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Born: August 17, 1969 in Syracuse, NY	Citizenship: United States
Family: Married to Tina Eliassi-Rad (since 1994), no children.	<i>h</i> -index: 25   Erdös #: 4
Education	
University of Wisconsin-Madison  PhD., Philosophy  University of Wisconsin-Madison  M.A., Philosophy  University of Wisconsin-Madison  B.S., Mathematics & Physics	1992-2001 1992-1997 1988-1992
Academic Positions	
Department of Philosophy & Religion, Northeastern University  *Distinguished Professor  Department of Philosophy, Rutgers University  *Professor	2016- 2013-2016
- Also: Executive Committee, Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science (R	uCCS).
Institute for Logic, Language and Computation, University of Amsterd  *Visiting Professor (summer)	l <b>am</b> 2014-2016
Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, LMU Munich  Visiting Professor (summer)	2011-2016
Department of Philosophy, Rutgers University  *Associate Professor	2010-2013
<ul> <li>Department of Philosophy, University of California-Berkeley</li> <li>Associate Professor (tenure granted 2007)</li> <li>Also: Group in Logic &amp; The Methodology of Science, and Cognitive Science Core Faculty.</li> </ul>	2007-2010
Department of Philosophy, University of California-Berkeley  **Assistant Professor*	2003-2007
Department of Philosophy, San José State University  **Assistant Professor*	2002-2003
Department of Philosophy, Stanford University  *Acting Assistant Professor	2001-2002

# **Areas of Interest**

• Epistemology (formal and traditional), Logic (formal, philosophical, computational, and cognitive aspects thereof), Philosophy of Science, Decision Theory, Computing & Philosophy, and Metaphysics

## **Honors and Awards**

- Fellow, Center for Advanced Studies (CAS), Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, 2011 & 2012.
- Mellon Research Grant, University of California-Berkeley, 2007-2011
- Humanities Research Fellowship, University of California-Berkeley, 2005-2006
- Junior Faculty Research Grant, University of California-Berkeley, 2004-2005
- Best Essay by a Graduate Student: Philosophy of Science Association Contest (2000)
- Philosophy of Science Association/NSF Travel Grant (for *PSA 2000*), October 2000
- Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation Fellowship (UW-Madison), Fall 1998
- Philosophy of Science Association/NSF Travel Grant (for PSA '98), October 1998
- The Oliver Prize (for best essay by a graduate student @ UW-Madison), May 1998

### **Selected Publications**

## Forthcoming:

- 69. Coherence (book manuscript in progress).
- 68. *Knowledge, Scepticism, and Defeat: Themes from Klein*, Rodrigo Borges, Branden Fitelson & Cherie Braden (*eds.*), Springer, to appear.
- 67. "Measures of Evidential Support," to appear in the *Routledge Companion to Evidence*, Maria Lasonen-Aarnio & Trent Dougherty (*eds.*), Routledge.

#### 2018:

- 66. "Two Approaches to Belief Revision" (with Ted Shear), Erkenntnis.
- 65. "Closure, Counter-Closure, and Inferential Knowledge" in *Explaining Knowledge: New Essays on the Gettier Problem*, C. de Almeida, R. Borges and P. Klein *eds.*, Oxford University Press.

### 2017:

- 64. "Confirmation, Causation, and Simpson's Paradox," Episteme.
- 63. "The Philosophical Significance of Stein's Paradox," (with Olav Vassend and Elliott Sober), *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*.

## 2016:

62. "Solutions to Some Open Problems from Slaney," Australasian Journal of Logic.

### 2015:

- 61. "A New Garber-Style Solution to the Problem of Old Evidence" (with Stephan Hartmann), *Philosophy of Science*.
- 60. "The Strongest Possible Lewisian Triviality Result", *Thought*.
- 59. "Accuracy, Coherence, and Evidence" (with Kenny Easwaran), *Oxford Studies in Epistemology* (Volume 5), T. Szabo Gendler and J. Hawthorne (*eds.*) Oxford University Press.
- 58. "Remarks on 'Random Sequences" (with Dan Osherson), Australasian Journal of Logic.

- 57. "A Proposal for Decreasing Geographical Inequality in College Admissions" (with Tina Eliassi-Rad and Danielle Allen), Chapter 12 (Appendix) in *The Future of Affirmative Action*, J. Renker and J. Miller (*eds.*), The Century Foundation Press.
- 56. "Individual Coherence and Group Coherence" (with Rachael Briggs, Fabrizio Cariani and Kenny Easwaran), *Essays in Collective Epistemology*, J. Lackey (*ed.*), Oxford University Press.
- 55. "Declarations of Independence" (with Alan Hájek), Synthese.

### 2013:

54. "Gibbard's Collapse Theorem for the Indicative Conditional: An Axiomatic Approach", in *Automated Reasoning and Mathematics: Essays in Memory of William McCune*, M.P. Bonacina and M.E. Stickel (eds.), *Lecture Notes in Computer Science* (LNAI Festschrift series), Springer.

### 2012:

- 53. "Contrastive Bayesianism," in *Contrastivism in Philosophy*, M.J. Blaauw (ed.), Routledge.
- 52. "An 'Evidentialist' Worry About Joyce's Argument for Probabilism" (with Kenny Easwaran), *Dialectica*, September 2012.
- 51. "Updating: Learning versus supposing" (with Jiaying Zhao, Vincenzo Crupi, Katya Tentori, and Dan Osherson), *Cognition*, September 2012.
- 50. "Accuracy, Language Dependence, and Joyce's Argument for Probabilism" *Philosophy of Science*, January 2012.
- 49. "Evidence of Evidence is not (necessarily) Evidence", *Analysis*, January 2012.

