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General information

Visiting Assistant Professor
Villanova University
August 2018–present

Areas of specialisation: Philosophy of language, philosophy of logic

Areas of competence (including graduate-level teaching): Formal logic, metaphysics, philosophy of mind

Other areas of teaching competence & interest (undergraduate-level teaching): epistemology, philosophy of science, philosophy of religion, ethics (theoretical and applied), history of analytic philosophy, Kant

Languages: English, French (native), German (basic reading)

Employment history

Postdoctoral scholar, University of Connecticut (Storrs)
UConn Group in Mathematical and Philosophical Logic
January 2016–August 2018

Lecturer, Fairfield University
January 2016–August 2018

Education

PhD. in Philosophy, Yale University, 2016

Thesis: *The Impossibility of the Liar*

Committee: Zoltán Gendler Szabó (chair), George Bealer, Bruno Whittle

M.A. in Philosophy, Université de Montréal, 2009

Thesis: *La sémantique des noms descriptifs* [The semantics of descriptive names]

Committee: Michel Seymour (chair), Daniel Laurier, François Lepage

Carnegie Mellon Summer School in Logic and Formal Epistemology, Summer 2006.

B.A. Honours Philosophy (minor German language), McGill University, 2006, *First Class Honours*

Research

Publications

The innocence of truth in semantic paradox, forthcoming in *Erkenntnis*

Articles in progress or under review

Meaning theory for absolutely general languages, revise and re-submit at *Logique et Analyse*

Supervaluations, propositional content, and classical logic

Arbitrary reference is pluri-reference**Compositionality and the Liar****Truth, uniformity, and the Liar's revenge****Propositional vagueness and semantic indecision****Originating at the edge of essence: a sceptical puzzle (and a solution) (w/ Jonathan Vertanen)***Presentations***Arbitrary reference is pluri-reference**

Canadian Philosophical Association, Montreal, June 6. 2018

Society for Exact Philosophy, Storrs, CT, May 18. 2018

University of Puget Sound (invited), October 11. 2016

American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, Savannah, GA, January 2017 (cancelled)

Comments on Michael Glanzberg's 'How extraordinary?'

Ohio State University, *The Liar and other true things* conference, March 29. 2017

Supervaluations, propositional content, and classical logic

University of Connecticut Brown Bag series (invited), April 26. 2016

Comments on James Davies *Mathematical structuralism, applicability and the Caesar problem*

Canadian Philosophical Association, University of Calgary June 1. 2016

Meaning theory for unrestricted languages

Language & Metalanguage workshop, Université Catholique de Louvain, May 20. 2016

Originating at the edge of essence: a sceptical puzzle (and a solution) (w/ Jonathan Vertanen)

American Philosophical Association Pacific Division, San Francisco CA, April 1. 2016

Canadian Philosophical Association, University of Calgary, May 30. 2016

Semantic paradoxes in languages without semantic predicates: a problem for non-classical logical solutions to the Liar?

Canadian Philosophical Association Congress, University of Ottawa, June 3 2015

SoPhA Congrès international triennal, Montréal, June 17 2015

The importance of funky times: comments on Dorr & Goodman *Diamonds are forever*

Yale Graduate conference, April 25. 2015

Analyses of vagueness & indeterminacy

MATTI group, MIT, May 13 2014

ELLMM City, Yale University, Dec. 10 2013

Truth and the expression of disagreement

Logic, Language, Mind, Metaphysics group, MIT, April 9 2014

Which logic for metaphysics? An argument against existential freedom

SoPhA Early-career researchers' conference, Ovronnaz, Switzerland, Mar. 3. 2014 (A French language version of the paper was presented)

Overdetermination, exclusion & the metaphysics of causation

Causation and Explanation conference, Catholic University of America, Feb. 22. 2014

The antinomies of pure reason and the neglected alternative

Penn-Columbia-Princeton graduate conference in history of philosophy, Princeton University, April 27. 2013

University of Georgia Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Georgia, March 24. 2012

Society for Early Modern Philosophy at Yale, Yale University, April 8. 2011

Descriptive names are not directly referential: two arguments

SoPhA (Société de philosophie analytique) triennial congress, University of Geneva, September 2009

*Won prize for fourth best presentation

Teaching

*As Instructor***Villanova University**

Philosophy of language, Spring 2019

Knowledge, Reality, and Self, Fall 2018, Spring 2019

Logic and critical thinking, Fall 2018

Fairfield University

Philosophy of science, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Summer 2018

