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Areas of Specialization and Competence

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics, Epistemology

Areas of Competence: Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language, Ethics, Political Philosophy

Academic Experience

- 2016– Junior Research Fellow
University of Oxford (Corpus Christi College)
- 2017 PhD, Philosophy
New York University
Dissertation: *Freedom, Truth, and Consistency*
Committee: Crispin Wright (Chair), Hartry Field, Cian Dorr
- 2010 MMathPhil, Mathematics and Philosophy
University of Oxford (Worcester College)
First Class Honours

Publications

- “A Metasemantic Challenge for Mathematical Determinacy” (with Jared Warren)
Synthese (forthcoming)
- “Deflationism, Arithmetic, and the Argument from Conservativeness”
Mind (2017) 126: 429-463

Work in Progress or Under Review

- “Did Gentzen Prove the Consistency of Arithmetic?”
- “Is Mathematics Unreasonably Effective?”
- “Rescuing Implicit Definition from Abstractionism”
- “Truth, Transmission Failure, and the Justification of Consistency”
- “The Role of Mathematical Truth in Benacerraf’s Dilemma”
- “Natural and Unnatural Theories of Truth and Syntax” (with Beau Mount)
- “Supertasks and Arithmetical Truth” (with Jared Warren)
- “Hume’s Anti-Sceptical Epistemologies: Old and New” (with Hsueh Qu)

Academic Honours and Awards

- 2017 *Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship* (declined)
- 2016 *Mellon Dissertation Fellowship in Philosophy, New York University*
- 2010-5 *Henry MacCracken Fellowship, New York University*
- 2013 *Graduate Fellow, New York Institute of Philosophy Project on Foundations of Epistemology*
- 2010 *Elizabeth Anscombe Thesis Prize, University of Oxford*
awarded for the best undergraduate Philosophy thesis in all honour schools:
“Can Topos Theory Provide an Adequate Foundation for a Structuralist Philosophy of Mathematics?”
- 2010 *Gibbs Prize in Philosophy, University of Oxford*
awarded for the best performance in Philosophy finals in the honour school of Mathematics and Philosophy
- 2007 *Scholarship, Worcester College, University of Oxford*

Selected Recent Presentations and Comments

- “Did Genzen Prove the Consistency of Arithmetic?”
University of Vienna, Kurt Gödel Research Center, (December 2017)
University of Oxford, Philosophy of Mathematics Seminar (November 2017)
- “Rescuing Implicit Definition from Abstractionism”
Munich Centre for Mathematical Philosophy, LMU-Munich (July 2017)
- “Can Relational Equality Ground Democratic Authority?”
University of Oxford, Workshop on Liberty and Well-Being (June 2017)
- “Is Mathematics Consistent? How Can We Tell?”
Lingnan University, Hong Kong (May 2017)
- “Natural and Unnatural Theories of Truth and Syntax” (with Beau Madison Mount)
University of Oxford, Fourth New College Logic Meeting (March 2017)
- Comments on Jessica Flanigan’s “Two Moral Points of View”
Georgetown University, Workshop on Methodology in Applied Ethics (February 2017)
- “Structuralism and the Epistemology of Coherence”
Munich Centre for Mathematical Philosophy, LMU-Munich, Conference on the Foundations of Mathematical Structuralism (October 2016)
- “The Epistemic Status of Consistency Claims”
Bilkent University, Ankara (February 2016)
City University of New York, Logic and Metaphysics Workshop (April 2015)
- “Is There a Good Argument for Mathematical Indeterminacy?” (with Jared Warren)
University of Vienna, Kurt Gödel Research Center, Symposium on the Foundations of Mathematics III (September 2015)
- “Truth, Transmission Failure, and the Justification of Consistency”
University of Helsinki, Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science (August 2015)

- Comments on Javier Hidalgo’s “The Obligation to Resist Immigration Restrictions”
Georgetown University, Workshop on Freedom and Well-Being (June 2015)
- Comments on Ralf Bader’s “Liberty: Moralized or Value Neutral?”
University of Arizona, Workshop in Advanced Research in Social and Political Philosophy (September 2013)
- “Mathematical Realism, Pluralism, and Reliability Challenges” (with Jared Warren)
New York Epistemology Forum (October 2012)
NYU Epistemology Workshop (May 2012)

Teaching Experience

Tutorials/classes given (University of Oxford):

Frege: Foundations of Arithmetic (Trinity 2017)

Philosophy of Mathematics (Hilary 2017)

Philosophical Logic (Hilary 2017)

Courses taught as primary instructor:

Logic (Spring 2016, New School for Social Research)

Political Philosophy (Summer 2015, NYU)

Medical Ethics (Summer 2013, NYU)

Courses taught as teaching assistant (NYU):

Great Works in Philosophy (Spring 2015, instructor Harvey Lederman)

Ancient Philosophy (Fall 2014, instructor Jessica Moss)

Texts and Ideas: Guilt and Sin, Law and Justice (Spring 2014, instructor Tim Maudlin)

Political Philosophy (Fall 2013, instructor Aaron James)

Life and Death (Spring 2013, instructor Joshua Gillon)

Great Works in Philosophy (Fall 2012, instructor Jonathan Cottrell)

Professional Service

Referee: *Erkenntnis*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Synthese*, *Thought*.

Examination assessor, University of Oxford (Logic Prelims)

Admissions interviewer, Lincoln College, University of Oxford

Lecturer, Philosophy Plus Science Day, University of Oxford

(a talk – “To Infinity, and Beyond” – given to approx. 150 interested Year 11 and 12 schoolchildren, i.e. ages 15 and 16, intended to introduce them to the Maths and Philosophy degree and to provide a sense of the interaction between the two subjects)

Member, Task Force on Advising, Mentorship and Professional Development, NYU Philosophy

Member, NYU Philosophy Climate Committee

Member, NYU Philosophy Colloquium Committee

Participant teacher, NYU Philosophy Outreach Program

Co-organizer, Columbia/NYU Graduate Student Conference

References

Crispin Wright, Professor of Philosophy, New York University

Hartry Field, Silver Professor of Philosophy, New York University

Cian Dorr, Professor of Philosophy, New York University

Sharon Street, Professor of Philosophy, New York University (teaching reference)

Ian Rumfitt, Professor of Philosophy and Senior Research Fellow, All Souls College, University of Oxford

Daniel Isaacson, University Lecturer in the Philosophy of Mathematics (Emeritus), University of Oxford