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*Curriculum Vitae*

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## EDUCATION

PhD in philosophy, Princeton University, 1996 – 2004  
AB in philosophy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 1993 – 1996  
University of California, Berkeley, 1992 – 1993

## AREA OF RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Metaphysics

## EMPLOYMENT

Professor, University of California, Davis, 2017 – present

- Department Chair, July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2023
- Graduate Adviser, 2013 – 2014, 2015 – 2019

Associate Professor, University of California, Davis, 2012 – 2017  
Assistant Professor, University of California, Davis, 2006 – 2012  
Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2003 – 2006

## HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS

“Everything in its Place: Location, Persistence, and Change,” Australian Research Council  
Discovery Project (2020 – 2024), 224,672 AUD (Partner Investigator, with Chief  
Investigator Antony Eagle and Partner Investigator Shieva Kleinschmidt)  
“Personal Time and Personal Ontology,” via *The Immortality Project* (directed by John Fischer)  
John Templeton Foundation (2014 – 15)  
UC Davis Chancellor’s Fellow, 2014 – 2019  
*Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* Younger Scholars Prize [a.k.a. Sanders Prize in Metaphysics],  
2005  
AB with Highest Distinction, University of Michigan, 1996  
Highest Honors, for undergraduate Honors Thesis, University of Michigan Honors College,  
1996  
William K. Frankena Prize, 1995  
*Phi Beta Kappa*, 1995

## ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Gilmore, C. (forthcoming). “The *Cogito* and Sums,” *Philosophical Studies*
2. Gilmore, C. (2025). “Quasi-Supplementation, Plenitudinous Coincidentalism, and Gunk,” *Philosophies* 10(4), 84 (Special Issue: Mereology in Metaphysics, Science, and Logic, guest edited by Joshua Spencer)
3. Gilmore, C. and B. Kierland (2024). “Doing for Circular Time What Shoemaker Did for Time without Change: How We Could Have Evidence that Time is Circular rather than Linear and Infinitely Repeating,” *Philosophies* 9(4), 92 (Special Issue: Time Travel 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, guest edited by Alasdair Richmond).

4. Gilmore, C., C. Calosi, and D. Costa (2024). "Location and Mereology", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Spring 2024 Edition), Edward N. Zalta & Uri Nodelman (eds.), URL = <https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2024/entries/location-mereology/>
  - Gilmore, C. (2018). "Location and Mereology", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Spring 2018 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2018/entries/location-mereology/>
  - Gilmore, C. (2013). "Location and Mereology," *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Summer 2013 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2013/entries/location-mereology/>
5. Gilmore, C. (2023). "Why 0-adic Relations Have Truth Conditions: Essence, Ground, and Non-Hylomorphic Russellian Propositions," in Chris Tillman and Adam Murray, eds., *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions* (Routledge), pp. 304 – 319.
6. Gilmore, C. (2021). "What It Is to Die," in Michael Cholbi and Travis Timmerman, eds., *Exploring the Philosophy of Death and Dying: Classic and Contemporary Perspectives* (Routledge), pp. 28-37.
7. Gilmore C. and M. Leonard (2020). "Composition and the Logic of Location: An Argument for Regionalism," *Mind* 129: 159-178.
8. Gilmore, C. (2017). "Homunculi Are People too! Lewis's Definition of Personhood Debugged," *Thought: A Journal of Philosophy* 6: 54-60.
9. Dixon, T. S. and C. Gilmore (2016). "Speaks's Reduction of Propositions to Properties: A Benacerraf Problem," *Thought: A Journal of Philosophy* 5 (2016): 275-284.
10. Gilmore, C. (2016). "The Metaphysics of Mortals: Death, Immortality, and Personal Time," *Philosophical Studies* 173: 3271-3299.
11. Gilmore, C., D. Costa, and C. Calosi (2016). "Relativity and Three Four-Dimensionalisms," *Philosophy Compass* 1: 102-120.
12. Gilmore, C. (2015). "Personal Identity, Consciousness, and Joints in Nature," *The Journal of Ethics* 19: 443-466.
13. Gilmore, C. (2014). "Building Enduring Objects out of Spacetime," in Claudio Calosi and Pierluigi Graziani, eds., *Mereology and the Sciences* (Springer, Synthese Library), pp. 5-34.
14. Gilmore, C. (2014). "Parts of Propositions," in Shieva Kleinschmidt, ed., *Mereology and Location* (Oxford University Press), pp. 156-208.
15. Gilmore C. (2013). "Slots in Universals," in Karen Bennett and Dean Zimmerman, eds., *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics*, vol. 8, pp. 187-233.
16. Gilmore, C. (2013). "When Do Things Die?," in Ben Bradley, Fred Feldman, and Jens Johansson, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Death* (Oxford University Press), pp. 5-59.
17. Gilmore, C. (2012). "Keep in Touch," *Philosophia Naturalis* 49.1: 85-111.
18. Gilmore, C. (2010). "Coinciding Objects and Duration Properties: Reply to Eagle," in Dean Zimmerman, ed., *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics*, vol. 5, pp. 95-111.
19. Gilmore, C. (2010). "Sider, The Inheritance of Intrinsicity, and Theories of Composition," *Philosophical Studies* 151: 177-197.
20. Gilmore, C. (2009). "Why Parthood Might Be a Four-Place Relation, and How It Behaves If It Is," in Ludger Honnefelder, Edmund Runggaldier, and Benedikt Schick, eds., *Unity and Time in Metaphysics* (Berlin: de Gruyter), pp. 83-133.
21. Gilmore, C. (2008). "Persistence and Location in Relativistic Spacetime," *Philosophy Compass* vol. 3, pp. 1224-1254.
22. Gilmore, C. (2007). "Defining 'Dead' in terms of 'Lives' and 'Dies'," *Philosophia* 35: 219-231.

