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Employment

2015-present	Professor, Stanford University
2015	Associate Professor, University of Queensland
2012-2015	Research Fellow, Australian National University
2012-2014	Research Fellow, Griffith University
2011	Visiting Assistant Professor, New York University
2009-2012	Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Sydney

Education

2009	PhD in Philosophy Massachusetts Institute of Technology Thesis: *Partial Belief and Expert Testimony* Supervisor: Robert Stalnaker
2003	BA in Philosophy Syracuse University *Summa Cum Laude*

Grants and Fellowships

2013-2015	ARC DECRA: Wellbeing, Preferences, and Basic Goods
2013-2015	ARC Discovery Project: Decision Theory in Crisis
2009-2011	University of Sydney Postdoctoral Fellowship
2009	Bersoff Fellowship, New York University (offered, not accepted)
2009	Canada Research Chair, University of British Columbia (offered, not accepted)
2003-2008	Presidential fellowship, MIT

Publications (starred items have won awards)

forthcoming	"Two Interpretations of the Ramsey Test", *Making a Difference: Essays in Honour of Peter Menzies*, Helen Beebee, Chris Hitchcock, and Huw Price (eds.), Oxford University Press.
2015	"The Foundations of Probability", *Journal of Philosophical Logic*.
2015	"Utility Monsters for the Fission Age" (with Daniel Nolan), *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 96 (3), 307-441.
2015	"Why Lewisians Should Love Determinism About Chance", *A Companion to David Lewis*, Barry Loewer and Jonathan Schaffer, 278-294.
2014	"Individual Coherence and Group Coherence" (with Fabrizio Cariani, Kenny Easwaran, and Branden Fitelson), *Essays in Collective Epistemology*, Jennifer Lackey (ed.), Oxford University Press, 215-239.
2014	"Expected Utility Theory", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.
2013	"Unavoidable Decoherence in the Quantum Control of an Unknown State", (with David Kielpinski and Howard Wiseman), *Quantum Measurements and Quantum Metrology* 1, 1-4.

2012	"Epistemic Dispositions" (with Daniel Nolan), *Logos & Episteme* 3 (4), 629-636.
⋆2012	"The Real Truth About the Unreal Future" (with Graeme Forbes), *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* 7, 257-302. Oxford Studies in Metaphysics Younger Scholars essay prize.
2012	"Truthmaking Without Necessitation", *Synthese* 189 (1), special issue on Propositions and Same-Saying, 1-18.
2012	"Interventionist Counterfactuals", *Philosophical Studies* 160 (1), 139-166.
2012	"Mad, Bad, and Dangerous to Know" (with Daniel Nolan), *Analysis* 72 (2), 314-316.
2010	"The Metaphysics of Chance", *Philosophy Compass* 5, 938-952.
2010	"Putting a Value on Beauty", *Oxford Studies in Epistemology* 3, 3-34.
⋆2010	"Decision Theoretic Paradoxes as Voting Paradoxes" *The Philosophical Review* 119 (1), 1-30. *Philosopher's Annual* 2012.
2009	"The Anatomy of the Big Bad Bug", *Noûs* 43 (3), 428-449.
⋆2009	"Distorted Reflection", *The Philosophical Review* 118 (1), 59-85. *Philosopher's Annual* 2010.
2009	"The Big Bad Bug Bites Anti-Realists About Chance", *Synthese* 167 (1), 81-92.

Edited Volumes

2012	*Synthese* 189 (1), special issue on Propositions and Same-Saying.

Book Symposia

2012	"The Normative Standing of Group Agents", part of a symposium on Christian List and Philip Pettit, *Group Agency*, Oxford University Press, *Episteme* 9 (3), 283-291.

Presentations

	'Chances of Impossibilities'
September 2015	Colloquium, UC Berkeley
July 2015	Determinism, Probability, and Conditionals Workshop, ANU
June 2015	Propensities, Chances, and Statistics workshop, University College London
	Peter Menzies Symposium
July 2015	Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference (plenary session on the Consequence Argument, in honor of Peter Menzies)
	'The Liberal Paradox'
March 2015	Research Seminar, University of New South Wales
February 2015	Australasian Workshop in Moral Philosophy, Kioloa (ANU)
	'An Accuracy-Dominance Argument for Conditionalization'
January 2015	11th Annual MIT Philosophy Alumni Conference, MIT
August 2014	Colloquium, University of Queensland
April 2014	Colloquium, Princeton University
	'Costs of Abandoning the Sure-Thing Principle'
April 2014	Annual Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (part of a book symposium on Lara Buchak's *Risk and Rationality*)

"Fictionalism about Chance"

June 2013	Formal Epistemology Festival, University of Toronto
May 2012	PERSP Metaphysics Workshop, Barcelona
May 2013	Formal Epistemology Workshop, Rutgers University

"Misinformed Desires"

June 2013	Indeterminacy Workshop, University of Leeds
May 2013	Australian Metaphysics Workshop, Kioloa (ANU)
March 2013	Research Seminar, University of Sydney
February 2013	Research Seminar, Australian National University

"Undermining in Testimony and Theory"

July 2012	Research Seminar, University of Canterbury
July 2012	Research Seminar, University of Otago
July 2012	Research Seminar, Victoria University of Wellington
July 2012	Research Seminar, University of Auckland

"The Future, and What Might Have Been"

June 2012	Formal Epistemology Festival, Konstanz
May 2012	Research Seminar, University of Sydney