### 2011:

- 48. "Favoring, Likelihoodism, and Bayesianism", Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Nov. 2011.
- 47. "Probabilistic Measures of Causal Strength" (with Christopher Hitchcock), *Causality in the Sciences*, P. Illari, F. Russo and J. Williamson (*eds.*), Oxford University Press, March 2011.

### 2010:

- 46. "The Wason Task(s) and the Paradox of Confirmation" (with Jim Hawthorne), *Philosophical Perspectives*, Vol. 24 (Epistemology), J. Hawthorne and J. Turner, *eds.*, December 2010.
- 45. "Strengthening the Case for *Knowledge from Falsehood*", *Analysis*, October 2010.
- 44. "How Bayesian confirmation theory handles the Paradox of the Ravens" (with Jim Hawthorne), in *The Place of Probability in Science*, E. Eells & J. Fetzer (*eds.*), *Boston Studies in the Phil. of Science*, v. 284.

### 2009:

- 43. "Pollock on Probability in Epistemology", *Philosophical Studies* book symposium for John Pollock's book *Thinking About Acting* (OUP, 2006).
- 42. "What is the 'Equal Weight View'?" (with David Jehle), *Episteme* [6(3), 280–293] special issue on disagreement, edited by David Christensen.

- 41. "Bayesians Sometimes Cannot Ignore even Very Implausible Theories (even ones that have not yet been thought of)" (with Neil Thomason), *Australasian Journal of Logic* (2008) **6**: 25–36.
- 40. "A Decision Procedure for Probability Calculus with Applications", *Review of Symbolic Logic* (2008) **1**: 11–125.
- 39. "Goodman's 'New Riddle'", Journal of Philosophical Logic (2008) 37: 613-643.
- 38. "Probability, Confirmation, and the 'Conjunction Fallacy'" (with V. Crupi and K. Tentori), *Thinking and Reasoning* (2008) **14**: 182–199.

#### 2007:

- 37. "Logical Foundations of Evidential Support", *Philosophy of Science* **73**: 500–512.
- 36. "Steps Toward a Computational Metaphysics" (with Ed Zalta), *Journal of Philosophical Logic* (2007) **36**: 227–247.
- 35. "Likelihoodism, Bayesianism, and Relational Confirmation", Synthese (2007) 156: 473-489.
- 34. "Relational Confirmation and the Quine–Duhem Problem: A Rejoinder to Strevens" (with A. Waterman), *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* (2007) **58**: 333–338.

#### 2006:

33. "The Paradox of Confirmation," *Philosophy Compass* (online), Blackwell, B. Weatherson (*ed.*), URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/j.1747-9991.2005.00011.x.

## 2005:

- 32. "Bayesianism and Auxiliary Hypotheses Revisited: A Reply to Strevens" (with A. Waterman), *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* **56**: 293–302.
- 31. Review of *Subjective Probability: The Real Thing*, by Richard Jeffrey (CUP), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (online), October 2005, URL: <a href="http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=4401">http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=4401</a>.
- 30. "Probability," (with A. Hájek and N. Hall) *Philosophy of Science: An Encyclopedia*, Routledge, J. Pfeifer & S. Sarkar (*eds.*), Routledge, 2005.
- 29. "Inductive Logic," Philosophy of Science: An Encyclopedia, J. Pfeifer & S. Sarkar eds., Routledge, 2005.
- 28. Review of *Bayesian Epistemology* (Oxford University Press) by L. Bovens and S. Hartmann, *Mind* **114**: 394–400.

# 2004:

27. "Re-Solving Irrelevant Conjunction with Probabilistic Independence" (with J. Hawthorne), *Philosophy of Science*, **71**: 505–514.

### 2003:

- 26. Comments on James Franklin's 'Hidden Priors and Bayesian Heuristics', *Law, Probability, and Risk*, 2: 201–204.
- 25. Review of *Bayes's Theorem*, edited by Richard Swinburne (OUP), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (online), November 2003, URL: http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=1307.

- 24. Review of *An Introduction to Probability and Inductive Logic*, by Ian Hacking (Cambridge University Press), *Bulletin of Symbolic Logic* **9**: 506–508.
- 23. "A Probabilistic Theory of Coherence," Analysis 63: 194-199.
- 22. "Monty Hall, Doomsday, and Confirmation," (with D. Bradley), Analysis 63: 23-31.
- 21. Review of *Interpreting Probability*, by David Howie (Cambridge University Press), *Philosophy of Science* **70**: 643–647.
- 20. Review of *The Foundations of Causal Decision Theory*, by James Joyce (Cambridge University Press), *Mind* **112**: 545–551.

