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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2014-present: Chair of Department, Philosophy, University of California Santa Barbara
2011-present: Professor, Philosophy, University of California Santa Barbara
2007-11: Associate Professor, Philosophy, University of California Santa Barbara
2004-07: Assistant Professor, Philosophy, University of California Santa Barbara
2001-04: Assistant Professor, Philosophy, Syracuse University

EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Philosophy, 2001
B.A., Hon. Oxford University, Philosophy, Politics & Economics, 1993

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Spectres of False Divinity: Hume's Moral Atheism (Oxford University Press, 2010)

Reviews: John Tilley, *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 50.2 (2012), 297-8; David O'Connor, *Hume Studies* 36 (2010), 236-39; Kenneth R. Merrill, *Mind* 121 (2012), 825-30; Martin Bell, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 90 (2012), 198-204; Karl Hepfer, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 94.1 (2012), 110-13; Rico Vitz, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (5.10.2010); David A. Pailin, *The Journal of Theological Studies* 62 (2011); Gavin Hyman, *Theology* 114.2 (2011), 121-2; Charlotte Roberts, *Journal for Eighteenth-Century Studies* 35.3 (2012), 451-2

The Architecture of Matter: Galileo to Kant (Oxford University Press, 2004)

Reviews: Michael Friedman, *Times Literary Supplement* 5331 (June 3 2005), 4; Catherine Wilson, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 13 (2005); Dennis Des Chene, *Renaissance Quarterly* 59 (2006), 1284-6; Richard Blackwell, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (6.12.2005); Justin Skirry, *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 44 (2006), 321-2; Ernan McMullin, *The Review of Metaphysics* 61 (2007), 137-40; Emilio Sergio, *Nuncius* 21 (2006), 208-9; Jan-Erik Jones, *Metascience* 14 (2005), 255-59

PAPERS

"Hobbes on the Authority of Scripture", *Oxford Studies in Early Modern Philosophy* (forthcoming)

"Berkeley on Inconceivability and Impossibility", *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (forthcoming)

"Hobbes on the Function of Evaluative Speech", *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 46 (2016), 123-44

"Hobbes's First Cause", *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 53.4 (2015), 647-67

"Hume's Absolute Necessity", *Mind* 123 (2014), 377-413

"The Modern Disciple of the Academy: Hume, Shelley, and Sir William Drummond", *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 9 (2011), 161-88

"Hume on Religious Affect", *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 89 (2007), 283-306

"Robert Boyle on Things above Reason", *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 15 (2007), 283-312

"Religion and Moral Prohibition in Hume's 'Of Suicide'," *Hume Studies* 31 (2005), 189-210
"Bayle and the Case for Actual Parts," *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 42 (2004), 145-64
"Infinite Divisibility and Actual Parts in Hume's *Treatise*," *Hume Studies* 28 (2002), 3-25

REFERENCE ARTICLES

"Philosophy" in *Europe 1450-1789: An Encyclopedia of the Early Modern Era*, ed. Jonathan Dewald (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2003), vol. iv, 463-7

INVITED PAPERS FOR ANTHOLOGIES, PENDING FINAL REVIEW

"The Being and Attributes of God," in *The Humean Mind*, ed. Angela Coventry and Alex Sager, under contract with Routledge

"Religion and the Perversion of Philosophy in Hume's Second *Enquiry*", in Jacqueline Taylor, ed., *Reading Hume on the Principles of Morals*, under contract with Oxford University Press

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

INVITED LECTURES

"Stargazing: Fate, Fortuna, and Philosophy", at Generating the Future, University of Southern California 2017 Student Retreat, Santa Catalina Island, March 2017

"Berkeley on Inconceivability and Impossibility", at 7th Biennial Margaret Dauler Wilson Memorial Conference, Northern Arizona University, June 2016

"Hobbes's First Cause", presented at the University of Mississippi, October 2015

"Hume on Religion and the Perversion of Moral Philosophy," keynote address at conference on Religion and Morality: Hume and His Context, University of Antwerp, April 2015

"Hobbes's First Cause", at West Coast Hume Scholars Workshop, University of San Francisco, September 2014

"Hume, Ancient and Modern Religion, and the Autonomy of Philosophy", for panel discussion on "Hume and the Ancients and Moderns", at the 40th Annual Hume Society Conference, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, July 2013

"Hobbes on the Function of Evaluative Speech," at conference on Modern Influences in Contemporary Philosophy, American University of Beirut, May 2013

"Machiavelli's Morality", panel discussion on Oliver Mayer's play *Fortune is a Woman*, University of Southern California, February 2012

