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*Curriculum Vitae*  
(May 2025)

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics, Metaethics, Philosophy of Science

## EMPLOYMENT

### Leeds University

Professor 2022-  
Associate Professor 2019-2022  
Lecturer 2014-2019

### City College New York

Assistant Professor, 2009-2014

### University of British Columbia

Postdoctoral teaching fellow, 2007-2009

## EDUCATION

### Stanford University

PhD, Philosophy, 2007

### University College London

MA (Distinction), Philosophy, 2001

### London School of Economics

BSc (1st class honours), Philosophy and Economics, 2000  
Andrea-Mannu award for highest mark in Philosophy and Economics degree.

## BOOKS

*A Critical Introduction to Formal Epistemology*  
Bloomsbury Press (2015)

## EDITED

*Philosophical Methodology After Carnap*  
Synthese Library, edited collection (under contract)

**PEER-REVIEWED  
PUBLICATIONS**

40. 'Context-Sensitive Epistemic Justification'  
*Episteme* (forthcoming)
39. 'Higher-Order Evidence and Normative Contextualism'  
*Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming)
38. 'Against Coherence'  
*Logos & Episteme* (forthcoming)
37. 'Internalism without Cartesian privilege'  
*Inquiry* (forthcoming)
36. 'Contextualism and the Truth Norm'  
*Episteme* (forthcoming)
35. 'Ought-Implies-Can in Context'  
*Ergo an Open Access Journal of Philosophy* 11: 28 (2024)
34. 'Reasons for Belief in Context'  
*Episteme* 21(4), 1308-1323 (2024)
33. 'No Path From Modal Rationalism to Fundamental Scrutability'  
*Organon F* 31 (2): 197-201 (2024)
32. 'How to Lose Your Memory Without Losing Your Money: Shifty Epistemology and Dutch Strategies'  
*Synthese* 203 (4): 1-15 (2024)
31. 'Objective Bayesianism and the Abductivist Response to Scepticism'  
*Episteme* 21 (1): 64-78 (2024)
30. 'Can we Have Justified Beliefs About Fundamental Properties?'  
*Philosophical Quarterly* 74 (1):46-67 (2024)
29. 'Can we Combine Epistemic and Practical Reason?'  
*Analytic Philosophy* 65 (1): 53-69 (2023)
28. 'The Explanatory Power of Deflationary Truth'  
*Erkenntnis* 88 (8):3439-3456 (2023)
27. 'Ought-Contextualism and Reasoning'  
*Synthese* 199 (1), 2977-2999 (2021)
26. 'Uniqueness and Modesty: How Permissivists Can Live on the Edge'  
*Mind* 130 (520), 1087-1098 (2021)
25. 'Bayesianism and Self-Doubt'  
*Synthese* 199 (1), 2225-2243 (2021)
24. 'Self-Locating Belief and Updating on Learning'  
*Mind* 129 (514): 579-584 (2020)

23. 'Should Explanations Omit the Details?'  
*British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 71:827–853 (2020)
22. 'Naturalness as a Constraint on Priors'  
*Mind* 129 (513): 179-203 (2020)
21. 'Are There Indefeasible Epistemic Rules?'  
*Philosopher's Imprint* 19 (3) (2019)
20. 'Philosophers Should Prefer Simpler Theories'  
*Philosophical Studies* 175 (12): 3049-3067 (2018)
19. 'What is Bayesian Confirmation for?'  
*International Studies in the Philosophy of Science* 31 (3): 229-241 (2018)
18. 'Carnap's Epistemological Critique of Metaphysics'  
*Synthese* 195 (5): 2247-2265 (2018)
17. 'Deutsch on the Epistemic Problem in the Everett Interpretation'  
*Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics* 57: 111-114 (2017)
16. 'A Priori Causal Laws'  
*Inquiry* 60 (4): 358-370 (2017)
15. 'Sleeping Beauty and Everettian Confirmation: Reply to Wilson'  
*British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 66 (3):683-693 (2015)
14. 'A Relevant Alternatives Solution to the Bootstrapping and Direct Self-Knowledge Problems'  
*Journal of Philosophy* 111 (7): 379-393 (2014).
13. 'Functionalism and the Independence Problems'  
*Nous* 47 (1): 545-557 (2013)
12. 'Four Problems About Self-Locating Belief'  
*Philosophical Review* 121 (2):149-177 (2012)
11. 'Weisberg on design: What fine-tuning's got to do with it'  
*Erkenntnis* 77 (3): 435-438 (2012)
10. 'Justified Concepts and the Limits of the Conceptual Approach to the A Priori'  
*Croatian Journal of Philosophy* Vol. XI, No. 33 (2011)
9. "Functionalist Response-Dependence Avoids Missing Explanations"  
*Analysis* 71 (2):297-300 (2011)
8. "Confirmation in a Branching World: Sleeping Beauty and the Everett Interpretation"  
*British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 62(2), 323-342 (2011)
7. "Self-Location is No Problem for Conditionalization"  
*Synthese* 182(3), 393-411 (2011)

6. "Conditionalization and Belief *De Se*"  
*Dialectica*. 64:2 (2010)
5. "Multiple Universes and Observation Selection Effects"  
*American Philosophical Quarterly* 46:1, 61-72 (2009)
4. "When Betting Odds and Credences Come Apart: More Worries for Dutch Book Arguments", (co-authored with Hannes Leitgeb)  
*Analysis* 66:2, 119–127 (2006)  
  
