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## Curriculum Vitae

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### EMPLOYMENT

Professor of Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 2013 – present.  
Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 2008 – 2013.  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 2003 – 2008.  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Utah, 1998 – 2003.  
Visiting Instructor, Department of Philosophy, Carnegie Mellon University, 1995 - 97.

### EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh, 1997.  
A.B., Philosophy, Harvard University, 1988.

### FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS

UNC-Chapel Hill Center for Faculty Excellence 100+ Course Grant, 2015  
UNC-Chapel Hill Institute for Arts and Humanities Academic Excellence Award, 2015  
UNC-Chapel Hill University Research Council Award, 2007  
UNC-Chapel Hill Junior Faculty Development Award, 2005  
UNC-Chapel Hill College of Arts and Sciences Spray-Randleigh Faculty Fellowship, 2003  
University of Utah Faculty Fellowship, 2000  
Participant in NEH Summer Seminar “Moore and Wittgenstein on Certainty”, UCSD, 1998  
Southwestern Philosophical Society prize for “How can there be semantic facts?” 1997  
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1990-1993

### EDITED VOLUMES

Philosophical Issues: A Supplement to *Nous*, Volume 25: Normativity, Blackwell (2015)  
Current Controversies in Epistemology, Routledge (2013)  
Epistemology: Volumes 1 - 4, Routledge (2012)  
Thinking Independently: An Introduction to Philosophy, Cognella (2010, revised edition 2012)  
Arguing about Knowledge, co-edited with Duncan Pritchard, Routledge (2009)

### RESEARCH ARTICLES

“There are no Epistemic Dilemmas” in *Epistemic Dilemmas*, edited by Nick Hughes (Oxford University Press, forthcoming).  
“Perception and Evidence”, *Mind and Language* (forthcoming).  
“Epistemic Agency and the Basing Relation” in *Well Founded Belief: New Essays on the Epistemic Basing Relation*, edited by Pat Bondy and J. Adam Carter (Routledge, forthcoming).  
“Disjunctivism and Credence” in *New Issues in Epistemological Disjunctivism*, edited by Casey Doyle, Joseph Milburn, and Duncan Pritchard (Routledge, forthcoming).  
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 "Why Must Evidence Be True?" in *The Factive Turn in Epistemology*, edited by Velislava Mitova (Cambridge University Press, 2018): 32 - 49.  
 "Two Legacies of Goldman's Epistemology," *Philosophical Topics* 45 (2017): 121 – 36.  
 "Access Internalism and the Guidance Deontological Conception of Justification", *American Philosophical Quarterly* 53 (2016): 155 – 67.  
 "Coherence and Deontology", *Philosophical Perspectives: Epistemology*, edited by John Hawthorne and Jason Turner (2016): 284 – 304.  
 "Perceptual Evidence and the Capacity View", *Philosophical Studies* 173 (2016): 907 – 14.  
 "How Holy is the Disjunctivist Grail?", *Journal of Philosophical Research* 41 (2016): 193 – 200.  
 "Epistemic Circularity and Virtuous Coherence" in *The Present and Future of Virtue Epistemology*, edited by Miguel Fernandez (Oxford University Press, 2016): 224 – 48.  
 "Chalmers's Frontloading Argument for A Priori Scrutability", *Analysis* 74 (2014): 651 – 61.  
 "The Epistemic 'Ought'" in *Naturalizing Epistemic Virtue*, edited by Abrol Fairweather and Owen Flanagan (Cambridge University Press, 2014): 36 – 52.  
 "Klein's Case for Infitism" in *Ad Infinitum: New Essays on Epistemological Infitism*, edited by Peter Klein and John Turri (Oxford University Press, 2014): 143 – 61.  
 "What is an Inference?" in *Philosophical Issues: A Supplement to Nous* 23 (2013): 388 – 407.  
 "Easy Knowledge, Transmission Failure, and Empiricism", *Oxford Studies in Epistemology* 4 (2013): 166 – 84.  
 "The Case Against Purity", *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 85 (2012): 456 – 64.  
 "Knowing from the Armchair that Our Intuitions are Reliable", *The Monist* 95 (2012): 332 – 54.  
 "Quine, Goldman, and Two Ways of Naturalizing Epistemology" in *Epistemology: The Key Thinkers*, edited by Stephen Hetherington (Continuum, 2012): 193 – 213.  
 "The Nature and Reach of Privileged Access" in *Self-Knowledge*, edited by Anthony Hatzimoysis (Oxford University Press, 2011): 9 – 32.  
 "Reflections on Reflective Knowledge", *Philosophical Studies* 153 (2011): 3- 17.  
 "A Refutation of Cartesian Fallibilism", *Nous* 45 (2011): 658 – 95.  
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 "Liberalism and Conservatism in the Epistemology of Perceptual Belief", *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 88 (2010): 685 - 705.  
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 "Defeating the Dogma of Defeasibility" in *Williamson on Knowledge*, edited by Patrick Greenough and Duncan Pritchard (Oxford University Press, 2009): 161 – 82.  
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 "Empiricism about Experience", *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 79 (2009): 482 – 9.  
 "Undermining the Case for Contrastivism", *Social Epistemology* 22 (2008): 289 – 304.  
 "How Cheap Can You Get?", *Philosophical Issues: A Supplement to Nous* 18 (2008): 130 – 142.  
 "How to Naturalize Epistemology" in *New Waves in Epistemology*, edited by Duncan Pritchard and Victor Hendricks (Palgrave Macmillan, 2008): 324 – 53.  
 "What Evidence Do You Have?", *British Journal for Philosophy of Science* 59 (2008): 89 – 119. [Reprinted in *Epistemology*, volume 3, edited by Ram Neta (Routledge: London, 2012).]  
 "In Defense of Disjunctivism" in *Disjunctivism: Perception, Action, Knowledge*, edited by Fiona MacPherson and Adrian Haddock (Oxford University Press, 2008): 311 – 29.  
 "Fixing the Transmission: The New Mooreans" in *Themes from G.E. Moore: New Essays in Epistemology and Ethics*, edited by Susana I. Nuccetelli and Gary Seay (Oxford University Press, 2007): 62 – 83.  
 "Safety and Epistemic Luck" (with Avram Hiller), *Synthese* 158 (2007): 303 – 13.  
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“McDowell and the New Evil Genius” (with Duncan Pritchard), *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 74 (2007): 381 – 96.