- 19. "Shortest Axiomatizations of Implicational S4 and S5," (with Z. Ernst, K. Harris, and L. Wos), *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, **43**: 169–180.
- 18. "Putting the Irrelevance Back Into the Problem of Irrelevant Conjunction," *Philosophy of Science* **69**: 611–622.
- 17. "Symmetries and Asymmetries in Evidential Support" (with E. Eells) *Philosophical Studies* **107**: 129–142. Reprinted in A. Eagle (*ed.*), *Philosophy of Probability: Contemporary Readings*, Routledge, 2011.
- 16. "Vanquishing the XCB Question: The Methodological Discovery of the Last Shortest Single Axiom for the Equivalential Calculus," (with L. Wos and D. Ulrich), *Journal of Automated Reasoning* **29**: 107-124.
- 15. "Short Single Axioms for Boolean Algebra" (with W. McCune, R. Veroff, K. Harris, A. Feist, L. Wos), *Journal of Automated Reasoning* **29**: 1–16.
- 14. "Too Odd (not) to Be True? A Reply to Erik J. Olsson: 'Corroborating Testimony, Probability and Surprise'," (with L. Bovens, S. Hartmann, and J. Snyder), *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* **53**: 539–563.
- 13. "The Automation of Sound Reasoning and Successful Proof Finding" (with L. Wos) in *The Blackwell Companion to Philosophical Logic*, D. Jacquette, (ed.), Blackwell, 2002.

### 2001:

- 12. "A Bayesian Account of Independent Evidence with Applications" *Philosophy of Science* **68**: S123-40.
- 11. "A Concise Axiomatization of **RM**.." (with Z. Ernst, K. Harris, and L. Wos), *Bulletin of the Section of Logic* (University of Lodz) **30**: 191–194.
- 10. "Finding Missing Proofs with Automated Reasoning," (with L. Wos) Studia Logica 68: 329–356.
- 9. "Distributivity in  $L_{\aleph 0}$  and Other Sentential Logics," (with K. Harris) *Journal of Automated Reasoning* **27**: 141–156.
- 8. "Comments on Some Completeness Theorems of Urquhart and Méndez & Salto," (with K. Harris) *Journal of Philosophical Logic* **30**: 51–55.

## 2000:

7. "Measuring Confirmation and Evidence" (with E. Eells), *Journal of Philosophy* **XCVII**: 663–672.

- 6. "The Plurality of Bayesian Measures of Confirmation and the Problem of Measure Sensitivity," *Philosophy of Science* **66** (Proceedings): S362–78.
- 5. "How Not to Detect Design: A Review of William Dembski's The Design Inference," (with C. Stephens and E. Sober), *Philosophy of Science* **66**: 472–488. Reprinted in R. Pennock (*ed.*), *Intelligent Design Creationism and its Critics*, MIT Press, 2003.

### 1998:

- 4. "Plantinga's Probability Arguments Against Evolutionary Naturalism," (with E. Sober) *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* **79**: 115–129. Reprinted in R. Pennock (*ed.*), *Intelligent Design Creationism and its Critics*, MIT Press, 2003.
- 3. "Using *Mathematica* to Understand the Computer Proof of the Robbins Conjecture," *Mathematica in Education and Research* 7: 17–26.

#### 1997:

2. "'Models and Reality,' Review of Brian Skyrms's *Evolution of the Social Contract*," (with M. Barrett, E. Eells, E. Sober) *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research* **59**: 237–242.

### 1996:

1. "Wayne, Horwich, and Evidential Diversity," *Philosophy of Science* **63**: 652-660.

### **Selected Presentations**

- 70. "Evidence of Evidence: A Higher-Order Perspective" (with Kevin Dorst)
  - The Significance of Higher-Order Evidence, University of Cologne, September, 2018
  - Collogium on Reasoning in Social Context, University of Amsterdam, June 2018
- 69. "p is true, but S ought not believe p"
  - Philosophy Department, Dartmouth College, April 2018
  - DEX VI, UC-Davis, March 2018
  - 3rd Boulder Workshop in Formal Value Theory, CU-Boulder, March 2018
- 68. "Knowledge-Centered Epistemic Utility Theory," (with Julien Dutant)
  - APA Pacific Division (invited symposium), San Diego, March 2018
  - Philosophy Department, Brandeis University, November 2017
  - Central States Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, St. Louis, October 2017
  - European Society for Analytic Philosophy (ECAP9), Munich, August 2017
  - Bled Philosophy Conference, Bled, Slovenia, June 2017
  - From Reasonable Doubt to Undue Scepticism, Birkbeck, May 2017
  - 2nd Biennial Boulder Workshop on Cognitive Values, CU-Boulder, March 2017
- 67. "Special Consequences" (with Stephen Yablo)
  - Philosophy Department, MIT, April 2017
  - Philosophy Department, Notre Dame, April 2017
- 66. "Two Approaches to Doxastic Representation," Eastern APA, Baltimore, January 2017.