"Truth Tracking and Truthmaking"

September 2011	Research Seminar, University of Queensland

"Why Lewisians Should Love Deterministic Chance"

April 2011	NYU-Rutgers Epistemology Conference
November 2010	Australian National University
November 2010	Kioloa Metaphysics Workshop

"How to Disagree Consistently"

February 2011	Colloquium, New York University
July 2010	Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Sydney

"Interventionist Counterfactuals"

September 2010	Formal Epistemology Workshop, Konstanz
August 2010	Linguistics Research Seminar, University of Queensland
May 2010	Decision and Causation Workshop, Sydney
May 2010	Research Seminar, Australian National University
December 2009	Causation and Humean Metaphysics Workshop, Sydney
October 2009	Research Seminar, Macquarie University

"Properties, Codes, and Counterfactuals"

August 2010	Research Seminar, Charles Sturt University

"Truthmaking Without Necessitation"

June 2010   Research Seminar, University of Melbourne

June 2010   Research Seminar, Monash University

"The Real Truth About the Unreal Future"

September 2009   Research Seminar, University of Sydney

"Two Kinds of Truth in Expressivism"

July 2009   Expressivism, Pragmatism, Representationalism (EPR2) Conference, Sydney

"Decision Theoretic Paradoxes as Voting Paradoxes"

July 2009   Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Melbourne

March 2009   Evidence, Science, and Public Policy Conference, Sydney

March 2008   Australian Postgraduate Philosophy Conference, Sydney

"Two Interpretations of the Ramsey Test"

January 2009   Causation and Decision Theory Workshop, Centre for Time, University of Sydney

"The Anatomy of the Big Bad Bug"

October 2008   Research Seminar, University of Queensland

October 2008   Research Seminar, University of Wollongong

June 2007   ANU-Sydney-Kyoto Probability Workshop, Sydney

"Putting a Value on Beauty"

July 2008   Probability Workshop, Canberra

July 2006   Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Australian National University

"Restricted Identity"

July 2008   Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Melbourne

"Dogmatism and Decisions"

May 2008   Research Seminar, Australian National University

"Distorted Reflection"

July 2007   Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Armidale

Teaching	**Stanford University**
Fall 2015	Representation Theorems (graduate seminar)
Winter 2015	Introduction to Formal Methods (undergraduate)
Winter 2015	Non-Classical Logic (undergraduate)
	University of Queensland
Fall 2015	Critical Reasoning (undergraduate)
	Australian National University
Spring 2014	Philosophy of Science (undergraduate)
Spring 2012	Conditionals (graduate seminar; co-taught with Alan Hájek)
	New York University
Spring 2011	Philosophical Logic: Decision Theory (graduate seminar)
Spring 2011	Advanced Logic: Non-Classical Logic (undergraduate)
	University of Sydney
Spring 2010	Decision Theory (graduate seminar)
	University of Queensland
Spring 2007	Philosophy of Modern Physics (undergraduate; co-taught with Gerard Milburn)

Tutoring (Teaching Assistantship)

	University of Queensland
Spring 2008	Introduction to Logic (Dominic Hyde)
	MIT
Fall 2007	Classics of Western Philosophy (Rae Langton)
Fall 2006	Paradox and Infinity (Agustin Rayo)
Fall 2006	Logic I (Robert Stalnaker)
Fall 2005	Problems of Philosophy (Sally Haslanger)
Spring 2004	What is the Best Way to Live? (Caspar Hare)
Fall 2004	Problems of Philosophy (Sally Haslanger)
	Harvard University
Fall 2005	Philosophy and Quantum Mechanics (Ned Hall)
	Center for Talented Youth, Johns Hopkins University
Summer 2004	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Logic (Mike Hicks)
Summer 2003	Teaching Assistant, Logic: Principles of Reason (Shlomo Sher)

Other Employment

MIT

Summer 2004	Research assistant for new Bioethics course
Fall 2003	Writing Tutor, Problems of Philosophy (Sally Haslanger)

MIT Coursework

Spring 2005	Theory of Knowledge (The *A Priori*), Sally Haslanger
Fall 2004	Metaphysics and Ethics (Personal Identity), Caspar Hare
	Moral Philosophy (Kant), Rae Langton
	Philosophy of Language (Contextualism), Robert Stalnaker
Spring 2004	Proseminar (History of Modern Analytic Philosophy), Robert Stalnaker, Alex Byrne
	Philosophical Logic (Vagueness), Vann McGee
	Philosophy of Science (Philosophy of Physics), Ned Hall
Fall 2003	Proseminar, Ned Hall
	Modal Logic, Robert Stalnaker
	Moral Philosophy (Consequentialism), Caspar Hare

Professional Service

2013-present	Area editor (metaphysics) for the *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
2013-present	Area editor (metaphysics) for *Ergo: an Open Access Journal of Philosophy*
2009-2015	Reviewer for *Philosophical Review*, *Noûs*, *Mind*, *Synthese*, *IJPS*, *JPL*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Review of Symbolic Logic*, and *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*.
2013-2015	Job Placement Officer, Australian National University.
2012-2013	Organizer for Formal Epistemology Festival.
2011-2013	Category editor for PhilPapers category 'Decision Theory'.
2010	Judge for Philosothon at Ascham High School.
2010	Organized philosophy seminars at the University of Sydney.
2010	Organized two workshops on "Propositions and Same-Saying" and one workshop on "The Metaphysics of Time".