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Areas of Interest

Specialization: Meta/Ethics, Metaphysics, Social Philosophy

Competence: Bioethics, Logic, Early Modern Philosophy, Cognitive Science

Employment

Junior Research Fellow, St John's College, University of Oxford. 2023-Present.

Departmental Lecturer (Visiting Assistant Professor), Faculty of Philosophy & Hertford College, University of Oxford. 2023.

Education

Rutgers University Ph.D. in Philosophy. 2023.

University of Houston M.A. in Philosophy. 2015.

Harvard University B.A. in Social Studies and Philosophy. 2013.

Publications

Papers

14. Imposing Mind onto World. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*. Forthcoming.
13. Offloading and Mistakes in Artifacts and Value. *The Journal of Philosophy*. Forthcoming.
12. Against Instantiation. *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*. 103(2): 316-336. 2025.
11. Janus-Faced Grounding. *Ergo*. 10(34). 2023.
10. Aggregating Personal Value. *Oxford Studies in Metaethics* 19: 174-197. 2024.
9. Combining Good and Bad. In Mauro Rossi & Christine Tappolet (eds.), *Perspectives on Ill-Being*. Oxford University Press. 2025.
8. Value After Death. *Ratio* 35(3): 194-203. 2022.
7. Structuring Wellbeing. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 105(3): 564-580. 2022.
6. Artifactual Normativity. *Synthese* 200(126): 1-19. 2022.
5. Joints and Basic Ways. *Inquiry*. 67(1): 215-229. 2024.
4. Permanent Value. *Journal of the American Philosophical Association* 8(2): 356-372. 2022.
3. Epicureanism and Skepticism about Practical Reason. *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 50(2): 195-208. 2020.
2. Possible Intentions and the Doctrine of Double Effect. *Ethics, Medicine and Public Health* 8: 11-17. 2019.
1. Unbunking Arguments: A Case Study in Metaphysics and Cognitive Science. In Alvin Goldman & Brian McLaughlin (eds.), *Metaphysics and Cognitive Science*. Oxford University Press: 384-402. 2019.

Reviews

4. Review of Dale Dorsey's *A Theory of Prudence*. *The Journal of Moral Philosophy*. 19(3): 303-306. 2022.
3. Review of Guy Fletcher's *Dear Prudence*. *Utilitas* 33(4): 505-509. 2021.
2. Review of Andreas Müller's *Constructing Practical Reasons*. *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* 24(3): 859-861. 2021.
1. Review of Jessica Wilson's *Metaphysical Emergence*. *Philosophy in Review* 41(3): 221-223. 2021.

In progress

World Mirroring Mind. Full book manuscript requested for review by Oxford University Press. In preparation.
Paper on conflict in creation and normativity. Under review.
Paper on changing values. In preparation.

Presentations

* = Invited

31. *Conflict in Creation and Normativity. Colloquium. Cambridge University. 2026.
30. *Conflict in Creation and Normativity. Colloquium. University of Western Ontario. 2026.
29. *Conflict in Creation and Normativity. Social Metaphysics Workshop. Tampere University. 2025.
28. Changing Values. RoME. CU Boulder. 2025.
27. *Changing Values. Colloquium. University of Denver.
26. *World Mirroring Mind. Moral Metaphysics at Maryland Workshop. University of Maryland, College Park. 2025.
25. *Offloading and Mistakes in Artifacts and Value. Harms, Benefits, Good Life Workshop. University of Southampton. 2025.
24. Offloading and Mistakes in Artifacts and Value. RoME. CU Boulder. 2024.
23. *Offloading and Mistakes in Artifacts and Value. CU Boulder. 2024.
22. *Offloading and Mistakes in Artifacts and Value. Oxford Metaphysics and Epistemology Group. University of Oxford. 2023.
21. Aggregating Personal Value. 17th Annual Madison Metaethics Workshop. University of Wisconsin, Madison. 2022.
20. Aggregating Personal Value. Social Ontology & Collective Intentionality. University of Vienna. 2022.
19. Aggregating Personal Value. Rocky Mountains Ethics Conference XV. Boulder, Colorado. 2022.
18. Aggregating Wellbeing. Conference on Interspecies Comparisons of Welfare. London School of Economics. 2022.
17. Ways of Existence. Symposium at the Pacific APA. Vancouver. 2022.
16. Value After Death. Fourth International Conference on Philosophy and Meaning in Life. University of Pretoria, South Africa. 2022.
15. Value After Death. 2021 International Association for the Philosophy of Death and Dying Symposium. 2021.
14. Permanent Value. Philosophical Perspectives on Aging-Seminar. La Sapienza, Università di Roma. Danish Institute in Rome. 2021.
13. Value After Death. Great Lakes Philosophy Conference. Siena Heights University. 2021.
12. Normativity from Nothing. Social Ontology 2020. University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland. 2020.
11. Possessing Value. End-of-Life and Euthanasia. Czech Academy. 2019.
10. Against Collective Responsibility. Social Ontology 2018. Tufts. 2018.
9. Unbunking Arguments: A Case Study in Metaphysics and Cognitive Science. Bochum-Rutgers Workshop in

