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### **EMPLOYMENT**

Clinical Ethics Fellowship, The University of Texas, Houston, MD Anderson Cancer Center, 2023

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Maryland, College Park, 2023

Dissertation: Subjectivity and Cognitive Science: A Defense of The  
Representational Theory of Consciousness

Supervisor: Peter Carruthers

Committee: Peter Carruthers, Georges Rey, Harjit Bhogal, Elizabeth Schechter, Yi  
Ting Huang

M.A. Philosophy, University of Maryland, College Park, 2020

M.A. Philosophy, San Francisco State University, 2015

Thesis: The Inessential Robust First-Person Perspective

Supervisor: Carlos Montemayor

Committee: Carlos Montemayor, Isabelle Peschard

B.A. Philosophy & Psychology, University of Massachusetts, Boston, 2011

### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Psychology, Biomedical  
Ethics

### **AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

Applied Ethics, Logic, Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Items refereed externally (by those other than editors) are indicated by R attached to their  
number.

### **Journal Articles**

- [2] R “Stop and Smell the What? Two Kinds of Olfactory Representation”, Synthese, 2022
- [1] R “Additional resources for sparse theories of phenomenal consciousness”, Journal of Consciousness Studies, 2021

### **Reviews, Comments, and Other Publications**

- [3] R “Sub-personal introspection”. (With Peter Carruthers) Journal of Consciousness Studies, (forthcoming). (Second Author)  
(Commentary on “What forms could introspection take? A research programme,” by François Kammerer and Keith Frankish.)
- [2] “Perceptual awareness or phenomenal consciousness? A dilemma”, (with Peter Carruthers), Biology & Philosophy, 2021(Equal Authorship) (Commentary on “Unlimited associative learning and the origins of consciousness,” by Jonathan Birch, Simona Ginsburg, and Eva Jablonka.)
- [1] R “What explains the “hard” problem of consciousness?”, (with Peter Carruthers), Cognitive Neuropsychology, 2021 (Equal Authorship) (Commentary on “Toward a standard model of consciousness: Reconciling the attention schema, global workspace, higher-order thought, and illusionist theories” by Michael Graziano, Arvid Guterstam, Branden Bio, and Andrew Wilterson.)

### **Under Review**

- [1] Perception and cognitive science laws

### **In Progress**

- [5] Decision-Making Capacity and System 1 Processes
- [4] Moral Distress and Group Identity
- [3] Autonomy and Value
- [2] Pain and representation
- [1] Perceptual content and color constancy

### **PRESENTATIONS**

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- [5] "When Principles Pull in Different Directions: A Possible Role for Intuition" (Capital Region Medical Center Grand Rounds, 2022)
- [4] "Color Chords: Intuition and Cognitive Science Explanation", Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2022
- [3] "Contingent Perceptual Experience", American Philosophical Association, Central Division, 2022
- [2] "Chunking and the Subjective Impression of Richness", Central States Philosophical Association, 2018
- [1] "Consciousness and Feature Binding", The Norwegian Summer Institute on Language and Mind, 2018

### **AWARDS/GRANTS/FELLOWSHIPS**

- [5] ARHU Summer Fellowship (2022)
- [4] Moreland Perkins Fellowship in Philosophy (2021)
- [3] Goldhaber Travel Award, Graduate School, UMD (2018)
- [2] ARHU Travel Award, College of Arts and Humanities, UMD (2018)
- [1] Departmental Dean's Fellowship (2018)

### **TEACHING**

#### **University of Maryland, College Park**

##### **Primary Instructor**

- [8] Philosophy 220: Bioethics: Regulating Right and Wrong (Spring 2023)
- [7] Philosophy 100: Introduction to Philosophy (Winter 2023)
- [6] Philosophy 310: Ancient Philosophy (Fall 2022)
- [5] Philosophy 220: Bioethics: Regulating Right and Wrong (Spring 2022)
- [4] Philosophy 309T: Understanding Perception (Fall 2021)
- [3] Philosophy 220: Bioethics: Regulating Right and Wrong (Summer 2021)

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[2] Philosophy 100: Introduction to Philosophy (Summer 2020)

[1] Philosophy 170: Introduction to Logic (Summer 2019)