- 65. "Confirmation, Causation, and Simpson's Paradox"
  - Causal and Explanatory Reasoning, Venice International University, November, 2017
  - Exploring Scientific Method Workshop, Munich, May 2017
  - Philosophy Department, MIT, October, 2016
  - Episteme Conference, Mpumalanga, South Africa, July 2016
- 64. "When is Evidence of Evidence Evidence?"
  - Philosophy Department, University of Cologne, May 2016.
  - Sawyer Seminar Conference on Expertise and Disagreement, Northwestern, August 2015.
- 63. "Two Approaches to Belief Revision" (with Ted Shear and Jonathan Weisberg)
  - Reasoning Club Conference 2017, Turin, May 2017
  - Philosophy Department, Rutgers University, February, 2017
  - Philosophy Department, University of Pittsburgh, January, 2017
  - Conceptions of Belief in Philosophy & Science, University of Regensburg, October 2016
  - Formal Epistemology Workshop (FEW 2016), Groningen, June 2016
  - Epistemic Utility Theory 2016, Bristol, June 2016
  - Philosophy Department, Kansas State, March, 2016
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Colombian Conference on Logic, Epistemology & Phil. of Science, Bogotá, February, 2016
  - Philosophy Department, Columbia, December, 2015
  - Decision Theory, Epistemology, and the Structure Of Norms, Texas A&M, December, 2015
  - Philosophy Department, Toronto, November, 2015
  - Philosophy Department, MIT, November, 2015
  - 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Logic, Rationality and Interaction (LORI-V), Taipei, October 2015
  - 15<sup>th</sup> Congress on Logic, Methodology & Philosophy of Science (CLMPS), Helsinki, August 2015
  - Logic & Epistemology Workshop, University of Amsterdam (ILLC), May 2015
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Combining Probability and Logic (PROGIC), Kent, April 2015
  - Advanced Logic Seminar, University Of Utah, March 2015
  - Probability Workshop, University of Maryland, March 2015
  - Morris Colloquium on Cognitive Values, CU-Boulder, March 2015
  - Workshop on Full and Partial Belief, University of Tilburg, October 2014
- 62. "Closure, Counter-Closure and Inferential Knowledge"
  - Philosophy Faculty, VU University, Amsterdam, May 2015
  - Ranch Metaphysics Workshop, White Stallion Ranch, Tucson, January 2015
  - Workshop on the Dynamics of Information States, ILLC, University of Amsterdam, June 2014
  - Workshop on Knowledge from non-Knowledge, University of Cambridge, May 2014
- 61. "Two New(ish) Triviality Results for the Indicative Conditional"
  - Computationally Assisted Mathematical Discovery and Experimental Mathematics (ACMES 2016), Western University, London, Ontario, May, 2016
  - Philosophy Department, MIT, April 2016
  - Philosophy Department, University of Maryland, April 2016
  - Philosophy Department, Kansas State, March, 2016
  - Düsseldorf Center for Logic and Philosophy of Science (DCLPS), June 2015
  - Logic & Metaphysics Workshop, CUNY Graduate Center, November 2014

### 60. "Epistemic Utility Theory"

- Philosophy Department, Arizona State, October 2016
- Philosophy Department, CUNY Graduate Center, October 2015
- Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference (keynote), University of Utah, March, 2015
- Philosophy Department, UCSB, January 2015
- Philosophy Department, Northeastern University, November 2014
- Philosophy Department, Rutgers University, November 2014

## 59. "Belief and Credence: The View from Naïve Epistemic Utility Theory"

- Symposium on Accuracy-Based Norms for Rational Belief, Eastern APA, December 2014
- Synthese Conference on Qualitative and Quantitative Methods in Formal Epistemology, University of Amsterdam, November 2014
- Workshop on Full and Partial Belief, University of Tilburg, October 2014
- Bridges 2014 (joint MCMP/NYC workshop), New York City, September 2014

### 58. "Coherence" (book précis)

- Proof, Truth & Computation (Summer School), Frauenchiemsee, July 2014
- Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, LMU, July 2014
- The Institute for Logic, Language and Computation, University of Amsterdam, June 2014
- Faculty of Philosophy, University of Cambridge, May 2014
- Philosophy Department, Duke University, May 2014

## 57. "Individual Coherence and Group Coherence" (with R. Briggs, F. Cariani and K. Easwaran)

- Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan, February 2013
- Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science (RuCCS), February 2013
- Seminar on Social Epistemology (Alvin Goldman), Rutgers, February 2012

## 56. "A General Framework for Grounding Formal Epistemic Coherence Requirements"

- New York Philosophical Logic Group, NYU, November 2012
- Groningen/Munich Summer School: Formal methods in philosophy, Groningen, August 2012

## 55. "Paradoxes of Consistency and (Revising) the Logic of Belief"

- Frontiers of Rationality and Decision, Groningen, August 2012
- Paradox and Logical Revision, Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, LMU, July 2012.

# 54. "Toward an Epistemic Foundation for Comparative Confidence" (with David McCarthy)

- An Informal Formal Epistemology Meeting, UW-Madison, April 2014.
- Philosophy of Probability Seminar, Venice International University, April 2014.
- *Inductive logic and confirmation in science*, University of Kent, Paris campus, October 2013.
- Epistemic Utility Theory 2013, Philosophy Department, University of Bristol, August 2013.
- Decisions, Games & Logic 2012, Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, LMU, July 2012.

## 53. "Accuracy, Coherence and Evidence" (with Kenny Easwaran)

- Philosophy Department, Notre Dame, October, 2014
- Philosophy Department, University of Miami, October, 2014
- Philosophy Department, Yale, April, 2014.

