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Ph.D. in Philosophy, August 2020 M.A. in Philosophy, May 2017

Lewis and Clark College, Portland, OR

B.A., magna cum laude, Philosophy, December 2014

DISSERTATION
ABSTRACT

The Algebraic Structure of Propositions Booleanism is the thesis that logically equivalent propositions are identical. While this theory has received widespread acceptance throughout the 20th century, usually in the form of the possible worlds conception of propositions, it faces a problem with the attitudes. The first part of my dissertation is a defense of Booleanism. In the latter parts of my dissertation, I go on to use an abductive approach to address further problems that arise when we attempt construct general theories of propositions, properties and relations, focusing in particular on the theory of logical form, the theory of representation and the theory of explanation.

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PUBLICATIONS Forthcoming "Unity and Application." Ergo

2021 "Indefinite Extensibility and the Principle of Sufficient Reason."

Philosophical Studies 178 (2): 471-49.

UNDER REVIEW "Phenomenal Properties are Luminous Properties (R&R, Syn-

these)"

"Naturalness is not an Aim of Belief" (R&R, Erkenntnis)

"Booleanism and Belief"

"Is Consciousness Vague?"

Presentations	November,	"Booleanism and Belief," at Propositions, Reference and Meaning:
	2019	the Philosophy of Scott Soames, Institute of Philosophy Bratislava,
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	Spring 2018	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Philosophy, w/ Jeff Speaks,
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	Fall 2016	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Philosophy, w/ Jeff Speaks,
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SERVICE	2020-21	Graduate Student Writing Tutor, University of Notre Dame
	2018-20	Organizer of metaphysics reading group, University of Notre Dame.
	2016-20	Co-founder and co-organizer of Notre Dame's graduate student col-
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	2018-20	Graduate student mentor, University of Notre Dame.
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	2017	Designer and TA for Medeival Logic Course, University of Notre
	2016-17	Dame. Reviewer for Northwestern and Notre Dame graduate epistemology
	2010-17	
		conference.
GRADUATE	GRADUATE Metaphysics, Mind and Epistemology	
COURSEWORK Ontology and Moto Ontology (Peter van Inwagen)		
- Ontology and Meta-Ontology (Peter van Inwagen)		

- The Problem of Free Will (Peter van Inwagen)
- Material Beings (Peter van Inwagen)
- Possible and Impossible Worlds (Daniel Nolan)
- Consciousness and Intentionality (Brian Cutter)
- Personal Identity (Therese Corey)
- Speech Acts and the Spread of Knowledge (Lizzie Fricker; audit)

- Time Travel (Sara Bernstein; audit)

Logic & Philosophy of Math

- Intermediate Logic (Patricia Blanchette)
- Philosophy of Model Theory (Patricia Blanchette)
- Modal Logic (Tim Bays)
- Logical Consequence (Tim Bays; audit)
- Incompleteness and Computability (Tim Bays; audit)
- Set Theory (Tim Bays; audit)
- Philosophy of Set Theory (Tim Bays; audit)
- Computability Theory (Julia Knight)
- Descriptive Set Theory (Julia Knight)
- Model Theory (Sergei Starchenko; audit)
- Intuitionism (Curtis Franks)
- Medeival Logic (Curtis Franks)
- Gödel's Theorems (Michael Detlefsen)

History of Philosophy

- Aristotle's Metaphysics (Christopher Shields)
- Kant's First Critique (Karl Ameriks)
- Hume (Lynn Joy)