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Current Position

Leverhulme Early Career Research Fellow, Keele University

Areas of Specialisation

Philosophy of Language/Linguistics, Philosophy of Psychology, Philosophy of Science.

Areas of Competence

Theoretical Linguistics, Cognitive Science, Epistemology, Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence.

Appointments Held

2020 Teaching Fellow, University of Reading
2019 Lecturer, University of California, Los Angeles

Education

2019 PhD in Philosophy, University of California, Los Angeles
2012 BA (Hons) in Philosophy, University of Bristol

Publications

BOOK

Under Contract The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Linguistics. Dupre, G, Nefdt, R, and Jain, K. H (eds.), Oxford University Press.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

2022 Reference and Morphology. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*
2022 Public Language, Private Language, and Subsymbolic Theories of Mind. *Mind & Language*
2022 Realism and Observation: The View from Generative Grammar. *Philosophy of Science*
2021 (What) Can Deep Learning Contribute to Theoretical Linguistics? *Minds and Machines* special issue: *Machine Learning: Prediction Without Explanation?* Boge, Grünke, and Hillerbrand (eds.)
2021 Empiricism, Syntax, and Ontogeny. *Philosophical Psychology*

- 2020 What Would it Mean for Natural Language to be The Language of Thought? *Linguistics and Philosophy*
- 2020 Idealisation in Natural Language Semantics: Truth-Conditions for Radical Contextualists. *Inquiry*
- 2019 Linguistics and the Explanatory Economy. *Synthese* special issue: *Explanations in Cognitive Science: Unification vs. Pluralism*, Miłkowski and Hohol eds.

IN COLLECTED VOLUMES

- Forthcoming Correspondence and Construction. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Mind Vol. 3*, Kriegel, U (ed.)
- Forthcoming Classifying Data and Interpreting Theories: The Case of Generative Grammar. in *From Contradiction to Defectiveness to Pluralism in Science: Philosophical and Formal Analyses* (Synthese Library), Bueno, O and Martínez-Ordaz, M (eds.)
- 2022 Balancing Evolution and Acquisition in Theoretical Linguistics: Tensions and Prospects. in *Philosophical Approaches to Language and Communication* (Studies in Philosophy of Language and Linguistics), Stalmaszczyk, P and Hinton, M (eds.)

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2022 Review of *Representation of Language: Philosophical Issues in a Chomskyan Linguistics* by Georges Rey. *British Journal of Philosophy of Science Reviews*
- 2021 Review of *Linguistic Intuitions: Evidence and Method* Samuel Schindler, Anna Drożdżowicz & Karen Brøcker (eds.) *Journal of Linguistics*
- 2020 Modeling Modeling: Review of *Models and Modeling in the Sciences: A Philosophical Introduction* by Stephen Downes. *Metascience*
- 2020 Review of *Representation in Cognitive Science* by Nicholas Shea. *Philosophy*

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Under Review Empiricism, Egalitarianism, and the Alleged Tension Between Science and Morality
- Commissioned Uncanny Performance, Divergent Competence: A Principled Barrier to Human-Machine Communication. (Collaborative work with Gabrielle Johnson. For volume on Human-Machine communication edited by Rachel Sterken and Herman Cappelen)
- Commissioned The Competence/Performance Distinction: What is it? And Why Should We Care? (For the Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Linguistics, edited by Gabe Dupre, Ryan Nefdt, and Kate Hazel Jain)
- In Progress What is Language Acquisition?
- In Progress The Problem of Forms for Conventionalist Metasemantics

Awards

- 2020-2023 Leverhulme Early Career Research Fellowship (3 years)
- 2020 UCLA Non-Senate Faculty Award
- 2019 Suppes Prize in Logic and Language (\$1,000)
- 2018 UCLA Dissertation Year Fellowship (year-long)
- 2015 UCLA University Fellowship (year-long)
- 2014 UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship
- 2013 Mellon Fellowship (year-long)

- 2012 University of Bristol Philosophy Department Prize
 2011 University of Bristol Philosophy Department Prize

Dissertation

Ways in the Studies of Words: The Methodology and Epistemology of Linguistic Science

Chair: Sam Cumming.

Committee: David Kaplan, Josh Armstrong, Sheldon Smith & Michael Weisberg (University of Pennsylvania).

Recent and Future Presentations

- May 2023 What is The Competence/Performance Distinction? And We Should we Care?
 Semantics and Linguistic Theory, Yale University.
- July 2022 What is Language Acquisition?
 Joint Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology and the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Milan.
- July 2022 Reference and Morphology
 Joint Session of The Aristotelian Society and Mind Association, University of St. Andrews.
- June 2022 Uncanny Performance, Divergent Competence (with Gabrielle Johnson)
 Conference on Human-Machine Communication, ConceptLab Oslo.
- July 2021 The What and the Why of Representation
 British Society for Philosophy of Science Annual Meeting.
- May 2021 Faculties of Language
 PhiLang: International Conference on Philosophy of Language and Linguistics.
- February 2021 (What) Can Machine Learning Contribute to Theoretical Linguistics?
 Keele Royal Institute of Philosophy Lecture.
- February 2020 Realism and Data: The View from Generative Grammar
 Reading Work in Progress Talk.
- October 2019 What Would It Mean for the Language of Thought to be a Natural Language?
 New York Philosophy of Language Workshop.

Teaching Experience (As Primary Instructor)

KEELE UNIVERSITY

- Spring 2022 Noam Chomsky: Mind, Language, Politics

UNIVERSITY OF READING

- Summer 2020 Mental Machines
 Spring 2020 Speech Attacks: Bullshit, Lies, Propaganda
 Spring 2020 Colour

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Fall 2019	Major Philosophers of the 20th Century: <i>Noam Chomsky: Mind, Language, Politics</i>
Fall 2019	Philosophy of Perception
Summer 2019	Philosophy of Psychology: <i>(How) Can We Explain Rational Behavior?</i>
Summer 2018	Introduction to Philosophy of Mind: <i>The Mind/Body Problem.</i>
Summer 2017	Introduction to Philosophy of Science: <i>The Epistemology of the Special Sciences.</i>
Summer 2016	Introduction to Philosophy of Mind: <i>What is a Mind? And Who has One?</i>

Service to the profession

JOURNAL REFEREE

Acta Analytica, Annals of Philosophy, Biology and Philosophy, Erkenntnis, European Journal of Philosophy of Science, Journal of Psycholinguistic Research, Minds and Machines, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, The Philosophical Forum, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Pragmatics, Principia, Southern Journal of Philosophy, Synthese.

GRANT ASSESSOR

SSHRC Insight Grant (Canada).

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE MEMBER

2021-2022	British Society for Philosophy of Science Annual Conference
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Events

2023(scheduled)	Keele Philosophy of Linguistics Conference. Organizer
2021	Keele Philosophy of Linguistics Lecture Series. Organizer
February 2016	USC/UCLA Graduate Philosophy Conference. Co-Organizer
June 2015	UCLA Iconicity Conference. Co-Organizer

References

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Sophie Allen (Keele University)	S.r.allen@keele.ac.uk
Michael Weisberg (University of Pennsylvania)	Weisberg@phil.upenn.edu
Katie Elliott (Brandeis University) (Teaching Reference)	Katrinaelliott@brandeis.edu

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