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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, McMaster University, 2017–present Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Vassar College, 2016–2017 Lecturer, University of California, Riverside, Spring 2016

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of California, Riverside, 2016 M.A., Philosophy, University of California, Riverside, 2011 B.A., Philosophy, Denison University, 2009

# **PUBLICATIONS**

"Toward a Sharp Semantics/Pragmatics Distinction," *Synthese*, forthcoming. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-018-1733-8

"Walking the Tightrope: Unrecognized Conventions and Arbitrariness," *Inquiry* 60(8), 2017: 867–887.

"Understanding the Intentions Behind the Referential/Attributive Distinction," *Erkenntnis* 82(2), 2017: 351–362.

"Epistemic Evaluations: Consequences, Costs and Benefits," with Peter Graham, Zachary Bachman, and Meredith McFadden, *Social Epistemology Review and Reply Collective* 4(4), 2015: 7–13.

#### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

"A Way Forward for the Semantics/Pragmatics Distinction," The New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, October 2017

"From Context to Mental States: A Way Forward for the Semantics/Pragmatics Distinction," Western Canadian Philosophical Association, October 2017

"Conventions as the Building Blocks of Social Institutions," Vassar College, March 2017

# SELECTED PRESENTATIONS, CONTINUED

"Compliance, Not Truth: Explaining Our Practice of Correcting Statements about Fiction," Semantics of Fictional Discourse Conference, Slovak Academy of Sciences, October 2016

"How to Paraphrase a Metaphor," Metaphors in Use Conference, Lehigh University, October 2015

"What Makes Sounds into Meaningful Words?", Meeting of the Central Division of the American Philosophical Association, February 2015

"The Foundations of Expression Meaning," SoCal Philosophy Conference, San Diego State University, October 2014

"Linguistic Meaning and Etiological Functions," Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, February 2014

"Alternatives, Recalcitrance, and Linguistic Conventions," Northwest Philosophy Conference, Pacific University, October 2013

"Metasemantics," The New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, September 2013

"Conventions, Precedents, and Beliefs: A Lesson from Lewis and Millikan," Meeting of the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, March 2013

## **COMMENTARY**

Comments on Geoff Georgi's "Indexical Logic and Linguistic Meaning, or Why the Humpty-Dumpty Problem Won't Go Away," Midsouth Philosophy Conference, February 2014

## **HONORS**

Dissertation Year Program Fellowship, University of California, Riverside, 2015–2016

The Harrah Prize in Applied Philosophy, University of California, Riverside, 2014

Graduate Research Mentorship Program Fellowship, University of California, Riverside, Spring 2014

Dean's Distinguished Fellowship Award, University of California, Riverside, 2009–2010 Phi Beta Kappa, Denison University, May 2009

#### **SERVICE**

Placement Coordinator, McMaster University, 2017-present

Referee for the Journal of the American Philosophical Association, American Philosophical Quarterly, Synthese, and Erkenntnis

Session Chair, SoCal Philosophy Conference, October 2014

Session Chair, Annual Meeting of the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, April 2014

Session Chair, Northwest Philosophy Conference, October 2013

Assistant Editor, Midwest Studies in Philosophy, 2012–2013

# PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

University Teaching Certificate Program, University of California, Riverside, 2013

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Pragmatics and Its Relationship to Semantics (graduate seminar), Winter 2018

History of Political Philosophy, McMaster University, Winter 2018

Philosophy of Language, McMaster University, Fall 2017

Metaphysics, McMaster University, Fall 2017

Epistemology, Vassar College, Spring 2017

Philosophy of Language, Vassar College, Spring 2017

Philosophical Questions, Vassar College, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017

Seminar in Analytic Philosophy, Vassar College, Fall 2016

Sophomore/Junior Seminar, University of California, Riverside, Spring 2016

Advanced Topics in Philosophy of Language, University of California, Riverside, Spring 2016

Topics in Metaphysics: The Metaphysics of Social Reality, University of California, Riverside, Summer 2015

Language, Mind, and Reality, University of California, Riverside, Summer 2014

Introduction to Logic, University of California, Riverside, Summer 2013

Philosophy of Language, University of California, Riverside, Summer 2012