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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaethics, Applied Ethics, Logic

EMPLOYMENT

2023-current Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Macau
2022-2023 Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Ashoka University
2021-2023 Research Assistant to Dorit Bar-On (UConn) and Crispin Wright (NYU)
2021-2022 Adjunct Professor of Philosophy, York University
Adjunct Professor of Business Analytics, Seneca College

EDUCATION

2014-2021 **York University**: Ph.D., Philosophy
Thesis: *Knowing and Expressing Ourselves*
Committee: Claudine Verheggen (supervisor), Henry Jackman,
Christopher Campbell, Victoria McGeer (external: Princeton/ANU)
2013-2014 **Wilfrid Laurier University**: M.A., Philosophy
Thesis: *Revisiting Parfit's Impersonal Beings Hypothesis*
Supervisor: Kathy Behrendt
2009-2013 **University of Waterloo**: B.A., Philosophy, Peace and Conflict Studies

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Papers

Forthcoming "Self-Knowledge and Interpersonal Reasoning." *Dialectica*, ~8900 words.
2023c "Inferential Self-Knowledge Reimagined." *Philosophical Psychology*,
doi.org/10.1080/09515089.2023.2263480
2023b "Authority As (Qualified) Indubitability." *Inquiry*,
doi.org/10.1080/0020174X.2023.2224543
2023a "How to Commit to Commissive Self-Knowledge." *European Journal of*
Philosophy, doi.org/10.1111/ejop.12862
2022c "Bots: Some Less Considered Epistemic Problems." *Social Epistemology*,
vol. 37 (5): 713-725.
2022b "There is Something to the Authority Thesis." *Journal of Philosophical*
Research, vol. 47: 115-132.
2022a "Authoritatively Avowing Your Imaginings by Self-Ascriptively Expressing
Them." *Philosophical Explorations*, vol. 26 (1): pp. 23-29.
2021c "Davidson, First-Person Authority, and Direct Self-Knowledge." *Synthese*,
vol. 199 (5-6): pp. 13421-13440.
2021b "Inference and Self-Knowledge." *Logos & Episteme*, vol. 12 (1): pp. 77-98.

- 2021a “Critical Reasoning and the Inferential Transparency Method.” *Res Philosophica*, vol. 98 (1): pp. 23-42.
- 2017 “Ontological Entanglement in the Normative Web.” *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review*, vol. 56 (3): pp. 483-501.

Public Philosophy (*Peer Reviewed)

- 2023 *“Self-Knowledge.” For [*1000-Word Philosophy: An Introductory Anthology*](#)

EDITED VOLUMES

- Under contract *New Perspectives on Transparency and Self-Knowledge*, Routledge. (Co-edited with Adam Andreotta)

INVITED CONTRIBUTIONS

- Under contract “Extrospection and Memory.” *New Perspectives on Transparency and Self-Knowledge*, ~9000 words, Routledge.

PROJECTS UNDER REVIEW OR IN PROGRESS

Papers

- A paper defending a “neo-expressivist” account of first-person authority (under review)
- A paper on the social-epistemic value of autonomous inquiry (under review)
- A paper on self-expression and the extended mind hypothesis (in progress, draft available)
- A paper on self-knowledge of one’s partial beliefs (co-authored, in progress, draft available)
- A paper on epistemic manipulation through obfuscation (in progress)
- A paper on a distinctive way in which self-deception may threaten self-knowledge (in progress)

Books

- The Value of Knowing Your Own Attitudes* (in progress; précis available)

AWARDS

- 2023-2025 University of Macau Startup Research Grant, \$150,000MOP
- 2021 York Faculty of Graduate Studies Thesis and Dissertation Prize (nominee)
- 2019 Graduate Fellowship of Distinction in Philosophy, \$9800 CAD
- 2017 Ontario Graduate Scholarship, \$15000 CAD
- 2014 Kitty and Lou Newman Memorial Graduate Scholarship, \$5000 CAD

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

As Professor, University of Macau

- 2024 Logic & Critical Thinking (graduate)
Critical Thinking (100-level)
- 2023 Philosophical Writing and Methodology (graduate)

As Professor, Ashoka University

- 2023 Mind & Behaviour (100-level)
The Ethics of Belief (300-level)
Epistemic Logic (graduate; independent study module)

2022 Mind & Behaviour (100-level)
Advanced Philosophy of Mind (300-level)

As Professor, York University

2022 Perception, Knowledge, and Causality (200-level)
Philosophical Issues in AI (300-level)
2021 Climate Change: Ethical and Political Issues (300-level)
2018 Seminar in Contemporary Philosophy – Varieties of Skepticism (400-level)

As Professor, Seneca College

2022 Security, Privacy, and Ethics in Business Analytics (200-level, 3 sections)
2021 Security, Privacy, and Ethics in Business Analytics (200-level, 3 sections)