- Philosophy Department, MIT, February, 2014
- The Moral Sciences Club, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Cambridge, October 2013
- Philosophy Department, Syracuse University, September 2013
- Soberfest, UW-Madison, May 2013
- University of Oklahoma Graduate Philosophy Conference (Keynote), Norman, March 2013
- APA Pacific Division (invited symposium), San Francisco, March 2013
- Epistemic Normativity Group, Rutgers University, February 2013
- Seminar on Belief and Degrees of Belief (Kenny Easwaran), USC, December 2012
- Logic and the Foundations of Game and Decision Theory, Sevilla, June 2012
- Epistemology Above the Arctic Circle, Lofoten Islands, May 2012
- The Institute for Logic, Language and Computation, University of Amsterdam, May 2012
- Philosophy Department, UC-Berkeley, April 2012
- Philosophy Department, CMU, April 2012
- Philosophy Department, Johns Hopkins, March 2012
- Philosophy Department, Arizona, March 2012
- Philosophy Department, UCONN, February 2012
- Philosophy Department, CCNY, December 2011
- Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, June 2011
- Philosophy Department, Northwestern University, May 2011.
- 52. "An 'Evidentialist' Worry About Joyce's Argument for Probabilism" (with Kenny Easwaran)
  - XXII Deutscher Kongress für Philosophie, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, September 2011
  - Workshop on Belief and Degrees of Belief, University of Stirling, May 2010
- 51. "Russellian Descriptions & Gibbardian Indicatives: Two Case Studies Involving Automated Reasoning", Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, June 2011.
- 50. "Some Remarks on the Model Selection Problem" (with Justin Sharber), Machine Learning Seminar, Computer Science Department, Rutgers University, April 2011.
- 49. "Favoring, Likelihoodism, and Bayesianism", American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meetings, Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 2011.
- 48. "Evidence of Evidence is Not (necessarily) Evidence", University of Maryland-College Park, Department of Philosophy, March 2011.
- 47. "Knowledge from Non-Knowledge"
  - Knowledge, Understanding and Wisdom Conference, Bled, Slovenia, June 2011
  - Nature of Knowledge Lecture, University of Edinburgh, March 2011
  - Conference in Honor of Richard Feldman ("Feldmania"), UT-San Antonio, February 2011
  - *Epistemic Transmission and Interaction NIP-Copenhagen Formal Epistemology Workshop*, University of Copenhagen, October 2010
- 46. "Language Dependence in Philosophy of Science, Inductive Logic, and Social Choice Theory", presented at DIMACS, Rutgers University, November 2010.
- 45. "The Problem of Irrelevant Conjunction Revisited" (with Jim Hawthorne), *Center for Formal Epistemology Opening Celebration*, Carnegie–Mellon University, June 2010.
- 44. "Partial Belief, Full Belief, and Accuracy–Dominance" (with Kenny Easwaran), *Workshop on Degrees of Belief vs Full Belief*, University of Stirling, May 2010

- 43. "What is the 'Equal Weight View'?" (with David Jehle)
  - University of Konstanz, November 2009
  - 6th Annual Episteme Conference (The Epistemological Significance of Disagreement), Northwestern University, June 2009
- 42. "Is it rational to have faith? Looking for new evidence, Good's Theorem, and Risk Aversion", (with Lara Buchak) invited talk at *Formal Perspectives on the Epistemology of Religion*, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven Belgium, June 2009.
- 41. "Probabilistic Measures of Causal Strength" (with Chris Hitchcock), invited talk at the *Second Annual Formal Epistemology Festival (FEF2*), University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, May 2009.
- 40. "Separability, Advice-Giving, and Scoring-Rule–Based Arguments for Probabilism" (with Lara Buchak), invited talk at *FEF2*, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, May 2009.
- 39. "Logic, Epistemology, and The Old Evidence Problem", Invited Symposium on The Old Evidence Problem, Philosophy of Science Association Meeting (*PSA 2008*), Pittsburgh, November 2008.
- 38. "Goodman's 'Grue' Argument in Historical Perspective"
  - Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, June 2011
  - Indiana University, Department of Philosophy, April 2009
  - Northwestern University, Department of Philosophy, December 2008
  - University of Rochester, Department of Philosophy, December 2008
  - Workshop on History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science (HPSS), Chicago, October 2008
- 37. "The Wason Task(s) and the Paradox of Confirmation" (with Jim Hawthorne)
  - Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, June 2011
  - University of Chicago, Department of Philosophy, May 2011
  - CUNY Graduate Center, Department of Philosophy, May 2011
  - University of Edinburgh, Department of Philosophy, March 2011
  - University of Aberdeen, Northern Institute of Philosophy (NIP), May 2010
  - University of Arizona, Department of Philosophy, April 2010
  - University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Philosophy, March 2010
  - Stanford University, Department of Philosophy, January 2010
  - *43rd Chapel Hill Colloquium in Philosophy*, University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill, Department of Philosophy, October 2009
  - University of California-Berkeley, Working Group in Philosophy of Mind, April 2009
  - Rutgers University, Department of Philosophy, April 2009
  - Group in Logic and the Methodology of Science, University of California-Berkeley, March 2009
  - Indiana University, Department of History and Philosophy of Science, February 2009
  - Caltech, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, October 2008
  - AI Center, SRI International, October 2008
  - Probability, Confirmation and Fallacies, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven Belgium, April 2008
  - Carnegie Mellon University, Department of Philosophy, March 2008.
- 36. "Epistemological Critiques of 'Classical' Logic: Two Case Studies"
  - Invited Symposium at the *Annual Meeting of the British Society for the Philosophy of Science* (*BSPS 2008*), University of St. Andrews, July 2008
  - Jowett Society, Oxford University, June 2008

