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CURRICULUM VITAE

MAY 2014

EMPLOYMENT Reader, Philosophy, University of Edinburgh
2013-present
Lecturer, Philosophy, University of Edinburgh
2006-2013

EDUCATION University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
M.A. Philosophy 2002, Ph.D. Philosophy 2006
Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Fulbright Scholar, Philosophisches Seminar 1999-2000
Rice University, Houston
B.A. Philosophy, Cum Laude 1999
University College, London
Visiting Student, Philosophy 1997

SPECIALIZATION Ethics, Philosophy of Language, Epistemology

OTHER INTERESTS Action Theory, Deontic Logic, Environmental Ethics, Political Philosophy

AUTHORED BOOKS

Philosophy for Everyone (co-authored with Duncan Pritchard, et. al.), Routledge (2014)
The Meaning of 'Ought': Beyond Expressivism and Descriptivism in Metaethics, Oxford University Press (in final revisions, under contract)
What Is This Thing Called Metaethics, Routledge (in preparation, under contract)

EDITED BOOKS

Deontic Modality (edited with Nate Charlow), Oxford University Press (in preparation, under contract)

ARTICLES

“(How) Is Ethical Neo-Expressivism a Hybrid View” (with Dorit Bar-On and Jim Sias) in Guy Fletcher and Michael Ridge (eds.) *Having It Both Ways: Hybrid Theories and Modern Metaethics*, Oxford University Press (forthcoming) [peer-reviewed]
“Attitudinal Expressivism and Logical Pragmatism” in Graham Hubbs and Douglas Lind (eds.), *Pragmatism, Law, and Language*, Routledge (2014): 117-135 [peer-reviewed]
“The Normative Evaluation of Belief and the Aspectual Classification of Belief and Knowledge Attributions” *Journal of Philosophy* 109(10) (2012): 588-612 [peer-reviewed]*
“On the Meaning of *Ought*” in Russ Shafer-Landau (ed.) *Oxford Studies in Metaethics*, vol. 7, (2012): 304-332 [peer-reviewed]*
“‘Ought’ and Control” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 90(3) (2012): 433-451 [peer-reviewed]
“Is Epistemic Expressivism Compatible with Inquiry?” (with J. Adam Carter) *Philosophical Studies*, 159(3) (2012): 323-339 [peer-reviewed]
“Epistemic Expressivism” *Philosophy Compass* 7(10) (2011): 118-126 [peer-reviewed]

- “Using Big Words to Explain Little Words” *Think* 29(10) (2011): 23-36
- “Ethical Expressivism” in Christian Miller (ed.) *The Continuum Companion to Metaethics*, Continuum Press (2011): 29-54 [peer-reviewed]
- “From Epistemic Expressivism to Epistemic Inferentialism” in Haddock, Pritchard, and Millar (eds.) *Social Epistemology*, Oxford University Press (2010): 112-128 [peer-reviewed]
- “Expressivism, Inferentialism, and the Philosophy of Language” in Michael Brady (ed.) *New Waves in Metaethics*, Palgrave MacMillan (2010): 103-125
- “The Aim of Belief and the Goal of Truth” in Jim O’Shea and Eric Rubenstein (eds.) *Self, Language, and World: Problems from Kant, Sellars, and Rosenberg*, Ridgeview Press (2010): 188-208
- “Constructivism, Expressivism, and Ethical Knowledge” in Jim O’Shea (ed.), special issue of the *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, 18(3) (2010): 331-353
- “Ethical Neo-Expressivism” (with Dorit Bar-On) in Russ Shafer-Landau (ed.) *Oxford Studies in Metaethics*, vol. 4, (2009): 133-165 [peer-reviewed]
- “Expressivism, Truth, and (Self-) Knowledge” *Philosophers’ Imprint* 9(3) (2009): 1-26 [peer-reviewed]
- “Expressivism, Inferentialism, and Saving the Debate” *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 77(2) (2008): 334-358 [peer-reviewed]
- “Ought to Believe” *Journal of Philosophy*, 105(7) (2008): 346-370 [peer-reviewed]*
- “A Dilemma for Moral Fictionalism” *Philosophical Books*, 49 (2008): 4-13
- “From Epistemic Contextualism to Epistemic Expressivism” *Philosophical Studies* 135(2) (2007): 225-254 [peer-reviewed]*

