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Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Employment

University of Missouri - St. Louis

2017-2019: Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy

2019-2020: Instructor, Department of Philosophy

Kirkwood Community College

2020-2021: Instructor, Secondary Programs

Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Neuroscience

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Psychology, Bioethics

Education

M.A. 2022 Philosophy University of Missouri - St. Louis

B.A. 2017 Philosophy, Biology (*magna cum laude*) Iowa State University

Teaching Experience

University of Missouri - St. Louis, Department of Philosophy

PHIL 2256: Bioethics

PHIL 2280: Minds, Brains, and Machines

PHIL 2256: Philosophy of Science

PHIL 1151: Philosophy of Love

Publications

1. James, Mirinda. "Are Numerical Symbols Fundamental to Neural Computation?" (2022). *Theses*. 433. <https://irl.umsl.edu/thesis/433>
2. Vaillancourt, D., James, M., Manion, M., Ting, M. "Beauty and Healing." *The International Journal for the Humanities* 5 (2007): 217-232.
3. Piccinini, Gualtiero. "Neurocognitive Mechanisms: Explaining Biological Cognition", *Oxford: Oxford University Press* (2020). (Editorial Support).
4. James, Mirinda. "Contemporary Art and the Science of Complexity." (2023). <https://substack.com/home/post/p-132900990>

Presentations

- “Neural computation: The coding question,” University of Missouri – St. Louis, MO, April, 2018
- “What insects can tell us about the origins of consciousness,” University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, March 2021
- “Are numerical symbols fundamental to the neural code?” University of Missouri – St. Louis, November 2022.

Professional Service

- Ethics Leadership Team, CarbonCopies.org. Neuroethics research and ethics department lead.
- Conference Organizer for the 14th Annual Graduate Gateway Conference: *Intelligence: Human, Animal, Machine* – University of Missouri, St. Louis, April 2019

Research Positions

Research Assistant

Department of Psychology, Iowa State University, Cognitive Psychology Laboratory of Professor Jon Kelly

Research Fellow

Department of Philosophy, Loyola University Chicago

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