- Invited Symposium on Formal Epistemology, Central APA, Chicago, April 2008
- University of Southern California, Department of Philosophy, October 2007
- Reasoning about Probabilities & Probabilistic Reasoning, University of Amsterdam, May 2007
- Why Formal Epistemology? Conference, University of Oklahoma, April 2007
- Mind, Language, *Etc.* Seminar (organized by Jim Pryor and Hartry Field), Philosophy Department, New York University, March 2007
- Mathematical Methods in Philosophy Workshop, Banff (BIRS), February 2007
- Logic Colloquium, Group in Logic and the Methodology of Science, University of California-Berkeley, February 2007
- 35. "Argument Diagrams, Bayes Nets, and Independent Evidence,"
  - Studying Evidence in the Law: Formal, Computational and Philosophical Methods Workshop, 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on AI and Law (ICAIL 2015), San Diego, June 2015
  - *Graphic and Visual Representations of Evidence and Inference in Legal Settings* Conference, Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva, January 2007
- 34. "Likelihoods, Counterfactuals, and Truth-Tracking," *Philosophy of Science Association* meetings (*PSA 2006*), Vancouver, November 2006
- 33. Comments on Jill North's "Symmetry and Probability," *Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference* (*BSPC 2006*), Western Washington University, August 2006
- 32. "Comparative Probability, Comparative Confirmation, and the 'Conjunction Fallacy'" (with Vincenzo Crupi and Katya Tentori)
  - University of California-Merced, Cognitive Science Department, February 2009
  - Confirmation, Induction and Science Conference, LSE, March 2007
  - Stanford University, Symbolic Systems Program Forum, January 2007
  - AI Center, SRI International, November 2006
  - *Bayesianism, Fundamentally Workshop*, University of Pittsburgh, Department of History and Philosophy of Science, October 2006
  - Townsend Center Working Group in Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy @ Berkeley, October 2006
  - University of California-San Diego, Philosophy Department, September 2006
  - Conference in honor of Patrick Suppes, Stanford University, May 2006
- 31. "Kim on the Unconfirmability of Disjunctive Laws", *Society for Exact Philosophy (SEP 2006*), University of California–San Diego, May 2006
- 30. "Goodman's 'New Riddle'"
  - Studia Logica International Conference, Torun Poland, September 2006
  - Caltech, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, May 2006
  - Stanford University, Berkeley-Stanford Logic Workshop, May 2006
  - Invited symposium at the APA Central 2006, Chicago, April 2006
- 29. "Confirmation Theory: A Historical Introduction", *Probability Conference*, Australian National University (Philosophy RSSS), March 2006
- 28. "Some Remarks on the 'Intelligent Design' Controversy", *First Annual Missouri Philosophy of Religion Conference*, University of Missouri–Columbia, Department of Philosophy, January 2006.
- 27. "Confirmation Theory as a Branch of Inductive Logic: Some Historical and Philosophical Reflections", invited symposium at the *APA Eastern 2005*, New York, December 2005.

- 26. "Judgment under Uncertainty Revisited: Probability vs Confirmation"
  - Princeton University, Princeton Philosophical Society, April 2011
  - University of Trento, Department of Cognitive Science and Education, May 2006
  - Australian National University, Philosophical Society Colloquium (Philosophy RSSS), March 2006
  - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CASC, February 2006
  - University of Pennsylvania, Institute for Research in Cognitive Science (IRCS), November 2005
- 25. "Old Evidence, Logical Omniscience, and Bayesianism"
  - University of Sydney, Department of Philosophy/Centre of Time, March 2006
  - University of California–Berkeley, Working Group in the History and Philosophy of Logic, Mathematics, and Science (HPLMS), October 2005
  - *Epistemic and Probabilistic Updating Workshop*, Institute for Logic, Language and Computation (ILLC), University of Amsterdam, September 2005
- 24. "Some Automated Reasoning Techniques for Problems in Non-Classical Modal Logics"
  - Computing and Philosophy Conference (CAP 2005 @ OSU), Oregon State University
  - Argonne Workshop on Automated Reasoning and Deduction, Argonne (ANL), August 2005
- 23. Comments on Clark Glymour's "Questions", presented at the *Most Important Unsolved Problems in the Philosophy of Science Conference*, UCSB, February 2005.
- 22. "Relational and Non-Relational Conceptions of Confirmation"
  - Stanford University, Philosophy Department, April 2009
  - Philosophy, Probability, and Modeling Symposium, University of Konstanz, July 2004.
- 21. "Probabilistic Coherence From a Logical Point of View" and "Some Recent Fallacies of Approximation in Bayesian Confirmation Theory", *Bayesian Epistemology Conference*, LSE, June 2004
- 20. "The Paradox of Confirmation"
  - Australian National University (Philosophy RSSS), Probability Conference, March 2006
  - Stanford University, Logical Methods in the Humanities, February 2006
  - University of Missouri-Columbia, Department of Philosophy, January 2006
  - University of Pennsylvania, Department of Philosophy, November 2005
  - University of California-Davis, Department of Philosophy, October 2004
  - University of California-Santa Cruz, Department of Philosophy, September 2004
  - Popper Seminar, Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific
  - Caltech, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, January, 2004
- 19. "Remarks on the Role of 'Base Rates' in Probabilistic Reasoning"
  - University of California-Berkeley, Institute for Cognitive and Brain Sciences (ICBS), October 2003
  - Stanford University, Center for the Study of Language and Information, May 2002
- 18. "A Decision Procedure for the Probability Calculus, with Applications"
  - University of California-Berkeley, Department of Statistics, April 2009
  - Indiana University, Program in Pure and Applied Logic, February 2009
  - University of San Francisco, Computer Science Department, October 2005
  - University of Bristol, Meeting of the Luxemburger Zirkel: Logical Methods in Epistemology, Semantics, and Philosophy of Mathematics, January 2005

