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Curriculum Vitae

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AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

Metaphysics, Metaphilosophy, Philosophy of Mathematics.

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Early Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind, Logic, Philosophy of Science.

GOOGLE SCHOLAR SCORE

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EMPLOYMENT

- [1] University of Western Australia (2018–2021) Senior Research Fellow in Philosophy (ARC DECRA).
- [2] University of Western Australia (2017–) Senior Lecturer in Philosophy (tenured).
- [3] University of Western Australia (2014–2017) Lecturer in Philosophy (tenure track).
- [4] University of Sydney (2013–2015) Postdoctoral Fellowship.
- [5] University of Sydney (2012) Research Associate.

EDUCATION

- [1] University of Sydney (2008–2012): PhD, Philosophy.
- [2] University of Western Australia (2003–2007): BA Hons., Philosophy.

MEDIA WORK

- [1] (2018) TEDx Presenter, TEDx Fremantle “The End of Time” 16/09/18.
- [2] (2017) Guest on RTR FM in Perth for the Philosophy Salon at the Perth City Library: [Online](#)
- [3] (2017) Guest on RTR FM in Perth leading up to a public lecture on Mathematics and Aesthetics: [Online](#)
- [4] (2016) ABC Radio National Three Part Radio Show on Death
 - (a) Part 1: [Online](#)
 - (b) Part 2: [Online](#)
 - (c) Part 3: [Online](#)
- [5] (2011) “Explainer: the Fifth Dimension” in *The Conversation*, [Online](#). Reprinted in *The Explainer: From Déjà Vu to Why the Sky is Blue, and Other Conundrums*, Jaspan, A. (ed.), 305–307 (Collingwood: CSIRO Publishing), 2013.

PUBLICATIONS

RESEARCH MONOGRAPHS

- [1] Baron, S., Tallant, J. & Miller, K. (Under Contract, due 2020) *Out of Time: A Philosophical Investigation of Timelessness* (Oxford: Oxford University Press).

TEXT BOOKS

- [1] Baron, S. & Miller, K. (2018) *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Time* (Cambridge: Polity Press).

ARTICLES

- [1] (In Press, Accepted 14/01/19) “Counterfactual Scheming” *Mind*.
- [2] (In Press, Accepted 24/12/18) “Metaphysical Explanation: the Kitcher Picture” (with James Norton) *Erkenntnis*.
- [3] (In Press, Accepted 08/11/18) “What’s So Spatial About Time Anyway?” (with Peter Evans) *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*.
- [4] (In Press, Accepted 23/10/18) “A Formal Apology for Metaphysics” *Ergo*.
- [5] (In Press, Accepted 26/09/18) “It’s One Thing to Rule Them All, and Another Thing to Bind Them” (with Jonathan Tallant) *Synthese*.
- [6] (In Press, Accepted 20/09/18) “Deflating Deflationary Truthmaking” (with Jamin Asay) *Philosophical Quarterly*.
- [7] (In Press, Accepted 28/05/18) “How to Endure Presentism” *Inquiry*.
- [8] (In Press, Accepted 01/07/17) “Infinite Lies and Explanatory Ties” *Synthese*.
- [9] (In Press, Accepted 03/04/17) “Mathematical Explanation by Law” *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*.
- [10] (In Press, Accepted (03/09/17) “The End of Mystery” (with Mark Colyvan) *American Philosophical Quarterly*.

