

Associate Professor in Moral and Political Philosophy
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Research Interests

Areas of Specialisation: Metaethics, Normative Ethics, Moral Psychology

Areas of Competence: Political Philosophy, Bioethics

Employment

Associate Professor in Moral and Political Philosophy Mar. 2022 – Continuing
School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science
University of Leeds

Lecturer in Moral and Political Philosophy Sep. 2018 – Mar. 2022
School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science
University of Leeds

Postdoctoral Fellow Oct. 2017 – Aug. 2018
Australian National University
ARC project: The Origins of Inequality, Hierarchy, and Social Complexity
PI: Kim Sterelny

Education

PhD, Philosophy Awarded Jul. 2018
Australian National University

BA (Hons), 1st Class, Philosophy 2012
Monash University, Clayton Campus

BA, Philosophy & Comparative Literature 2011
Monash University, Clayton Campus

Publications

Original Articles (Peer-Reviewed Journals)

1. 'Self-Esteem: On the form of self-worth worth having', forthcoming in *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*.
2. 'Naturalising Moral Naturalism', forthcoming in *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*
3. 'Doubts about Duty as a Secondary Motive', *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research* 105, 2: 276-298 (2022).

4. 'Subjunctive Hypocrisy,' *Ergo* 9, 7: 172-199 (2022).
5. 'Don't Stop Believing (Hold onto That Warm Fuzzy Feeling)', *Ethics* 132, 4-37 (2021), co-authored with Edward Elliott.
6. 'Moral Worth: Having it Both Ways,' *The Journal of Philosophy* 117, 529-556 (2020).
7. 'Moral Worth and Doing the Right Thing by Accident,' *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 97, 251-264 (2019).
8. 'Evolutionary Hypotheses and Moral Skepticism,' *Erkenntnis* 84, 1025-1045 (2019).
9. 'On Having Bad Persons as Friends,' *Philosophical Studies* 175, 3099-3116 (2018).
10. 'Hypocrisy and Moral Authority,' *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 12, 191-222 (2017), co-authored with Colin Klein.

Original Articles (Edited Collections)

11. 'Should Error Theorists Make Do with Make-Believe?' in R. Joyce & S. Brock (eds.), *Moral Fictionalism and Religious Fictionalism*. Oxford University Press (2023).
12. 'Minimizing the Misuse of Morality,' In R. Garner, & R. Joyce (eds.), *The End of Morality: Taking Moral Abolitionism Seriously*. Routledge (2019).

Book Reviews

1. 'Richard Joyce, Essays in Moral Skepticism,' *Utilitas* 32, 126-129 (2020).
2. 'Empathy and Morality,' *Biology and Philosophy* 30, 597-608 (2015).

Encyclopedia Entries

1. 'Moral Hypocrisy,' *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (2020).

Awards & Scholarships

Mind Association Conference Grant	Jan. 2023
Value: £600	
Pre-doctoral Fellow	May-Jun. 2017
Hebrew University of Jerusalem, AU\$4000 stipend	
Vice Chancellor's HDR Travel Grant	2016
Australian National University, AU\$2000	
Domestic Student Scholarship	2013-16
Australian National University, AU\$25,766/yr. for 3.5 years	
Jubilee Honours Scholarship	2012
Monash University, Clayton Campus	
John Bigelow Prize for History of Philosophy	2011
Monash University, Clayton Campus	
Robert Turnbull Prize for Ancient Philosophy	2010
Monash University, Clayton Campus	

Deans Recognition Award

2009, 2010, 2011

Monash University, Clayton Campus

Full fee-paying scholarship for BA

2008-2011

Monash University, Clayton Campus

Teaching Experience**Lecturer***University of Leeds*

PHIL1444 Philosophy, Politics, and Economics First Year Seminar

PHIL1080 The Good, The Bad, The Right, The Wrong

PHIL2322 Moral Philosophy

PHIL3723 War, Terror, Justice

Australian National University

PHIL3073/4010 Advanced Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy

Tutor*University of Leeds*

PHIL2995 The Ethics of Life and Death

Australian National University

BIOL3191/6191 Biology, Society and Ethics

PHIL2020 Theories of Social Justice

PHIL1004 Fundamental Ideas in Philosophy

Reach for Excellence Summer School*University of Leeds*

Discover Moral Philosophy and Ethical Theory

Internationalization Colloquium for Postgraduate Researchers*White Rose College of the Arts & Humanities*