Logic, Fall 2016

Introduction to philosophy, Spring 2016, Spring 2018

Yale University

First-Order Logic, Summer 2015, Summer 2016

*As Teaching Assistant***Yale University**

Moral Skepticism (Prof. Shelly Kagan), Fall 2015

Mathematical logic (mixed graduate/undergraduate course), Spring 2015 (Prof. Sun-Joo Shin)

Issues in Bioethics, Fall 2014 (Prof. Stephen Latham)

Death, Fall 2012 (Prof. Shelly Kagan)

International Ethics, Summer 2012 (Prof. Joy Gordon)

Infinity, Spring 2012 (Prof. Bruno Whittle)

Kant's Critique of Pure Reason, Spring 2011 (Prof. Kenneth Winkler)

First-Order Logic, Fall 2010 (Prof. Sun-Joo Shin)

Université de Montréal

Pensée rationnelle et argumentation [Critical thinking], Université de Montréal, Winter 2008 (Mr. Mathieu Bélanger)

Philosophie du langage [Philosophy of Language], Université de Montréal, Fall 2007 (Prof. Michel Seymour)

Philosophie de la connaissance [Epistemology], Université de Montréal, Summer 2007 (Mr. Frédéric Kantorowski)

Pensée rationnelle et argumentation [Critical thinking], Université de Montréal, Winter 2007 (Dr. Jean-Baptiste Jeagène Vilmer)

Logique 1 [Logic 1], Université de Montréal, Fall 2006, Fall 2007 (Prof. Jean-Pierre Marquis)

Langage, pensée et connaissance [Language, thought and knowledge], Winter 2006 (Prof. Michel Seymour)

Miscellaneous academic employment

Research Assistant for Prof. Christine Tappolet, Université de Montréal, Summer 2007 - Summer 2008

Miscellaneous translation and proof-reading duties

Research Assistant for Prof. Sarah Stroud, McGill University, Winter and Summer 2007

Research for the *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* article on Weakness of Will

Professional activities and service

Referee for journals and edited collections: *Philosophical Studies*, *Oxford Handbook of Philosophical Methodology*.

Invited conference participant *The Liar and other true things*, Ohio State University, March 2017

Invited conference participant *Metaphysics on the Mountain 2*, Sun Valley ID, March 2017

Co-organiser, Minorities and Philosophy workgroup (formerly Gender and Philosophy workgroup), Yale University, 2011-2013

Co-organiser, Yale/UConn Graduate Conference, Spring 2009

Co-organiser, graduate student workgroup in analytic philosophy, Université de Montréal, Winter 2007 – Fall 2008.

French translation of Peter Railton (1994) “Alienation, consequentialism and the demands of morality” (in *Philosophy and Public Affairs*, vol. 13, No.2; 1994, pp. 134–171) as

“L’aliénation, le conséquentialisme et les exigences de la morale”, in *Amitiés et partialité en éthique/Friendship and Partiality in Ethics*, volume thématique des Ateliers de l’Éthique, CREUM, vol. 2 (3), 2009.

Awards & Fellowships

Postdoctoral research fellowship, Fonds de Recherche Québécois Société et Culture (FRQSC), (60,000C\$), 2016-2017

Yale University Dissertation Fellowship (28,000US\$), 2013-2014

Standard Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (80,000C\$), 2008-2012

Canada Graduate Scholarship, Doctoral Award (105,000C\$) 2008-2011 (declined in order to attend Yale University)

Bourse doctorale, Fonds Québécois de la recherche sur la société et la culture, (60,000C\$), 2008-2011 (declined in order to accept SSHRC award)

Fondation Marc Bourgie Scholarship, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Université de Montréal (7,500C\$), 2007-08

Olivier Maurault Scholarship, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Université de Montréal (3,000C\$), 2007-08

Canada Graduate Scholarship - Master’s Award, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (17,500C\$), 2006-07

References

Research references:

Zoltán Gendler Szabó, Professor of Philosophy & Linguistics, Yale University: zoltan.szabo@yale.edu

George Bealer, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, Yale University: george.bealer@yale.edu

Jc Beall, Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, University of Connecticut: jc.beall@uconn.edu

Bruno Whittle, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Texas Tech University: bruno.whittle@ttu.edu

General teaching references:

Kenneth Winkler, Professor of Philosophy, Yale University: kenneth.winkler@yale.edu

Curtis Naser, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Fairfield University: cnaser@fairfield.edu

Logic-specific teaching reference:

Sun-Joo Shin, Professor of Philosophy, Yale University: sun-joo.shin@yale.edu