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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

Associate Professor (tenured)

California State University, Long Beach – Department of Philosophy
Fall 2008 - Present
Department Chair, Fall 2010 - Present
Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Fall 2005 - Spring 2008
Early tenure and promotion awarded prior to AY 2008-2009
On leave in AY 2008-2009

Assistant Professor (tenure-track)

University of California, Irvine – Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science
Fall 2008 - Spring 2010
On leave in AY 2009-2010

Visiting Researcher

University of California, Irvine – Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science
Fall 2006 - Spring 2007

Visiting Lecturer

Washington University in St. Louis – Department of Philosophy
Fall 2003 - Spring 2005

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Publications

- “More on the origins of the hues: A reply to Broackes,” forthcoming in *Review of Philosophy and Psychology*.
- “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.
- “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.
- “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.

Invited Contributions and Reviews

- “Nonconceptual content,” in *The Oxford Handbook of the Philosophy of Perception*, edited by Mohan Matthen. [Contract signed and manuscript submitted]
- “Enactivism’s Vision: Neurocognitive Basis or Neurocognitively Baseless?” (w/ Charles Wallis), in *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy and Neuroscience*, edited by John Bickle.
- Review of Stephen Schiffer’s *The Things We Mean*, *Disputatio* 18 (May 2005): 191-197.

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.
- "Opponent processing and the physical basis of color," at the 2008 Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology.
- “Perceptual externalism, color, and realism,” at the 2007 Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology.
- “Colors as properties of the special sciences,” (w/ Kent Johnson) at the 2004 APA Pacific Division Meeting and at the 2003 Meeting of the Illinois Philosophical Association.
- “Transparency and aspects,” at the 2004 Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology.
- “Projectivist representationalism and color,” at the 2003 Midsouth Philosophy Conference and at the 2002 Meeting of the Illinois Philosophical Association.

Recent Invited Talks

- “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).
- “A hazard of looking to the world to explain color phenomena: the seductive appeal of *argument ad pictorium*,” for the Horizons of Vision Research Conference at California State University, Long Beach (March 2008).
- “Perception, color, and realism,” for the Department of Philosophy Colloquium Series at the University of Missouri, Kansas City (February 2007) and for the Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science Colloquium Series at the University of California, Irvine (October 2006).
- “Naturalization and the science of consciousness,” for the Department of Philosophy Colloquium Series at California State University, Long Beach (May 2006).
- Comments on Robert Lurz’s “Wordless thoughts and their supposed limits,” at the 2006 APA Pacific Division Meeting (March 2006).

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, Proseminar on Color and Color Perception (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)
Undergraduate Advisor (2007-2008)
Tenure-Track Search Committee (multiple years, once as committee chair)
Various routine departmental and graduate student committees
Masters Degree Exam Committee (chair), "Kant on Space and Time" (2006)
McNair Scholars Program (faculty mentor), "Clearing the Confusion on Consciousness" (2008-2009)

University and College - CSULB

Program Review Committee, Department of Economics (2006-2007)
College of Liberal Arts Faculty Council (2007-2008)
College of Liberal Arts Working Group on Reorganization (2011-Present)
College of Liberal Arts NEH Summer Stipend Review Committee (2011)

Department - UCI

Various routine departmental committees
Colloquium Series Director (2008-2009)

Department - WUSTL

Honors Thesis Committee, "Making Rape an Impotent Weapon of War" (2004)

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*, *Mind*, *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)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division

Philosophy of Science Association

NONACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Solutions Engineer

Action Technologies – Northeast US Territory

April 2001 - June 2003

Sales Engineer

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

June 1999 - April 2001