

Dr Sean Enda Power

Experience and Education

Academic Experience

1/9/2017- Current. Research Affiliate. University College Cork.

1/9/2016 – 31/8/2017. Lecturer. Philosophy. Trinity College Dublin

- Lecturer and course designer for several undergraduate modules: **Philosophy of Time, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Language**
- Assessment marking; student advisor
- General academic administration

1/6/2016 – 31/7/2016. Visiting Fellow in School of Philosophical and Historical Inquiry. Centre for Time, University of Sydney.

- Research into the philosophy of time, consciousness and science, including collaborations with cognitive scientists and other philosophers.
- Teaching and assessing a postgraduate course on: **Philosophy of Time, Philosophy of Mind**

16/8/2015 – 28/8/2016. Lecturer. Philosophy. University College Cork

- Lecturer and course designer for several undergraduate modules: **Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Action, Political Philosophy**
- Lecturer for uncredited postgraduate module: **Philosophy of Language**
- Assessment marking; student advisor for PhD and undergraduate student projects
- General academic administration

1/9/2014 – 15/8/2015. Postdoctoral Affiliate. Philosophy. University College Cork.

1/9/2013 – 31/8/2014. Lecturer. Philosophy. University College Cork

- Lecturer and course designer: **Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics, Epistemology**
- Assessment marking; student advisor
- General academic administration

1/10/2012 – 31/8/2013. Postdoctoral Affiliate. Philosophy. UCC.

- During this period of time, I sought employment, wrote and researched a large part of my first monograph, and pursued other avenues for income.

1/10/2010 – 30/9/2012. Irish Research Council (IRC) Postdoctoral Research Fellow

- Principal Investigator on project entitled 'Time and Illusion'
- Paper writing and conference presentations
- Lecturer and course designer for course on **Philosophy of Mind, Phenomenology**

15/9/2005 – 31/5/2009. Tutor. Philosophy. University of Leeds, UK.

- Teaching Assistant: **Philosophy of Art, Philosophy of Religion** (and first year: **Ethics, Logic, History of Philosophy**)

Academic Education

PhD. Philosophy. 1/9/2005-31/8/2009. University of Leeds. 'The Metaphysics of Temporal Experience'

Subjects: Metaphysics (in particular, metaphysics of time); philosophy of mind (in particular, perception and consciousness); philosophy of science (in particular, physics)

- Supervisor: Professor Robin Le Poidevin

- Examiners: Professor Helen Steward (internal); Dr Christoph Hoerl (external, Warwick)

MA. Philosophy. 1/10/2003-30/9/2004. University College Cork (UCC), Ireland.

- Title: 'McTaggart's Paradox and the Problem of Temporary Intrinsic'

BA. Philosophy & English. 1/10/1994-30/09/1997. UCC

Non-Academic Experience and Education

Current. Technical Writer. Technically Write IT, Cork, Ireland. Held to support academic research (e.g., second monograph; forthcoming Palgrave anthology; proposal preparation for third book).

1/10/2014 – 10/8/2015. Technical Writer. Technically Write IT, Cork. Held for financial reasons while I pursue research (e.g., my second monograph) and further Academic positions.

1/4/2013 – 16/8/2013. Training and Development Diploma. Irish Institute of Training and Development. Taken to develop teaching skills.

15/3/2006 – 30/6/2009. University Library Enquiries. University of Leeds, United Kingdom. Held during PhD studies.

1/11/2004-30/4/2005. Technical Support. Morgan Stanley helpdesk, Siemens Centre, Cork, Ireland. Held between studies.

1/1/2001 – 31/1/2003. Technical Consultant. Ariba Incorporated. Hoofddorp, The Netherlands. Held before deciding to return to Academia.

1/4/2000 – 31/12/2000. Web Developer. *NetInvest*, Cambridge, UK. Held before deciding to return to Academia.

1/10/1999 – 31/1/2000. Diploma in Web Development, Ireland. Cork Computer Centre.

20/10/1997 – 30/9/1999. Telemarketer. ORC International, London, UK.