- Philosophy. Bochum Ruhr-University. 2017.
8. Shared Parts and Political Authority: Groups as Individuals in Spinoza. Southwest Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy. UC-Riverside. 2016.
 7. Shared Parts and Political Authority: Groups as Individuals in Spinoza. Spinoza-Leibniz Workshop. Michigan State University. 2016.
 6. Two Existence Conditions on Harm. 2016 Meeting of the International Association of the Philosophy of Death and Dying. Syracuse University. 2016.
 5. Two Existence Conditions on Harm. Austin Graduate Ethics and Normativity Talks. University of Texas. 2015.
 4. Two Existence Conditions on Harm. 67th Annual Northwest Philosophy Association Conference. North Idaho College. 2015.
 3. Novel Properties and Composition. 9th Annual Brown University Graduate Philosophy Conference. Brown University. 2014.
 2. Novel Properties and Composition. 66th Annual Northwest Philosophy Association Conference, Central Washington University. 2014.
 1. Toward a Theory of the Group as a Whole. 31st Annual I.S.P.S.O. Conference. University of Oxford. 2013.

Teaching

Primary Instructor

University of Oxford

17. Graduate Seminar: Mind-Dependence. Michaelmas 2024.
16. Ethics 103. Michaelmas 2024.
15. Thesis Advising. Michaelmas & Hilary 2023-2024.
14. Graduate Seminar: Subjectivism and Mistakes. Trinity 2023.
13. Mill's *Utilitarianism*. Trinity 2023.
12. Practical Ethics. Trinity 2023.
11. Ethics 103. Trinity 2023.
10. Ethics 103. Hilary 2023.

Rutgers University

9. Intro to Logic. Spring 2022.
8. Intro to Logic. Fall 2021.
7. Logic, Reasoning, and Persuasion. Spring 2021.
6. Logic, Reasoning, and Persuasion. Winter 2021.
5. Introduction to Metaphysics. Fall 2020.
4. Logic, Reasoning, and Persuasion. Summer 2020.
3. Bioethics. Spring 2020.
2. Logic, Reasoning, and Persuasion. Winter 2020.
1. Introduction to Early Modern Philosophy. Fall 2018.

Teaching Assistant

Rutgers University

4. Introduction to Philosophy: Writing Intensive. Karen Bennett. Fall 2019.
3. Human Nature and Human Diversity. Steven Stich. Spring 2019.

University of Houston

2. Introduction to Philosophy. Gregory Brown. Spring 2015.
1. Introduction to Philosophy. Gregory Brown. Fall 2014.

Training

Teaching Certificate. Rutgers Philosophy Department. 2017.
Anti-Racism Workshop. St John's College. University of Oxford. 2023.

Organizing

2. Mind-Dependence Workshop. March 2025. University of Oxford.
1. Metaphysical Mayhem (with Jonathan Schaffer). June 2020. Rutgers University.

Grants

2. St John's College Research Grant. £10,000.
1. St John's College Visiting Researcher Grant. £1,500 plus accommodation and meals for a term.

Service

Referee:

Oxford University Press, Routledge, *The Journal of Philosophy*, *Noûs*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Ergo*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Synthese*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Analysis*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Thought*, *Philosophia*, *Res Philosophica*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *Journal of Ethics*, *Utilitas*, and *Journal of Value Inquiry*.

Social Ontology Editor for PhilPapers. 2019–Present.

Incompatibilism Editor for PhilPapers. 2020–Present.

Member of Development & Alumni Relations Committee at St John's College. 2024–Present.

Member of Rutgers Colloquium Committee. 2016–2019.

Organizer of Rutgers Graduate Talks. 2019–2020.

Organizer of the Rutgers Metaphysics Reading Group. 2016–2018.

Organizer of Houston Area Graduate Student Talks. 2014–2015.

Member of Houston Circle for the Study of Early Modern Philosophy. 2013–2015.

References

Jonathan Schaffer (adviser), Rutgers University, jonathan.schaffer@rutgers.edu, (848) 932-0411
Gideon Rosen, Princeton University, grosen@princeton.edu, (609) 258-5505
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