

Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

epistemology, metaphilosophy, social and political philosophy, feminism

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Philosophy, St John's College, Oxford	October 2018 -
Lecturer (permanent), University College London	2015-2018
Fifty-pound Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford	2017-2018
Prize Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford	2009-2016

VISITING POSITIONS

Visiting Fellow, UCLA Philosophy	Summer 2017
Visiting Fellow, Yale Philosophy	Spring 2017
Visiting Fellow, New York Institute of Philosophy	2012

EDUCATION

DPhil, Faculty of Philosophy, Oxford	2014
Dissertation: <i>The Fragile Estate: Essays on luminosity, normativity and metaphilosophy</i> Supervisors: John Hawthorne and Timothy Williamson Supported by a Prize Fellowship at All Souls College, Oxford.	
Visiting Student, NYU Department of Philosophy	2012
BPhil in Philosophy, Corpus Christi College, Oxford	2009
With distinction. Thesis: <i>Armchair Philosophy & Experimental Philosophy</i> . Supervisor: John Hawthorne. Supported by a Rhodes Scholarship.	
BA in Philosophy, Yale University	2007
With distinction and <i>summa cum laude</i> .	

SELECTED HONOURS

2016	Leverhulme Research Fellowship.
2009	Prize Fellowship (Fellowship by Examination), All Souls College, Oxford.
2009	Joint Philosophy Faculty and Christ Church Doctoral Fellowship, Oxford (declined).
2007	Rhodes Scholarship, Oxford.
2005	Phi Beta Kappa, Yale.
2005	The John Hubbard Curtis Prize for Excellence in English, Yale.
2005	'Why Literature Matters' essay prize winner, Yale Humanities.
2004	The James E. Ashmun Prize for 'the best creative writing by an undergraduate', Yale.
2004	The E. Francis Riggs Prize for 'the greatest academic achievement in the Humanities', Yale.
2003	National Merit Scholarship.

MONOGRAPH

The Contingent World: Genealogy, Epistemology, Politics: on the epistemology, history and politics of genealogical debunking arguments, in progress (supported by a Leverhulme Research Fellowship). A workshop on the monograph draft is being held at Univ. of Basel in summer 2018. Estimated completion: December 2018.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. “Public Reason and Public Evidence” [in progress]
2. “Mere Objects”: on our ethical duties to inanimate things [in progress]
3. “The Ethics of Sexual Preference” [in progress]
4. “Radical Externalism” (R&R at *Philosophical Review*)
5. “The Aptness of Anger” (forthcoming), *Journal of Political Philosophy*.
6. “Are We Luminous?” (2015), *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 90(2): 294 – 319.
7. “The Archimedean Urge” (2015), *Philosophical Perspectives* 29(1), 325-362.
8. “Normativity without Cartesian Privilege” (2015), *Philosophical Issues* 25(1), 273-299.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND SYMPOSIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

1. “Effective Altruism” (in progress), in E. Harman and A. Guerrero (eds.) *Norton Introduction to Ethics*.
2. “No Platforming” (forthcoming), in J. Lackey (ed.) *Academic Freedom* (Oxford: OUP) (with Robert Simpson).
3. “How to do things with philosophy” (forthcoming), symposium on Nancy Bauer’s How to do Things with Pornography, *European Journal of Philosophy*.
4. “The Political Limits of Compassion” (forthcoming), T. Brooks (ed.) *Political Emotions: Towards a Decent Public Sphere* (Palgrave Macmillan).
5. “The Ineffable and the Ethical” (2018), symposium on Judith Butler’s Senses of the Subject, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 96(1), 215-223.
6. “Feminism and Metaethics” (2017), T. McPherson and D. Plunkett (eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Metaethics*.
7. “Philosophy and Ideology” (2016), symposium on Jason Stanley’s How Propaganda Works, *Theoria* 31(3), 371-380.
8. “Disagreement Without Transparency: Some Bleak Thoughts” (2013), in J. Lackey and D. Christensen (eds.), *The Epistemology of Disagreement: New Essays* (Oxford: OUP) (with John Hawthorne)

BOOK REVIEWS

1. “More Equal Than Others”, on Jeremy Waldron’s One Another’s Equals, *The New York Review of Books* (April 19, 2018).
2. “The Sucker, The Sucker!: What’s it like to be an Octopus”, on Peter Godfrey-Smith’s Other Minds, *London Review of Books*, Vol. 39, No. 17, 7 September 2017, pp 23-25.