INVITED REVIEWS

- Review of Stephen Finlay’s *Confusion of Tongues* in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (in preparation)
- Review of John Horty’s *Reasons as Defaults in Mind* (under review)
- Review of William P. Alston’s *Beyond Justification: Dimensions of Epistemic Evaluation* in *International Journal of Philosophical Studies* 15(2) (2007)
- Review of Russ Shafer-Landau’s *Moral Realism: A Defense*, *Ethics*, vol. 116(1) (2005)
- Review of Allan Gibbard’s *Thinking How to Live*, *Ethics*, vol. 115(2) (2005)

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

- “Emotivism” *International Encyclopedia of Ethics*, Wiley-Blackwell (2013)
- “Deontic Modals” *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, Routledge (forthcoming)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND AWARDS

I routinely teach the following courses at the University of Edinburgh:

- Morality and Value (lectures on the Status of Morality, Why Be Moral, Kantianism, Contractualism, Virtue Ethics)
- Meta-Ethics
- Advanced Philosophical Method (MSc)
- Further Topics in Meta-Ethics (MSc)
- Philosophy of Action
- Environmental Ethics

Nominated by the Edinburgh University Students’ Association for a Teaching Award in 2009, 2013, 2014

PUBLIC OUTREACH

I helped to develop and continue to contribute to *Introduction to Philosophy*, Massive Open Online Course, University of Edinburgh: www.coursera.org/course/introphil. On its initial run (Spring 2013), this course enrolled 100,000 people from all across the world and many different age brackets; there were 20,000 posts on the course's discussion forum, which was viewed over 500,000 times. This course has since run two more times (Autumn 2013, Spring 2014) with similarly enthusiastic uptake.

Under my lead, members of the MOOC team have developed a popular book *Philosophy for Everyone* (Routledge) on the basis of this course, and is currently being translated into Spanish.

My article "Using Big Words to Explain Little Words" is a popular article in *Think* about my research project on the meaning of 'ought'. This was based on a public lecture given to the Cape Town Philosophy Society and the University of Edinburgh PhilSoc.

POST-GRADUATE SUPERVISION

PhD (primary):

- Raymond Critch (2007-2010): *Autonomy, Fraternity, and Legitimacy: Foundations for a New Communitarianism* (Assistant Professor, Memorial University of Newfoundland)
- Sam Wilkinson (2009-2013): *Monothematic Delusions and the Nature of Belief* (2-year postdoc, Durham University)
- Ashley Taylor (2010-2014): *The Circumstances of Justice: An Alternative Account* (Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Toronto)
- Sebastian Köhler (2010-2014): *Beyond Frege Geach - Neglected Challenges for Expressivism*
- John O'Connor (2009-): *Moral Naturalism and Self-Constitution*
- Alan Wilson (2011-): *On the Nature, Identity and Possibility of the Moral Virtues*
- Silvan Witter (2013-): *Evolution and Moral Realism*

PhD (secondary): J. Adam Carter (2007-2009), Christos Kyriacou (2007-2010), Robin McKenna (2010-2013), Cameron Boulton (2011-2014)

MSc. Supervision: Aaron DeWitt (2009), Panagiotis Vasileiadis (2012), Sarah Schoonmaker (2013), Jay Fonow (2013)

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

May 2014	Eidyn Conference on Normativity and Modality, 3 day major international conference at the University of Edinburgh
June 2013	Workshop on Pragmatist Perspectives on Truth and Knowledge, 2 day workshop at the University of Edinburgh (with Sebastian Köhler and Cameron Boulton)
October 2011	Epistemic Expressivism Workshop, 2 day workshop at the University of Edinburgh (with Michael Ridge)
June 2011	Expressivism, Projection, and Rules (EPR3) Conference, 3 day major international conference at the University of Sydney (with Huw Price)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

