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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy (2011 – 2020), Northwestern University.

Dissertation: *Modals and their Arguments* (defended May 2020)

Committee: Michael Glanzberg, Fabrizio Cariani (co-chairs), Gregory Ward (Linguistics), Alexis Wellwood (USC, outside member), Justin Khoo (MIT, outside member)

Visiting Student (Fall 2015), Department of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT.

Graduate Certificate in Cognitive Science (2015), Northwestern University.

M.S. Ed. Education (2002 - 2004), City College of New York, CUNY.

Specialization: Special Education

B.A. Philosophy & German (1998 - 2002), Rutgers University.

Summa cum Laude, with High Honors in Philosophy & Highest Honors in German

Minor: Women's Studies

OTHER TRAINING

North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (NASSLLI) (June 2014), University of Maryland at College Park.

A.O.S.

Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mind

A.O.C.

Ethics (Theoretical & Applied), Philosophical Logic, Feminist Philosophy, Metaphysics & Epistemology

PUBLICATIONS

3. **On Content Uniformity for Beliefs and Desires** (forthcoming)

• in *the Review of Philosophy and Psychology*

2. **Future-Orientation on an Event-Relative Semantics for Modals** (2020)

• In Maggie Baird and Jonathan Pesetsky (eds.), *NELS 49: Proceedings of the 49th Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society: Volume Three*, pp. 149-162. GLSA, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

1. **Some Constraints on Contextualism About Modals** (2020)

• In Ciecierski T., Grabarczyk P. (eds) *The Architecture of Context and Context-Sensitivity. Studies in Linguistics and Philosophy, vol 103*. Springer.

OTHER WORK “Ought” and Agency

- under review

AWARDS

Graduate Student Travel Stipend, APA Central Division 2017
Cognitive Science Travel Grant; Northwestern University. June 2016
TGS Travel Grant; the Graduate School, Northwestern. June 2016
Graduate Student Travel Stipend, APA Pacific Division 2016
Thomas A. McCarthey Teaching Award, 2015
TGS Travel Grant; the Graduate School, Northwestern. June 2014
University Fellow; Northwestern University, 2011-2014
NYC Teaching Fellows; Member of Cohort 5. June 2002 - June 2004
Recipient of an AmeriCorps Grant; For service during the 2002 - 2003 school year.
Jacob Cooper Prize in Philosophy; Rutgers University. April 2002
Sigma Phi Iota, Foreign Language Honor Society. April 2002
Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society; Alpha of New Jersey at Rutgers. May 16, 2001
(inducted as a junior)
Dean’s List; Rutgers University. 8 consecutive terms, fall 1998 - spring 2002

PAST PRESENTATIONS

Future-Orientation on an Event-Relative Semantics for Modals

- October 5-7, 2018, NELS 49; Cornell University

“Ought” and Agency

- May 18, 2019 Society for Exact Philosophy; 47 Annual Conference, York University, Toronto
- November 1-3, 2018 3rd International Conference of the American Pragmatics Association; SUNY Albany
- June 18, 2018, 2nd Context, Communication & Cognition Conference; University of Warsaw

Why Are Certain Root Modals Future-Oriented?

- June 9, 2017, PhLing Workgroup; Northwestern University

Propositions and the Contents of Desire

- May 19, 2018, Society For Exact Philosophy; 46th Annual Conference, UConn
- February 22, 2018, Central APA, Chicago (poster)
- October 22, 2017, Illinois Philosophical Association Conference; Northern Illinois University
- April 28, 2017, University of Illinois, U.C. Graduate Conference

Modal Flavor and Semantic Content

- March 4, 2017, Central APA, Kansas City

A Puzzle About Epistemic May

- November 5, 2016, 3rd International Meeting of the American Pragmatics Association; Indiana University
- May 5, 2017, The Nature, Representation, and Composition of States Workshop; Northwestern University

Are Modals Operators?

- February 25, 2016, GWIP workgroup, Northwestern University

Some Constraints on Contextualism About Modals

- May 28, 2016, U Calgary Logic & Language Graduate Conference
- April 2, 2016, Pacific APA, San Francisco

Context, Modals, and Contextual Parameters

- June 17, 2016, 1st Context, Communication & Cognition Conference; University of Warsaw
- May 8, 2016, Society For Exact Philosophy; 44th Annual Conference, Miami
- December 5, 2015, Western Michigan University Graduate Conference
- October 9, 2015, LLaMM workshop, MIT

On the Performativity of Deontic Must

- February 20, 2015, Central APA, St. Louis
- June 25, 2014, NASSLLI 2014 Student Session, University of Maryland, College Park (poster)
- February 14, 2014, DRS Seminar, Northwestern University

Evaluative Realism, Evolutionary Debunking, and Skepticism

- January 17, 2014, GWIP workgroup, Northwestern University

Comments

- On Jacob Archambault “A Note on Dispositional Modalities, Constant Domains, and the (4) Axiom”
Central APA, Chicago
March 3, 2016
- On Aaron Elliot, “Don’t Rock the Boat: the Instability of Rising Tides Invariantism”
Central States Philosophical Association Conference
September 20, 2014
- On Chris Vogel, “When to Count the Evidence of Peers”
Northwestern/ Notre Dame Epistemology Conference
April 25, 2014

TEACHING

As Instructor:

10. **Philosophy of Language**
 - Fall 2020, University of Illinois at Chicago (online)
9. **Social and Political Philosophy**
 - Fall 2019, Loyola University Chicago
8. **Ethics and Technology**
 - Fall 2019, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
7. **Philosophy of Race and Gender**
 - Spring 2019, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
6. **Philosophy of Mind**
 - Fall 2020, School of the Art Institute of Chicago (online)
 - Fall 2018, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
5. **Environmental Ethics**
 - Spring 2020, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
 - Spring 2018, Elmhurst College
4. **Introduction to Feminist Philosophy**

- Fall 2020, School of the Art Institute of Chicago (online)
- Fall 2019, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Fall 2018, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Fall 2017, School of the Art Institute of Chicago

3. **Ethics**

- Fall 2020, Loyola University Chicago (online)
- Fall 2018, Elmhurst College
- Fall 2017, Elmhurst College

2. **Philosophy and Persons**

- Fall 2020, Loyola University Chicago (online)
- Spring 2019, (2 sections), Loyola University Chicago
- Spring 2018, (2 sections), Loyola University Chicago
- Fall 2018, Loyola University of Chicago
- Fall 2017 Loyola University Chicago

1. **Introduction to Philosophy**

- Spring 2019, Elmhurst College (online)
- Summer 2016, Northwestern University

As Teaching Assistant:

Judgment and Decision Making[§]

- Fall 2020, J.D. Trout
- Summer 2020, J.D. Trout (online)
- J term 2019-20, J.D. Trout (online)
- Fall 2019, J.D. Trout

Philosophy and Psychology of Language[§]

- Spring 2020, J.D. Trout (online)

Rationality and Science Policy[§]

- Spring 2020, J.D. Trout (online)

Introduction to Logic*

- Fall 2012, Sean Ebels-Duggan
- Fall 2014, Fabrizio Cariani

Early Modern Philosophy*

- Spring 2013, Baron Reed
- Spring 2014, Baron Reed

the World of Homer* (Classics Dept)

- Fall 2013, Ann Gunter

Intermediate Logic*

- Winter 2014, Michael Glanzberg
- Winter 2017, Michael Glanzberg

Ethical Problems and Public Issues*

- Winter 2018, Mark Sheldon
- Winter 2015, Mark Sheldon

Introduction to Pragmatism*

- Spring 2015, Axel Mueller

Introduction to Moral Philosophy*

- Spring 2017, Tyler Zimmer

Bioethics*

- Fall 2017, Mark Sheldon

[§] at Illinois Institute of Technology

* at Northwestern University

Other Teaching Experience:

N'CAT Tutor

NU Athletics Department

2017 – 2018

Special Education teacher

P53K in Brooklyn, NY

New York City Department of Education

September 2002 - August 2006

SERVICE

Editorial

Assistant Editor, *The Baltic International Yearbook of Cognition, Logic and Communication*, January 2019 -

Refereeing

Linguistics and Philosophy, 2019 (2x)

Ergo, 2019

Conferences/ Workshops

Organizing Committee for SSWAMP 2016; Semantics and Syntax Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies

Organizing Committee for States in Natural Language Workshop, May 2017

Organizer, Northwestern PhLing (philosophy of language & linguistics) workgroup, 2011- 2014

Referee, Northwestern - Notre Dame Epistemology conference, 2013

University

Peer Mentor and Social Event Coordinator for the International Summer Institute at Northwestern, Summer 2017

Department

Climate Committee, Northwestern Philosophy Department, 2016 - 2017

Webmaster, Northwestern M&E and Phil Language related sites, 2013 - 2015

Webmaster, Northwestern Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics (NUSTEP) conference, 2013, 2014

COURSEWORK

Language and Mind

- Montague Grammar (Kaufmann)
- *Kripke (Ludlow)
- *Singular Thought (Goldberg)
- Theories of Truth (Glanzberg)
- Lexical Meaning (Glanzberg)
- Reference (Ward)
- Pragmatics (Ward)
- Language of Deliberation (Cariani)
- Fundamentals of Syntax (Yoshida)
- *Implicature (Ward)
- +Mapping Possibilities in the Grammars of Natural Languages (Kratzer)
- +Integrating Montague Semantics and Event Semantics (Champollion)
- +Language Understanding & Bayesian Inference (Lassiter)

Metaphysics and Epistemology

- Reasoning and Rationality (Rips & Cariani)

- Fallibilism (Reed)
- Group Epistemology (Lackey)
- Decision Theory (Cariani)
- *Epistemic Agency (Reed)
- Social Epistemology (Lackey)
- *Objectivity (Haslanger & Yablo)

Value Theory & Action Theory

- Moral Realism (Kraut)
- Virtue Ethics (K. Ebels-Duggan)
- *Explaining Human Action (White)

History

- Descartes (Reed)
- Post-Kantian Ethics (Alzner)
- Ancient Philosophy: Aristotle's Conception of Matter (Ebrey)

Logic and Math

(Davis)

- Modal and Non-classical Logic (Cariani)
- Anti-Realism and Logic (S. Ebels-Duggan)
- Foundations of Higher Mathematics
- *First Order Modal Logic (Cariani)
- +Computational Models of Events (Pustejovsky)
- Advanced Logic: the Limitive Results (S. Ebels-Duggan)

* denotes course taken pass/ no pass, or audited

+ denotes course taken at NASSLLI Summer program

REFERENCES

Research References:

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