“Reply to Gallimore”, *Philosophical Studies* 134 (2007): 71 – 2.

“Contextualism and a Puzzle about Seeing”, *Philosophical Studies* 134 (2007): 53 – 63.

“Epistemology Factualized: New Contractarian Foundations for Epistemology”, *Synthese* 150 (2006): 247 – 280.

“A Contextualist Solution to the Problem of Easy Knowledge”, *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 69 (2005): 63 – 85.

“Luminosity and the Safety of Knowledge” (with Guy Rohrbaugh), *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 85 (2004): 396 – 406.

“The Normative Significance of Brute Facts”, *Legal Theory* 10 (2004): 199 – 214. [Reprinted in *Law: Metaphysics, Meaning, and Objectivity*, edited by Enrique Villanueva (Rodopi: Amsterdam and New York, 2007): 75-94.]

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“Contextualism and the Problem of the External World”, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 66 (2003): 1 – 31.

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“How can there be semantic facts?” *Southwest Philosophy Review* 14 (1998): 25 – 30.

“Stroud and Moore on skepticism”, *Southwest Philosophy Review* 13 (1997): 83 - 89.

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“Epistemology” (with Matthias Steup) in *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (2019)

“Skepticism about the External World” in *Skepticism: From Antiquity to the Present*, edited by Diego Manchuca and Baron Reed (Bloomsbury, 2017): 634 – 51.

“Philosophy of Language for Epistemology” in *Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Language*, edited by Delia Graff Fara and Gillian Russell (Routledge, 2012): 693 – 704.

“The Basing Relation” in *Routledge Companion to Epistemology*, edited by Sven Bernecker and Duncan Pritchard (Routledge, 2010): 109 – 18.

“Causal Theories of Knowledge and Perception” in *Oxford Handbook of Causation*, edited by Helen Beebe and Peter Menzies (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009): 592 – 606.

“Contextualism” in *The Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, edited by Donald Borchert (Detroit: MacMillan Reference USA, 2006).

#### BOOK REVIEWS

Review of Ralph Wedgwood, *The Value of Rationality* (Oxford, 2017) *European Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).

Review of Miriam McCormick, *Believing Against the Evidence* (Routledge, 2015) *Mind* 499 (2016): 942 – 5.

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Review of Jason Stanley, *Knowledge and Practical Interests* (Oxford University Press, 2005), *The Philosophical Review* 121 (2012): 298 – 301.

Review of Jeremy Fantl and Matthew McGrath, *Knowledge in an Uncertain World* (Oxford University Press, 2009), *The Philosophical Quarterly* 62 (2011): 211 – 5.

Review of Ernest Sosa, *A Virtue Epistemology* (Oxford University Press, 2007), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (May, 2008).

Review of David Finkelstein, *Expression and the Inner* (Harvard University Press, 2003), *The Philosophical Review* 117 (2008): 310 – 3.

Review of *Naturalism in Question*, eds. De Caro and Macarthur (Harvard University Press, 2004), *The Philosophical Review* 116 (2007): 657 – 63.

Review of Christopher Peacocke, *The Realm of Reason* (Oxford University Press, 2003), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (October, 2004).

#### SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Associate Editor for *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (2017 – present)

Book Symposium Editor for *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (2014 – present)

Associate Editor for *Philosophy Compass* and for Continuum's *Critical Introductions to Epistemology* series

Member of program committee for Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association (spring 2006 – fall 2008); advisory committee for Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association (summer 2010 – summer 2013); committee on professional opportunities for Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association (summer 2018 – summer 2021)

Referee for *Acta Analytica*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis*, *Analytic Philosophy*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, *Episteme*, *Ergo*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *Erkenntnis*, *European Journal of Philosophy*, *Inquiry*, *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, *International Journal for Skeptical Studies*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Law and Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Mind and Language*, *Nous*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Philosophia*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Philosophical Review*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Synthese*, *Teorema*, *Theoria*, *Thought*, Cambridge University Press, Harvard University Press, Oxford University Press, Palgrave MacMillan, Polity Press, Princeton University Press, Routledge Press, Taylor and Francis, Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Rutgers' Young Epistemologist Prize, Sanders Prize for Epistemology, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Israeli Science Foundation, Swiss National Science Foundation, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology

Tenure and promotion reviewer for over 30 departments (2011 – present)