"Hume on Projection and Necessity," presented at Université du Québec à Montréal, October 2011

---- Also presented at the University of Amsterdam, May 2011

---- Also presented at Portland State University, May 2011

"Religion and the Perversion of Philosophy in Hume's Second *Enquiry*" in workshop session for the anthology *Reading Hume on the Principles of Morals*, University of San Francisco, April 2011

"Author's Response to Baillie and Traiger" in Author Meets Critics session on *Spectres of False Divinity*, presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, San Diego, April 2011

"Hume's Absolute Necessity", presented at New York University, February 2011

---- Also presented at the University of California at Irvine, February 2010

"Author's Response to Bell and Harris" in Author Meets Critics session on *Spectres of False Divinity*, presented at the 37th Annual Hume Society Conference, Antwerp, Belgium, July 2010

"Religion and Morality in Hume's 'Of Suicide'," presented at Claremont Graduate School, November 2006

---- Also presented at the University of Colorado, Boulder, September 2006

"Hume on Religious Affect," presented at the University of Western Ontario, October 2006

---- Also presented at the 3rd Biennial Margaret D. Wilson Conference, San Diego, June 2006

"'Circumscrib'd Omnipresency': More and Boscovich on Occupying Space," presented at the Second Annual UCLA Conference in History and Philosophy of Science, November 2005

--Program coordinator for Hume Society, Pacific APA Conferences 2007-9

Referee for *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *Hume Studies*, *Journal of the History of Ideas*, *Oxford Studies in Early Modern Philosophy*, *The Modern Schoolman*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Intellectual History Review*, *Ergo*, *Res Philosophica*, *International Journal of Philosophy and Theology*, Oxford University Press (Philosophy), Oxford University Press (Religion), Cambridge University Press, Blackwell Publishing, Broadview Press, Broadview Press, Routledge Press, Bloomsbury Press, University of Toronto Press, the Social Science and Humanities Council of Canada, University of Amsterdam Graduate Conference, Hume Society Conferences

UNIVERSITY & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

--UCSB Humanities and Fine Arts Dean Search Advisory Committee, 2016-17
--Chair of Philosophy Department, UCSB 2014-present
--Teaching Assistant & Teaching Associate Coordinator, UCSB Philosophy 2006-13
--Colloquium Officer, UCSB Philosophy 2007-8
--Colloquium Officer, Syracuse Philosophy 2002-4
--Library Officer, UCSB Philosophy 2006-7, 2008-9, 2011-13

SELECTED AWARDS

--University of California Santa Barbara Office of Student Life Faculty Involvement Award 2015
--University of North Carolina Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars
(University wide award, 2001)
--Royster and Henry Dissertation Fellowship, University of North Carolina, 2000-2001
(UNC's highest award for graduate study, \$17,000)

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Ph.D. COMMITTEES

Jason Collins (chair, ongoing); Zachary Rentz (chair, ongoing); Robert McIntyre, Ph.D. 2105 (chair); C. Daniel Dolson, 2014 Ph.D., UCSB (member); Albert Shin, Ph.D., UCSB, 2014 (member); Justin Clark, Ph.D., UCSB, 2013 (member); Eric Yang, Ph.D., UCSB, 2013 (member); Steven Huizenga, Ph.D., UCSB 2011 (member); Jacob Blair, Ph.D., UCSB 2009 (member); Jonathan Peeters, Ph.D., University of Colorado at Boulder 2009 (member); David Corner, Ph.D., UCSB 2006 (member); John-Michael Kuczynski, Ph.D., UCSB, 2006 (member); Carol Quinn, Ph.D., Syracuse, 2002 (member)

M.A. COMMITTEES

Sam Zahn (chair, ongoing); Damien Barnes (chair, ongoing); Jason Collins, M.A., UCSB 2016 (chair); Zachary Rentz, M.A., UCSB, 2015 (chair); Robert McIntyre, M.A., UCSB, 2011 (chair); John Plimpton, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (member); Albert Shin, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (chair); Thomas Curtin, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (chair); Alex Leibowitz, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (chair); Eric Yang, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (member); Daniel Dolson, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (member); Justin Clark, M.A., UCSB, 2010 (member); Brian Thomasson, M.A., UCSB History Department, 2010 (member); Steven Huizenga, M.A., UCSB, 2007 (member); Jacob Blair, M.A., UCSB, 2006 (member); Jennifer Scott, M.A., UCSB, 2005 (member); Michael Hannen, M.A., UCSB, 2005 (member); Matthew Sauffley, M.A., Syracuse, 2004 (member)