- SRI International, AI Center, November 2004
- University of California-Berkeley, Logic Colloquium, November 2004
- Computing & Philosophy Conference (CAP@CMU 2004) CMU, August 2004
- University of Iowa, Computer Science Department, March 2004
- University of California-Irvine, Logic and Philosophy of Science Department (LPS), January 2004
- Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CASC, October 2003
- American Philosophical Association Pacific Division (APA Pacific 2003), March 2003
- Stanford University, Logical Methods in Humanities, March 2003
- 17. "Logical Foundations of Evidential Support"
  - Invited Symposium, Philosophy of Science Association (PSA 2004), Austin, Texas, November 2004
  - University of Iowa, Department of Philosophy, March 2004
  - University of Michigan, Department of Philosophy, February 2004
  - Caltech, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, January, 2004
  - University of Oklahoma, Department of Philosophy, October 2003
  - University of California-Berkeley, Philosophy Department, February 2003
- 16. "Steps Toward Computational Metaphysics," (with Ed Zalta)
  - European Computing & Philosophy Conference (E-CAP 2004), Pavia Italy, June 2004
  - Computing & Philosophy Conference, Oregon State University (CAP@OSU 2003), August 2003
- 15. "Comments on James Franklin's 'Hidden Priors and Bayesian Heuristics", *Inference, Culture, and Ordinary Thinking in Dispute Resolution Conference*, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University, April, 2003. [Published in *Law, Probability, and Risk* item 26 in *Publications*, above.]
- 14. "Some Recent Results in Mathematics and Logic, Obtained via Automated Reasoning"
  - University of California-Berkeley, Group in Logic and the Methodology of Science, March 2003
  - Argonne Workshop on Automated Reasoning and Deduction, Argonne (ANL), July 2002
  - SRI International, AI Center, October 2001
  - Stanford University, Mathematics Department, October 2001
- 13. "Comments on Kenneth Presting's 'Computability and Newcomb's Problem", presented at the *American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meetings (APA Pacific)*, March 2003.
- 12. "Three Lectures on Inductive Logic and Bayesian Confirmation," *Summer School on Philosophy and Probability*, University of Konstanz, September 2002.
- 11. "Some Remarks on the Philosophy of Statistics," Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CASC, August 2002.
- 10. "Rethinking the Problem of Old Evidence":
  - Stanford University, Symbolic Systems Program Forum, April 2002
  - University of Colorado-Boulder, History and Philosophy of Science Colloquium, November, 2001
- 9. "Comments on Tomoji Shogenji's 'The Problem of Independence in Justification by Coherence'," *APA Pacific Division meetings*, March 2002.
- 8. "Some Recent Uses and Misuses of Probability in Philosophy," Caltech, *Science, Ethics & Public Policy Seminar*, January 2002.

- 7. "Studies in Bayesian Confirmation Theory"
  - University of California-Santa Barbara, Philosophy Department, January 2003
  - University of California–Berkeley, Working Group in the History and Philosophy of Logic, Mathematics, and Science (HPLMS), October 2002
  - Yale University, Philosophy Department, January 2001
  - Georgetown University, Philosophy Department, January 2001
- 6. "Putting the Irrelevance Back into the Problem of Irrelevant Conjunction," *History and Philosophy of Science Colloquium*, University of Colorado, Boulder, November, 2001.
- 5. "A Bayesian Account of Independent Evidence with Applications," *Philosophy of Science Association Meetings (PSA 2000)* in Vancouver, British Columbia, November 2000.
- 4. "The Plurality of Bayesian Measures of Confirmation and the Problem of Measure Sensitivity," Philosophy of Science Association Meeting (PSA '98) in Kansas City, Missouri, October 1998.
- 3. "Comments on Patrick Maher's 'Inductive Logic and the Ravens Paradox'," *American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings*, Chicago, May 1998.
- 2. "Plantinga's Probability Arguments Against Evolutionary Naturalism," (with Elliott Sober) *Naturalism, Theism, and the Scientific Enterprise Conference (NTSE)*, Austin, Texas, February 1997.
- 1. "Using *Mathematica* to Understand the Computer Proof of the Robbins Conjecture," *Mathematica Developer Conference*, Champaign, Illinois, October 1997.

## **Selected Courses Taught**

#### Northeastern:

- Science & Pseudoscience (Spring 2018)
- Advanced Logic (Spring 2017)
- Introduction to Logic (Spring 2016, 2017, 2018)

### MIT:

• Seminar on Non-Cognitivism (with Jack Spencer, Fall 2016)

## Institute for Logic, Language and Computation, University of Amsterdam:

• Seminar on Formal Epistemic Coherence Requirements (June 2014)

## Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München:

• Seminar on Formal Epistemic Coherence Requirements (July 2012)

# **Rutgers**:

- Graduate Seminar on Current Topics in Epistemology (Fall 2014)
- Fundamentals of Bayesian Epistemology (Fall 2014)
- Graduate Proseminar (with Susanna Schellenberg, Fall 2012; and, with Frankie Egan, Fall 2015)
- Introductory Symbolic Logic (Fall 2012 and Fall 2015)
- Graduate Seminar on Formal Epistemology (Fall 2011)
- Introduction to Formal Reasoning (Fall 2011)
- Graduate Seminar on Causation, Counterfactuals, and Scientific Explanation (Spring 2011)
- Logic, Reason & Persuasion (Spring 2011)

