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*Curriculum Vitae*

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Epistemology, Ethics (esp. Moral Epistemology), Philosophy of Science

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE:

Logic, Applied Ethics (inc. Medical Ethics, Business Ethics)

EMPLOYMENT:

Wake Forest University – Visiting Assistant Professor (Fall 2021 – Present)

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Massachusetts Amherst (May 2021)

M.A. Philosophy, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (May 2011)

B.A. Philosophy, California State University Long Beach (May 2008) *Summa Cum Laude*,

Phi Beta Kappa, Honor’s Thesis: “Examining Evolutionary Ethics” (Advisor: Jason Raibley)

DISSERTATION: *Defending Philosophical Knowledge*

Committee: Hilary Kornblith (Chair), Christopher Meacham, Sophie Horowitz, Seth Cable(Linguistics)

PUBLICATIONS:

“[No Hope for Conciliationism](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11229-024-04590-3),” *Synthese,* 203: 148, (2024).

“[The Insignificance of Philosophical Skepticism](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11229-022-03957-8),” *Synthese*, 200: 485, (2022).

“[Moral Disagreement Skepticism Leveled](https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/rati.12299),” *Ratio,* 34(3): 203-216, (2021).

“[Reliable Knowledge: A Reply to Turri](https://dialectica.philosophie.ch/dialectica/article/view/23),” *Dialectica,* 74(3):495-509, (2020).

WORKS IN PROGRESS: (drafts available upon request)

Paper on Peer Disagreement Skepticism (Under Peer Review)

Paper on Philosophical Intuition Skepticism (Revise and Resubmit)

Paper on Defeat and Pessimistic Inductions against Philosophy (Under Peer Review)

Paper on Knowledge-how (Under Peer Review)

PRESENTATIONS:

Conferences: (“\*” indicates a Keynote Talk)

\*“Can you Live a Good Life in a Virtual World?”\*

Braswell Philosophical Society, Annual Undergraduate Philosophy Conference at Wake Forest University (April 2024)

“Defeating Unpossessed Defeaters”

The 2024 North Carolina Philosophical Society and the South Carolina Society for Philosophy Joint Conference, Davidson College (March 2024)

“Experimental Philosophy and Philosophical Skepticism: A Reply to Machery”

The 2023 North Carolina Philosophical Society, Duke University (March 2023)

The 2023 South Carolina Philosophical Society, USC Beaufort (April 2023)

Naturalism in Philosophy Conference, Sofia University, Bulgaria (May 2023)

“Dismissing Skepticism”

The 2022 North Carolina Philosophical Society and the South Carolina Society for Philosophy Joint Conference at Converse University (March 2022)

The 2022 Pacific APA, Symposium Talk, Vancouver, British Columbia (April 2022) – In absentia

Wake Forest University Philosophy Colloquium Series (October 2021)

Varieties of Anti-Skepticism (LVI Reuniones Filosóficas) Conference at the University of

Navarra (September 2021)

“Self-Undermining Conciliationism”

Agreement and Disagreement: Beyond Ethics and Epistemology (Hybrid Conference), University of Kent (October 2021)

“Moral Disagreement Skepticism Leveled”

Ohio Philosophical Association 2020 Annual Meeting at the University of Akron (April 2021 – Rescheduled from April 2020 for Coronavirus)

The 2021 Central APA, Colloquium Talk, Virtual Meeting (February 2021)

The 2020 North Carolina Philosophical Society and the South Carolina Society for Philosophy Joint Conference at UNC Asheville (March 2020) – Cancelled for Coronavirus.

“Disagreement Skepticism in Philosophy”

Disagreement and Philosophy Graduate Student Conference at Ryerson University (March 2020)

What is Philosophy? And Other Topics in Metaphilosophy Conference at Johns Hopkins University (Oct 2019)

The 4th Annual Philosurfer Convergence (June 2019)

The 2019 North Carolina Philosophical Society Conference at UNC Greensboro (March 2019)

“Reliable Knowledge: A Reply to Turri”

The 2019 Eastern APA, Colloquium Talk, New York City, NY (January 2019)

The 3rd Annual Philosurfer Convergence (April 2018)

“Self-Knowledge and Gettier-Cases”

The 2nd Annual Philosurfer Convergence (June 2017)

“Intuition and Epistemic Self Defeat”

The 4th Annual Edinburgh Graduate Epistemology Conference (June 2014)

The 5th Annual Northwestern/Notre Dame Epistemology Conference (April 2014) - In absentia

“Contextualism and Dreaming”

The annual New Jersey Philosophical Association Conference at Bergen Community College (Nov 2012)

“Re-Tooling the Dream Argument”

The annual Indiana Philosophical Association Fall Conference at the University of Indianapolis (Nov 2012)

Other Talks:

“What, and Where, is Music?”

