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AOS Epistemology, Cognitive Science

AOC Logic, Decision Theory, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence

EDUCATION

2012 University of Arizona
PhD in Philosophy, minor in Cognitive Science
– Dissertation: *Models of Knowledge for Resource Bounded Agents*
– Committee: Stewart Cohen (chair), Terry Horgan, Juan Comesaña

2002 The University of Texas at Austin
BA in Philosophy and Economics (double major)
– University honors with special honors in Economics
– *Phi Beta Kappa*

EMPLOYMENT

2018– Associate Professor of Philosophy
Arkansas State University

2012–2018 Assistant Professor of Philosophy
Arkansas State University

PUBLICATIONS

forth. with Adam Feltz et al.
“Using Food Frequency Questionnaires to Measure Traits: A Case Study of Meat Eating”
Psychology of Human-Animal Intergroup Relations

2022 with Adam Feltz et al.
“Developing an Objective Measure of Knowledge of Factory Farming”
Philosophical Psychology, DOI: 10.1080/09515089.2022.2056436

2022 with Adam Feltz et al.
“Educational Interventions and Animal Consumption: Results from Lab and Field Studies”
Appetite, Vol. 173, No. 1, June.

¹Current as of February 22, 2023

(publications cont.)

- 2022 "Review of 'Bots and Beasts: What Makes Machines, Animals, and People Smart?' "
Essays in Philosophy, Vol. 23, No. 1/2.
- 2020 "Using Linguistic Corpora as a Philosophical Tool"
Metaphilosophy, Vol. 51, No. 1., pp. 51–70.
- 2017 "Review of 'Are We Smart Enough to Know How Smart Animals Are?' "
Essays in Philosophy, Vol. 18, No. 2.
- 2014 "Resource Bounded Agents"
Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy
- 2008 with T. Horgan and J. Pollock and The OSCAR Seminar (16 total co-authors)
"An Objectivist Argument for Thirdism"
Analysis, Vol. 68, No. 2, pp. 149–155.

AWARDS

- 2018 Arkansas State University Faculty Achievement Award for Teaching
(University-wide, one given per year)

GRANTS

- 2017–2020 Co-PI on Animal Charity Evaluators Grant,
"Knowing What You Eat: Measuring the Effectiveness of Educational Interventions
on Animal Consumption"
- 2015–2016 NEH Summer Institute: Advanced Challenges in Theory and Practice in 3D Modeling
of Cultural Heritage Sites
University of Massachusetts, Amherst; June 22–28, 2015
University of California, Los Angeles; June 20–23, 2016
- 2014–2015 Collaborator on NEH Digital Humanities Grant,
"Dangerous Embodiments: Theories, Methods, and Best Practices for Historical Character
Modeling in Humanities 3D Environments" (grant no. HD-51944-14);
Arkansas State University
- 2004–2007 Research assistant to John Pollock on NSF funded OSCAR project,
"A System of Reasoning for Intelligent Robots" (grant no. IIS-0412791);
University of Arizona

TEACHING

AT ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY:

Philosophy of Cognitive Science (PHIL 4883)
Experimental Philosophy (PHIL 4883)
Philosophy of Science (PHIL 3423)
Theory of Knowledge (PHIL 3403)
History of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy (PHIL 3213)
Introduction to Cognitive Science (PHIL 2403)
Logic and Practical Reasoning (PHIL 1503)
Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 1103)
Introduction to Philosophy: Theme "Robots and Animals" (Tech. and Society) (PHIL 1103)

AT UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA:

Philosophy of Language (PHIL 376)
Minds, Brains, and Computers (PHIL 346)
Introduction to Philosophy of Science (PHIL 305)
Introduction to Symbolic Logic (PHIL 202)
Logic and Critical Thinking (PHIL 110)

PRESENTATIONS

TALKS:

2021 "Future Thinkers"
Northwest Philosophy Conference, Portland State University, Portland, OR, November

2021 "Future Thinkers"
Tennessee Philosophical Association, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, November

