosophy Club Advisor
Lake Forest College, 2019–2021

Department Review Committee for Philosophy
Lake Forest College, 2020–

Transfer Student Advisor for Philosophy
Lake Forest College, 2020–

Philosophy Undergraduate Mentor Program
Duke University, 2017–18

Coordinator for Graduate WIP Talks
Duke University, 2014–18

Instructor at Winter Forum
Duke University, 2015

LAB AFFILIATIONS

Reasons and Decisions Lab
Lake Forest College
Principal Investigator: Paul Henne

Imagination and Modal Cognition Lab
Duke University
Principal Investigator: Felipe De Brigard

Moral Attitudes and Decision-Making Lab
Duke University
Principal Investigators: Walter Sinnott-Armstrong & Jana Schaich Borg

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Plays drums, guitar, bass, piano
Statistics for Psychology, Excel, R
Juggles

REFERENCES

Sara Bernstein

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University of Notre Dame
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Felipe De Brigard

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