**Teaching Assistant**

[8] Philosophy 310: Ancient Philosophy (Fall 2022)

[7] Philosophy 220: Bioethics: Regulating Right and Wrong (Fall 2020)

[6] Philosophy 203: The Rights and Wrongs of Killing (Spring 2020)

[5] Philosophy 202: Know Thyself: Wisdom Through Cognitive Science (Fall 2019)

[4] Philosophy 203: The Rights and Wrongs of Killing (Spring 2019)

[3] Philosophy 366: Introduction to Philosophy of Mind (Spring 2019) (unofficial grader)

[2] Philosophy 310: Ancient Philosophy (Fall 2018)

[1] Philosophy 170: Introduction to Logic (Fall 2017)

**San Francisco State University**

**Primary Instructor**

[2] Philosophy 101: Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2015)

[1] Philosophy 110: Introduction to Critical Thinking (Spring 2015)

**Teaching Assistant**

[1] Philosophy 320: General Writing and Reading (Spring 2014)

**Pre-University Teaching Experience**

[3] Substitute Teacher, San Francisco Public Schools (San Francisco, California) (Fall 2016-Spring 2017)

[2] After School Instructor, Fitness, Fun, and Games (Baltimore, Maryland) (Fall 2012-Spring 2013)

[1] Substitute Teacher, Belmont Public Schools (Belmont, Massachusetts) (Spring 2012)

## **SERVICE**

### **Referee** (J: Journal; C: Conference)

[3] C ASBH Affinity Group

[2] J Erkenntnis

[1] J Cognitive Neuropsychology

### **Internship**

[1] Capital Region Medical Center ethics committee (September 2021 – present)

### **Outreach**

[1] Educational sub-committee at Capital Region Medical Center (August 2022 – present)

## **GRADUATE COURSES**

### **University of Maryland, College Park**

[17] Cognition and Human Motives, Peter Carruthers (Fall 2022) (audit)

[16] The Metaphysics of Laws and Chance, Harjit Bhogal (Spring 2022) (audit)

[15] Human Motives, Peter Carruthers (Fall 2021) (audit)

[14] Stoic Ethics and Moral Psychology, Rachel Singpurwalla (Spring 2021) (audit)

[13] Capitalism and Its Critics, Dan Moller (Fall 2020) (audit)

[12] Natural Properties, Harjit Bhogal (Spring 2020)

[11] Representation and Meta-representation, Peter Carruthers (Fall 2019)

[10] Introduction to Cognitive Science, Yi Ting Huang, Robert Slevc (Fall 2019)  
(Department of Psychology, Program in Neuroscience and Cognitive Science)

[9] Plato's Political Philosophy, Rachel Singpurwalla (Spring 2019)

[8] Mechanisms and Causation, Lindley Darden (Fall 2018)

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- [7] Social Cognition and Moral Development, Melanie Killen (Fall 2018)  
(Department of Human Development and Quantitative Methodology)
- [6] Attention and Probabilistic Cognition, Peter Carruthers (Spring 2019)
- [5] Representation and Related Issues in a Chomskyan Linguistics, Georges Rey  
(Spring 2018)
- [4] Varieties of Explanation, Harjit Bhogal (Spring 2018)
- [3] Value Theory, Dan Moller (Spring 2018)
- [2] Consciousness and Animals, Peter Carruthers (Fall 2017)
- [1] Metaphysics, Mind, and Language, Georges Rey (Fall 2017)

### **San Francisco State University**

- [8] Virtue Epistemology, Carlos Montemayor (Spring 2015)
- [7] Advanced Logic Workshop, Bastiaan Van Fraassen (Fall 2014)
- [6] Philosophy of Science: Evidence, Isabelle Peschard (Fall 2014)
- [5] Embodied Cognition, Isabelle Peschard (Spring 2014)
- [4] Essential Indexical Information, Carlos Montemayor (Spring 2014)
- [3] Philosophy of Perception, Isabelle Peschard (Fall 2013)
- [2] Cognitive Perspectives on Space and Time, Carlos Montemayor (Fall 2013)
- [1] Philosophical Writing, David Landy (Fall 2013)

### **REFERENCES**

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