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Appointments

University of Wisconsin–Madison

Associate Professor of Philosophy, 2021–

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 2019–21

Texas Tech University

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 2017–19

Glasgow University

Research Fellow in Philosophy, 2016–17

Yale University

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 2009–16

Oxford University

British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow, 2006–09

Corpus Christi College, Junior Research Fellow in Philosophy, 2006–09

Lincoln College, Junior Research Fellow in Philosophy, 2004–06

Education

DPhil in Philosophy, Magdalen College, Oxford University, 2000–05

BPhil in Philosophy, Magdalen College, Oxford University, 1998–2000

BA in Mathematics and Philosophy, King's College London (First Class Honours), 1995–98

Interests

Research: Philosophical Logic, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mathematics

Teaching: Philosophy of Language, Epistemology

Publications

[The Ground of Truth](#). To appear in the *Journal of Philosophy*.

[The Iterative Solution to Paradoxes for Propositions](#). *Philosophical Studies* 180 (2023): 1623–50.

[Mathematical Anti-Realism and Explanatory Structure](#). *Synthese* 199 (2021): 6203–17.

[Exceptional Logic](#). *Review of Symbolic Logic* 14 (2021): 85–111.

[Ontological Pluralism and Notational Variance](#). *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics: Volume 12* (2021): 58–72.

[Truth and Generalized Quantification](#). *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 97 (2019): 340–53.

[Size and Function](#). *Erkenntnis* 83 (2018): 853–73.

[Self-Referential Propositions](#). *Synthese* 194 (2017): 5023–37.

- [Truth, Hierarchy and Incoherence](#). In B. Armour-Garb (ed.), *Reflections on the Liar* (Oxford University Press, 2017).
- [Proving Unprovability](#). *Review of Symbolic Logic* 10 (2017): 92–115.
- [Hierarchical Propositions](#). *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 46 (2017): 215–31.
- [Reply to Vann McGee's 'Whittle's Assault on Cantor's Paradise'](#). *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics: Volume 9* (2015): 33–41.
- [On Infinite Size](#). *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics: Volume 9* (2015): 3–19.
- [Belief, Information and Reasoning](#). *Philosophical Perspectives* 26 (2012): 431–46.
- [There Are Brute Necessities](#). *Philosophical Quarterly* 60 (2010): 149–59.
- [Epistemically Possible Worlds and Propositions](#). *Noûs* 43 (2009): 265–85.
- [Dialetheism, Logical Consequence and Hierarchy](#). *Analysis* 64 (2004): 318–26.

Selected Presentations

The Ground of Truth

Kyoto University, 2023

Hokkaido University, 2023

Truthmaking, Semantical Grounding, and Paradoxes, Bristol, 2022

Society for Exact Philosophy, Toronto, 2019

UW–Madison, 2019

Comments on Jon Litland's 'A Note on the Wilhelmine Inconsistency'