- [11] (2018) “Do Not Revise Ockham’s Razor Without Necessity” (with Jonathan Tallant) *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 96(3), 596–619.
- [12] (2018) “Time, Philosophy and Physics: It’s All Relative” *Philosophy Compass* 13(1): e12466.
- [13] (2017) “Back to the Unchanging Past” *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 98(1), 129–147.
- [14] (2017) “Feel the Flow” *Synthese*, 194: 609–630.
- [15] (2017) “How Mathematics Can Make a Difference” (with Mark Colyvan and David Ripley). *Philosopher’s Imprint*, 17(3): 1–29.
- [16] (2016) “Explaining Mathematical Explanation” *Philosophical Quarterly*, 264(1): 458–480.
- [17] (2016) “Monism: the Islands of Plurality” (with Jonathan Tallant). *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 93(3): 583–606.
- [18] (2016) “Metaphysics as Fairness” *Synthese*, 193(7): 2237–2259.
- [19] (2016) “Time Enough for Explanation” (with Mark Colyvan). *Journal of Philosophy*, 113(2): 61–88.
- [20] (2015) “Mathematical Explanation and Epistemology: Please Mind the Gap” *Ratio*, 29(2): 149–167. *Ratio*.
- [21] (2015) “Tensed Truthmaker Theory” *Erkenntnis*, 80(5): 923–944.
- [22] (2015) “Temporal Experience, Temporal Passage and the Cognitive Sciences” (with John Cusbert, Matt Farr and Kristie Miller) *Philosophy Compass*, 10(8): 560–571.
- [23] (2015) “Female under-representation among philosophy majors: A map of the hypotheses and a survey of the evidence” (with Tom Dougherty (principal author) and Kristie Miller). *Feminist Philosophy Quarterly*, 1(1).
- [24] (2015) “Why is there female under-representation among philosophy majors? Evidence of pre-university effects” (with Tom Dougherty and Kristie Miller). *Ergo*, 2(14).
- [25] (2015) “Why Do Female Students Leave Philosophy? The Story From Sydney” (with Tom Dougherty (principal author) and Kristie Miller) *Hypatia*, 30(2): 467–474.
- [26] (2015) “A Bump on the Road to Presentism” *American Philosophical Quarterly*, 52(4): 345–356.
- [27] (2015) “Causation *sans* Time” (with Kristie Miller) *American Philosophical Quarterly*, 52(1), 27–40.
- [28] (2015) “What is Temporal Error Theory?” (with Kristie Miller) *Philosophical Studies*. 172(2): 2427–2444.
- [29] (2014) “The Explanatory Dispensability of Idealizations” *Synthese*. Online First. DOI: [10.1007/s11229-014-0517-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-014-0517-z).
- [30] (2014) “The Priority of the Now” *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*. Online First. DOI: [10.1111/papq.12030](https://doi.org/10.1111/papq.12030).
- [31] (2014) “Causation in a Timeless World” (with Kristie Miller) *Synthese* 191(12): 2867–2886.
- [32] (2014) “Optimisation and Mathematical Explanation: Doing the Lévy Walk” *Synthese*, 191(3): 459–479.
- [33] (2014) “The Hard Road to Presentism” (with Jamin Asay) *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 95(3): 261–420.
- [34] (2014) “Can Indispensability-Driven Platonists Be (Serious) Presentists?” *Theoria*, 80(2): 153–173.
- [35] (2014) “Animal Interrupted or Why Taking Pascal’s Wager Might be the Last Thing You Ever Do” (with Christina van Dyke) *Southern Journal of Philosophy: Spindel Supplement*, 52: 109–133.

- [36] (2014) “Groundless Truth” (with James Norton and Kristie Miller) *Inquiry* (special issue on grounding), 57(2): 175–195.
- [37] (2013) “Tensed Supervenience: a No-Go for Presentism” *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 51(3): 383–401.
- [38] (2013) ♠ “A Truthmaker Indispensability Argument” *Synthese*. 190(12): 2413–2427.
- [39] (2013) “Talking About the Past” *Erkenntnis*, 78(3): 547–560.
- [40] (2013) “Unstable Truthmaking” (with Jamin Asay) *Thought*, 1(3): 230–238.
- [41] (2013) “Presentism, Truth and Supervenience” in *Ratio*: 26(1), 3–18.
- [42] (2013) “What is a Negative Property?” (with Richard Coltheart, Raamy Majeed and Kristie Miller) *Philosophy* 88(1): 55–79.
- [43] (2012) “Presentism and Causation Revisited” *Philosophical Papers* 41(1): 1–21.
- [44] (2010) “From Timeless Physical Theory to Timelessness” (with Peter Evans and Kristie Miller) in *Humana Mente* 13: 32–60. Translated into French and reprinted as “De la Théorie Physique Intemporelle à l’Intemporalité” *Temps* (3), 2014.

CHAPTERS

- [45] (2015) “Et Tu, Brute?” in *The Palgrave Handbook of Philosophical Methods*, Daly, C. (ed.) (Palgrave-Macmillan)
- [46] (2015) “Our Concept of Time” (with Kristie Miller) in *Philosophy and Psychology of Time*, Mölder, B., Arstila, V., & Øhrstrøm, P. (eds.) (Springer)
- [47] (2013) “Characterising Eternalism” (with Kristie Miller) in *New Papers on the Present*, Torrenco, G., Miller, K. & Ciuni, R. (eds.), Philosophia Verlag, pp. 31–62.

