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PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming. 'Dutch-Book Arguments' in *The Blackwell Companion to Epistemology*

2024. 'Replies to Commentators', *Economics and Philosophy* 40 (2):507-511 (2024)

2024. 'Precis of *The Objects of Credence*', *Economics and Philosophy* 40 (2):469-471

2024. *The Objects of Credence*. Oxford, OUP

2021. Review of (2021). Scott Sturgeon's *The Rational Mind*. *Journal of Philosophy* 118 (3): 165-168

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2021. 'Awareness Growth and Dispositional Attitudes'. *Synthese* 198: 8981–8997

2021. 'Frege's puzzle and the ex ante Pareto principle'. *Philosophical Studies* 178 (6): 2077-2100

2020. 'The Dispositional Account of Credence'. *Philosophical Studies* 177 (3):727-745

2019. 'Basic-Know and Super-Know'. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 98 (2): 375-391

2019. 'Imprecise Probabilities'. *Open Handbook of Formal Epistemology*. Pettigrew, R. & Weisberg, J. (eds.) PhilPapers Foundation: 107-130

2019. 'Vagueness and Imprecise Credence'. *Vagueness and Rationality in Language Use and Cognition*. Dietz R (ed.). Springer. Switzerland: 7-30

2018. 'Imprecise Probabilities and Unstable Betting Behaviour'. *Noûs* 52 (1):69-87

2018. 'Vagueness'. *Routledge Encyclopaedia of Philosophy*

2017. 'The Ex Ante Pareto Principle'. *Journal of Philosophy* 114 (6): 303-323

2017. 'Deference, Respect and Intensionality'. *Philosophical Studies* 174 (1): 163-183

2015. 'Dutch Books, Coherence, and Logical Consistency'. *Noûs*. 49 (3):522-537

2013. with Terry Horgan, 'Generalized Conditionalization and the Sleeping Beauty Problem'. *Erkenntnis* 78(2): 333-351.

2012. 'Diachronic Dutch Book Arguments'. *Philosophical Review* 121 (3): 443-450.

2012. 'Imaginative Resistance Without Conflict'. *Philosophical Studies* 158 (3): 415-429.

2008. 'Can Vagueness Cut Out at Any Order?' *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 86 (3): 499 – 508.

2008. 'Williamson on Inexact Knowledge'. *Philosophical Studies* 139 (2): 171 - 180.

2004. 'The Instability of Vague Terms'. *Philosophical Quarterly* 54 (217): 570–576.

WORKS IN PREPARATION or AWAITING EDITOR'S DECISIONS

'Moral Uncertainty and Imaginative Resistance' (under review)

'The Awareness Growth Illusion' (in preparation)

'Dementia and Decision-Making' (in preparation)

CURRENT POST

Sep 14 – present, Professor (previously Asst/Assoc professor), LSE

- Researching topics in the philosophy of language, probability, decision theory, ethics and dementia.
- Philip Leverhulme Prize winner, 2015.
- Have designed and delivered courses in epistemology, philosophy of language, philosophical problems, mind and metaphysics.
- Excellence in Education Awards (2019, 2022, 2024).
- Served as Deputy Head of Department, Head of EDI committee, and Departmental Tutor
- Currently supervisor to 6 PhD students, and I have 5 graduated PhD students, all of whom secured jobs in philosophy: Silvia Milano, Ko-Hung Kuan, Chloe de Canson, Aron Vallinder, Sophie Kikkert.

RECENT EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Sep 13 - Sep 14, Research Fellow, LSE

I originally joined LSE as a research fellow – subsequently appointed as Assistant Professor.

Oct 07 – Sep 13, British Academy Postdoctoral Research Fellow, New College, Oxford

After finishing my PhD, I won a British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship. My areas of research included Philosophy of Probability, Higher-Order Vagueness and the Imagination.

Oct 11 – Jun 13, Non-Stipendiary Lecturer, Lincoln College, Oxford

Tutoring in Logic, General Philosophy, and Logic and Language.

Oct 11 – Jun 13, Associate Lecturer, Open University

I took on some teaching for the Open University to ensure that I had experience of teaching students from a range of backgrounds, with different starting points and interests.

Jul 05, Joint-Tutor in Hackney and Tower Hamlet's 'Summer University'

Together with a colleague, I taught an introductory philosophy class to 14-25 year old residents. We were funded by the Royal Institute of Philosophy.

Sep 04 – Jun 05 Full-time, temporary lecturer at the University of Sheffield

In the last year of my PhD, I also took on a full-time temporary lecturer post at Sheffield, where I designed and delivered courses in epistemology, the philosophy of mind, and paradoxes.