### Berkeley:

- Graduate Epistemology Seminars (Spring 2010, Spring, 2009, Fall 2007, Fall 2006)
- Philosophical Logic (Fall 2008)
- Theory of Knowledge (Spring 2007)
- Introductory Symbolic Logic (4 semesters)
- Probability and Induction (3 semesters)
- Metalogic (2 semesters)
- Graduate Seminar on Conditionals (Fall 2004)
- Graduate Seminar on Scientific Explanation and Scientific Realism (Spring 2004)
- Metaphysics (Fall 2003)

## **Dissertation Supervision/Committees**

- Inside Member, David Black (Dept. of Philosophy, Rutgers), "Essays on Epistemic Responsibility" (expected 2018).
- Inside Member, Daniel Rubio (Dept. of Philosophy, Rutgers), "Essays on Modal Logic & Modal Metaphysics" (expected 2018).
- Chair, Will Fleisher (Dept. of Philosophy, Rutgers), "Endorsement and Inquiry" (expected 2018).
- Outside Member, Nevin Climenhaga (Dept. of Philosophy, Notre Dame), "Knowledge and Rationality: A Defense of Infallibilist Epistemology" (Spring 2017).
- Chair, Ted Shear (Dept. of Philosophy, UC-Davis), "Belief Revision Beyond AGM" (Fall 2017). Currently on a 2-year postdoc at the University of Queensland (starting Spring 2017).
- Outside Member, Mostafa Mohajeri (IPM, School of Analytic Philosophy, Tehran, Iran), "Newcomb Problems: Decision Problems or Pseudo-Decision Problems" (Spring 2016).
- Outside Member, Kit Patrick (Dept. of Philosophy, Univ. of Bristol), "Epistemic Virtues" (Spring 2015).
- Chair, Justin Sharber (Dept. of Philosophy, Rutgers), "The Predictive Focus Account of the Principle Of Simplicity" (Fall 2014).
- Chair, Ben Levinstein (Dept. of Philosophy, Rutgers), "Accuracy as Epistemic Utility" (Spring 2013). Currently Assistant Professor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Inside Member, Fabrizio Cariani (Group in Logic and the Methodology of Science, UC-Berkeley), "Rethinking the Semantics of 'Ought' and the Unity of Modal Discourse" (Spring 2009). Currently Associate Professor of Philosophy at Northwestern University.
- Chair, Galen Huntington (Group in Logic and the Methodology of Science, UC-Berkeley), "Toward an Efficient Decision Procedure for the Existential Theory of the Reals" (Fall 2008).
- Chair, Kenny Easwaran (Group in Logic and the Methodology of Science, UC-Berkeley), "The Foundations of Conditional Probability" (Spring 2008). Currently Associate Professor of Philosophy at Texas A&M University.
- Chair, Michael Titelbaum (Department of Philosophy, UC-Berkeley), "Quitting Certainties: A Doxastic Modeling Framework" (Spring 2008). Currently Associate Professor of Philosophy at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- Outside Member, Darren Bradley (Philosophy Department, Stanford University), "Bayesianism and Self-Locating Beliefs or Tom Bayes Meets John Perry" (Spring 2007). Currently Senior Lecturer in Theoretical Philosophy at the University of Leeds.

## **Selected Professional Service**

- Member of the Editorial Board of Mind, 2015-
- Member of the Editorial Board of Semantics & Pragmatics, 2015-
- Co-Editor, Journal of Philosophical Logic (2011-2013)
- Associate Editor, EPISTEME (2011-2013)
- Subject Editor, Formal Epistemology, Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (2007-2013)
- Member of the Editorial Board of *Journal of Philosophical Logic* (2008–2011)
- Member of the Editorial Board of Studia Logica (2005–2010)
- Editor of two special issues on Formal Epistemology for *Studia Logica* (2005–2007)
- Co-Editor of a special issue on Confirmation & Reasoning Fallacies for *Synthese* (2008–2009)
- Editor of a special issue on Formal Epistemology for the *Journal of Philosophical Logic* (2009–2010)
- Co-Editor of a special issue on Formal Epistemology for *Erkenntnis* (2012–2013)
- Co-Editor of Themes From Klein (a Festschrift for Peter Klein), Springer, to appear in 2018
- Co-Organizer of the PIKSI-Logic Summer School, Northeastern University, July 2018
- Co-Organizer of the Bochum Epistemology Seminar, Ruhr University, June 2018
- Co-Organizer of the annual Formal Epistemology Workshops (FEW 2004-FEW 2013)
- Co-Organizer of Bayesianism, Fundamentally conference, Pitt/HPS, October 2006
- Co-Organizer of Confirmation, Induction and Science conference, LSE, March 2007
- Co-Organizer of *North American Computing & Philosophy (NA-CAP)* Conferences (2005–2009)
- Member of the Program Committee for the European Congress for Analytic Philosophy (ECAP9) (2017)
- Member of the Program Committee for Formal Epistemology Meets Experimental Philosophy (2011)
- Member of the Program Committee for the Pacific Division APA Meetings (2005–2009)
- Member of the Program Committee for PSA 2006 & 2010 (Philosophy of Science Association)
- Member of the Program Committee for EPSA 2009 (European Philosophy of Science Association)
- Member of the APA Committee on Philosophy and Computers (2005–2010)
- Member of the PIKSI-Boston Board (2016-)