3. “A Righteous Fury”, on Martha Nussbaum’s Anger and Forgiveness, *The Nation*, December 19/26, 2016, pp 33-35.
4. “Stop the Robot Apocalypse: the New Utilitarians”, on William MacAskill’s Doing Good Better, *London Review of Books*, Vol. 37 No. 18, 24 September 2015.
5. “All the Same”, on L.A. Paul’s Transformative Experience, *Times Literary Supplement*, 10 June 2015, p 8.
6. “After the Meteor Strike: Death”, on Samuel Scheffler’s Death and the Afterlife, *London Review of Books*, Vol. 35, No 18, 25 September 2014, pp. 13 – 14.
7. “In the Long Cool Hour: Pragmatic Naturalism”, on Philip Kitcher’s The Ethical Project, *London Review of Books*, Vol. 34 No. 23, 6 December 2012, pp. 17-18.
8. “Armchair v. Laboratory”, on Tamar Szabo Gendler’s Intuition, Imagination, and Philosophical Methodology, *London Review of Books* Vol. 33 No. 18, 22 September 2011, pp. 17-18.

PHILOSOPHY IN THE PUBLIC SPHERE

1. “The Right to Sex”, *London Review of Books*, Vol 40, No. 6, 22 March 2018, pp 5-10.
2. “Remembering Derek Parfit”, *London Review of Books*, Vol. 39, No. 2, 19 January 2017, p 31.
3. “What is a Woman?”, *Philosophy Bites* podcast, 1 January 2016.
4. “In Defence of Anger”, *Four Thought*, BBC Radio 4, aired August 27, 2014.
5. “Genealogy”, *Philosophy Bites* podcast, August 02, 2014, available at philosophybites.com
6. “Questions for Free-Market Moralists”, The Stone, *The New York Times* (20 October 2013); reprinted in *The Stone Reader* (Norton/Liveright 2015).
7. “Dependents of the State”, The Stone, *The New York Times* (26 February 2013); reprinted in the *Social Europe Journal* (2 April 2013) and *The Stone Reader* (Norton/Liveright 2015).

INVITED TALKS

TBD, The Aristotelian Society (2019)

“Mere Objects”, Human and Non, Oxford Political Theory (2019)

“Genealogy, Politics and Worldmaking”

- Yale Legal Theory Workshop (2018)
- Yale Humanities Colloquium (2018)
- NYU Colloquium in Legal, Political, and Social Philosophy (2018)

“Genealogical Anxiety and Two Worldviews”

- NYU Mind & Language Seminar (2017)

“The Aptness of Anger”

- Nuffield Political Theory Workshop, Oxford (2016)
- Moral Sciences Club, Cambridge (2015)
- UCL Colloquium in Legal and Social Philosophy (2015)
- Affect and Politics workshop, Cornell (2015)

“The Aptness of Anger”

- Yale (as “Apt Anger”) (2014)
- Birmingham (as “How not to talk about Anger”) (2014)

“Radical Externalism”

- Oxford (2018)
- USC (2017)

“Radical Externalism”

- NYU (2016)
- UCLA (2016)

“Radical Externalism”

- University of Edinburgh Epistemology Research Group (2016)
- Southampton (2016)
- KCL Cumberland Lodge Weekend (keynote) (2015)
- UCL Graduate Conference (faculty presentation) (2015)

“Does feminist philosophy rest on a mistake?”

- KCL Identity and Underrepresentation MAP conference (keynote) (2015)
- Workshop on Philosophical Methodology, Edinburgh (2014)

“The Norms of Philosophical Conversation”

- Norms of Inquiry workshop, NYU (2015)

“Normativity without Cartesian Privilege”

- CRNAP Workshop on Varieties of Normativity, Princeton (2015)
- All Souls Epistemology Workshop, All Souls College, Oxford (as ‘What’s in a Norm?’) (2013)
- Dissertation seminar, Oxford (as ‘What’s in a Norm?’) (2013)
- IUC, Dubrovnik (as “Some Thoughts on Oughts”) (2011)

“Post-Cartesian Ethics”

- UCL (2014)
- Oxford (2014)

“Beyond the Epistemology of Genealogical Debunking”

- MIT (2014)
- LSE (2014)

“The Epistemology of Genealogical Debunking”

- Harvard (2014)

“The Limits of Compassion”

- Workshop on Martha Nussbaum’s *Political Emotions*, UCL (2014)

“Are We Luminous?”

- New Insights in Religious Epistemology Safety Workshop, Oxford (2013)

REFEREED TALKS

“The Epistemology of Genealogical Debunking”, Epistemology of Philosophy Conference, Cologne, 2011.

“Experimental Philosophy and Self-Defeat”, Arche/CSMN Graduate Conference, 2009.

“Of Force and Freedom: The Mattering/Not-Mattering Paradox of Literature”, Why Literature Matters Symposium, Yale, 2005 (undergraduate essay prize winner)

AUTHORS-MEET-CRITICS

Jason Stanley, *How Propaganda Works*, APA Central Division meeting, March 2016.