23. Gilmore, C. (2007). "Time Travel, Coinciding Objects, and Persistence," in Dean Zimmerman, ed., *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics*, vol. 3, pp. 177-198.  
**Recipient of the 2005 *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* Younger Scholars Prize**
24. Gilmore, C. (2006). "Where in the Relativistic World Are We?," in John Hawthorne, ed., *Philosophical Perspectives*, 20, *Metaphysics*: 199-236.
25. Gilmore, C. (2003). "In Defence of Spatially Related Universals," *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 81: 420-428.
26. Gilmore, C. (2003). "The Introspectibility Thesis," *Psyche*, 9(05).
27. Gilmore, C. (2002). "Balashov on Special Relativity, Coexistence, and Temporal Parts," *Philosophical Studies* 109: 241-263.

#### REVIEWS, DICTIONARY ENTRIES, ETC.

28. Entries in Robert Audi, ed., *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition (2015), for: Constitution [~550 words], Presentism [~1090 words], Time Travel [~600 words]. Pluriverse [~150 words]
29. "Comments on Thomas Sattig, 'Ordinary Objects in the Relativistic World'," *Chronos: Proceedings of the Philosophy of Time Society* XI, pp. 62-69 (Summer 2012)
30. "Review of Hud Hudson, *The Metaphysics of Hyperspace*," *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (October 2006)

#### MEDIA

- "[The Animals That Exist Between Life and Death](#)," by Phil Jaekl, *Nautilus*, April 16, 2025
- "[Infinite Life III: Transfinite Life](#)," by Chris Lambie-Hanson, *Point at Infinity*, March 20, 2017
- "[Keeping in Touch across SpaceTime](#)," by Martin Gardiner, *Improbable Research*, April 11, 2012

#### PAPERS PRESENTED

- "Toward an Organicism Answer to the Ground-Theoretic General Composition Question"
- International Association for the Philosophy of Time, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting (Santiago), 7 July 2025
  - Everything in its Place Workshop, USC, 24 May 2024
  - Pacific Division APA (Portland), 21 March 2024
- "The *Cogito* and Sums" [under various titles]
- Workshop: Contemporary Problems on Persistence and Composition, Universidad de Santiago de Chile, 4 July 2025
  - Philosophy Mountain Workshop, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, 25 January, 2025
  - California Metaphysics Conference, University of Southern California, 16 January 2016
  - University of California, Irvine, 5 June 2015
  - University of British Columbia, 4 October 2013
  - Workshop on the Nature and Constitution of Material Objects, University of Bergamo, 18 June 2013
- "Personal Persistence, Theories of Fission, and Circular Time"
- International Association for the Philosophy of Time, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting (Sydney), 29 June 2023
- "Indeterminacy, Delegation, and the Logic of Location"
- Workshop on Mereology and Location, University of Italian Switzerland (Lugano), 24 October 2022
  - Workshop: Location, Location, Location, University of Geneva, 26 October 2022
- "Locational Predicates: Five Definitional Systems"
- *eidōs* seminar, University of Geneva, 27 October 2022