BOOK NOTES/REVIEWS

- [48] (2014) An Introduction to the Philosophy of Mathematics by Mark Colyvan. *Philosophy in Review*, 34 (1-2):72–74.
- [49] (2013) Mathematics and Scientific Representation by Chris Pincock. *Mind*, 122 (488):1167–1171.
- [50] (2013) Mathematics and Scientific Representation by Chris Pincock. *Philosophy in Review*, 33(1), 63–66.
- [51] (2011) Hard Truths by Elijah Milgrim. *The Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 89 (1), pp. 187–188.

OTHER

- [52] (2014) “Why don’t I experience the past or present as now?” (with Kristie Miller) In *Proceedings of the CAPE international workshop, CAPE Studies in Applied Philosophy and Ethics volume 2*, Sato, T., Sugimoto, S. & Sakon, T. (eds.). CAPE publications, pp. 29–41.

HONOURS

- [1] Vice Chancellor’s Award for Early Career Researchers (UWA), 2016.
- [2] Faculty of Arts Teaching and Service Award for Teaching Excellence, Early Career (UWA), 2015.

- [3] Vice Chancellor's Award for Early Career Researchers (UWA), 2014.
- [4] Lucy Firth Publication Prize in Philosophy for: "A Truthmaker Indispensability Argument" in *Synthese* (Sydney), 2011.
- [5] Lucy Firth Publication Prize in Philosophy for: "Presentism and Causation Revisited" in *Philosophical Papers* (Sydney), 2011.
- [6] Lucy Firth Publication Prize in Philosophy (jointly with Peter Evans) for: "From Timeless Physical Theory to Timelessness" in *Humana Mente* (Sydney), 2010.
- [7] Lucy Firth Meritorious Enrollee Scholarship in Philosophy (Sydney), 2008.
- [8] Andrew Donald Campbell Memorial Prize for Best Essay in Metaphysics (Sydney), 2008
- [9] Australian Postgraduate Award (Sydney) 2008.
- [10] Julius Kovesi Memorial Prize for Honours in Philosophy (UWA) 2007.

GRANTS

- [1] (2018) \$200,232.00 ARC Discovery *Examining scientific, philosophical, and folk perspectives on time*.
- [2] (2018) \$336,905.00, ARC DECRA *Timelessness in Physics and Philosophy*.
- [3] (2017) \$10,000, University of Western Australia Summer School Development Grant.
- [4] (2015) \$3000, Australian Academy of the Humanities Travelling Fellowship.
- [5] (2015) \$5000, University of Sydney conference seed fund for *The Australasian Association of Logic Conference 2–5 July 2015*.
- [6] (2014) \$20,000, University of Western Australia Research Collaboration Award for *Explanation in Metaphysics and Science: Bridging the Gap* (workshop to be held in 2015).
- [7] (2014) \$4000, University of Sydney conference seed fund for *Time and Agency 29-30 September, 2014*.
- [8] (2013) \$5000, University of Sydney conference seed fund for *Time-Symmetry: A Unified Approach 29-30 August, 2013*.
- [9] (2013) \$1000, University of Sydney travel grant scheme for the Australian Association of Philosophy Conference, 2013.

TEACHING

FULL RESPONSIBILITY (LECTURING, COORDINATION, TUTORING, DESIGN)

University of Western Australia

- [1] Advanced Metaphysics (Honours), 2015; 2016
- [2] Metaphysics: A User's Guide to Time Travel, 2014; 2015; 2016
- [3] Formal Logic, 2015; 2016; 2017.
- [4] Philosophy of Science, 2014; 2015; 2016; 2017.
- [5] Communication in Practice, 2015.

[6] Advanced Logic, 2017.

University of Sydney

[7] Philosophy of Mathematics, 2012.

[8] Early Modern Theories of Perception, 2012.

[9] Philosophy of Mind, 2010.

[10] Publishing in Philosophy Workshop (Graduate Course, with Kristie Miller), 2012.

[11] Explanation in Science and Metaphysics (Graduate Course), 2013.

