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Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Religion, Social Philosophy

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science, Epistemology, Ethics

Employment

Rutgers University–Newark
Assistant Professor [2019–present]

Education

Ph.D. Philosophy (with Certificate in Cognitive Science), Rutgers University, 2019
Dissertation: *Commitment, Communication, and Content: Toward a Theory of Assertion*
Co-Directors: Ernie Lepore and Jeffrey C. King

M.Phil. Philosophical Theology, University of Oxford, 2013
Awarded with Distinction
Thesis: *Skeptical Theism, Epistemic Norms, and the Limits of Human Cognition*

A.B. Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, Philosophy (Secondary Field), Harvard College, 2011
Summa Cum Laude, Highest Departmental Honors
Thesis: *Metabolites That Induce Extracellular Electron Transfer Dependent Interactions in Synthetic Microbial Ecosystems*

Publications

Journal Articles

- “Why Horizontalism.” *Philosophical Studies* (forthcoming).
“Slurs Are Directives.” *Philosophers’ Imprint* 19(48), 1–28 (2019).
“Radically Insensitive Theists.” *Religious Studies* 55(2), 169–188 (2019).
“Uniformity Motivated.” *Linguistics and Philosophy* 41(6), 665–684 (2018).

“De Ray: On the Boundaries of the Davidsonian Semantic Programme.” *Mind* 126, 697–714 (2017).
(With Ernie Lepore.)

Edited Volumes

The Structure of Truth: Donald Davidson’s 1970 Locke Lectures. Oxford University Press (forthcoming).
(With Ernie Lepore.)

Works in Progress

“Do Not Diagonalize.”

“On the Plurality of Tongues.”

“Gaslighting in Axiology.”

Selected Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

Rutgers Teaching Assistant and Graduate Assistant Professional Development Fund Awards (3) [2016-2018]

Rutgers Special Study Awards (competitive university-wide summer funding awards) (3) [2015-2017]

Rutgers University Presidential Fellowship (top university-wide graduate merit fellowship) [2013-2015]

Oxford University Clarendon Scholarship [2011-2013]

Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Iota Chapter of Massachusetts [2010]

John Harvard Scholarship (top 5% of class) (3) [2008, 2009, 2010]

Detur Book Prize for outstanding scholarship in the freshman year [2008]

Selected Presentations*

“*On the Plurality of Tongues.*” Australian Catholic University, Melbourne. [December 2019]

“*On the Plurality of Tongues.*” Rutgers Alumni Workshop, New Brunswick. [April 2019]

“*Slurs Are Directives.*” Bochum-Rutgers Workshop in Philosophy and Cognitive Science, Ruhr-Universität Bochum. [March 2019]

“*Gaslighting in Axiology.*” New York City Minorities and Philosophy Workshop Series, CUNY. [March 2019]

“*Slurs Are Directives.*” Ashoka University, Sonipat. [December 2018]

“*Slurs Are Directives.*” Pacific APA Colloquium, San Diego. [March 2018]

“*Slurs Are Directives.*” USC/UCLA Graduate Conference, Los Angeles. [March 2018]

“*Uniformity Motivated.*” Central APA Colloquium, Chicago. [February 2018]

“*Slurs Are Directives.*” Harvard/MIT Graduate Conference, Cambridge, MA. [February 2018]

“*Slurs Are Directives.*” ESSLLI 2017 Workshop on Integrating Approaches to Social Meaning, Toulouse. [July 2017]

- "Uniformity Motivated."* ESSLLI 2017 Student Session, Toulouse. [July 2017]
- "Uniformity Motivated."* UT Austin Graduate Philosophy Conference, UT Austin. [April 2017]
- "Radically Insensitive Theists."* University of Oklahoma Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Oklahoma. [February 2017]
- "Uniformity Motivated."* Northern Graduate Philosophy Conference, Northern Illinois University. [October 2016]
- "Do Not Diagonalize."* Pacific APA Colloquium, San Francisco. [April 2016]
- "Do Not Diagonalize."* New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, New York University. [December 2015]
- "Skeptical Theism and the Future."* New Insights and Directions for Religious Epistemology Workshop on Formal Epistemology and Religious Epistemology, University of Oxford. [December 2014]
- "Truth Conditions Not Required."* OZSW Graduate Conference in Theoretical Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. [May 2014]
- "Truth Conditions Not Required."* Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference, University of Colorado Boulder. [April 2014]
- "Skeptical Theism Is Self-Defeating."* Pacific APA Colloquium, San Diego. [April 2014]
- "A New Moral Problem for (Skeptical) Theism."* 4th Annual Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Research Conference, Department of Classics, University of Leeds. [June 2013]
- "Mushy Skeptical Theism and the Evidential Argument from Evil."* Pacific APA Colloquium, San Francisco. [March 2013]

*Where the title of a paper has changed over time, presentations are listed under the most recent title.

Comments Delivered

- "Against Conventional Wisdom."* Presented by Ethan Jerzak, Arc Kocurek, and Rachel Rudolph. Eastern APA Symposium, Philadelphia. [January 2020]
- "What Jones Didn't Do: Rethinking Some Linguistic Evidence for Davidsonian Event Semantics."* Presented by Andrés Colapinto. Eastern APA Colloquium, Washington, DC. [January 2016]
- "The Resurrection and Hypertime."* Presented by Hud Hudson. Paradise Project Conference, Christopher Newport University. [April 2015]
- "The Cognitive Dimension of Heavenly Bliss."* Presented by Jonathan Kvanvig. Paradise Project Conference, Christopher Newport University. [April 2015]
- "Will There Be Skeptics in Heaven?"* Presented by Ted Poston. Paradise Project Conference, Christopher Newport University. [April 2015]

Service

Referee for *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Analysis*, *Synthese*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Inquiry*, *Topoi*, *Social Theory and Practice*, Routledge [2017-present]

Founder and Organizer: Rutgers Philosophy of Linguistics Reading Group [2014-2018]

Rutgers Philosophy Department Faculty Representative [2016-2017; 2018-2019]

North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information Organizing Committee [2016]

Rutgers Philosophy Department Prospective Visit Coordinator [2015-2016]

Rutgers Philosophy Department Climate Committee [2014-2015]

Rutgers Philosophy Department Colloquium Series Coordinator [2014-2015]

Rutgers Philosophy Faculty Talk Series Coordinator [2013-2014]

Rutgers Philosophy Department Website Manager [2013-2014]

Teaching

Rutgers University–Newark

Philosophy 448: Philosophy of Language [Spring 2020]

Computer Science 330: Ethical Issues in Data Science [Spring 2020]

Philosophy 320: Social Philosophy [Fall 2019]

Rutgers University–New Brunswick

Philosophy 360: Philosophical Aspects of Cognitive Science [Spring 2019]

Philosophy 107: Introduction to Ethics [Spring 2019]

Philosophy 107: Introduction to Ethics [Summer 2017]

Philosophy 107: Introduction to Ethics [Spring 2017]

Philosophy 210: Philosophy of Language [Winter 2017]

Philosophy 329: Minds, Machines, and Persons [Fall 2016]

Philosophy 107: Introduction to Ethics [Summer 2016]

Philosophy 201: Introduction to Logic [Spring 2016]

Philosophy 265: Introduction to Philosophy of Religion [Winter 2016]

Philosophy 329: Minds, Machines, and Persons [Fall 2015]