December 2012	"Two Routes to Expressivism and Beyond" "Ethical Neo-Expressivism" Workshop on New Approaches to Antirealism in Metaethics: Expressivism, Relativism and Error Theories, University of Geneva and University of Fribourg, Switzerland
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INVITED SPEAKER, INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- August 2014 “Global Expressivism: The Nuclear Option?” Global Expressivism Conference at the Faculty of Humanities at the University of Szczecin (other speakers include Huw Price, Michael Williams, Simon Blackburn, Allan Gibbard, Paul Horwich, Dorit Bar-On, Nadeem Hussain, Jaroslav Peregrin, Amie Thomasson)
- May 2014 “How Modal Knowledge Can Be Practical Knowledge,” Eidyn Conference on Normativity and Modality, University of Edinburgh (other speakers include Robert Brandom, Helen Beebe, Simon Blackburn, Janice Dowell, Jimmy Lenman, Huw Price, William Starr, Michael Williams)
- April 2014 “Making Up One’s Mind and What We Ought to Believe” Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire sur la Normativité, University of Montreal
- December 2013 “Relocating (and Advancing?) Debate about the Meaning of Normative Terms” Metaethics Workshop, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (other presenters were Gideon Rosen, Julia Markovits, Janice Dowell, J. David Velleman)
- October 2013 “On the Prescriptivity of the Imperative Form” (with Graham Hubbs), Arché Normative Language Workshop (other speakers included Gilbert Harman, Frank Jackson, Michael Ridge, Jennifer Carr, Stephen Finlay, Janice Dowell, Dorit Bar-On)
- June 2013 “Making Up One’s Mind and What We Ought to Believe” Workshop on Pragmatist Perspectives on Truth and Knowledge (other speakers were Michael Williams, James O’Shea, and Graham Hubbs)
- October 2012 “Should the Metalanguage of Metaethics be Nonnormative” International Workshop on Inferentialism in the Philosophy of Language, Mind, and Action, UNED Madrid (declined due to visa restrictions)
- July 2012 “(How) Is Ethical Neo-Expressivism a Hybrid View” Hybrid Theories in Metaethics, University of Edinburgh (other speakers include Michael Ridge, David Copp, Jennifer Hornsby, Daniel Boisvert, Mark Schroeder, Guy Fletcher, Stephen Finlay, Ryan Hay)
- June 2012 “Should the Metalanguage of Metaethics be Nonnormative” Truth and Normativity, University of Geneva (other speakers include David Velleman, Asbjorn Steglich-Petersen)
- May 2012 “Epistemic Discourse as Rational but not Descriptive” Expressivism and Epistemic Normativity, Institut Jean-Nicod, Paris (other speakers include Alan Gibbard, Simon Blackburn, Seth Yalcin, James Dreier, Kristoffer Ahlstrom-Vij)
- Mar 2012 “Should the Metalanguage of Metaethics be Aggressively Nonnormative?” Pragmatism, Law, and Language Conference, INPC, University of Idaho (other invited speakers include Robert Brandom, Janice Dowell, Karl Schafer, Danielle Macbeth)
- January 2012 “‘Ought’s without Ends?’ Aims and Norms: Action Workshop, University of Southampton (other invited speakers include Maria Alvarez, Nishi Shah and Conor McHugh)
- December 2011 American Philosophical Association Symposium Speaker (declined due to travel restrictions)

