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Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of mind · Decision theory · Formal epistemology

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of language · Philosophical logic · Metaethics · Philosophy of biology

Employment

Associate Professor — Jul. 2024 - Continuing
Department of Philosophy,
University of Notre Dame

Lecturer in Mind & Language — Jul. 2016 - Jul. 2024
School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science,
University of Leeds

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow — Jan. 2016 - June 2016
School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science,
University of Leeds

Education

PhD in Philosophy, Australian National University — Nov. 2015
Title: Representation Theorems and the Grounds of Intentionality
Panel: David Chalmers (Chair), Alan Hájek, Wolfgang Schwarz, R.A. Briggs, Hanti Lin

Bachelor of Arts (Hons), 1st Class, Philosophy — 2010
Australian National University

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy & Ancient History — 2007 - 2009
University of Tasmania

Books

2024 *The Measurement of Subjective Probability*
Cambridge Elements Series, Cambridge University Press

Publications (⋆ invited)

Forth The qualitative grounds of quantitative probability
Journal of Philosophical Logic

2026 Of mice and madmen: typical causal roles and radical indeterminacy
Philosophical Studies 183: 1535–1553

2025 How to read a representor
Ergo 12: 549–580

2023 Moral Kombat: analytic naturalism and moral disagreement
Canadian Journal of Philosophy 53: 366–382 (co-authored with Jessica Isserow)

2023 Radical misinterpretation
Pacific Philosophical Quarterly 104: 646–684

2022 What is 'real' in interpersonal comparisons of confidence?
Australasian Journal of Philosophy 100: 102–116

2022 Comparativism and the measurement of partial belief
Erkenntnis 87: 2843–2870

2021 Don't stop believing (hold on to that warm fuzzy feeling)
Ethics 312: 4–37 (co-authored with Jessica Isserow)

2021 Betting against the Zen monk: on preferences and partial belief
Synthese 198: 3733–3758

2020 'Ramseyfying' probabilistic comparativism
Philosophy of Science 87: 727–754

2019⋆ Normative decision theory
Analysis 79: 755–772

2019⋆ Frank Ramsey
Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (co-authored with Fraser MacBride, Mathieu Marion, Maria Jose Frapolli, Dorothy Edgington, Sebastian Lutz & Jeffrey Paris)

2019 Impossible worlds and partial belief
Synthese 196: 3433–3458

2017 Ramsey without ethical neutrality
Mind 126: 1–51

2017 A representation theorem for frequently irrational agents
Journal of Philosophical Logic 46: 467–506

2017 Probabilism, representation theorems, and whether deliberation crowds out prediction
Erkenntnis 82: 379–399

2013 Epistemic two-dimensionalism and arguments from epistemic misclassification
Australasian Journal of Philosophy 91: 375–389 (co-authored with Kelvin McQueen & Clas Weber)

Work in Progress

R & R.	Realism and Representations in Decision Theory (PhoS)
Invited	Moral Language and Moral Disagreement (Routledge edited volume)
In Progress	Meaningfulness in Measurement Theory
In Progress	Probability and the People: The Bayesian Theory of Mind hypothesis
In Progress	*Through Bayes-tinted Glasses: Analytic functionalism and the Conceptual Foundations of Decision Theory*

Grants, Honours & Awards

Marie Skłodowska Curie Individual Fellowship 2017 - 2019
University of Leeds (€183,454; US$210,095)

Australian Postgraduate Award 2011 - 2015
Australian National University (AUD$77,298; US$54,595)

University Medal 2010
Australian National University

Teaching

PhD Co-Supervisor — University of Leeds
– Jakob Donskov (PhD expected 2025)
– Miriam Bowen (PhD awarded 2022)
– Gary Mullen (PhD awarded 2018)

Lecturer — University of Notre Dame
– PHIL83104 First-Year Proseminar (Postgraduate)
– PHIL93509 Formal Theories of Rationality (Postgraduate)
– PHIL43602 Belief and Meaning
– PHIL20638 Philosophy of Biology (×2)
– PHIL13185 University Seminar: Empirical Learning and Inquiry

Lecturer — University of Leeds
– PHIL5002M Analytic Philosophy B (Postgraduate)
– PHIL5200M Mind, Language, Reality (Postgraduate)
– PHIL3421 Philosophy of Mind (×4)
– PHIL3424 Advanced Topics in Mind and Language
– PHIL3320 Philosophy of Biology
– PHIL2611 How Biology Works
– PHIL2600 Philosophical Issues in Biology
– PHIL2405 Introduction to Epistemology (×2)
– PHIL2402 Advanced Topics in Epistemology: Theory & Evidence
– PHIL1250 How to Think Critically & Argue Well (×2)
– PHIL1090 Knowledge, Self, Reality

Lecturer — University of Sydney
– PHIL2600 Twentieth Century Philosophy

Tutor — Australian National University
– BIOL3191/6191 Bioethics (×2)
– PHIL2074 Modern Theories of Knowledge (×2)
– PHIL1004 Fundamental Ideas in Philosophy
– PHIL1005 Introduction to Logic (×3)
– PHIL1007 Philosophy, Society, Humanity (×2)

Selected Presentations (⋆ invited, † peer-reviewed)

'Logical Omniscience and Conceptual Unawareness'
– Logical Omniscience Workshop, University of Southern California⋆ — Jan. 2027

'Realism and Representations in Decision Theory'
– Departmental Philosophy Colloquium, Virginia Tech⋆ — Sep. 2026
– Formal Epistemology Workshop 2026, Boulder† — Jun. 2026

'Meaning and Artifact in the Measurement of Belief'
– CUNY, New York⋆ — Feb. 2024

'Aware-it-alls: Logical Omniscience, Unawareness, and Reverse Bayesianism'
– Awareness Growth Workshop, Institute for Future Studies Stockholm⋆ — Nov. 2021

"Ramseyfying' Probabilistic Comparativism'
– 2019 Eastern APA, New York† — Jan. 2019
– Formal Epistemology Workshop 2018, Toronto† — Jun. 2018

'Don't Stop Believing: The utility of accuracy for moral error theorists'
– Departmental Philosophy Seminar, University of Sydney⋆ — Aug. 2018
– Evolution and Moral Epistemology Conference, Utrecht University† — Apr. 2018

'Belief Barrels and Probability Orders'
– RSSS Seminar, Australian National University* Oct. 2017

'A Representation Theorem for Highly Irrational Agents'
– Philosophy Seminar, National University of Singapore* Feb. 2016
– Philosophy Seminar, University of Leeds* Feb. 2016
– Philosophy Seminar, London School of Economics* Jan. 2016

Other Academic Services and Employment

External examiner: University of Edinburgh 2022 - 2024

Center director: Centre for Metaphysics and Mind (Leeds) 2018 - 2021

Seminar convener: Leeds Departmental seminar series 2022 - 2024
Leeds CMM seminar series 2019 - 2020
ANU PhilSoc seminar series 2012

Workshop organizer: What are degrees of belief? (Leeds) 2018
Lewis: Representation in Mind & Language (Leeds) 2020
Lewis: Representation in Mind & Language Redux (Notre Dame) 2024

Journal reviews: American Philosophical Quarterly, Analysis, Analytic Philosophy, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Biology and Philosophy, British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Dialectica, Economics and Philosophy, Ergo, Erkenntnis, Mind, Mind and Language, Philosophy of Science, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, Ratio, Res Philosophica, Review of Symbolic Logic, Studies in the History and Philosophy of Science, Synthese, Utilitas

Grant reviews: Swiss National Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Book reviews: Cambridge University Press