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Employment

Rutgers University
John Templeton Postdoctoral Fellow, 2020–present

Princeton University
Lecturer, 2019–2020

Education

Princeton University
PhD in Philosophy, 2010–19
Primary Advisor: Shamik Dasgupta
Secondary Advisor: Boris Kment

Brown University
MA in Philosophy, 2007–10
Advisor: David Christensen

Northwestern College
BA in Philosophy and English Literature, 2002–06
Advisor: Donald Wacome

Research

Areas of Specialty
science, logic, math, metaphysics

Areas of Competence
Buddhist philosophy, epistemology

Publications

1. A New Prospect for Epistemic Aggregation (with Yoav Isaacs)
Episteme, 2013

Selected Works in Progress

3. Nominalism and Immutability
under review
2. The Paradox of Counterfactual Tolerance
under review
1. Near Closeness and Conditionals
under review

Honors

- Harold W. Dodds Honorific Fellowship
Princeton University, 2014–15
- University Fellowship
Princeton University, 2010–14
- American Graduate Fellowship
Council of Independent Colleges, 2007–10
- Graduate Fellowship
Brown University, 2007–09
- Norman Vincent Peale Scholarship
Northwestern College, 2002–06

Talks and Lectures

24. “Near Closeness and Conditionals”, guest lecture for Introduction to Philosophical Logic, a seminar at Princeton University led by John Burgess, March 2021
23. “The Paradox of Counterfactual Tolerance”, Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, January 2021
22. Comments on Eric de Araujo’s “Pluralisms from Possibilities”, Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, January 2021
21. Peter Fritz’s “Propositional Potentials”, guest lecture for Topics in Metaphysics, a seminar at NYU led by Kit Fine, December 2020

20. "Applying Modal Mathematics", guest lecture for Philosophy of Mathematics, a seminar at NYU led by Harry Field, April 2020
19. "Relational Possibility", The Fourth Taiwan Metaphysics Colloquium, January 2020
18. "The Paradox of Counterfactual Tolerance", University of Toronto philosophy department colloquium, January 2019
17. "The Paradox of Counterfactual Tolerance", The Fourth Taiwan Philosophical Logic Colloquium, November 2018
16. "Relational Possibility", University of Victoria, Language and Essence conference, October 2018
15. "Relational Possibility", Issues on the (Im)possible VI Conference, Institute of Philosophy, Slovak Academy of Sciences, August 2018
14. Comments on Collier's "God Exists in All Possible Worlds: Anselmian Theism and Genuine Modal Realism", Issues on the (Im)possible VI Conference, August 2018
13. Comments on Zee Perry's "Mereology and Metricality", 4th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Metaphysics of Science, Milan, Italy August 2018
12. "On Comparing", Princeton University Philosophical Society, October 2013
11. "On Comparing", Princeton University Dissertation Seminar, April 2013
10. "Molinism Without Manipulation", Saint Thomas Summer Seminar in the Philosophy of Religion, July 2013
9. Comments on Emanuel Viebahn's "Invariantism about Might and May", Oxford-Princeton Graduate Workshop, June 2013
8. "Beth Definability", guest lecture for Hans Halvorson's Intermediate Logic, May 2013
7. "A New Prospect for Creedal Aggregation" (with Yoaav Isaacs), Rutgers-Princeton-Penn Social Epistemology Workshop, April 2013
6. "From Kinds to Oughts", Princeton University Philosophical Society, April 2012
5. "Saving Ordinary Counterfactuals", Oxford Graduate Conference, July 2013
4. "Saving Ordinary Counterfactuals", Columbia-NYU Graduate Conference, April 2010
3. "Saving Ordinary Counterfactuals", Harvard-MIT Graduate Conference, April 2010
2. "Saving Ordinary Counterfactuals", Arché Graduate Conference, September 2009
1. "Disagreement About Epistemic Status", Responsible Belief in the Face of Disagreement Conference, Vrije Universiteit, Netherlands, August 2009

Teaching

Rutgers University

Buddhism, Science, and the Self PHI 369 Spring 2022
Science and Religion PHI 265 Fall 2020

Princeton University

Introduction to Moral Philosophy PHI 202 Fall 2019
Introduction to Logic PHI 201 Spring 2019
Buddhist Philosophy REL 281 Spring 2017
Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology PHI 203 Fall 2016
Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology PHI 203 Spring 2016
Intro to Moral Philosophy PHI 202 Fall 2015
Philosophy of Mind PHI 315 Fall 2013
Intermediate Logic PHI 312 Spring 2012
Theory of Knowledge PHI 313 Fall 2012

Brown University

Introduction to Logic PHI 201 Spring 2009

Courses taught at Rutgers were taught as the head instructor. Courses taught at Princeton were taught as a preceptor. Courses taught at Brown were taught as an assistant instructor.

Service to the Profession

Referee

Analysis, Epistemé, Noûs, Philosophical Studies, Synthese

Reviewer

The Fourth Taiwan Metaphysics Colloquium, 2020
Princeton–Rutgers Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2013
Brown Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2008 and 2009

Research Assistant

Boris Kment, 2013–14
Donald Wacome, 2005–06

References

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