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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Philosophy

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**employment:**

2017 – Present: Professor of Instruction, University of Akron

2014 – 2017: Associate College Lecturer, University of Akron

2008 – 2014: Lecturer, University of Akron

2006 – 2008: Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Redlands

**Areas of Specialization:**

Epistemology ~ Philosophy of Mind- Bioethics

**Areas of Competency:**

Logic ~ History of Philosophy (Modern)

**Education:**

PhD. University of California, Santa Barbara 2006

M.A./ C. Phil University of California, Santa Barbara 2003

B.A. University of California, Santa Barbara (with Honors) 1996

**Refereed Publications (sole Author):**

“Advance Directives and Knowledge of Future Selves,” *Pallgrave Communications* (Special Issue on Self-Knowledge and Illness), forthcoming.

“Descendants and Advance Directives”, *Monash Bioethics Review*, vol. 32, no. 3-4: 217-31, 2014.

“Centering on Demonstrative Thought”, *Philosophia*, vol. 41, no. 4: 1135-47, 2013.

“Does Indeterminacy Matter?”, *Theoria*, vol. 79, no. 2: 155-66, 2013.

“Baker on the Psychological Account of Personal Identity”, *Acta Analytica*, vol. 24,

no. 3: 197-209, 2009.

“Memory, Quasi-Memory, and Pseudo-Quasi-Memory”, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, vol. 87, no. 3: 465-78, 2009.

“Contextualism, Closure, and the Knowledge Account of Assertion”, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, vol. 34: 111-21, 2009.

“Advancing an Advance Directive Debate”, *Bioethics*, vol. 22, no. 8: 423-30, 2008.

“DeRose and the Comparative Account of Epistemic Closure”, *Facta Philosophica*,

vol. 7, no. 2: 255-59, 2005.

**Refereed Publications (Co-Authored):**

“A Dilemma for the Knowledge Despite Falsehood Strategy”, (with Christopher Michael Cloos), *Episteme*, available online: https://doi.org/10.1017/epi.2016.53.

“Effective Skeptical Arguments”, (with Anthony Brueckner*), International Journal for the Study of Skepticism*, vol. 5, no. 1: 55-60, 2015.

“Vahid, Burge, and Perceptual Entitlement”, (with Jon Altschul and Anthony Brueckner), *Metaphilosophy*, vol. 45, no. 3:325-330, 2014.

“Resisting Resisting Externalism”, (with Anthony Brueckner), *Episteme*, vol. 11, no. 1: 27-33, 2014.

“Against Psychological Sequentialism”, (with Anthony Brueckner), *Analysis*, vol. 73, no. 1: 96-101, 2013.

“Becker on Epistemic Luck”, (with Anthony Brueckner), *Philosophical Studies*, vol. 163, no. 1: 171-175, 2013.

“A Tale of Two Fallibilists: On an Argument for Infallibilism”, (with Anthony Brueckner), *Thought: A Journal of Philosophy*, vol. 1, no. 3: 195-199, 2012.

“No Closure on Skepticism”, (with Yuval Avnur and Anthony Brueckner), *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 92: 439-47, 2011.

“Reply to Baumann on factivity and contextualism” (with Anthony Brueckner), *Analysis*, vol. 70, no. 3: 486-9, 2010.

“Thinking Animals and Epistemology” (with Anthony Brueckner), *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, vol. 90, no.3: 310-14, 2009.

“Bootstrapping and Knowledge of Reliability” (with Anthony Brueckner) *Philosophical Studies*, vol. 145, no. 3: 407-12, 2009.

“Contextualism, SSI, and the Factivity Problem” (with Anthony Brueckner), *Analysis,* vol. 69, no. 3: 431-38, 2009.

“The Psychological Approach to Personal Identity: Non-Branching and the Individuation of Person Stages” (with Anthony Brueckner), *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review*, vol. 47, no. 2: 377-86, 2008.

**Other Publications:**

Review of Matthew Fulkerson’s “The First Sense”, *Teaching Philosophy*, June 2015.

“Bailey on Incompatibilism and the ‘No Past’ Objection,” (with Anthony Brueckner), *Logos and Episteme: An International Journal for Epistemology*, vol. II, no. 4: 613-17, 2011.

