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- AREA Philosophy of Language, Semantics and Pragmatics (Areas of Competence: Logic, Meta-Ethics, Epistemology, Decision Theory)
- WORK **Associate Professor** (Tenured 2018; Assistant Professor 2011–18)
Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto Mississauga
Graduate Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto
- EDUCATION **University of Michigan**. Ph.D. 2011, M.A. 2010 (Philosophy)
Dissertation: **Practical Language: Its Meaning and Use** (Supervisor: Allan Gibbard)
University of Nebraska – Lincoln. B.A. 2005, Highest Distinction (Philosophy, History)
- ARTICLES **Modus Ponens and the Logic of Decision**. Forthcoming, *Journal of Philosophical Logic*.
Triviality and the Logic of Restricted Quantification. Forthcoming, *Synthese*.
- 2022 **Metasemantic Quandaries**. In *Meaning, Decision, and Norms: Themes from the Work of Allan Gibbard*, Dunaway & Plunkett (eds.), Maize Books, 171–202.
Propositions as (Flexible) Types of Possibilities. In *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions*, Tillman and Murray (eds.), Routledge: 211–230.
- 2020 **Grading Modal Judgement**. *Mind* 129: 769–807.
- 2019 **The Spectre of Triviality**. *Analysis* 79: 595–605.
- 2018 **Decision-Theoretic Relativity in Deontic Modality**. *Linguistics & Philosophy* 41, 251–287.
Clause-Type, Force, and Normative Judgment in the Semantics of Imperatives. In *New Work on Speech Acts*, Fogal, Harris, & Moss (eds.), Oxford UP: 67–98.
- 2016 **Triviality for Restrictor Conditionals**. *Noûs* 50, 533–564.
Decision Theory: Yes! Truth Conditions: No! In *Deontic Modality*, Oxford UP, 47–81.
- 2015 **Prospects for an Expressivist Theory of Meaning**. *Philosophers' Imprint* 15, 1–43.
- 2014 **Logic and Semantics for Imperatives**. *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 43, 617–664.
The Problem with the Frege-Geach Problem. *Philosophical Studies* 167, 635–665.
The Meaning of Imperatives. *Philosophy Compass* 9, 540–555.
- 2013 **Conditional Preferences and Practical Conditionals**. *Linguistics & Philosophy* 36, 463–511.
What We Know and What To Do. *Synthese* 190, 2291–2323.
Presupposition and the A Priori. *Philosophical Studies* 165, 509–526.
- 2010 **Restricting and Embedding Imperatives**. In *Logic, Language, and Meaning: Selected Papers from the 17th Amsterdam Colloquium*, Aloni et al. (eds.), 223–233.
- BOOK **Deontic Modality** (edited collection, with Matthew Chrisman). 2016. Oxford UP.
- REVIEWS Mark Schroeder, *Expressing Our Attitudes*. 2016. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.
Mark Richard, *When Truth Gives Out*. 2014. *Philosophical Review* 123, 367–71.

TALKS († = Refereed)

Experiential Content

SLIME Conference, UCLA (June 2022)
APA Pacific, Invited Symposium: The Language of Experience (April 2021)

Gradable Predicates of Experience

New York Philosophy of Language Workshop (November 2020)
Philosophy Colloquium, MIT (April 2019)
LOGOS, Universitat de Barcelona (September 2018)

Degreed Belief, In General

The Fourth Taiwan Metaphysics Colloquium, National Taiwan University (January 2020)

Comments on Justin Khoo and Matthew Mandelkern, “Against Preservation”

APA Eastern (January 2019)

Triviality and Binary Quantification

[†]4th Taiwan Philosophical Logic Colloquium, Nat'l Taiwan University (Nov. 2018)

Gradable Predicates of Experience

LOGOS, Universitat de Barcelona (September 2018)

Grading Modal Judgment

Iceland Meaning Workshop (August 2018)

Metasemantic Quandaries

IFILNOVA, Universidade Nova de Lisboa (December 2017)
Conceptual Engineering Workshop, University of Toronto (December 2017)

