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APPOINTMENTS

Yale-NUS College (with joint appointment at the National University of Singapore):
 Associate professor with tenure, starting summer 2017
 Assistant professor, tenure-track, fall 2012-spring 2017
 Visiting scholar, research leave, University of Michigan, spring and summer 2017
 Visiting scholar, University of Windsor, summer 2016
 Visiting scholar, research leave, MIT, spring and summer 2015
 Fellow, Yale University, Whitney Humanities Center, fall 2012-spring 2013
 Research associate, University of Michigan, Multidisciplinary Consciousness Research Group,
 summer 2012

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ph.D. in philosophy, 2012

- Committee: Andy Egan (Rutgers University) and Eric Lormand, co-chairs; Peter Railton; Victor Caston; George Mashour (neuroscience/anesthesiology)
- Dissertation: *A Subjective Representationalist Approach to Phenomenal Experience*

Australian National University, summer 2008, visiting scholar
 Swarthmore College, B.A. Philosophy, 2005

AREAS

Primary specialization: mind
 Secondary specializations: epistemology; metaphysics
 Competences: meta-ethics; ancient Greek, Indian, and Chinese philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

11. Review of Michael Madary's book *Visual Phenomenology*, *Philosophical Review*, forthcoming
10. "Phenomenal, normative, and other explanatory gaps: A general diagnosis," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 2017 (online)
9. "Can grounding characterize fundamentality?," *Analysis*, 2017
8. "On the generality of experience: A reply to French and Gomes," with co-author Todd Ganson, *Philosophical Studies*, 2016
7. "Knowledge and other norms for assertion, action, and belief," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 2015/2016 (online/print)
6. "The limited role of particulars in phenomenal experience," *Journal of Philosophy*, 2014
5. "Beyond transparency: the spatial argument for experiential externalism," *Philosophers' Imprint*, 2013

4. "Is there a phenomenological argument for higher-order representationalism?," *Philosophical Studies*, 2013
3. "How to explain the explanatory gap," *Dialectica*, 2013
2. "General and specific consciousness: a first-order representationalist approach," with George Mashour (neuroscientist/anesthesiologist) as second author, *Frontiers in Consciousness Research*, 2013
1. "Exploring subjective representationalism," *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 2012

UNDER REVIEW

5. "Naïve realism without fundamental kinds"
4. "The conceptual case against phenomenal particularism"
3. "Some Aristotelian arguments against perceptual disjunctivism"
2. "Humeanism and the categorical character of epistemic normativity"
1. "Against phenomenal particularism: The missing overlap argument"

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

"Explanatory gaps in phenomenal, normative, and other contexts: A general diagnosis"

- Ontology of Compositional Explanation Workshop, Rutgers University, Newark, May 2017
- University of Vermont, departmental colloquium, February 2017
- University of Michigan, departmental colloquium, January 2017
- Lingnan University, departmental colloquium, September 2016
- University of Windsor, departmental colloquium, June 2016
- Columbia/Barnard University, Rutgers-Barnard-Columbia Mind Workshop, August 2015
- University of Geneva, Centre in Metaphysics, Conference on Two-Dimensionalism, July 2012

"Humeanism and the categorical character of epistemic normativity"

- Southampton-Humboldt Normativity Conference, June 2017
- University of Puget Sound, April 2017
- Nanyang Technological University, departmental colloquium, October 2015
- University of Minnesota at Duluth, departmental colloquium, March 2015
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, working group presentation, March 2015
- Lingnan University, departmental colloquium, September 2014

"The normative role of perceptual experience"

- Rutgers University, invited seminar presentation, April 2015
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, working group presentation, April 2015

“In defense of perceptual atomism”

- American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, January 2016
- University of Hong Kong, departmental colloquium, September 2014
- Australasian Association of Philosophy, July 2014

“The limited role of particulars in phenomenal experience”

- Northern Institute of Philosophy, Early Career Conference, June 2012

“Evidence for false evidence”

- University of Miami, Graduate Epistemology Conference, January 2012

“Is there a phenomenological argument for higher-order representationalism?”

