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Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics.

Areas of Concentration

Theory of Action, Philosophy of Language, Epistemology, Philosophy of Science, History of Modern Philosophy, Elementary Logic, Philosophy in Literature.

Education

Ph.D, Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley, 1990.

Dissertation: *Representation and Reality* (Committee: Donald Davidson, Bruce Vermazen and Lotfi Zadeh).

MA, Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley, 1983.

BA, Russian, Columbia College of Columbia University, 1977, *Phi Beta Kappa, cum laude*

Bachelor's Thesis: *Lev Shestov and the Philosophy of Creative Skepticism*.

Employment

Professor of Philosophy, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, 2003-present.

Associate Professor of Philosophy, Hofstra University, 1996-2003.

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Hofstra University, 1992-1996.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Pomona College, Claremont, CA, 1991-92.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 1990-91.

Publications

Mental Causation: The Mind-Body Problem, Columbia University Press, New York, 2008.

"A 'No Causal Rivalry' Solution to the Mental Causation Problem," *Acta Analytica* **24** (2002).

"Individualism and the New Logical Connections Argument," *The Croatian Journal of Philosophy* **2(4)** (2002), pp.1-19.

"Is More Objective Reality Really Something More?" *Philosophiegeschichte und Logische Analyse*, **5** (January, 2002).

"Against Sparse Properties," *Acta Analytica* **19** (1997), pp.97-115.

"How The Radically Interpreted Make Mistakes," *Dialogue* **33** (1994), pp. 415-35.

"Comment on Searle: Philosophy and the Empirical Study of Consciousness," *Consciousness and Cognition*, **2(4)** (1993).

"Sunburn: Independence Conditions on Causal Relevance," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, **53(3)** (September, 1993), pp. 577-598.

“Review of Ludwig, ed., Donald Davidson”, January 2004, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.

“Review of Bok, *Freedom and Responsibility*,” *Philosophy in Review*, February 2001.

“Review of Bechtel and Richardson, *Discovering Complexity*,” *Metaphilosophy* **26(4)** (October 1995), pp. 435-439.

“Review of Goldman, ed., *Readings in Philosophy and Cognitive Science*,” *Philosophical Psychology*, **8(4)** (December 1995).

Presentations

“Supervenience, Properties and Mental Causation,” Joint Session of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society, Bristol, UK, July 2007.

“Levels of properties and causal relevance”, Northwest Philosophy Conference, University of Portland, November 2006.

“Sunburn and Fragile Things,” CUNY Cognitive Science. Symposium, July 2006.

Comments on Mark Silcox, “On the Conceivability of an Omniscient Interpreter,” American Philosophical Association, Central Division, April 2006.

“Mental Causation and the Supervenience Argument,” Joint Session of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society, Belfast, Ireland, July 2003; CUNY Cognitive Science Symposium, October 2005.

Comment on Darren Abramson, “Computability Theory and the Philosophy of Mind”, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, April 2005 (unable to attend).

Comments on Carl Craver, “Levels”, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, April 2004.

Comments on Carl Gillett, “The Metaphysics of Reduction, Multiple Realizability, and the Special Sciences”, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, March, 2003.

“Magnetotactic Bacteria and the Wason Selection Test,” IUC Conference on Rationality, Bled, Slovenia, June, 2002.

“Higher-Level Property Causal Relevance,” Society for Exact Philosophy, March 2000; Trinity College, Dublin, Philosophy Department, April 2000; Northwest Conference on Philosophy, November, 2000, Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, April 2001, IUC Conference on Metaphysics, Bled, Slovenia, June, 2001.

“Kim and Mill on Mental Causation,” American Philosophical Association, Central Division, May, 1999; Alabama Philosophical Society, November 1998.

“Properties,” September 1997, Hofstra University Philosophy Faculty Colloquium.

“A Modal Argument Against a Sparse Ontology of Properties,” June 1997, IUC Conference on Modality, Bled, Slovenia.

“A ‘no causal rivalry’ Solution to the Mental Causation Problem,” October 1996, Society for Exact Philosophy.

“Is and Ought,” June 1996, invited lecture at symposium on “Naturalistic Semantics and Its Methodology,” University of Maribor, Slovenia (unable to attend).

“Wittgenstein’s Philosophical Investigations,” October 1995, Hofstra University, Great Books Series.

“Measurement Theory and Descartes’ Causal Argument for God’s Existence,” October, 1994, Florida Philosophical Association; November, 1994, New Jersey Regional Philosophical Association.

“We Couldn’t be Irrational Animals: An Argument from Theories of Representational Content,” March 1995, Hofstra University Philosophy Faculty Colloquium.

“On the Extensionality Problem for Naturalistic Theories of Meaning,” November, 1993, New Jersey Regional Philosophical Association; April, 1994, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

“Meaning and the Foundations of Cognitive Science,” April 1993, Hofstra University Cognitive Science Working Group.

“How the Radically Interpreted Make Mistakes,” October, 1992, Hofstra University Philosophy Faculty Colloquium; December, 1993, American Philosophical Association (Eastern Division); April, 1993, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology; accepted for reading at the 16th International Ludwig Wittgenstein Symposium, Kirchberg, Austria, August 1993 (unable to attend).

“Causally Committed Properties and Causal Relevance,” April 1992, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology; June 1992, Society for Philosophy and Psychology; March 1993, American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division).

“Content Externalism and Causal Relevance,” June 1991, Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

“Psychophysical Laws,” and “Millikan and Naturalized Epistemology,” November 1990, University of Florida, Gainesville.

“Function and Cognitive Science,” March 1990, Foundations in Cognitive Science Group, UC Berkeley.

Awards and Grants

NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers: “The Metaphysics of Mind,” Directed by John Heil, 1996.

Hofstra University Faculty Research and Development Grants, 1994-5.

NEH Summer Institute: “The Nature of Meaning,” directed by Jerry Fodor and Ernest LePore, 1993.

Pomona College Research Grant, 1991-2.

Professional Affiliations

American Philosophical Association; Society for Exact Philosophy.

Professional Activities

Reader for: *Philosophical Psychology*, McGraw-Hill Higher Education, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Mind and Language*, *Consciousness and Cognition*, and for *Metaphilosophy*. Session Chair, Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, April 1992; Session Chair, Society for Philosophy and Psychology; Session Chair, Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association, December 1992. Organizer (with William Banks): Claremont Conference on Consciousness and Cognition, March 1993.

Administrative Experience

Chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Hofstra University, 1999-2003.

Chair, Departmental Personnel Committee, Department of Philosophy, Hofstra University.

Chair, Curriculum Proposals Committee, Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (1996-7).

Senator, Hofstra University Senate (1994-7).

Chair of the Senate Subcommittee on Scholarship and Student Affairs (1996-7).

Academic References

John Searle, UC Berkeley

Barry Loewer, Rutgers University

Steven Schwartz, Ithaca College

Randolph Clarke, Florida State University

Piers Rawling, Florida State University

David Rosenthal, CUNY Graduate Center

Brian McLaughlin, Rutgers University

Dion Scott-Kakures, Scripps College

Kirk Ludwig, University of Florida

Paul O'Grady, Trinity College Dublin