As Invited Lecturer, York University

APR 2021 Annalisa Coliva’s “Self-Knowledge and Commitments” (Graduate)
MAR 2020 Dorit Bar-On’s “Speaking My Mind” (Graduate)
OCT 2019 Sentential Logic: Derivations (200-level)
JAN 2018 Sentential Logic: Symbolization and Syntax (200-level)
OCT 2016 Donald Davidson’s “Epistemology Externalized” (200-level)
OCT 2015 René Descartes’s Second Meditation (200-level)

As Teaching Assistant, York University (*Tutorial Leader)

2020 Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz (Matthew Leisinger)
2019 *Introduction to Formal Logic (Judy Pelham)
*Modes of Reasoning – Reasoning About Social Issues (Hilary Davis)
Perception, Knowledge, and Causality (Ian Jarvie)
2018 *Introduction to Formal Logic (Judy Pelham)
2017 *Introduction to Formal Logic (Judy Pelham)
*The Meaning of Life (David Stamos)
*Introduction to Formal Logic (Judy Pelham)
2016 Perception, Knowledge, and Causality (Olaf Ellefson)
Perception, Knowledge, and Causality (Jagdish Hattiangadi)
Locke, Berkeley, Hume (Anton Petrenko)
2015 Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz (David Jopling)
*Critical Reasoning (Linda Carozza)
*The Meaning of Life (Muhammad Ali Khalidi)
2014 *The Meaning of Life (Henry Jackman)

As Teaching Assistant, Wilfrid Laurier University (*Tutorial Leader)

2014 *Values and Society (Andrea Mihali)
2013 *Values and Society (Ashwani Peetush)

Teaching Certifications, York University

2016 Senior Record of Completion in Pedagogical Research, Teaching Commons

PRESENTATIONS (*PEER REVIEWED)

- 2023 “Inferential Self-Knowledge Reimagined”
- *Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association, York University
“How to Commit to Commissive Self-Knowledge”
- University of Macau
- Ashoka University
- 2022 “Self-Knowledge and Interpersonal Reasoning”
- *Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association (online)
- *Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver
- *Meeting of the International Social Ontology Society 2022, Vienna
- 2021 “There Is Something to the Authority Thesis”
- *Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco
“Evaluating Expressivisms”
- Ryerson Reason, Action, and Mind Speaker Series, Ryerson University
- 2020 “Inference and Self-Knowledge”
- *The Tenth European Congress of Analytic Philosophy, Utrecht University
“Critical Reasoning and the Transparency Method”
- *Eastern Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Philadelphia
- 2019 “There is Something to the Authority Thesis”
- *Expression, Communication, and the Origins of Meaning Research Group
Inaugural Graduate Conference, University of Connecticut
“Constitutivism and the Provenance of Privileged Self-Knowledge”
- *Eastern Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, NYC
- 2018 “Constitutivism and the Provenance of Privileged Self-Knowledge”
- *8th Annual Edinburgh Graduate Conference in Epistemology, University of
Edinburgh
“Davidson, Authoritative Speech, and Privileged Self-Knowledge”
- *Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association, Université de
Montréal
- Wilfrid Laurier University Speaker Series, Wilfrid Laurier University
- 2017 “Davidson, Ontological Profundity, and Profound Ontological Difference”
- *Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association, Ryerson University
“Should Davidson’s Theory of Mind be Normative? A Response to Curry”
- York University Philosophy Graduate Student Association Annual
Conference: The Legacy of Donald Davidson, York University
- 2016 “Arguments from Indispensability and Companions in Guilt”
- *Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association, University of Calgary
- *Louisiana State University Graduate Philosophy Conference

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2023-2024 College Affiliate MLC - Ma Man Kei and Lo Pak Sam College
2022-2023 Faculty Advisor to *Vistaar: The Music Society of Ashoka University*
2020 Moderator, Ontario High School Ethics Bowl (UT-Mississauga)
2019-2020 President, Philosophy Graduate Student Association (York)
2017-2020 Colloquium Organizer, Philosophy Graduate Student Association (York)
2017-2020 Conference Organizer, Philosophy Graduate Student Association (York)

2015-2019 Referee, Philosophy Graduate Student Association Conference (York)
2015-2019 Vice President, Philosophy Graduate Student Association (York)
Thesis Reader: (1) Poorna Rathi, undergraduate thesis on narrative-theoretic approaches to romantic love; (2) Arya Amritansu, undergraduate thesis on hermeneutical injustice
Journal Reviewer: (1) *Philosophical Studies*; (2) *Analysis*; (3) *Philosopher's Imprint*; (4) *Synthese*; (5) *The Canadian Journal of Philosophy*; (6) *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*; (7) *Dialectica*; (8) *Mind & Language*; (9) *Episteme*; (10) *Journal of Value Inquiry*; (11) *Journal of Philosophical Research*; (12) *Res Philosophica*; (13) *Philosophies*; (14) *Middle Voices*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2020-present ECOM Research Group (University of Connecticut)
2017-present American Philosophical Association
2014-present Canadian Philosophical Association

REFERENCES

Dr. Claudine Verheggen
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