Nancy Bauer, *How to do Things with Pornography*, APA Eastern Division meeting, January 2016.

PUBLIC TALKS

“Speaking of Universities”, with Stefan Collini, Verso Books, London, 31 May 2018.

“What is a Woman?”, Somerville College “The Principal Presents” series, 18 October 2016.

“Stranger in a strange land”, Sermon preached at the University Church, Oxford, 21 February 2016.

“Contingency, Reason and Tradition”, Sermon preached at All Souls College Chapel, Oxford, November 2015.

“The Aptness of Anger”: Lady Dervorguilla Seminar, Balliol College, Oxford, Trinity 2015; University Church, Oxford, Trinity 2015.

“I’m Right, You’re Wrong”, panel discussion with Timothy Williamson and Richard Scholar on Williamson’s *Tetralogue*, the Oxford Literary Festival, March 2015.

“The Ethics of Warfare”, 202 Field Hospital, the British Army, November 2013.

INVITED COMMENTS

Martha Nussbaum, “Accountability in an Era of Celebrity”, Yeoh Tiong Lay Centre for Politics Philosophy & Law, KCL, March 2017.

John Bengson, “The Intellectual Given”, NYU La Pietra Workshop, Florence, June 2013.

J.P. Changeux, “Toward a molecular biology of Consciousness”, *Maison Française d’Oxford*, May 2013.

Ralph Walker, “Evolution and Rational Belief”, Philosophy, Evolution and the Human Species Seminar, Magdalen College, Oxford, May 2013.

Stephen Ogden, “A Contextualist Look at Skeptical Theism”, New Insights in Religious Epistemology: Contextualism and Pragmatic Encroachment Workshop, Oxford, March 2013.

TEACHING

Recognition

Nominated for an “Outstanding Teaching” award, Student Choice Teaching Awards, UCL, 2016 and 2017.

Nominated for an “Outstanding Personal Support” award, Student Choice Teaching Awards, UCL, 2017.

Courses

Feminism and Philosophy, advanced undergraduate/graduate seminar, UCL, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18.

Knowledge and Reality, undergraduate lecture, UCL, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017.

Genealogy of Belief, graduate seminar, UCL, Spring 2016.

Recent Philosophical Writings (co-convener), graduate seminar, UCL, Fall 2015, Fall 2016.

Genealogy of Belief seminar, Oxford, Trinity 2015.
Schmilosophy seminar, Oxford, Trinity 2013.
Feminism in Analytic Philosophy seminar (with Paul Lodge), Oxford, Michaelmas 2012.
Reading Rorty seminar, Oxford, Trinity 2012.
Tutor, Undergraduate General Philosophy, Merton College, Oxford, 2010.

Supervision

PhD, Charlie Neil, UCL 2017 (co-supervisor).
PhD, Edgar Phillips, UCL 2017 (co-supervisor).
PhD, Rowan Mellor, UCL 2017 (co-supervisor).
In addition, I have supervised 2 MPhil dissertations, 6 MA dissertations, and 7 undergraduate dissertations at UCL. I have supervised 1 undergraduate honours thesis at Oxford.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal Editorship

Associate editor, *Mind* (2015-)

Refereeing

Referee for *Mind*, *Noûs*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Synthese*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, and *Journal of Political Philosophy*.

Conferences, workshops and colloquia

Co-organiser, Political Violence Workshop, Yale, April 2016.
Co-organiser, Procrastination: Cultural Explorations conference, Oxford, July 2014.
Convener, Workshop on Carol Sanger's *About Abortion*, All Souls College, Oxford, May 2014.
Co-organiser, Feminism in/and Philosophy Conference, All Souls College, Oxford, March 2014.
Co-convener, The Genealogy Seminar, All Souls College, Oxford, 2011.
Secretary, the Jowett Society, Oxford, 2009-2010.

Departmental service

Widening Participation Officer, UCL, 2016-
Faculty advisor, UCL Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) Chapter, 2015-
Cumberland Lodge student conference organizer, UCL, 2016, 2017
Interviewer, Undergraduate Admissions, Oxford: Merton, 2009; Wadham, 2009; Corpus Christi, 2010.

University and college administration

Undergraduate PPE Steering Committee, UCL, 2015-
Diversity in the Prize Fellowship Working Committee, All Souls College, Oxford, 2013, 2016.
Philosophy Examiner, All Souls College Prize Fellowship, Oxford, 2012, 2014, 2017.
UCL Institute of Advanced Studies 'Lies' Research Theme Advisory Group

Other service to the profession

Mentor, The Job Candidate Mentoring Program for Women in Philosophy (2015-2016)

REFERENCES

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