APA Central Division, 2022

Truth and Generalized Quantification

Logica, Hejnice, 2018

Society for Exact Philosophy, Storrs, 2018

University College, Oxford, 2018

Skolem Meets Totality

Glasgow-Melbourne Formal Philosophy Workshop, Glasgow, 2017

Exceptional Logic

Hong Kong University, 2017

Uppsala University, 2017

Texas Tech University, 2017

Glasgow University, 2017

Mathematical Anti-Realism and Explanatory Structure

The Metaphysics of Totality, Glasgow, 2017

Ontological Pluralism and Notational Variance

Being, Ligerz, 2016

Size and Function

Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference, 2016

Group in Philosophical and Mathematical Logic, University of Connecticut, 2015

- Philosophy of Mathematics Conference, Oxford, 2015
- Comments on Bernhard Salow's 'Elusive Externalism'
- Midsummer Philosophy Workshop, Cambridge, 2016
- Comments on James Shaw's 'Theories of Truth and Generalized Quantification'
- APA Pacific Division, 2016
- Self-Referential Propositions
- APA Eastern Division, 2014
- Proving Unprovability
- McGill University, 2013
- University at Albany, SUNY, 2013
- New England Logic and Language Colloquium, Providence, 2012
- Group in Philosophical and Mathematical Logic, University of Connecticut, 2012
- Comments on Paolo Bonardi's 'Semantic Relationism, Belief Reports, and Contradiction'
- APA Eastern Division, 2012
- Hierarchical Propositions
- Society for Exact Philosophy, Columbus, 2012
- Philosophy Today, Mexico City, 2012
- On Infinite Size
- Mathematics Department, Yale University, 2010
- Philosophy of Mathematics Seminar, Oxford University, 2007
- Philosophy and History of Science, Medicine, Mathematics, and Logic Seminar, Bristol University, 2007
- Paradox and Propositional Structure
- Yale University, 2009
- UC Berkeley, 2009
- USC, 2009
- The Philosophical Significance of Gödel's Incompleteness Theorems
- Oxford Workshop in Philosophical Logic, 2008
- Comments on Marc Jago's 'Epistemic Possibility for Real Agents'
- Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference, 2006
- Semantic Generalizations about and in L
- New College Logic Meeting, Oxford, 2006
- Dialetheism, Logical Consequence and Hierarchy
- Joint Session of the Mind Association and Aristotelian Society (Graduate Session), Canterbury, 2004
- Epistemically Possible Worlds and Propositions
- Arché Graduate Conference, St Andrews, 2003
- Ockham Society, Oxford University, 2003
- Restricted Self-Reference and the Liar Paradox
- British Logic Colloquium, St Andrews, 2003

Comments on Huw Price's 'Not' Again'
Logic and Language 2003, Birmingham

Awards

UW–Madison Vilas Associate Award, 2023–25
Project Partner, *Being without Foundations* (Swiss National Science Foundation), 2019–22
Yale University Morse Fellowship, 2010–11
Analysis Trust Studentship, 2003–04
Full Scholarship from Magdalen College, Oxford University, 2002–03
AHRB Postgraduate Studentships, 1998–2002
King's College London Mathematics and Philosophy Prize, 1997

Teaching

UW–Madison, 2019–
 PhD committees
 Dylan Beschoner
 Jonathon VandenHomergh
 Graduate seminars
 Aesthetics
 Grounding
 Metaphysics and Logic
 Undergraduate lecture courses
 Paradoxes
 Symbolic Logic
 Metaphysics
 Elementary Logic
Texas Tech University, 2017–19
 Graduate seminars
 Modal Logic
 Philosophy of Logic
 Undergraduate lecture courses
 Philosophy of Language
 Logic
Glasgow University, 2016–17
 PhD, MPhil and MSc supervision
Yale University, 2009–16
 PhD committees
 Eric Guindon
 Alex Worsnip

Graduate and advanced undergraduate seminars

Truth, Propositions and Paradox

Philosophy of Mathematics

Propositional Attitudes

Belief (with Keith DeRose)

First-Year Seminar (with George Bealer)

Undergraduate lecture courses

Philosophy of Language

Infinity

Metaphysics

Epistemology (with Keith DeRose)

First-Order Logic

Directed Studies (Ancient and Medieval philosophy)

Oxford University, 2001–08

Undergraduate lectures, classes and tutorials

Metaphysics and Epistemology

History of Philosophy from Descartes to Kant

Philosophy of Logic and Language

Set Theory

Ethics

Logic

Service

UW–Madison

Arts & Humanities Divisional Committee, 2022–24

Graduate Admissions and Fellowships Committee, 2023–24

Colloquium Committee, 2019–23

Search Committee, 2021–22

Texas Tech University

Colloquium Committee, 2018–19

Glasgow University

Organized two Workshops, 2016–17

Yale University

Colloquium Committee, 2011–16

Search Committees, 2011–12, 2014–15

Yale Committee for the Marshall, Mitchell and Rhodes Scholarships, 2014

Graduate Admissions Committee, 2012–13

APA Interviewing Committee, 2011

Yale Fulbright Committee, 2011

Lincoln College, Oxford University

Undergraduate Admissions Committee, 2004–06

Lectureship Search Committee, 2006

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Search Committee, 2006

Disciplinary Committee, 2005

Oxford University

Co-President of the Jowett Philosophical Society, 2001–02

Referee Work

Cambridge University Press, Elsevier, Oxford University Press, *Synthese Library*, *Analysis*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Dialectica*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *Kriterion*, *Journal of Philosophical Logic*, *Journal of Semantics*, *Linguistics and Philosophy*, *Logique et Analyse*, *Mind*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Philosophia*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Review*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Review of Symbolic Logic*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Synthese*, *Theoria*, *Thought*, Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference

Referees

Timothy Williamson (Oxford): timothy.williamson@philosophy.ox.ac.uk

Agustín Rayo (MIT): arayo@mit.edu

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Michael Della Rocca (Yale) (teaching): michael.della@yale.edu