- “Delegation and the Logic of Location” (co-authored with Matt Leonard)
- Reed College, 6 December 2019
  - Ohio State University, 18 January 2019
- “How we could have empirical evidence that time is circular rather than linear and infinitely repeating”
- International Association for the Philosophy of Time, 5th Annual Meeting (Seoul), 18 June 2018
- “Why 0-adic Relations have Truth Conditions: Replies to Nutting and Kazmi”
- Canadian Philosophical Association (Montreal), 5 June 2018
- “Ternary Orders in Temporal Topology, Personal Identity, and Theory of Ground”
- Boise State University, 11 November 2017
- “Personal Identity and Theories of Fission”
- Boise State University, 10 November 2017
- “Why 0-adic Relations Have Truth Conditions”
- University of Kansas, 8 September 2017
  - Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference (Metaphysics on the Mountain 2), Sun Valley, ID, 14 March 2017
  - 5th Workshop on Philosophical Logic, Buenos Aires Logic Group, SADAF, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 22 November 2016
  - Workshop on Philosophical Mereology, Corpus Christi College, Oxford University, 10 April 2014
- “The Metaphysics of Mortals: Death, Immortality, and Personal Time”
- *The Immortality Project* Capstone Conference, University of California, Riverside, 30 May 2015
- “Parthood as a Four-Place Relation”
- Keynote talk, eidos Workshop on Location and Mereology, University of Geneva, 14 June 2013
- “Five Accounts of Exact Location”
- PERSP Space & Time Workshop on Time and Identity (University of Barcelona), 16 November 2012
  - California Metaphysics Conference, University of Southern California, 21 January 2012
- “What Do Quantifiers and Variables Contribute?”
- Boise State University, 3 December 2011
- “When Do Things Die?”
- Boise State University, 2 December 2011
- “Holes: What They’re Not”
- California State University, Chico, 3 November 2011
- “Plenitudinous Endurance in Relativistic Spacetime”
- Workshop on Temporal Existence and Persistence in Spacetime, University of Bonn, 15 February 2011
- “Slots in Universals”
- Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network, July 25-27, 2010
  - Pacific Division APA, 3 April 2010
- “Parts of Propositions”
- University of Manitoba, 12 March 2010
- “An Argument Against Plenitude”
- Central Division APA, April 2008
- “Proper Parts and Proper Time”
- Unity and Identity as a Problem in Metaphysics: Persistence and Individuality, Humboldt University, Berlin, 27 September 2007

“Temporally Thick Enduring Objects”

- Philosophy of Time Society, Pacific Division APA, 7 April 2007

“Where in the Relativistic World Are We?”

- University of Missouri-Columbia, 17 March 2006

“Defining ‘Dead’ in terms of ‘Dies’”

- University of Georgia, 2 December 2005

“Time Travel, Coinciding Objects, and Persistence”

- Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, 1 August 2005
- American Philosophical Association, Central Division, April 2005
- Central States Philosophical Association Conference, University of Iowa, 23 October 2004

## COMMENTS

“Comments on Michael Berman, *Platonism and the Objects of Science*”

- Central Division APA, 26 February 2021 (via Zoom)

“Comments on Ryan Wasserman, *Paradoxes of Time Travel*”

- Pacific Division APA, 17 April 2019

“Comments on Joshua Spencer, ‘The Limits of Neo-Aristotelian Plenitude (and its Conceptual Neighbors)’”

- Pacific Division APA, 13 April 2017

“Comments on William Hannegan, ‘Hume, Dispositional Essentialism, and the Idea of a Necessary Connection’”

- Central States Philosophy Conference, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, 28 October 2016

“Comments on Shieva Kleinschmidt, ‘Shaping Up Location’”

- Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference (Metaphysics on the Mountain), Sun Valley, ID, 18 March 2014

“Comments on Ned Markosian, ‘A New Answer to the Special Composition Question’”

- Pacific Division APA, 5 April 2012

“Comments on Thomas Sattig, ‘Ordinary objects in the Relativistic World’”

- Philosophy of Time Society, Pacific Division APA, 23 April 2011

“Comments on Maya Eddon, ‘Fundamental Properties of Fundamental Properties’”

- Carolina Metaphysics Workshop, June 14-16, 2010

“Comments on Chris Tillman and Gregory Fowler, ‘Propositions and Parthood: The Universe and Anti-Symmetry’”

- Central Division APA, 19 February 2010

“Comments on Shieva Kleinschmidt, ‘Multilocation and Motion’”

- Central Division APA, 19 April 2007

“Comments on Caspar Hare, ‘A Puzzle about Other-Directed Time Bias’”

- Pacific Division APA, 7 April 2007

“Comments on Ross Cameron ‘The Contingency of Composition’”

- Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, 2 August 2006

“Comments on Theodore Sider’s ‘Parthood’”

- Kline Workshop on the Metaphysics of Identity over Time, University of Missouri-Columbia, 12 March 2005

“Comments on Jennifer Lackey’s ‘Memory as a Generative Epistemic Source’”

- Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, 5 August 2003

## TEACHING

### Courses taught at the University of California, Davis

Pro-seminar: Animalism (FQ 2024)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Mereology and Location (WQ 2024)  
Pro-seminar: Personal Ontology and the *Cogito* (WQ 2023)  
Pro-seminar: The Metaphysics of Properties and the Definition of Intrinsicity (WQ 2022)  
Pro-seminar: The Metaphysics of Conception, Pregnancy, and Death (WQ 2021)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Vagueness and Metaphysical Indeterminacy (SQ 2019)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Mereology and Location (SQ 2018)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Properties and Relations (SQ 2017)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Personal Identity and Death (SQ 2016)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Propositions (WQ 2014)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Persons and Ontology (WQ 2013)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Metametaphysics (SQ 2012)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Mereology and Location (SQ 2011)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Properties and Relations (SQ 2010)  
Pro-seminar: *On the Plurality of Worlds* (WQ 2009)  
Metaphysics Graduate Seminar: Persistence (WQ 2008)  
Philosophy of Religion (WQ 2008, 2010, SQ 2012, 2014, FQ 2023, FQ 2024)  
Introduction to Symbolic Logic (FQ 2007, 2008)  
Philosophy of Space and Time (WQ 2007, 2009, 2011, SQ 2013, WQ 2016, 2018, 2019, SQ 2021, SQ 2023, WQ 2025)  
Metaphysics (FQ 2006, WQ 2007, FQ 2007, 2008, WQ 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, SQ 2017, FQ 2023, WQ 2025)  
Introduction to Philosophy (SQ 2010, 2011, WQ 2012, SQ 2013, SQ 2016, WQ 2017, 2018, 2019, SQ 2022, WQ 2024)

### Courses taught at the University of Nebraska at Omaha

Philosophy of Language (Fall 2005)  
Metaphysics (Spring 2004, 2005, 2006)  
Philosophy of Mind (Fall 2004)  
Ethical Theory (Fall 2003)  
Critical Reasoning (Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006)  
Contemporary Moral Problems (Fall 2003, Spring 2004)

### Course taught as Adjunct Instructor at Mercer County Community College (NJ)

Moral Choices, On-line Version (Summer 1999)

### Courses assisted at Princeton University

Philosophy of Law (Spring 2000)  
Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology (Spring 1998)  
Political Philosophy (Fall 1997)

## DISSERTATION SUPERVISION

Committee Chair and Supervisor, Ryan Light, *Some Things and Themselves: Reflections on Many-One Identity and Composition*. PhD received from UC Davis in 2025  
Committee Chair and Supervisor, T. Scott Dixon, *Grounding, Regresses, and Universals*. PhD received from UC Davis in 2015. Currently Associate Professor at Lawrence University; previously tenure-track Assistant Professor at Ashoka University and Fellow at University of Hamburg

Committee Co-Chair and Co-supervisor for Dana Goswick, *An Artifactual World*. PhD received from UC Davis in 2009. Currently Senior Lecturer at the University of Melbourne

**DISSERTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

David Ian Spencer	Bradley Morris	Daniel Norton	Jerome Romagosa
Gina Calderone	Christopher Buckels	I-Sen Chen	Dylan Goldman
Lucas Halpin	Brian Coffey	Da Fan	
Jonathan Dorsey	Ceth Lightfield	Max Parks	

**EXTERNAL DISSERTATION EXAMINER OR EXTERNAL CO-SUPERVISOR**

Damiano Costa (University of Geneva)  
Paul R. Daniels (Monash University)  
Jessica Pohlmann (University of Adelaide)

**VISITING GRADUATE STUDENTS SUPERVISED**

Fabián Rodríguez Nieto (UNAM), 2015–2016  
Maria Nørgaard (University of Geneva), 2023–2024

**ORGANIZING, REFEREEING, ETC.**

Local Workshop Organizer for Space, Time, and Location, Part II (Davis, CA, May 2024)  
Metaphysics Area Editor for *Ergo*, June 2019 – January 2023

Refereeing for:

*American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis*, *Analytic Philosophy*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, Broadview Press, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, Elsevier, *Erkenntnis*, *European Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *Journal of Philosophical Logic*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Noûs*, Oxford University Press, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Philosophia*, *Philosophia Naturalis*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *The Philosophical Review*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, Polity Press, *Ratio*, *Religious Studies*, Routledge, *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, *Studies in the History and Philosophy of Modern Physics*, *Synthese*, *Theoria*, W. W. Norton & Company

External Letter for Promotion and Tenure  
2012 (2x), 2015, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022

External Letter for Promotion to or appointment at Full Professor  
2016, 2020, 2023

External Letter for Promotion to Reader  
2018

Member, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division

Associate Member, Center for the Philosophy of Time (Milan)

Session Chair and/or invited participant: 2007 Arizona Ontology Conference, 2009 Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, 2011 INPC: Aristotelian Themes in Contemporary Metaphysics (Boise, ID), 2013 Pacific Division APA, 2014 Pacific APA, 2014 Oberlin Philosophy Colloquium, 2017 Ranch Metaphysics Workshop, Space, Time, and Location Workshop, Adelaide (July 2023)