Publications

Books

2018. *Philosophy of Time and Perceptual Experience* (Routledge)

Forthcoming (2019). *A Contemporary Introduction to the Philosophy of Time* (Routledge)

Peer-reviewed journal articles and chapters (7)

2016. 'Relative and Absolute Presence', in Book: *The Philosophy and Psychology of Time: Continuity, Presence and the Timing of Experience*, eds. Mölder, B., Arstila, V. & Øhrstrøm, P., Springer

2015. 'The Psychophysics of Order and Anisotropy: Comment on Riemer', *Consciousness & Cognition*, 38, 198-204

2014. 'Perceiving Multiple Locations in Time: A Phenomenological Defence of Tenseless Theory', *Topoi*, 34 (1), pp. 249-255 (DOI: 10.1007/s11245-014-9253-8)

- 2013.** 'Perceiving External Things and the Time-Lag Argument', *European Journal of Philosophy*, 21 (1), pp. 94-117 (DOI: 10.1111/j.1468-0378.2010.00436.x)
- 2012.** The Metaphysics of 'the Specious Present', *Erkenntnis*, 77 (1), pp. 121-132 (DOI: 10.1007/s10670-011-9287-x)
- 2011.** 'Temporal Illusions – Philosophical Considerations', in Book: *Multidisciplinary Aspects of Time and Time Perception*, Springer, pp 11-35, eds. Vatakis, A, Esposito, A, Giagkou, M., Cummins, F., Papadelis, G. (DOI: 10.1007/978-3-642-21478-3_2)
- 2010.** 'Complex Experience, Relativity and Abandoning Simultaneity', *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 17 (3-4), pp. 231-256

Non-peer reviewed papers (including invited papers)

- 2019.** 'Against Illusions of Duration'. *The Illusions of Time: Philosophical and Psychological Essays on Timing and Time Perception*, eds. Arstila, V., Bardón, A., Power, S., Vatakis, A.
- 2017.** 'Introduction' to special themed issue on 'Time Consciousness'. *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 24 (3-4)
- 2009.** Invited paper. 'A Philosophical Introduction to the Experience of Time', *NeuroQuantology Online*. See my website: <https://timeandillusion.files.wordpress.com/2013/08/philintro.pdf>

Academic Presentations (selection)

Note: Other than #17 (April 2013), these are all invited presentations

- December 2018.** 'What Should Cognitive Scientists Care About in the Philosophy of Time?' *Temporal Experience: Perspectives from Philosophy and Psychology*. Department of Philosophy, University of Leeds
- February 2018.** 'Philosophy of Time Perception'. Expert contributor, week 10, Psychology of Perception (undergrad psychology module), Psychology, National University of Ireland, Galway
- July 2017.** 'Neural Representation and the Philosophy of Time'. NeuroSpin Institute, Paris, France
- July 2017.** 'Temporal Constitution, Temporal Content, and Time's Structuring of Perceptual Experience'. Weekly seminar series. Institute Jean Nicod, Paris, France
- June 2017.** 'Illusions in Time'. *Conference of the International Association for the Philosophy of Time*. Gargnano, Italy
- March 2017.** 'Design in Philosophy'. Guest lecturer for TCD Department of Engineering's design module
- October 2016.** 'Perceiving Distant and Present Things in Time'. *Time in Perception and Awareness* workshop, as part of the 'Thought and Sense' Project, University of Oslo, Norway
- April 2016.** 'Illusions of Duration', *American Philosophical Association: Pacific Division*, San Francisco
- February 2016.** 'Illusions of Motion'. *Irish Philosophical Club*. Ireland
- November 2015.** 'The Experience of Time', guest speaker for UCD MA module in metaphysics. University College Dublin (UCD), Ireland
- July 2015.** 'Is Time in Performance a Distortion of Time in Everyday Life?' *Performance Time - Everyday Time*. Interdisciplinary Workshop, University of Freiburg, Germany
- June 2015.** 'Arguments against Illusions of Duration', *Towards a Science of Consciousness (TSC)*. Interdisciplinary Conference, University of Helsinki, Finland

March 2015. 'Time and Death'. Guest speaker for MSc in End-of-Life Healthcare Ethics, UCC

January 2014. 'Perceiving Multiple Locations in Time'. *Philosophy Colloquium*, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

October 2013. 'Imagination and Illusion', Symposium on Imagination, UCC

August 2013. Two talks: 'Relative and Absolute Presence'; 'The Metaphysics of Time and Change'. *The Philosophy and Psychology of Time: Continuity, Presence and the Timing of Experience*. Interdisciplinary Workshop, University of Turku, Finland

April 2013. (Abstract accepted; unable to attend for personal reasons). 'The Temporal Structure of Neural Representation'. *The Difference that Makes a Difference*. Interdisciplinary Workshop on Information: Space, Time and Identity, The Open University, United Kingdom

November 2011. 'The Real Temporal Structure of Experience', *Time and The Conscious Brain*, Cognitive Science & Philosophy Conference, Institute of Advanced Studies, Delmenhorst, Germany