- October 2011 “Epistemic Discourse as Rational but not Descriptive” Epistemic Expressivism Conference, University of Edinburgh (other speakers include Terence Cuneo, Allan Gibbard, Klemens Kappel, Michael Lynch, Michael Ridge, Lisa Warenski, Seth Yalcin)
- July 2011 British Society for Ethical Theory (declined due to travel restrictions)
- June 2011 “Two Paths to Expressivism, and Beyond?” Expressivism, Projection and Rules (EPR3) conference, University of Sydney (other speakers include Bob Brandom, Paul Horwich, Jenann Ismael, James Ladyman, John MacFarlane, Huw Price, Mike Ridge, Lionel Shapiro, Amie Thomasson, and Michael Williams)
- February 2011 “On the Meaning of ‘Ought’” Logical Pragmatism Conference at the University of Auckland (other speakers were Danielle Macbeth, Huw Price, Koji Tanaka, Cathy Legg)
- September 2010 “On the Meaning of ‘Ought’” 7th Annual Metaethics Workshop, Madison, Wisconsin (other speakers included Stephen Darwall, Michael Ridge, Valerie Tiberius, David Copp, Matt Evans, Nishi Shah)
- June 2010 “The Concept of Knowledge and the Aspectual Classification of ‘Knows’” invited speaker at the Cognitive Ecology Conference, which is the Episteme 2010 conference at the University of Edinburgh (other speakers included Martin Kusch, Sandy Goldberg, Hilary Kornblith, Alan Millar, Ram Neta, Michael Ridge)
- May 2010 “Constructivism, Expressivism, and Ethical Knowledge” invited speaker at the Expressivism Conference, Institute of Philosophy, London (other speakers were Huw Price, Paul Horwich, and Michael Williams)
- March 2010 “Is Expressivism Compatible with Inquiry” invited symposium at the American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting in San Francisco (other speakers were Klemens Kappel, Michael Ridge, Terrence Cuneo, and Allan Gibbard)
- November 2009 “Expressivism, Inferentialism, and the Theory of Meaning” Expressivism Workshop at the Arché centre at the University of St. Andrews (other speakers included Allan Gibbard, Mark Richard, Michael Ridge, Mark Schroeder, Seth Yalcin,)
- July 2009 “Meta-ethics and the Philosophy of Language” Expressivism, Pluralism and Representationalism conference, University of Sydney (other speakers included Simon Blackburn, Robert Brandom, Michael Lynch, Huw Price, Michael Williams, Crispin Wright)
- June 2009 “What is an Action?” (with Graham Hubbs), Scottish Ethics Network, Workshop on Practical Reasoning (commented on by Michael Smith other speakers included Jay Wallace, Jonathan Dancy, Michael Ridge)
- June 2009 “Why Knowledge is Better” Epistemic Virtue and Value Conference, Bled, Slovenia (other speakers included Mark Kaplan, Jennifer Lackey, Alan Millar, Wayne Riggs, Ernie Sosa, Valerie Tiberius)
- March 2009 “Constructivism, Expressivism, and Ethical Knowledge” Constructivism and Epistemology Workshop, Sheffield (other speakers included Simon Blackburn, James Lenman, Valerie Tiberius)
- August 2008 “Epistemic Expressivism and Epistemic Inferentialism” Workshop on Epistemic Expressivism, University of Copenhagen

- March 2008 “Knowledge as True Belief that One Ought to Have” Naturalism, Normativity, and the Space of Reasons Conference at University College Dublin (other speakers included Robert Brandom, Willem DeVries, Meridith Williams, Michael Williams, Jim O’Shea)
- September 2007 “Ethical Neo-Expressivism” (with Dorit Bar-On), Fourth Annual Meta-ethics Workshop, University of Wisconsin at Madison (other speakers included David Copp, Gil Harman, Nick Sturgeon, Pekka Väyrynen)
- May 2007 “Contextualism and Practical Reasoning” Linguistics and Epistemology Conference, University of Aberdeen (other speakers included Kent Bach, Peter Ludlow, Jonathan Schaffer, Jason Stanley)
- May 2007 “A Dilemma for Moral Fictionalism” Meta-ethics Workshop, University of St. Andrews (other speakers included Daniel Elstein, Tom Hurka, Mark Kalderon)

