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Overview

Area of specialisation: Ethics (Metaethics, Disability, Wellbeing)
Areas of particular competence: Political, Mind

My present research divides broadly into two categories: First, I work on the role that our personal preferences play in explaining and justifying our choices, and related questions about moral motivation and reasons for action. Second, I work on the nature of disability, and on its relationship to wellbeing.

Posts Held / Education

September 2013 – Present	Lecturer at the University of Southampton
August 2012 – August 2013	Lecturer at the University of Reading
September 2011 – August 2012	Teaching Fellow at The University of Reading.
October 2007 – February 2011	PhD at The University of Reading (no corrections) Supervisors: Jonathan Dancy, Bart Streumer Examiners: Michael Smith, Philip Stratton-Lake
October 2010 – December 2010	Sessional Lecturer at the University of Reading
October 2005 – September 2006	MA in Ethics and Political Philosophy, The University of Nottingham. Pass with distinction.
October 2002 – July 2005	BA in Philosophy, The University of Nottingham. Pass with 1st class honours.

Publications

- 2017 “Might desire be beliefs about normative reasons?” in Deonna, J. and Lauria, F. (eds) *The Nature of Desire*. Oxford University Press. pp.201-217
- 2016 “Reasons as Good Bases” in *Philosophical Studies* 173: 9 pp.2291-2310
- 2015 “Hedonism” in Fletcher, G. (Ed.) *The Routledge Handbook to the Philosophy of Well-Being*. Routledge pp.113-123
- 2014 “A very good reason to reject the buck passing account” in *The Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 92:2 pp.287-303
- 2013 “The guise of reasons” in *American Philosophical Quarterly* 50:1, pp.63-72
- 2012 “Changing direction on direction of fit” in *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* 15:5, pp.603-61
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Reviews and Presentations

Reviews etc.:

- 2015 “Review of Stephen Finlay’s *Confusion of Tongues*” in *Analysis* 75:4 pp.687-689
- 2013 “Review of Feldman, F. *What is this thing called Happiness?*” in *Mind* 122:487 pp.820-823
- 2012 “Review of Reisner, A. and Steglich-Petersen, A. (eds) *Reasons for Belief*” in *Notre-Dame Philosophical Reviews*. <http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/30554-reasons-for-belief/>
- 2009 “Slaves of the Passions? On Schroeder’s New Humeanism” in *Ratio* 22:2 pp. 250-257

Presentations:

- “Why do desires rationalise actions?”
 Luxembourg, Conference on Rational Capacities, November 2016
 Berlin, Humboldt Normativity Colloquium, June 2016
 St Louis, SLACRR, May 2016
- “Desire as belief vs. Non-Cognitivism”
 Antwerp, Conference on Direction of Fit, November 2016
 Berlin, Humboldt Normativity Conference, June 2016
 Leeds, Center for Ethics and Metaethics, October 2014
- “Desire and Deliberation”
 Oslo, European Normativity Network, November 2016
- “Disability as Inability”
 Southampton, Workshop on Disability, May 2016
 Cumberland Lodge, LSE away weekend, November 2015
- “Aversion to Second Order Desires”
 Reading, MA Masterclass, November 2015
 Boazici, Normativity in Action, May 2015
- “Normative Reasons as Good Bases”

Barcelona, European Normativity Network, November 2014
 Oxford, Seminars in Moral Philosophy, October 2014
 “Might Desires Be Beliefs About Normative Reasons?”
 Geneva, conference on the nature of desire, June 2012
 “A Very Good Reason To Reject The Buck Passing Account”
 St Louis, SLACRR, May 2012
 “A New Direction on Direction of Fit”
 Oxford, British Society for Ethical Theory, July 2011
 “The Moral Problems”
 Manchester, Open Minds Graduate Conference, July 2010
 Lund, Reading/Lund Philosophy Conference, June 2010

Teaching

Courses taught in whole:

PhD seminar	2017
Early Modern Philosophy (second-year course)	2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011
Happiness and Wellbeing (third-year course)	2017, 2015, 2014, 2013
Philosophy of Religion (various year groups)	2015, 2013, 2011
MA Research skills	2015
The Subject of Experience (third-year course)	2010

Courses taught in part:

Philosophy of Religion (second-year course)	2016
Ethics in a Complex World (all year groups)	2013
Philosophy of Cognitive Science (third-year course)	2012

PhD supervision:

Primary supervisor * 1 (on track to complete)
 Secondary supervisor *2

Teaching assistant:

2007-2011

Values and Virtues, Contemporary Political Philosophy, Ethical Intuitionism, Moral Philosophy, Metaphysics and Religion

Other:

BA dissertations
 MA essays and dissertations
 Personal Tutor

Administration

Impact champion	Autumn 2016 – Present
Postgraduate admissions officer	Autumn 2016 – Autumn 2017
Exams officer	Autumn 2011 – Autumn 2015
Internationalisation officer	Autumn 2014 – Autumn 2015
Outreach officer	Autumn 2014

Other Achievements

Awards:

Nominee for Vice-Chancellors teaching Award	2017
US. nominee for “most engaging lecturer”	2017
Vice-Chancellors Teaching Award	2015
Fellow of the Higher Education Academy	2015
AHRC Doctoral Award (Full)	2007-2010
AHRC Masters Scheme Award (Full)	2005
Jim Lees Undergraduate Essay Prize	2004

Conferences organised:

Humboldt-Southampton Normativity Conference	2017
With funding from The Aristotelian Society, the Mind association, and the Southampton Ethics Center	
Southampton Workshop on Disability	2016
With funding from The Southampton Ethics Center	
British Society for Ethical Theory Conference	2015
Trust and Deception workshop (for David Owens)	2010

Service to the Profession:

Treasurer for British Society for Ethical Theory	2014-Present
Committee member for British Society for Ethical Theory	2011-2014
Postgraduate Representative for British Society for Ethical Theory	2009-2011

Outreach and other external activities:

Health Research Authority Research Ethics Committee	2016-Present
Advised SHIP8 CCGs priorities Committee	2016
Discussed moral psychology on <i>Philosophy Now</i> radio show	2012
“Is my Genome result just for me?”, Salisbury Hospital	2016
“The Pursuit of Pleasure”, Lifelong learning day	2015
“Egoism”, Philosophy Cafe	2014
Talks to younger students at colleges: too numerous to list	2011-Present

Refereeing:

Books: De Gruyter, Oxford University Press, Palgrave Macmillan
Journals: The Journal of the American Philosophical Association, Analysis, the Australasian Journal of Philosophy, The British Society for Ethical Theory annual conference, Dialectica, Ergo, Erkenntnis, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, The International Journal of Philosophical Studies, The Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, Nous, Philosophical Explorations, Philosophical Papers, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophy Compass, Ratio, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, The South African Journal of Philosophy, Synthese, Thought, and Utilitas.

References

On request.