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EDUCATION

- PhD.** The University of Oklahoma, Philosophy May 2013
Dissertation: "A Defense of Nonreductive Mental Causation"
Committee: Martin Montminy (chair), Reinaldo Elugardo, Neal Judisch,
Chris Swoyer, Lynn Devenport
- B.A.** The College of Wooster, Philosophy May 2007
Senior Thesis: "Concerns of an Anti-Skeptic: Traditional Epistemology
And Why It Should Be Naturalized"
Advisor: Henry Kreuzman
Received Grade of Honors
Graduated Cum Laude

HONORS AND AWARDS

- UCO College of Liberal Arts Outstanding Lecturer Award* 2018
UCO College of Liberal Arts Outstanding Adjunct Award 2016
OU Provost's PhD. Dissertation Award for Humanities and Fine Arts 2013

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Specialization: Mind, Metaphysics, Causation
Competence: Logic, Early Modern, Ethics, Language

EMPLOYMENT

University of Central Oklahoma, 2013 – present
University of Oklahoma, 2009 – 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 – 2018
Rose State College, 2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Logic and Critical Thinking / Introduction to Logic
Symbolic Logic / Modal Logic
Introduction to Philosophy
Introduction to Ethics
Philosophy of Mind / Self & Identity
Modern Philosophy

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [1] “Worms, Stages, and Sometimes Neither: A Contextualist Semantics for Four-Dimensionalism” (coauthored with Martin Montminy) (under review with the *Journal of Philosophy*)
- [2] “On the Moral Problems Raised by the Existence of Personites”, *Mind* (2024), vol. 133, Issue 531: 677 – 695 (coauthored with Martin Montminy)
- [3] “Worm theoretic persistence and temporal predication: a reply to Johnston’s personite problem” *Southwest Philosophy Review* (2022), vol. 38, Issue 1: 227 – 236.
- [4] “A Defense of Causal Invariantism”, *Analytic Philosophy* (2016), vol. 1, Issue 57: 49 – 75 (coauthored with Martin Montminy)
- [5] “Kim’s Dilemma: Why Mental Causation is not Productive”, *Synthese* (2016), vol. 7, Issue 193: 2185 – 2203.
- [6] “Why It Doesn’t Matter I’m Not Insane: Descartes’s Madness Doubt in Focus”, *Southwest Philosophy Review* (2011), vol. 27, Issue 1: 157 – 165.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- [1] “The Burden of Proof Fallacy”, *Bad Arguments: 100 of the Most Important Fallacies in Western Philosophy*, Bruce and Barbone (eds.) (Wiley-Blackwell 2018).
- [2] “The Supervenience Argument Against Non-Reductive Physicalism”, *Just the Arguments: 100 of the Most Important Arguments in Western Philosophy*, Bruce and Barbone (eds.), (Wiley-Blackwell 2011).

CITATIONS OF WORK

“Worm theoretic persistence and temporal predication: a reply to Johnston’s personite problem”:
[1] Emanuele Tullio and Tommaso Soriani, “The epistemic objection against perdurantism”, *Synthese*, 2024.

“Kim’s Dilemma: Why Mental Causation is not Productive”: [1] Thomas Kroedel’s “Mental Causation: A Counterfactual Theory” (Cambridge University Press), 2019, [2] Thomas Kroedel’s “Valid and Invalid Causal Arguments for Physicalism”, *Asian Journal of Philosophy*, 2024, [3] Bram Vaassen’s 2019 Dissertation, “Causal After All: A Model of Mental Causation for Dualists”, [4] Justin Tiehen’s “Causation in Physics and in Physicalism”, *Acta Analytica*, 2022,

“A Defense of Causal Invariantism”: [1] Bram Vaassen’s 2019 Dissertation, “Causal After All: A Model of Mental Causation for Dualists”, [2] Jennifer McDonald’s 2022 Dissertation “Actual Causation: Apt Causal Models and Causal Relativism”, [3] Peter Menzies’s “Counterfactual Theories of Causation” (Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)

PRESENTATIONS

- [1] “Worm theoretic persistence and temporal predication: a reply to Johnston’s personite problem”: delivered at the 82nd Annual Southwest Philosophical Society Conference, 2021
- [2] “Dissolving Kim’s Exclusion Problem”: delivered at the University of Central Oklahoma 4/14/2014
- [3] “The Metaphysics of Structured Representations: The Unity Problem for Mental Representations”: delivered at the Kansas Philosophical Society Conference 2/27/2010

[4] “Why It Doesn’t Matter I’m Not Insane: Descartes’s Madness Doubt in Focus”: delivered at the 2010 Southwestern Philosophical Society Conference 11/12/2010

COMMENTARIES

[1] Comments on Joost Ziff’s “Finding the Agent in Thinking”: 83rd Annual Southwestern Philosophical Society Conference, 2023

[2] Comments on Jonah Goldwater’s “Six Arguments Against OIC”: 81st Annual Southwestern Philosophical Society Conference, 2019

[3] Comments on Martin Vacek’s “Extended Modal Realism”: Second Annual University of Oklahoma Graduate Conference, 2013

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

UCO Humanities and Philosophy Enrollment Committee, 2018 – 2023

Logic Club (Special Meeting of UCO’s Philosophy Club), Lectures on Vagueness, Fall 2022

Logic Club (Special Meeting of UCO’s Philosophy Club), Lecture Series on the Philosophy of Mathematics, Fall 2023

Logic Club (Special meeting of UCO’s Philosophy Club), Lecture Series on Free Will, Fall 2024

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

[1] Journal Review for *Mind* 2024: the personite problem

[2] Journal Review for *Synthese* 2019: causation in physics

[3] Session Chair for 73rd Annual Mountain Plains Philosophy Conference 10/11/2019

REFERENCES

Dr. Martin Montminy, Professor (dissertation chair)

Dr. Reinaldo Elugardo, Professor Emeritus

Dr. Chris Swoyer, Professor Emeritus and Associated Professor of Cognitive Science

Dr. Hugh Benson, Professor Emeritus