- University of Missouri at St. Louis, 6th Annual Gateway Graduate Conference, April 2011
- Southwest Graduate Student Conference in Philosophy, March 2011

“How to build a creature with qualia”

- Australian National University, Philosophy Society, August 2008

“Psychological explanation and the broadness of content”

- City University of New York, Graduate Student Philosophy Conference, March 2008

“The hardest qualia problem”

- University of Iowa, Third Annual Graduate Philosophy Conference, April 2007

OTHER CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Sessions chaired

- Epistemology and Psychology, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, January 2017
- Foundations of Normativity Workshop, University of Edinburgh, March 2015
- K. C. Bhattacharya and Nishitani Keiji Workshop, Yale-NUS College, NUS, and Kyoto University, February 2014

Comments presented

- Derek Allen, “Ethical argumentation, objectivity, and bias,” Ontario Society for the Study of Argumentation Conference, May 2015
- Susan Blake, “Perceptual content and epistemic foundations,” Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, December 2013
- Anthony Peressini, “Against the reduction of phenomenological consciousness to qualia,” Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, December 2012
- Gordon Knight, “Phenomenology, embodiment, and the mind,” Central States Philosophical Association Meeting, September 2010

- David Papineau, “What exactly is the explanatory gap?” University of Michigan Spring Colloquium, March 2009
- John Doris, “On reflection ... more or less,” University of Michigan Spring Colloquium, March 2008

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Nomination, NUS Young Researcher Award, 2016
 Yale-NUS College Internal Grant, SGD \$20,000, “Reductivism,” 2016-2019.
 Yale-NUS College Internal Grant, SGD \$20,000, “The mind as a biological organ,” 2015-2018.
 Successfully completed one year early.
 Yale-NUS College Internal Grant, SGD \$20,000, “Consciousness and knowledge,” 2012-2016.
 Successfully completed one year early.
 Rackham Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, 2010-2011
 Patricia Susan Feldman Award for Excellence in Philosophy, 2009
 University of Michigan Marshall Weinberg Summer Fellowship, 2007
 University of Michigan Six-Term Rackham Merit Fellowship, 2005

TEACHING

Courses taught/to be taught:

- A Theory of Consciousness (anticipated – spring 2019)
- Fundamental Reality (spring 2018)
- Can Consciousness Be Explained? (spring 2018)
- Why Be Moral? (spring 2016, anticipated – spring 2019)
- Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought (fall 2013, fall 2014, fall 2015, fall 2016, fall 2017, anticipated – fall 2018)
- Modern Philosophy and Political Thought (spring 2014, spring 2016)

Capstones/independent studies supervised:

- Reconsidering Dualism, capstone (fall 2016)
- The Nature of Consciousness, independent study (spring 2014)

Other:

- Opening address, Singapore Undergraduate Philosophy Conference (theme: Mind), spring 2018
- Undergraduate seminar on writing in philosophy, University of Puget Sound, April 2017
- Undergraduate seminar on Peter Singer’s “Famine, affluence, and morality,” Oberlin College, October 2011

SERVICE

Referee reports (32 in total): *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (3), *Mind*, *Philosophers' Imprint* (4), *Philosophical Studies* (2), *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Synthese* (3), *Dialectica* (4), *Erkenntnis* (5), *Theoria*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Philosophical Psychology* (2), *Philosophical Papers*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Inquiry*, and *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (2)

Course facilitator, Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought (fall 2017, fall 2018)

Member, Third Year Review Committee for the Humanities: Malcolm Keating, Taran Kang (2017-2018)

Humanities representative, Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee (2017-2018)

Faculty advisor, Yale-NUS Ballroom Society (spring 2018)

Organizer, Yale-NUS Philosophy Seminar Series (spring 2016, fall 2016)

Academic advisor to 17 undergraduates in total (2013-2014, fall 2014, 2015-2016, 2017-2018)

Member, Advisory Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid (2015-2016)

Member, Philosophy and Political Thought Teaching Group (2013-2014, fall 2014, 2015-2016, fall 2017)

Member, Philosophy Major Group (2013-2014, fall 2014, 2015-2016, fall 2016, 2017-2018)

Member, Academic Policy Committee, Yale-NUS College (2012-13, 2013-14)

Member, Family Leave Working Group, Yale-NUS College (2013)

Member, Philosophy Curriculum Committee, Yale-NUS College (2012-13)

Co-organizer, University of Michigan Colloquium: Explaining Phenomenal Consciousness (April 2009)