OTHER INVITED TALKS

- March 2014 “What do Imperatives Mean?” University of Glasgow
- October 2013 “On the Prescriptivity of the Imperative Form” (with Graham Hubbs), University of Edinburgh Philosophy of Language Group
- November 2012 “‘Ought’ and Control” Syntax and Semantics Group, LEL, University of Edinburgh
- October 2012 “Ought-to-Do vs. Ought-to-Be” Language Society, University of Edinburgh
- October 2012 “The Problem with Ought as a Box” York University
- May 2012 “Should the Metalanguage of Metaethics be Nonnormative?” Oxford Moral Sciences Club
- March 2012 “Should the Metalanguage of Metaethics be Nonnormative?” University of Southern California
- February 2012 “Using Big Words to Explain Little Words” Philosophy Society, University of Edinburgh
- November 2011 “‘Ought’ and Agency” University of Birmingham
- November 2011 “‘Ought’ and Agency” University of Edinburgh
- September 2011 “‘Ought’ and Agency” Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- May 2011 “The Normative Evaluation of Belief and the Aspectual Classification of Belief and Knowledge Attributions” Australian National University
- May 2011 “‘Ought’ and Control” Australian National University
- April 2011 “‘Ought’ and Control” University of Melbourne
- March 2011 “Ought and Must” at Current Projects Seminar, University of Sydney
- October 2010 “Using Big Words to Explain Little Words” Cape Town Philosophy Society
- October 2010 “On the Meaning of *Ought*” University of Cape Town, South Africa
- October 2010 “Ought-to-Be vs. Ought-to-Do” Witwatersrand University, Johannesburg South Africa
- October 2010 “The Value of Knowledge and the Aspectual Classification of ‘Believes’ and ‘Knows’” University of Georgia
- September 2010 “The Value of Knowledge and the Aspectual Classification of ‘Believes’ and ‘Knows’” Northwestern University
- September 2010 “Ought-to-Be vs. Ought-to-Do” Ohio State University

October 2009	“Does Virtue Epistemology Rest on a Category Mistake” University of Geneva
October 2008	“Knowledge as True Belief that One Ought to Have” University of Geneva
October 2008	“Ought to Believe” Episteme Group, Geneva, Switzerland
October 2008	“Knowledge as True Belief that One Ought to Have” Philosophy Society, University of Edinburgh
October 2008	“Meta-ethics and the Philosophy of Language” Department of Philosophy, Glasgow
September 2008	“Rosenberg on the Goal of Truth” Memorial Conference in Honor of Jay F. Rosenberg, Chapel Hill
December 2007	“Knowledge as True Belief that One Ought to Have” <i>Scots Phil Club</i> , annual meeting
October 2007	“Normative Thoughts and Inference” University of Stirling
December 2006	“Ought to Believe” University of Aberdeen

DEPARTMENTAL/SCHOOL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2012-present	Steering Committee for Eidyn: Edinburgh Centre for Epistemology, Mind and Normativity
2012-2014	Senior Tutor for School of Philosophy, Psychology, and Language Sciences
2012-2014	Senior Tutor Network, University of Edinburgh
2012-2013	University of Edinburgh Enhancing Student Support, Working Group on Monitoring, Evaluation and Enhancement of Personal Tutoring
2013	Appointment Committee for Philosophy Lectureships
2012-2014	School Management Committee
2012-2014	School Undergraduate Studies Committee
2009	Appointment Committee for Head of School
2006-10	Convener of Visiting Speaker Series, Philosophy, Edinburgh
2006-2007	Webmaster, Philosophy, Edinburgh
2005	Fellow, Parr Center for Ethics, UNC
2004	Student Organizer for Duke-UNC Workshop on Moral Psychology
2003-2004	President of the Graduate Students, UNC Department of Philosophy

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Refereed Articles for British Society for Ethical Theory, *Ethics* (x3), *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *Dialectica*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Erkenntnis* (x2), *Social Theory and Practice*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Nous*, *Mind* (x3), *Journal of Ethics and Social Practice*, *Philosophical Studies* (x2), *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (x2), *European Journal of Philosophy*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Journal of Political Philosophy*, *Philosophers' Imprint* (x3), Madison Metaethics Workshop, *Philosophical Review*

Refereed Book Manuscripts for Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Continuum Press

Refereed Grant Proposals for Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

External Examiner for Ph.D. theses: University College London (2010), University of Geneva (2012), Northern Institute of Philosophy, University of Aberdeen (2014)

External Examiner for M.A. thesis: University of Hong Kong (2011)