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Areas of Specialisation

Metaphysics
Epistemology
Philosophy of Mathematics

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of language
Philosophy of logic
American Pragmatism

Education and Employment

Assistant Professor, Simon Fraser University Philosophy Department	2017 – present
Assistant Professor, Stanford University Philosophy Department	2014 – present
Junior Fellow, Harvard Society of Fellows	2012 – 2014
PhD, Philosophy, Rutgers University	2012
Dissertation: Papers on Pragmatism	
Committee: Brian Weatherson, Ernie Lepore, Andy Egan, Cian Dorr	
MMathPhil, Mathematics and Philosophy, Oxford	2008
First Class	

Research Papers

<i>What was James's Theory of Truth?</i> <i>in The Oxford Handbook to William James (invited, not blind reviewed)</i>	(Forthcoming)
The (Metaphysical) Foundations of Arithmetic? <i>Noûs</i>	2016
Platitudes in Mathematics <i>Synthese</i>	2015
If there were no numbers, what would you think? <i>Thought</i>	2014

A Trivialist's Travails 2014
Philosophia Mathematica

Reading the Book of the World 2014
Philosophical Studies

Book Reviews etc.

"Philosophical Temperaments" 2017
in *Understanding James, Understanding Monism*

Review of Chalmers, *Constructing the World* 2014
Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews
<https://ndpr.nd.edu/news/50031-constructing-the-world/>

Review of Rayo, *The Construction of Logical Space* 2014
Australasian Journal of Philosophy

Review of Misak, *The American Pragmatists* 2014
The Philosophical Review

Pedagogical Writing

Introduction to Philosophy (with Stephen Stich) Expected 2018
Under contract with Oxford University Press

'Context Sensitivity' (with Ernie Lepore) 2012
Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Language

Presentations

Neologicism Revisited January 2017
Colloquium Talk at Virginia Commonwealth University

Representationalism, Anti-representationalism, and February 2017
Something In-Between
Colloquium Talk at Johns Hopkins University

Truthmaking and Analyticity January 2017
Colloquium Talk at Virginia Commonwealth University

Truthmaking and Analyticity Conference on Existence at Uppsala University	November 2016
The (Metaphysical) Foundations of Arithmetic? <i>Philosophy of Mathematics and Logic Conference, Oxford University Pacific APA</i>	Spring/Summer 2015
Existence by Definition Colloquium talk at Stanford University, Colloquium talk at The University of Georgia	Spring 2014
The Pragmatist Theory of Truths Colloquium talk at the University of Michigan Colloquium talk at The University of Georgia	Winter 2014
The Trivialist's Travails Symposium at MIT on Rayo's <i>The Construction of Logical Space</i>	October 2013
A Jamesian Analysis of Truth Atlantic Region Philosophers' Association Annual Meeting	October 2013
Definitions in the History of Mathematics <i>eidōs</i> Workshop in Metaphysics and Mathematics	June 2013
Does the Truth have Cash Value? Third Annual Rutgers-Siena Joint Workshop on Cognitive Sciences	June 2011
Teaching	
Introduction to Logic and Reasoning Lower level undergraduate, Simon Fraser University	2017
Ontology and Meaning Graduate, Stanford University	2016
Mind, Matter, and Meaning <i>Lower level undergraduate, Stanford University</i>	2016; 2017
Recent Work on Logical Consequence <i>Graduate, Stanford University</i>	2015
Paradoxes <i>Lower level undergraduate, Stanford University</i>	2015; 2016

Philosophy of Mathematics <i>Upper level undergraduate, Stanford University</i>	2015; 2015
Analyticity <i>Upper level undergraduate, Stanford University</i>	2014; 2016; 2017
Graduate Seminar in Metaphysics: Recent Work on Ground <i>Graduate, Stanford University</i>	2014
Contemporary Movements in Philosophy <i>Upper level undergraduate, Rutgers University</i>	2012
Introduction to Logic <i>Lower level undergraduate, Rutgers University</i>	2011
Hume, Kant and the Eighteenth Century <i>Upper level undergraduate, Rutgers University</i>	2011
American Philosophy <i>Upper level undergraduate, Rutgers University</i>	2010
Other	
Member of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for the SFU philosophy department	2017 – Present
Joint Placement Chair for the Stanford Philosophy Department	2015 – Present
Reviewer for <i>Analysis</i> , <i>Dialectica</i> , <i>Journal of Philosophical Logic</i> , <i>Mind</i> , <i>Philosophical Studies</i> , <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research</i> , <i>The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science</i> and <i>Synthese</i> .	2012 – Present
PhD committee member for Arezoo Islami Thesis Title: "The "Unreasonable" Effectiveness of Mathematics in Physics"	Spring 2015
Colloquium organizer for the Stanford Philosophy department	2014 – 2015