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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Psychology

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Early Modern Philosophy, Kant, Philosophy of Science

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

### **California State University, Long Beach – Department of Philosophy**

Professor, Fall 2013 – Present  
Associate Professor, Fall 2008 – Spring 2013  
Assistant Professor, Fall 2005 – Spring 2008  
Department Chair, Fall 2010 – Spring 2016  
On leave in AY 2008-2009

### **University of California, Irvine – Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science**

Assistant Professor, Fall 2008 – Spring 2010  
Visiting Researcher, Fall 2006 – Spring 2007  
On leave in AY 2009-2010

### **Washington University in St. Louis – Department of Philosophy**

Visiting Lecturer, Fall 2003 – Spring 2005

## PUBLICATIONS

“Eliminativism,” forthcoming in *The Routledge Handbook on Philosophy of Colour*, edited by Derek Brown and Fiona Macpherson.

Review of Mazviita Chirimuuta’s *Outside Color*, *Philosophy of Science* 83 (October 2016): 634-639.

“Nonconceptual content,” in *The Oxford Handbook of the Philosophy of Perception* (2015), edited by Mohan Matthen.

“Color constancy reconsidered,” *Acta Analytica* 28 (December 2013): 435-455.

“Psychologically pure colors,” in *Encyclopedia of Color Science and Technology* (2012), edited by Ronnier Luo.

“More on the origins of the hues: A reply to Broackes,” *Review of Philosophy and Psychology* 2 (December 2011): 629-641.

“On the retinal origins of the Hering primaries,” *Review of Philosophy and Psychology* 2 (March 2011): 1-17.

“Perception, color, and realism,” *Erkenntnis* 73 (July 2010): 19-40.

“Enactivism’s Vision: Neurocognitive Basis or Neurocognitively Baseless?” (w/ Charles Wallis), in *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy and Neuroscience* (2009), edited by John Bickle.

- “The physical unnaturalness of Churchland’s ellipses,” *Philosophy of Science* 76 (July 2009): 391-403.
- “Reply to Philipona and O’Regan” (w/ Kent Johnson), *Visual Neuroscience* 25 (March 2008): 221-224.
- “Why naturalize consciousness?” *The Southern Journal of Philosophy* 45 (Winter 2007): 583-607.
- “Explanation and the hard problem,” *Philosophical Studies* 132 (January 2007): 301-330.
- “Visual stuff and active vision,” *Philosophical Psychology* 19 (April 2006): 129-149.
- “Colors as properties of the special sciences” (w/ Kent Johnson), *Erkenntnis* 64 (March 2006): 139-168.
- Review of Stephen Schiffer’s *The Things We Mean*, *Disputatio* 18 (May 2005): 191-197.
- “Distracted drivers and unattended experience,” *Synthese* 144 (March I 2005): 41-68.
- “Projectivist representationalism and color,” *Philosophical Psychology* 16 (December 2003): 515-533.
- “A dilemma for Jackson and Pargetter’s account of color,” *The Southern Journal of Philosophy* 41 (Spring 2003): 125-142.
- “McDowell, demonstrative concepts, and nonconceptual representational content,” *Disputatio* 14 (May 2003): 37-51.
- “Fodor’s epistemic intuitions of analyticity,” *Sorites* 14 (October 2002): 110-116

## PRESENTATIONS

### Recent Refereed Submissions

- "Appearance matches and color constancy," at the 2009 APA Pacific Division Meeting.
- "Canonical approximations and hue magnitudes: still no grounds for color physicalism," at the 2009 APA Central Division Meeting.

### Recent Invited Talks

- “A patchwork perspective on color constancy,” for the Department of Philosophy at University of California, Santa Barbara (November 2016).
- “On the explanatory aims of color theorizing,” for the University Art Museum panel discussion *Imagination and objective reality: What’s color got to do with it?* at California State University, Long Beach (October 2012)
- “The nature of the hues,” for the Mind, Technology, and Society Colloquium Series at the University of California, Merced (April 2010).
- “Developing an account of colors as statistical constructs,” for the Departments of Philosophy and Psychology at the University of Nevada, Reno (April 2009).

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, Temple University, August 1999  
 Dissertation: *The Nonconceptual Representational Content of Perceptual Experience*  
 Committee: Michael Tye (Chair), Gerald Vision, David Welker, Abraham Witonsky

M.A., Philosophy, University of Florida, May 1996  
 Thesis: “The Two Arguments of Kant’s B-Deduction”  
 Committee: John Biro, Chuang Liu, Kirk Ludwig (Chair)

B.A., Philosophy, Hofstra University, May 1993  
 Honors Thesis: “Kant, Stroud, and Skepticism”  
 Committee: Terry Godlove (Chair), Robert Holland, Elliot Jurist

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **California State University, Long Beach**

Courses: Action and Perception (grad and undergrad), Critical Reasoning, Introduction to Ethics, Introduction to Philosophy, Kant's Transcendental Deduction of the Categories (grad and undergrad), Philosophy of Mind (grad and undergrad), Philosophy of Science, Seminar on Color and Color Perception (grad), Seminar on Conceptual Misadventures (grad), Seminar on Naturalism and the Mind (grad), Symbolic Logic

### **University of California, Irvine**

Courses: Color and Color Perception (grad and undergrad), Philosophy of Psychology, Symbolic Logic

### **Washington University in St. Louis**

Courses: Great Philosophers, Problems in Philosophy, Introduction to Logic

## SERVICE

### ***Department - CSULB***

Member of the faculty advisory committee to the interim department chair (2007-2008, 2009-2010)

Chair of the Department's Retention, Tenure, and Promotion Committee (2009-2010, 2016-2017)

Undergraduate Advisor (2007-2008, fall 2011)

Member of multiple tenure-track search committees (once as committee chair)

Various routine departmental and graduate student committees

Member of multiple exam and thesis committees for the M.A. in Philosophy (once as committee chair)

Faculty mentor for a McNair Scholars Program participant (2008-2009)

### ***University and College of Liberal Arts - CSULB***

Program Review Committee, Department of Economics (2006-2007)

College of Liberal Arts Budget Committee (2012-2013)

College of Liberal Arts Faculty Council (2007-2008)

College of Liberal Arts Working Group on Reorganization (summer-fall 2011)

College of Liberal Arts NEH Summer Stipend Review Committee (fall 2011)

College of Liberal Retention, Tenure, and Promotion Committee (2015-2016)

### ***Profession***

Peer-reviewed a research grant application for the University of Missouri Research Board

Reviewed book proposals for Acumen Publishers and Oxford University Press

Referee for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *The Cambridge Handbook of Situated Cognition*, *Cognitive Systems Research*, *Erkenntnis*, *Inquiry*, *Journal of Cognitive Science*, *Mind*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Review of Philosophy and Psychology*, *Synthese*

Session Chair, Empathy – An International Interdisciplinary Conference, California State University, Fullerton (2006)

Session Chair, Virtue and Vice: Moral and Intellectual – An International Interdisciplinary Conference, California State University, Fullerton (2008)

**NONACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

**Action Technologies – Northeast US Territory**

Solutions Engineer

April 2001 – June 2003

**NextiraOne (formerly Williams Communications) – CTI Lab, Woodbridge, NJ**

Sales Engineer

June 1999 – April 2001