Modal Inexpressibility

Philosophy of Linguistics and Language, IUC Dubrovnik (September 2017)
Conditionals and Probability Workshop, University of Leeds (June 2017)
3rd Belgrade Conference on Conditionals (May 2017)
Workshop on Metaethics and Language, Stanford University (December 2016)

Decision-Theoretic Relativity in Deontic Modality

The Nova Scotia Meaning Workshop (July 2017)
First Michigan Philosophy Alumni Conference (May 2017)
Lingnan University Conference on Expressivism (June 2016)

Comments on Paul Portner, “On the Relation between Verbal Mood and Sentence Mood”

6th Cornell Workshop in Linguistics and Philosophy, Cornell University (Nov. 2016)

Another Counterexample to Modus Ponens

Philosophy of Linguistics and Language, IUC Dubrovnik (September 2016)
2nd Belgrade Conference on Conditionals (May 2016)
Universität Konstanz (May 2016)

Comments on Justin Khoo, “Ambiguity in Disjunctive Antecedents”

Dartmouth Workshop on Mind and Language (August 2016)

Clause-Type, Force, and Normative Judgment in the Semantics of Imperatives

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (July 2016)
Research Institute for Linguistics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (June 2016)

How (Not) To Think About the Meaning of ‘Ought’

DEX4, UC Davis (March 2016)
Dartmouth Philosophy of Language Workshop (September 2015)

Universität Konstanz (July 2015)

The Meaning of Imperatives

Carnegie Mellon University (October 2015)

Universität Konstanz (July 2015)

PhLing Workshop, Northwestern University (October 2014)

New York Institute of Philosophy Workshop on Imperatives, NYU (May 2014)

Triviality for Restrictor Conditionals

Philosophy of Linguistics and Language, IUC Dubrovnik (September 2015)

1st Belgrade Conference on Conditionals (May 2015)

A Nonpropositional Semantics and Expressivist Pragmatics for Deontic Modals

New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, NYU (April 2014)

Deontic Modals

Stephen Finlay's Seminar on Deontic Modals, USC (August 2013)

Prospects for an Expressivist Theory of Meaning

Evaluative Language Seminar Series, University of Edinburgh (April 2013)

Imperatives: A Guided Tour

Lecture Series in Linguistics, York University (November 2012)

Tri-campus Atelier talk, University of Toronto, Dept. of Linguistics (March 2012)

Logic and Semantics for Imperatives

Cornell Workshop in Linguistics and Philosophy, Cornell University (October 2012)

Debugging the Dynamic Analysis of Imperatives

Will Starr's Seminar on Speech Acts, Cornell University (October 2012)

[†]Sinn und Bedeutung 17, École Normale Supérieure (September 2012)

'Should' Is Multi-Modal

Invited Session on Deontic Modals, APA Central (Feb. 2012). Comments on Kai von Fintel, "The best we can (expect to) get? Challenges to the classic semantics for deontic modals".

Dynamic Analysis for Practical Language

ASL Group Session on Dynamic Semantics. APA Eastern (December 2011).

De Re, De Se, Acquaintance, and Singularity

Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, University of Michigan (March 2011).

Comments on Dilip Ninan, "Counterfactual Attitudes and Assignment-Sensitivity".

The Language of Direction

University of Toronto (January 2011)

Steps Toward a Theory of Imperative Meaning

NYU Semantics Group, NYU, Department of Linguistics (September 2010)

Expressivism about Imperatives and 'Ought'

Arché Semantics Group, University of St Andrews (July 2010)

[†]Semantics and Philosophy in Europe III, École Normale Supérieure (May 2010)

Restricting and Embedding Imperatives

[†]17th Amsterdam Colloquium, ILLC, University of Amsterdam (December 2009)

GN'R: Appetite for Disjunction

Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, University of Michigan (September 2009).

Comments on Groenendijk & Roelofsen, "Inquisitive Semantics and Pragmatics"

Proper Names, Presuppositions, and the A Priori

[†]The Arché/CSMN Grad Conference, University of St Andrews (November 2007)

[†]The Oxford Philosophy Grad Conference, Oxford University (November 2007)

AWARDS

SSHRC Insight Grant (“Non-Truth-Conditional Content”). \$86,250. 2020–25.