Academic Debates across International Contexts

Professional Service and Administrative Work**Research Centre Director**

Centre for Aesthetic, Moral, and Political Philosophy

2022 – present

*University of Leeds***Associate Editor***Analysis*

2021 - present

Committee member for PhD funding applications

White Rose College of the Arts & Humanities 2020 - 2022

Programme Director

Philosophy, Politics, and Economics 2020 - present

University of Leeds

MA Global Ethical Challenges 2022 - present

University of Leeds

Seminar convenor

Philosophy seminar series Aug. 2019 - Jan. 2021

University of Leeds

Work in Progress Pre-Read Seminar Aug. 2019 – Jan. 2021

University of Leeds

Philosophy Society weekly seminar series Jul. - Nov. 2015

Australian National University

Conference organiser

Personal Relationships and the Normative Landscape Conference May 2023

University of Leeds

Australian Association of Philosophy Annual Conference Jul. 2014

Australian National University

Philosophy postgraduate conference Nov. 2013

Kioloa Coastal Campus, Australian National University

Referee

Philosophy of Science, American Philosophical Quarterly, Journal of Applied Philosophy, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, Ergo, Inquiry, Topoi, Disputatio, Utilitas, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Quarterly, Review of Philosophy and Psychology, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, The Journal of Ethics, British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, Analysis, Ethics, Philosophers' Imprint, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Philosophical Studies, Journal of the American Philosophical Association, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Erkenntnis, Oxford University Press.

Upcoming Presentations

- Aristotelian Society, London Mar. 2024
- Philosophy Society, University of Birmingham Jan. 2024
- Popper Seminar, LSE Jan. 2024
- Visiting Speaker Seminar, University of Stirling Nov. 2023
- Workshop, Aarhus University Nov. 2023
- 'The Standing to Blame and Beyond' Workshop, Lund University Oct. 2023

Recent Presentations & Commentaries (Since 2020)

[* Denotes Keynote Talk]

Mixing Pride with Pleasure

- Moral Philosophy Seminar, University of Oxford Mar 2023
- Moral Philosophy Seminar, University of Gothenburg Nov 2022
- ACU/Leeds Normativity Workshop, Rome Sep. 2022
- Conference on Rational and Fitting Happiness, University of Southampton Sep. 2022

Blame's Blind Spot

- Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference Jul. 2023
- MetaFS Workshop, Frankfurt Business School Dec. 2022
- Workshop on Epistemic and Practical Normativity, University of St Andrews Nov 2022

Knaves and Norms

- Biannual Meta-Essen Workshop, University of Duisburg-Essen Jun. 2022

What is Self-Esteem?

- Workshop on Happiness, Utility and Well-Being, University of York Jun. 2022
- Leeds/Durham Postgraduate Moral Philosophy Workshop, University of Leeds* Apr. 2022
- The Practical, the Political and the Ethical Series, Royal Institute of Philosophy Apr. 2022
- Philosophy Colloquium Series, University of Helsinki Mar. 2022
- Philosophy Colloquium Series, University of Stockholm Feb. 2022

Schmoralising

- Workshop on Nihilism and its Implications, University of Stockholm Dec. 2021

Should Moral Fictionalists Make-Do with Make-Belief?

- Religious and Moral Fictionalism Workshop, Victoria University of Wellington Sep. 2021

Another Bloody Paper on Moral Twin Earth (with Edward Elliott)

- Workshop on New Directions for Normative Naturalism, University of Leeds Jul. 2021

Commentary: 'A New Argument for Moral Error Theory'

- Nihilism Workshop, University of Stockholm Dec. 2020

Duties of friendship and morality

- Departmental Talk, University of York Oct. 2020
- Applied Ethics Forum, California State University, Long Beach (via Zoom) Oct. 2020
- Conference on the Normativity and Epistemology of Friendship, Dublin* Sep. 2020

Moral Worth and Secondary Motives

- Centre for Aesthetic, Moral, and Political Philosophy, University of Leeds May 2020

References available upon request