Re-printed in [\*Philosophy of Probability: Contemporary Readings\*](#) (2011) ed. A. Eagle, Routledge
3. "No Doomsday Argument Without Knowledge of Birth Rank"  
*Synthese* 144: 91-100 (2005)
2. "Monty Hall, Doomsday and Confirmation"  
(co-authored with Branden Fitelson)  
*Analysis* 63: 23-31 (2003)
1. "Sleeping Beauty: a note on Dorr's argument for 1/3"  
*Analysis* 63: 266-268 (2003)

#### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

- "Introduction" to *Philosophical Methodology After Carnap* (forthcoming),  
Bradley, D. (ed.) Synthese Library
- "Should we Prefer a Simpler Ontology?"  
*Philosophical Methodology After Carnap* (forthcoming),  
Bradley, D. (ed.) Synthese Library
- "Dynamic Belief and the Passage of Time"  
*Attitudes 'De Se': Linguistics, Epistemology, Metaphysics* (2013)  
Capone and Feit (eds), CSLI

#### **ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES**

- "Formal Representations of Belief"  
in *Oxford Bibliographies in Philosophy* (2019)
- "Philosophical Perspectives on Decision Theory"  
in *The Encyclopedia of the Mind*, (2013) Hal Pashler (ed), Sage

#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

- 'Theoretical Virtues in Science' by Samuel Schindler (2019)  
*Metascience* 261-264.
- 'Ontology After Carnap' S. Blatti & S. Lapointe (eds) (2017)  
*Analysis Reviews* 77 (4): 858-861

#### **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

- 'Strong opinions are irrational – here's why we should all be agnostic'  
<https://theconversation.com/strong-opinions-are-irrational-heres-why-we-should-all-be-agnostic-137311>

‘Being humble is a good new year’s resolution – but it requires knowing what you value most’  
<https://theconversation.com/being-humble-is-a-good-new-years-resolution-but-it-requires-knowing-what-you-value-most-216788>

Interview with 3-16am  
<https://www.3-16am.co.uk/articles/epistemology-probable-belief-and-carnap?c=end-times-series>

Humility (writing the script for the Philosophy Vibe youtube channel)  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f5aaC\\_jBQqE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f5aaC_jBQqE)

Disagreement (script writing for the Philosophy Vibe youtube channel)  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xsp\\_hjPDFv4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xsp_hjPDFv4)

Interview for The Philosophers Magazine 2017 by Graeme Forbes ‘Are we living in a simulation (with David Chalmers and Michaela McSweeney)  
<https://kar.kent.ac.uk/83288/3/Is-this-a-simulation3.pdf>

**WORKS IN PROGRESS**

Probabilism is not an Ideal (under review)  
Simplicity is the Only Theoretical Virtue (under review)  
When are Derivative Entities Costly? (under review)  
Against Certainty  
Primary Intensions are Bearers of Chance

**MAJOR AWARDS**

Templeton Foundation Grant 2022-5	£130,681
British Academy Mid-Career Fellowship 2020	£150,336
Marie Curie Re-Integration Grant 2015-7	€183,455

**MINOR AWARDS**

PSC-CUNY Research Award Program 2014	\$4248
PSC-CUNY Research Award Program 2013	\$3990
PSC-CUNY Research Award Program 2011	\$3990
PSC-CUNY Research Award Program 2010	\$1000
Arts and Humanities Research Board, Award A, 2000-2001	£15,000
Government of Canada Postdoctoral Research Fellowship 2009	(declined)
Arts and Humanities Research Board, Award B, 2001-2004	(declined)

**CONFERENCES ORGANIZED**

‘Fundamentality and Grounding’ University of Leeds 2015  
‘Metaphysics after Carnap’ University of Leeds 2016  
‘Conference on the Metaphysics of Jonathan Schaffer’ University of Leeds 2017  
‘Theoretical Virtues in Science and Philosophy’ University of Leeds 2017  
‘Deflationary Metaphysics’ University of Leeds 2017  
‘Epistemic Normativity’ online 2020  
‘Disagreement and Self-Doubt’ online 2020  
‘Rationality and Humility’ online 2023

**SERVICE TO LEEDS**

Open Hiring Committee 2014  
Mind and Language Hiring Committee 2015  
Final Year Project Manager 2017-2019, 2021-2022, S1 2022  
Director of Post-graduate Teaching 2017-2019  
Education and Teaching Committee 2017-2019  
Deputy Director of Post-graduate Research 2021-2022

Liberal Arts Hiring Committee 2021  
Chair of Thought Cluster for White Rose College of the Arts and Humanities 2022-  
Director of Centre for Mind and Metaphysics 2023-4

**RECENT  
TEACHING**

Member of the UKRI Future Leaders Fellowships Peer Review College  
Introduction to Metaphysics 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023  
Metaethics 2022  
Philosophy of Mind 2017, 2018, 2021, 2023  
Graduate Philosophy of Science 2018  
Epistemology: Theory and Evidence 2015, 2018  
Advanced Metaphysics 2015  
Epistemology: Knowledge and Justification 2014

**REFERENCES**

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