2019 "Future Thinkers"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March

2018 "Future Eaters"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March

2017 "Word Meaning and Corpus Analysis"
Arkansas Philological Association, Little Rock, AR, October

2017 "Trolley Problem in a Virtual 3D Environment"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March

2016 "Trolley Problem in a Virtual 3D Environment" (With Eric M. Cave)
University of California, Los Angeles, NEH Summer Institute, June

2016 "Knowledge How as Plans"
Mississippi State University, department colloquium, April

2016 "Knowledge How as Plans"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, February

2015 "Knowledge How and the Integration of Propositional Information"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March

2014 "Too Much Higher-Order Knowledge (For Reliabilism)"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, February

(presentations cont.)

- 2013 "Too Much Higher-Order Knowledge (For Reliabilism)"
Tennessee Philosophical Association, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, October
- 2013 "Reasoning About Coordination"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, February
- 2012 "The Importance of Higher-Order Knowledge"
Arkansas State University, department colloquium, April
- 2012 "The Importance of Higher-Order Knowledge"
Winona State University, department colloquium, March
- 2011 "Iterated Knowledge and Cognitive Limitations"
University of Arizona, department colloquium, November
- 2011 "Common Knowledge, Coordination, and Context"
Southwest Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, March
- 2010 "Is 'Justification' an Ordinary Term?"
American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, IL, February
- 2009 "Is 'Justification' an Ordinary Term?"
Southwest Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, March
- 2007 "Problem Solving in Ill-Defined Planning Domains"
Arizona Workshop in Philosophy, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, October

COMMENTS:

- 2021 Comments on Mark Herman's "Cognitive Heuristics: Mechanisms, Contrastive Kinds, and the Recalcitrant Baggage of Descriptive Rational Choice Theory"
Northwest Philosophy Conference, Portland State University, Portland, OR, November
- 2021 Comments on Andrew Cling's "Do Children Have Justified Beliefs?"
Tennessee Philosophical Association, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, November
- 2019 Comments on Holly Longair's "Under the Umbrella: Extending the Analysis of Epistemic Injustice to Epistemic Frameworks"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March
- 2018 Comments on Jonathan Weinberg's "Off Base: The Case for Eliminativism About Epistemic Basing Relations"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March
- 2017 Comments on Bryan Appley's "Evidentialism is Not for Internalists"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, April
- 2016 Comments on Nikolaos Maggos' "Contextualism and Contingent A Priori Knowledge"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, February
- 2015 Comments on Joseph A. Baltimore's "Vector Modeling of Powers and Mutual Manifestations"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, March
- 2014 Comments on Timothy Perrine's "Kornblith on Sosa on Knowledge"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, February
- 2013 Comments on Andy Naylor's "Moderate Justificational Preservationism Defended"
Tennessee Philosophical Association, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, October
- 2013 Comments on Josid Ridolfo's "Pulling a Metaphysical Rabbit out of a Semantic Hat: In Defense of Minimalism"
Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN, February
- 2011 Comments on Craig Martin's "Can Epistemic Obligations Be Reduced to Synchronic Evidential Justification?"
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Diego, CA, April

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- 2011 Comments on Matt Leonard's "Burge's Contextual Theory of Truth and the Super-Liar Paradox"
Southwest Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, March
- 2009 Comments on Roy Sorensen's "What Lies Behind Misspeaking"
Information Ethics Roundtable, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, April

SERVICE

TO THE DEPARTMENT:

- 2013– Philosophy Assessment Committee (Chair)
- 2012– Philosophy Undergraduate Advisor
- 2012– Philosophy Program Committee
- 2017– Recruitment Committee
- 2014–2015 Department Library Committee
- 2013–2015 English and Philosophy Department Curriculum Committee

GENERAL:

- 2012– Co-Advisor to the Undergraduate Philosophy Club
Arkansas State University
- 2016–2019 Advisor to Howlathon (student org., raises money for Arkansas Children's Hospital)
Arkansas State University