RECENT CONFERENCE PAPERS AND TALKS

- ‘Dementia and Decision Making’, given at the Value Theory Workshop in Lund (May 2024), and as ‘How Should we Approach Decision Making for People with Dementia?’, given at the LSE Showcase (February 2024). This is accompanied by two blog posts: ‘Dementia and its Handmaids’ (on the *LSE Philosophy* blog), and ‘Who should make the decisions that affect people with dementia?’ (on the *LSE Research for the World* blog).
- ‘From Probabilities to Decisions’ LSE Inaugural Lecture (March 2024), accompanied by a blog post ‘Names that contain multitudes – Why policymakers should care about objects of credence’ (on the *LSE Impact* blog).
- ‘Moral Uncertainty and Imaginative Resistance’, given at the Decision Theory Workshop, University of Fribourg (April 2024), at the GPI workshop on Longtermism (May 2023), Department Seminar at University of Leeds (March 2023), and at the LSE Philosophy Society (December 2022).
- ‘The Awareness Growth Illusion’, given at TARK at the University of Oxford (June 2023), at Research Seminar in Decision and Action Theory in Munich (May 2022), at Choice Group at LSE (May 2022), and at the Cambridge Serious Metaphysics Group (November 2021)
- ‘The Principal Principle and the Contingent *A Priori*’ given at the Cambridge Graduate Conference (January 2022), and as ‘The Objects of Credence and Chance’ at the Helsinki Formal Epistemology Workshop (December 2020), Glasgow’s Philosophy Society (January 2021), and UCL’s Departmental Symposium
- ‘Arguments for Probabilism’, given at Bristol’s seminar series (February 2016), at the ‘Reasons and Mental States in Decision Theory’ workshop at LSE (June 2016), at the Colloquium in York (October 2016) at the LEM seminar at the Institute of Philosophy (November 2016), and under the name ‘Dutch Books and Accuracy Arguments’ at the Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society (2020).
- ‘Names for Merely Statistical People’, given at Reading University’s departmental seminar (November 2017), and then under the title ‘The Designators that Matter’ at the workshop on Risk and Aggregation hosted jointly by UCL and LSE (March 2018), at Glasgow’s department seminar (May 2019), and then at ANU’s departmental seminar (August 2019), and (with an emphasis on the aggregation argument) at MIT’s Colloquium (September 2020).
- ‘Accommodating Awareness Growth’, given at a workshop on Severe Uncertainty and Climate Policy in Stockholm (April 2019), and then at the workshop on Decision Theory & the Future of Artificial Intelligence at the ANU (August 2019).
- ‘Two-Dimensionalism and the Objects of Credence’, given at the ‘What are Degrees of Belief’ Workshop in Leeds (September 2018).
- ‘Vagueness and Imprecise Credence’ given at the 5th LSE Conference on Philosophy of Probability (June 2016), at the ‘Experience and Updating’ workshop in Bochum (July 2016), and at the Visiting Speakers Seminar series at Stirling (October 2017), all under the name

'Vague Credence'. Given at the Knowledge, Belief and Evidence Conference in Oxford (May 2018).

- 'Betting Scenarios and Dilation' given at the Formal Epistemology Gathering workshop in Bristol (April 2017), at the Choice Group LSE (June 2017), and then under the title 'The Unified Account of Credence' at Oxford's Jowett Society (November 2017).
- 'What the Objects of Credence Cannot Be', at the Philosophy of Language for Decision Theorists Workshop, LSE (May 2017).
- 'Knowledge and the Sure-Thing Principle', given at the 'Puzzles of Knowledge' workshop in Lisbon (November 2015), and then at the BSPS meeting at the LSE (March 2016).
- 'Unstable Betting Behaviour and Imprecise Probabilities', given at Birmingham's departmental seminar (March 2015), at the Vienna Forum for Analytic Philosophy (May 2015), at the final conference of the Franco-Swedish Program in Economics and Philosophy in Uppsala (June 2015), and then at the Bristol-Groningen Conference in Formal Epistemology (July 2015).
- 'How should we designate the people we care about?', given at LSE's Cumberland Lodge weekend (November 2014), at Belfast's departmental seminar (December 2014), and at Nottingham's departmental seminar (January 2015). This paper then morphed into 'How (not) to make everyone better off', and was given under that name at the LSE Forum for European Philosophy (November 2015), to the Munich Centre for Mathematical Philosophy (December 2015), and to a conference for sixth-form pupils at James Allen's Girls' School, London (February 2016). Finally under the name 'The Ex Ante Pareto Principle', this paper was the subject of a 'Authors and Papers' Seminar at Oxford (June 2016).
- 'Dutch Books, Coherence and Logical Consistency', given at the Theoretical Work in Progress group, Oxford, June 2013 and at the 'Money Pumps, Dutch Books and other Picturesque Devices' workshop at the Collège d'études Mondiales, Paris (May 2014).
- 'Deference and Designators', given at the Choice Group, LSE (July 2013), and at the Logic and Language Conference, Institute of Philosophy (March 2014).

QUALIFICATIONS IN PHILOSOPHY

Oct 01 – Aug 05, University of Sheffield, PhD in Philosophy

My thesis raised a series of new objections to the Epistemic Theory of Vagueness. It was examined by Timothy Williamson and Steven Makin and passed with no corrections.

Oct 97 – Jun 99, Wolfson College, Oxford, BPhil in Philosophy

I passed this demanding two-year postgraduate course, taking three papers (Mind & Action, Logic & Language, and Aristotle), and writing a dissertation on Anomalous Monism.

Oct 93 – Jun 96, University of Leeds, BA in Philosophy

Having originally registered for a degree in English Literature, I took an elective module in philosophy and discovered a passion for the subject. I switched to a full philosophy degree and graduated with a 1st.

RECENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Member of LSE Academic Board
- PhD internal and external examiner (LSE, Bristol, Leeds, ANU, Rotterdam)
- Reviewer/member of selection board for grants and funding (AHRC, LAHP, ERC), and conferences (BSPS, FEW).
- Member of the council for the Royal Institute of Philosophy (2017 – 2023)
- Member of the Analysis Trust Committee (2015 – present)
- Editor of a section ('The Reflection Principle') of the Philpapers website (2015 – present)
- I have refereed papers for numerous journals.

REFERENCES

Available on request