May 2011. 'The Metaphysics of the 'Specious Present'', *Time and Experience*, Workshop, University of Turku

March 2011. 'Temporal Illusions – Some Philosophical Considerations', *Joint Departmental Seminar Series*. Centre for the Study of Perceptual Experience, University of Glasgow, UK

February 2011. 'The Metaphysics of Time', *Interdisciplinary Winter School*. Department of Communication and Psychology, University of Aalborg, Denmark

May 2008. 'Special Relativity and Brain States', *Time and Consciousness* graduate conference. University of Birmingham, UK

Academic Service

Awards

Note: Many of my awards are from the Irish Research Council (IRC), the Irish equivalent of the British AHRC.

January 2017. Irish Research Council 'New Horizons' Interdisciplinary Collaboration Award

June 2016. Visiting Fellowship at the Sydney Centre for the Foundations of Science

December 2011. Irish Research Council 'New Ideas' Award

October 2010. Irish Research Council Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (for 2010 - 2012)

September 2009. Jacobsen Bursary (not taken up, as I finished my studies soon after)

February 2007. PhD funding. Department of Philosophy. University of Leeds

Other

2012. Conference Funding and Organisation. 'Measuring Time'. Interdisciplinary conference (philosophy, neuroscience, art, literature, economics, history). UCC. Funded by *Irish Research Council 'New Ideas'* award

2019 (Forthcoming, Palgrave). Editor (with Valterri Arstila, Adrian Bardon, and Argiro Vatakis). 'The Illusions of Time: Philosophical and Psychological Essays on Timing and Time Perception'

2017. Guest Editor. *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 'Time and Consciousness', 24 (3-4)

2016. Member. CACSSS Community Engagement Committee, UCC.

2010–Current. Invited Referee:

- *Journals* - American Philosophical Quarterly, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Consciousness & Cognition, Erkenntnis (multiple times), European Journal of Philosophy of Science (multiple times), Journal of Consciousness Studies (multiple times), Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophia (multiple times), Philosophical Quarterly, Topoi
- *Book Publishers* - Palgrave, Springer

Professional Membership:

- The Philosophy of Time Society (<http://www.philtimesociety.com/>) and the Centre for Time (<http://www.centreforphilosophyoftime.it/cpt/>)
- TIMELY, interdisciplinary research network on time-perception (predominantly cognitive science and philosophy)
- Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness (ASSC, voting member)
- Irish Philosophical Circle

Community Engagement

Writing, public presentations, and collaborations outside academia

October 2018. ‘Multiple persons and split brains’. Public presentation for *Hackcircus*, Sheffield

September 2017. ‘I Remember It Well’: Understanding History and False Memory’. Culture Night annual series. Public Talk, Dungarvan Library, Waterford, Ireland

July 2017. ‘Time Travel in *Primer*’. Guest expert talk. ‘*Dark Skies* science film season, Science Gallery/Irish Film Institute’s collaborative event

April 2017. ‘Belief, Trust & Knowledge’. Site Gallery’s Public Talk Series. Site Gallery, Sheffield, United Kingdom

April 2017. ‘Should We Forget?’ Blackrock Library, Dublin

December 2016 & March 2017. Public talks. Philosophy Department, Trinity College Dublin. Part of the public lecture series presented by the department

- ‘Is Time Travel Possible?’ (March 2017)
- ‘Great 20th-21st Century Philosophers: David Chalmers’ (December 2016)

March 2017. ‘Is Living in the Present A Good Idea?’ Interview for Unthinkable column, Irish Times

2014 - 2016. Philosophically-themed invited articles for *Hack Circus* (quarterly magazine on art, technology, and science, see www.hackcircus.com), including articles on (a) the concept of conventional time, (b) the metaphysics of personal identity, (c) free will, chance, and determinism, (d) the relativity of spatial direction, (d) distinguishing between alien intelligence and non-intelligence

February 2016. Public presentation. ‘3 Nights Recurring’. Trinity College, Dublin. With artist Grace Weir (www.graceweir.com) and TCD physicist Shane Bergin

December 2015. Public talk. ‘Time in the Future’. Talbot Gallery, Dublin. With artist Sinead MacDonald

November 2014. Public talk. ‘Changing the Past’. Draiocht Art Centre. Invited opening night talk for artist Sinead MacDonald’s exhibition

July 2012. Public talk. ‘Making Time’. *Artists’ Talk*, IMMA. With Grace Weir