Guest Lecturer in the UNCG Prison Education Program at Burner Federal Prison (Oct 2023)

Commentaries:

“Clarifying Full Knowledge”

The 2024 Central APA, New Orleans, LO

Commentary on “Full knowledge and common knowledge” by Yonathan Fiat (Feb 2024)

“Understanding the Problem of Agony”

The annual Indiana Philosophical Association Fall Conference at the University of Indianapolis Commentary on “A Case against Subjectivism: A Rely to Sobel” by Jessica Katz (Nov 2012)

“Problems for Counterfactual Accounts of Harm”

The 2010 Virginia Tech Graduate Philosophy Conference. Commentary on “Harms, Counterfactuals, and Reasonable Expectations” by Jeffrey J. Watson (Nov 2010)

“Teaching Pre-Collegiate Philosophy: Rationales and Experiences”

The 17th Annual International Conference on Teaching Philosophy at the University of Guelph (June 2008) (co-presenters: Debbie Whittaker, Jeff Dollarhide, and Brandon Minnis)

HONORS AND AWARDS

* 2021 Central APA Graduate Student Conference Registration Stipend Recipient
* Summer Dissertation Fellowship from the UMass Amherst Philosophy Department (2019)
* Winner of 2019 Eastern APA Graduate Student Travel Stipend
* Member of the honor society, *Phi Beta Kappa*
* Puryear Fellowship from UMass (2013-2014 academic year)
* Winner of the Whittington Scholarship from California State University Long Beach (2007)

(Yearly scholarship given by the philosophy faculty to an outstanding undergrad philosophy student)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

As Instructor:

At Wake Forest University –

Contemporary Moral Problems (i.e. Intro Ethics) – Fall 2023 (x2)

Logic – Spring 2023, Fall 2023

Epistemology – Spring 2022

Philosophy of Science – Fall 2021

Problems of Philosophy (i.e. Intro to Philosophy) – Fall 2021 (x2), Spring 2022 (x2), Fall 2022 (x3), Spring 2023 (x2)

Knowledge and Reality (i.e. Intro to Epistemology) (online) – Spring 2021

At High Point University -

Business Ethics – Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2021

At UMass -

Intro to Philosophy (online) – Winter 2018, Winter 2019, Winter 2021

Medical Ethics - Fall 2016, Spring 2017

At Lone Star College System – North Harris Campus

Intro to Ethics (online) – Summer 2013

Intro to Ethics – Summer 2013

Intro to Philosophy (online) – Spring 2013

Intro to Logic - Fall 2012, Spring 2013

Intro to Philosophy – Fall 2012

At Lone Star College System – University Park Campus

Intro to Philosophy – Fall 2012, Spring 2013

At Radford University –

Ethics and Society (i.e. Intro to Ethics) – Fall 2011, Spring 2012

At Virginia Tech –

Knowledge and Reality (i.e. Intro to Philosophy) – Fall 2011 (x2), Spring 2012

Language and Logic (i.e. Intro to Logic) – Spring 2012

As Teaching Assistant:

At UMass –

Intro to Ethics (Meacham) – Fall 2014, Spring 2015

Workshops:

* WFU Center for Advanced Teaching – Inclusive Teaching Conference – April 21 2022 – Attended conference with various workshops on inclusive teaching, inclusive education, and equitable learning.
  + WFU Center for Advanced Teaching – New Faculty Community of Practice – Attended year long program to connect with faculty and learn evidence-based practices to enhance one’s teaching. (2021-22)
  + WFU Pronouns and Praxis Workshop: Strategies for Trans Inclusion in the Classroom (Aug 2021)
  + Teaching Workshops run by the UMass Philosophy Faculty and Graduate Students over an eight-week period (Spring 2021)
  + Workshop on Diversifying Syllabi and Online Teaching by the UMass Philosophy Faculty (Jan 2021)
  + Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop at Virginia Tech (Aug 2009)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

* Reviewed paper submissions for the 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 North Carolina Philosophical Society Conference.
* Reviewer for *Episteme* (2023)*.*
* Reviewed paper submissions for the 2014 UMass Graduate Philosophy Conference.
* Treasurer of the 2010 Virginia Tech Graduate Philosophy Conference.
* Reviewed paper submissions for the 2011, 2010, 2009 Virginia Tech Graduate Philosophy Conference.
* Member of the Virginia Tech Graduate Honor Court from 2009-2012.

REFERENCES: (“\*” indicates a teaching reference)

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