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Curriculum Vitae
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Areas of Specialization: philosophy of language, philosophy of mathematics, metaphysics.

Areas of Competence: philosophy of science, philosophy of mind, logic, epistemology, history of analytic philosophy.

Education

September 2009-December 2015: PhD in Philosophy, University of Toronto.

February-September 2009: MA with Distinction in History and Philosophy of Science, University of Canterbury, New Zealand (awarded November 2010).

March 2005-November 2008: BA with First Class Honours in Philosophy, University of Canterbury, New Zealand (awarded December 2008).

Employment

July 2016-June 2017: Faculty Lecturer, University of Toronto, St George (downtown) campus.

Dissertation

Title: *How to Refer to Abstract Objects*

Supervisors: Prof. Imogen Dickie and Prof. Philip Kremer.

Reader: Prof. Diana Raffman.

External examiner: Prof. Thomas Hofweber, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Research Activities

Publications

‘Do we see numbers? Review of James Franklin, *An Aristotelian Realist Philosophy of Mathematics*’ *Metascience* 24 (3): 483-486 (2015).

‘Grounding Concepts: An Empirical Basis for Arithmetical Knowledge – C.S. Jenkins’ (review co-authored with James Robert Brown) *Philosophical Quarterly* 61 (242): 208-211 (2011).

Conference Presentations

- May 2016: “Mathematical Structuralism, Applicability, and the Caesar Problem”, Canadian Philosophical Association, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- March 2016: Invited manuscript commentary on *Abstract Entities* by Sam Cowling, Junior Metaphysics Workshop, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX, USA.
- June 2015: “Can neo-Fregeans Believe that Numbers are Spatially Located?”, Canadian Philosophical Association, Ottawa, ON, Canada.
- February 2015: “Mathematical Fictionalists Cannot be Sceptics About Reference to Abstract Objects”, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, St Louis, MO, USA.
- February 2014: “Reference, Logical Consequence, and Mathematical Fictionalism”, USC-UCLA Graduate Conference, Los Angeles, CA, USA.
- June 2013: “Talk of Abstract Objects is Intelligible”, Canadian Philosophical Association, Victoria, BC, Canada.

Prizes

- February 2015: Balzan-University of Toronto Travelling Fellowship.

Teaching

Sole instructor with full responsibility for all aspects of the course

- January-April 2017: PHL323: Social and Cultural Theory. University of Toronto, St George (downtown) campus. Topic: Intersectional Foundations of Resistance.
- PHL325: History of Early Analytic Philosophy. University of Toronto, St George (downtown) campus Topic: Frege’s *Grundlagen*, Russell’s *Philosophy of Logical Atomism*, and Wittgenstein’s *Tractatus*.
- September-December 2016: PHL201: Introductory Philosophy. 170 Students.
- May-June 2016: PHL145: Critical Reasoning, University of Toronto Mississauga. 80 Students.
- September-December 2014: PHL404: Advanced Undergraduate Seminar in Epistemology, University of Toronto, St George (downtown) campus.
Topic: Epistemology of Mathematics. 13 students.
- September-December 2012: PHL255: Philosophy of Science, University of Toronto Mississauga. 51 students.

Teaching Assistantships

University of Toronto

- September 2015-April 2016: PHL105 Introduction to Philosophy. Supervisors: Prof. Diana Raffman and Dr. Devlin Russell.
- May-August 2015: PHL245 Introduction to Logic. Supervisor: Kevin Kuhl.
- January-April 2015: PHL232 Knowledge and Reality. Supervisor: Prof. Imogen Dickie.

May-June 2014: PHL240 Persons, Minds and Bodies. Supervisors: Mark Fortney and Luke Roelofs.

January-April 2014: PHL240 Persons, Minds and Bodies. Supervisor: Prof. Jim John.

September-December 2013: PHL345 Intermediate Logic. Supervisor: Prof. Colin Howson.

January-April 2013: PHL232 Knowledge and Reality. Supervisor: Prof. Franz Huber.

May-June 2012: PHL232 Knowledge and Reality. Supervisor: Lana Kuhle.

September-December 2011: PHL232 Knowledge and Reality. Supervisor: Prof. Imogen Dickie.

May-June 2011: PHL 232 Knowledge and Reality. Supervisor: Matt Habermehl.

January-April 2011: PHL246 Inductive Logic. Supervisor: Prof. Colin Howson.

September-December 2010: PHL232 Knowledge and Reality. Supervisor: Prof. Imogen Dickie.

January-April 2010: PHL201 Introduction to Philosophy. Supervisor: Prof. Jim John.

University of Canterbury, New Zealand

March-June 2009: PHL233 Epistemology and Metaphysics. Supervisors: Assc. Prof. Diane Proudfoot and Dr. Derek Browne.

March-June 2008: PHL233 Epistemology and Metaphysics. Supervisors: Assc. Prof. Diane Proudfoot and Dr. Derek Browne.

Service

Referee: *Grazer Philosophische Studien*

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Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Conference, 2016.

University of Toronto Philosophy Graduate Conference 2013, 2014, 2016.

President, Graduate Philosophy Student's Union, University of Toronto: July 2012-July 2013.

Referees

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