Review of Logi Gunnarson’s “Philosophy of Personal Identity and Multiple Personality”, *The Philosophical Quarterly*, vol. 61: 418-20, 2011.

“Neuroscience and Metaphysics (Redux)” (with Fritz Alhoff), *American Journal of Bioethics*, January 2007: 34-6.

“Neuroscience and Metaphysics” (with Fritz Alhoff), *American Journal of Bioethics*, March 2005: 58-60.

“Animalism and What Matters” in *Personhood*, University of Jyvaskyla Press, 36-42: 2004.

**Presentations/Commentary:**

Panel Member, Fake News Forum, University of Akron EXL Center, April 2017.

“The Objects of Memorial Experience,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, March 2017.

Comments on Jared Liebergen’s “The Conservative’s Escape from the Circle,” Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, September 2016.

Comments on Evan Riley’s “Understanding Knowing How,” Ohio Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Otterbein University, April 2016.

Comments on Eli Alshanetsky’s “Articulation and Self-Knowledge,” APA Pacific Division Meeting, March 2016.

Invited Discussant (w/ Yuval Avnur, Dorit Bar-On, Robin Jeshion, and Jonathan Vogel), Anthony Brueckner Memorial Conference. UC Santa Barbara, February 2015.

“Disjunctivism and Experiential Memory” Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, Working Papers Group, September 2014.

Comments on Nathan Oseroff’s “Why is it that, if Counter-Closure is accepted, there is a problem for inferential knowledge?” Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, September 2014.

Engineering Ethics, presentation for Dr. Teresa Cutright’s Civil Engineering, November 2013 (as well as 2014 and 2015).

Comments on Joshua Anderson’s, "Why Moore Is Not a Particularist," Ohio Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Cleveland State University, March 2012

“Does Indeterminacy Matter?”, Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, Working Papers Group, September 2010.

Comments on Richard Montgomery’s “Mary Sees Red: Jackson’s Knowledge Argument and the Case against Physicalism”, Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, September 2010.

“Beginning to Exist, Conception, and the Identity Thesis”, University of Akron Undergraduate Philosophy Club, March 2009.

“Memory, Quasi-Memory, and Pseudo-Quasi-Memory”, Western Michigan University, October 2008.

“Advancing an Advance Directive Debate”, Western Michigan University, Center for the Study of Ethics in Society, October 2008.

“Advancing an Advance Directive Debate”, University of Redlands, April 2008.

“Why There Still are People- A Response to Stone”, Persons, Souls, and Selves Conference, University of San Diego, February 2006.

“Animalism and What Matters”, Dimensions of Personhood Conference, University of Jyvaskyla, Finland, July 2004

**Professional Service:**

Journal Referee – *American Philosophical Quarterly*; *Bioethics*; *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*; *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review; Episteme; Erkenntnis; Ethical Theory and Moral Practice; International Journal for the Study of Skepticism; Journal of Social Ontology; Mind; Monash Bioethics Review; Neuroethics; Pacific Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophical Papers; The Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophical Studies; Synthese; Topoi:An International Review of Philosophy.*

Conference Referee- Ohio Philosophical Association (2017;2013); Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium (2013; 2011); Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (2017)

**Awards, Grants, and Honors:**

Outstanding Instructor Award, Resident Hall Association, UCSB 2004

Siff Award, Philosophy Department Annual Award for Best Paper 2003

“Personal Identity and Egoistic Concern”

**Teaching Experience:**

Course Instructor, University of Akron

* Introduction to Ethics
* Introduction to Ethics (Honors)
* Introduction to Logic Online (Developed and Taught)
* Introduction to Logic
* Biomedical Ethics
* Epistemology
* Seminar: Personal Identity
* Metaphysics
* Philosophy of Mind
* Philosophy of Language
* Independent Study- Symbolic Logic
* Independent Study- Biodiversity

Course Instructor, University of Redlands

* Introduction to Philosophy
* Reasoning and Logic
* Epistemology
* Personal Identity
* Death: Ethical and Metaphysical Issues

Course Instructor, UCSB.

* Medieval/Early Modern philosophy
* Introduction to Logic
* Introduction to Philosophy