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AREA OF SPECIALIZATION Epistemology

AREAS OF COMPETENCE Ethics, Metaphysics, Decision Theory

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.
2016 – present.

Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, Rice University. 2014 – 2016.

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, MIT, June 2014
Committee: Roger White (chair), Stephen Yablo, Alex Byrne

BA with High Honors in Philosophy and Studio Art, Swarthmore College, June 2008

PUBLISHED/FORTHCOMING

“Accuracy and Educated Guesses”. Forthcoming in *Oxford Studies in Epistemology*.
* Winner of the 2015 Marc Sanders Prize in Epistemology, for best essay in epistemology written by someone no more than 15 years from the doctorate

“Uniqueness: A New Argument”, with Sinan Dogramaci. Forthcoming in *Philosophical Issues* 26: “Knowledge and Mind”.

“Epistemic Value and the ‘Jamesian Goals’”. Forthcoming in J. Dunn and K. Ahlstrom-Vij, eds. *Epistemic Consequentialism*. Oxford University Press.

“Expecting the Unexpected” [2015] with Tom Dougherty and Paulina Sliwa. *Res Philosophica* 92 (2):301-321. (Special issue on transformative experience.)

“Respecting All The Evidence” [2015] with Paulina Sliwa. *Philosophical Studies* 172 (11): 2835-2858.

“Epistemic Akrasia” [2014] *Noûs* 48 (4):718-744.

“Immoderately Rational” [2013] *Philosophical Studies* 167 (1):1-16.

BOOK REVIEWS AND SYMPOSIA

Symposium on Richard Pettigrew, *Accuracy and the Laws of Credence*. In preparation for *Episteme*.

Review of Jonathan Kvanvig, *Rationality and Reflection*. [2016] *Mind* 125 (498): 565-569.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Temporary Moral Status”

“Predictably Misleading Evidence”

“Dumb and Dumber”

PRESENTATIONS

Invited or Refereed

TBA

University of Toronto, April 2016

“Epistemic Value and the ‘Jamesian Goals’”

St. Louis Annual Conference on Reasons and Rationality (SLACRR), May 2015

“Predictably Misleading Evidence”

University of Houston, October 2015

American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, March 2016

Brandeis University Mini-Conference on Rational Belief and Higher-Order Evidence, March 2015

“Accuracy and Educated Guesses”

Formal Epistemology Workshop, May 2015

American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, February 2015

Rutgers University, Formal Epistemology Seminar, December 2014

UT Austin Epistemology Group, November 2014

“Expecting the Unexpected” (with Tom Dougherty and Paulina Sliwa)

Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, August 2014 (presented by Tom Dougherty)

“Immoderately Rational”

Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, August 2013

Other

Lecture on Permissivism and Truth

Anthropology Department Guest Lunch Series, Rice University, March 2016

Philosophy Club, Rice University, October 2015

INVITED COMMENTS

- “Radical Normative Uncertainty”, Martin Peterson
Conference in honor of Kenny Easwaran and Martin Peterson, Texas A&M,
December 2015
- “Neophobia”, John Collins
Res Philosophica Conference on Transformative Experiences, September 2014
- “Moore’s Paradox and Akratic Belief”, Eugene Chislenko
American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, December 2013
- “Justification Magnets”, Carrie Ichikawa Jenkins
Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, August 2012

TEACHING

- Epistemology, Spring 2017
Advanced Epistemology, Spring 2017
Medical Ethics, Fall 2016
Graduate Proseminar, Fall 2016
Problems of Philosophy, Spring 2016 (at Rice University)
Metaphysics, Spring 2016 (at Rice University)
Theory of Knowledge. Spring 2015, Fall 2015 (at Rice University)
Graduate Seminar: Topics in Epistemology. Spring 2015 (at Rice University)

SERVICE

Professional

- Reviewer for *Journal of Philosophy*, *Noûs*, *Oxford Studies in Epistemology*, *Ergo*, *Episteme*, *Inquiry*,
Theoria, *Philosophia*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy and
Phenomenological Research*, *Synthese*, *Acta Analytica*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal
of Medicine and Philosophy*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*
- Co-organizer, TEX: the Texas Epistemology eXtravaganza, 2015 and 2016
Program Committee: FEW 2016; SLACRR 2016
Mentor, Mentoring Project for Women, 2015-2016

University

- Graduate Council, Rice University. 2015-2016
Committee member, John Gardner Prize for Best Dissertation in the Humanities. Rice
University. Spring 2015.

Departmental

- Chair, Departmental Speaker Series Committee. Rice University. 2015-2016.
Co-organizer, Why So Few? (Departmental group addressing issues of diversity and
inclusiveness in philosophy.) Rice University. 2015-2016

Departmental committee member, SACS Senior Paper Evaluations. Rice University.
Spring 2015.

AWARDS

Marc Sanders Prize in Epistemology, 2015

\$10,000 bi-annual prize for the best essay in epistemology written by someone no more than 15 years from the doctorate, for “Accuracy and Educated Guesses”.

MIT Graduate Women of Excellence Honoree, 2013

MIT Presidential Fellowship, 2009