GRADUATE SUPERVISION

University of Sydney

[1] Associate Supervisor for Anna Sawyer, PhD. (Primary Supervisor: Nin Kirkham)

[2] Associate Supervisor for James Norton, PhD. (Primary Supervisor: Kristie Miller)

[3] Member of postgraduate progress review panel, 2014.

[4] Chair of postgraduate progress review panel, 2013.

[5] Member of postgraduate progress review panel, 2012.

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS

[1] “The Metaphysics of Spacetime Emergence” Philosophy of Time Workshop Osaka, Osaka City University, Japan, 2018.

[2] “The Metaphysics of Spacetime Emergence” Time and Explanation Workshop, University of Milan, Milan, 2018.

[3] “Counterfactual Scheming” Philosophy Workshop, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, 2018.

[4] “Go with the Flow” Temporal and Transformative Experience Workshop, University of Sydney, Australia, 2015.

[5] “Time Enough for Explanation” Time Travel and Probability Workshop, University of Sydney, Australia, 2014.

[6] “Back to the Unchanging Past” Philosophy Department, University of Wollongong, Australia, 2014.

[7] “The Explanatory Indispensability of Idealizations” Philosophy Department, Swarthmore College, USA, 2013.

[8] “The Explanatory Indispensability of Idealizations” Philosophy Department, University of Connecticut, USA, 2013.

[9] “Time Enough for Explanation” Philosophy Department, University of Western Australia, Australia, 2013.

[10] “Animal Interrupted” (with Christina van Dyke) Spindel Conference, University of Memphis, USA, 2013.

[11] “Animal Interrupted” (with Christina van Dyke) Philosophy Department, Calvin College, USA, 2013.

- [12] “There is No Easy Road to Presentism” Departmental Colloquium, University of Melbourne, Australia, 2013.
- [13] “The Indispensability of Modals” Current Projects Seminar Series, University of Sydney, Australia, 2013.
- [14] “Is Philosophy Dead?” Blackheath Philosophy Forum, Blue Mountains, Australia, 2013.
- [15] “Presentist Perdurantism” (with Bradley Monton) Australian Metaphysics Conference, ANU Coastal Campus at Kioloa, Australia, 2013.
- [16] “Time and Mathematical Explanation” Monash Metaphysics Workshop, Monash University, Australia, 2012.
- [17] “Time and Mathematical Explanation” Departmental Colloquium, University of Sydney, Australia, 2012.
- [18] “Presentism and Endurance” Workshop in Analytical Metaphysics: Challenging Perspectives on the Ontology of Time, University of Namur, Belgium, 2012.
- [19] “The Priority of the Now” Philosophy Department, Australian National University, Australia, 2012.
- [20] “The Priority of the Now” Philosophical Society Seminar Series, University of Western Australia, Australia, 2012.
- [21] “Presentism and Phenomenology” (with David Braddon-Mitchell), Australian Metaphysics Conference, ANU Coastal Campus at Kioloa, Australia, 2011.
- [22] “An Illustrated Guide to Time-Travel” Australasian Schools Philosophthonm, Cranbrook High School, Australia, 2011.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

REFEREEING

Refereed at least once for the following journals, and often multiple times: *Acta Analytica*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Dialectica*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *European Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Mind*, *Oxford University Press (book manuscripts)*, *Philosophia Mathematica*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Springer (book manuscript)*, *Synthese*, *Routledge (book manuscripts)* *Theoria*, *Thought*, *Wiley-Blackwell (book manuscripts)*.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- [1] Member of the Australasian Association of Philosophy.
- [2] Member of the Centre for Time at the University of Sydney.

EDITORSHIP

- [1] Editor at Philpapers since Jan 2012.

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

- [1] Conference organiser for *Explanation in Science and Metaphysics: Bridging the Gap*, 2015.
- [2] Conference organiser with Nicholas Smith for *Australasian Association of Logic*, 2015

- [3] Convener of the University of Western Australia Philosophy Society Seminar Series, 2014–
- [4] Co-convener of the University of Sydney Departmental Colloquium Series with Mark Colyvan and Dalia Nassar, 2013–2014.
- [5] Conference Organiser for *Time, Causation and Agency*, 2014.
- [6] Conference Organiser for *Time-Symmetry: A Unified Approach*, 2013.
- [7] Conference Organiser with Robert Dunn and David Braddon-Mitchell for *The Belief-Desire Workshop*, 2010.

REFERENCES

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