Jackman Humanities Institute Working Group Grant (with Michela Ippolito). 2016.

SSHRC Insight Grant (“Communicating About What To Do”). \$132,125. 2015–20.

Dean’s Excellence Award. University of Toronto. 2014.

Connaught New Researcher Award. University of Toronto, 2 year term, \$10,000. 2013.

Rackham Distinguished Dissertation Award (Honorable Mention).

– Top 16 of 750 Ph.D. Dissertations at University of Michigan in 2011.

Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship. University of Michigan (University-wide). 2011.

Charles L. Stevenson Prize. University of Michigan (Best Candidacy Paper). 2010.

Visiting Researcher. Arché, University of St Andrews. July 2010.

Co-Editor, *The Philosopher’s Annual*. 2010, 2009.

TEACHING

University of Toronto (Graduate)

Foundations of Expressivism (with Imogen Dickie). Spring 2022.

Attitudes in Language. Spring 2021.

Semantic Anti-Realism. Spring 2020.

Communication (with Imogen Dickie). Fall 2017.

How To Think About Linguistic Meaning. Fall 2015.

Naming and Necessity after *Naming and Necessity* (with Benj Hellie). Spring 2014.

Conditionals. Spring 2013.

Expressivism about Meaning. Spring 2012.

University of Toronto Mississauga (Undergraduate)

Epistemology (Third-Year). Fall 2021, Fall 2019, Spring 2016, Fall 2014, Fall 2013, Fall 2012.

The Logic of Natural Language (Fourth-Year Seminar). Fall 2021.

Puzzles and Paradoxes (Second-Year). Spring 2022, Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Spring 2013.

Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge and Reality (First-Year). Spring 2021.

Philosophy of Language (Third-Year). Fall 2020, Spring 2014, Fall 2011.

Problematic Language (Fourth-Year Seminar). Fall 2019, Spring 2018.

Probability and Inductive Logic (Second-Year). Spring 2017, Fall 2017.

Intermediate Logic (Third-Year). Spring 2016, Fall 2017.

Language and Oppression (Fourth-Year Seminar). Spring 2017.

Critical Reasoning (First-Year). Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013.

Contemporary Moral Philosophy (Third-Year). Fall 2012.

Introduction to Philosophy (First-Year). Fall 2011 – Spring 2012.

University of Michigan

Philosophy of Religion (Second-Year). Spring 2010.

Moral Philosophy (Second-Year). Winter 2010, Winter 2009.

SERVICE

Departmental (University of Toronto)

Graduate Executive Committee. Elected Term, 2020–2022.

Ph.D. and M.A. Admissions Committee. 2016–2018.

Ph.D. Placement Committee. 2011–2016, 2019.

Refereeing

Australasian Journal of Philosophy; Dialectica; Ergo; Ethics; Journal of Logic, Language, and Information; Journal of Philosophical Logic; Linguistic Inquiry; Linguistics & Philosophy; Mind; Noûs; Oxford University Press; Philosophers' Imprint; Philosophical Quarterly; Philosophical Studies; The Philosophical Review; Philosophy and Phenomenological Research; Review of Symbolic Logic; Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT); Semantics & Pragmatics.

Conferences and Groups Organized

Ontario Meaning Workshop. August 2019. (w/ Daniel Harris and Elmar Unnsteinsson)

Iceland Meaning Workshop. August 2018. (w/ Daniel Harris and Elmar Unnsteinsson)

Nova Scotia Meaning Workshop. July 2017. (w/ Daniel Harris and Elmar Unnsteinsson)

3rd Belgrade Conditionals Conference. May 2017. (Main Organizer: Vladan Djordjevic)

What if: Counterfactual Language & Thought. Jackman Humanities Institute Working Group. 2016–7. (w/ Michela Ippolito)

Normativity in Language. Conference at University of Toronto. October 2016.