

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Harvard University, 1968-1971, A.B. in Philosophy (1971)
Princeton University, 1974-1978, Ph.D. in Philosophy (1980)
Thesis: Explaining Explanation: A Realist Account of Scientific Explanation and Understanding, David Lewis, advisor

Academic employment

Permanent: The University of Michigan, Assistant Professor (1979-83); Associate Professor (1983-90); Professor (1990-)
Visiting: Princeton University, 1990
The University of California, Berkeley, 1984-85

Honors, awards, fellowships, honorary lectures

External

Quain Lectures, University College, London, November 2022
H.L.A. Hart Visiting Fellow, University College, Oxford University, May 2022
Uehiro Lectures, Oxford University, May 2022
Centre for Moral and Political Philosophy, Annual Lecture, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, May 2019
Visiting Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford, Trinity Term 2018
John Locke Lectures, Oxford University, May 2018
Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters, Member, Elected 2016
Institute of Philosophy, Biennial Lectures, NYU, 2016
Center for the Study of Mind in Nature Annual Lecture, University of Oslo, 2015
Dewey Lecture, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, 2015
President, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, 2011-2012
Invited Fellow, National Humanities Center, 2010-2011
American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Member, Elected 2004
Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship, 2001-02
American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 2000-01
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 1999-2000
Chercheur invité, GRISE, École Polytechnique, Paris, France 1999-2000
Immanuel Kant Lectures, Stanford University, 2000
Parcells Lecture, University of Connecticut, 2000
Dewey Lecture, University of Vermont, 1997
Chercheur invité (1994-95), Chercheur associé (1995-2000), Centre de Recherche en Épistémologie Appliquée, École Polytechnique, Paris
American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 1988-89
Senior Fellow, Society for the Humanities, Cornell University, 1987
Associate Fellow, Stanford Humanities Center, 1984-85 Whiting Fellow, Princeton University, 1977-78
Phi Beta Kappa, Harvard University, 1971

University of Michigan:

Humanities Award, 2015-16
Gregory S. Kavka Distinguished University Professor, 2014-
John D'Arms Award for Distinguished Graduate Mentoring, 2009
John Stephenson Perrin Professor in the College of LSA, 2001-

Excellence in Research Award, College of LSA 1998
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor ("in recognition of outstanding contributions to undergraduate education"), 1989-
Henry Russel Award ("in recognition of distinguished achievements in the field of scholarly research" in early career), 1983
Michigan Society of Fellows, Junior Fellow 1979-82, Senior Fellow 2006-

Selected articles

- "A Deductive-Nomological Model of Probabilistic Explanation", Philosophy of Science 45 (June 1978): 206-226.
Reprinted in J.C. Pitt (ed.), Theories of Explanation (New York: Oxford University Press, 1987); in M. Curd and J. Cover (eds.), Philosophy of Science: The Central Issues (New York: Norton, 1997); The Philosophy of Science: Selected Essays (Hamden, CT: Garland Publishing, 2001); and elsewhere.
- "Probability, Explanation, and Information", Synthese 48 (August 1981): 233-256.
Reprinted in D.-H. Ruben (ed.), Explanation (New York: Oxford University Press, 1993).
- "Judicial Review, Elites, and Liberal Democracy", in J.R. Pennock and J.W. Chapman (eds.), NOMOS XXV: Liberal Democracy (New York: New York University Press, 1983).
- "Alienation, Consequentialism, and the Demands of Morality", Philosophy and Public Affairs 13 (Spring 1984): 134-171.
Reprinted in The Philosopher's Annual 7 (1984); in S. Scheffler (ed.), Consequentialism and its Critics (New York: Oxford University Press, 1987); in L.J. Pojman (ed.), Ethical Theory: Classical and Contemporary Readings (Belmont, Ca.: Wadsworth, 1989, new edition 1998); in N.K. Badhwar (ed.), Friendship: A Philosophical Reader (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1993); in James Rachels (ed.), Ethical Theory 2 (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1998); in J.M.A. Skorupski (ed.), International Research Library of Philosophy (Aldershot: Dartmouth, 1999); in French translation, Les Ateliers de l'éthique; in Portuguese translation; and elsewhere.
- "Locke, Stock, and Peril: Natural Property Rights, Pollution, and Risk", in M. Gibson (ed.), To Breathe Freely (Totowa, N.J.: Rowman and Littlefield, 1985).
- "Marxism and Scientific Objectivity", in P.D. Asquith and P. Kitcher (eds.), PSA 1984 II (East Lansing, Mich.: Philosophy of Science Association, 1986).
Reprinted in R. Boyd, P. Gasper, and J.D. Trout (eds.), The Philosophy of Science (Cambridge: MIT Press, 1991)

- "Moral Realism", The Philosophical Review 95 (April 1986): 163-207.
 Reprinted in The Philosopher's Annual 9 (1986); in J.G. Haber (ed.), Twentieth Century Ethical Theory (London: Macmillan, 1994); in M. Smith (ed.), Meta-Ethics (Aldershot: Dartmouth, 1995); (in Italian translation) in Etica analitica: Analisi, teorie e applicazioni (Rome: Edizioni Universitarie de Lettere Economia Diritto, 1996); S. Darwall, et al., Moral Discourse and Practice (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997); R. Shafer-Landau and T. Cuneo, Foundations of Ethics (Oxford: Blackwell, 2007); A. Fisher and S. Kirchin, Arguing about Metaethics (London: Routledge, 2006); in Portuguese translation in Metaetica: Algumas tendencias (2013); and elsewhere.
- "Explanatory Asymmetry in Historical Materialism", Ethics 97 (October 1986): 233-239.
- "Facts and Values", Philosophical Topics 14 (Fall 1986): 5-31.
- "Psi: Anomalous Correlation or Anomalous Explanation?", Behavioral and Brain Sciences 10 (December 1987): 605-607.
- "How Thinking about Character and Utilitarianism Might Lead to Rethinking the Character of Utilitarianism", Midwest Studies in Philosophy 13 (1988): 398-416.
 Reprinted in D. Lyons, Mill's Utilitarianism (New York: Rowman & Littlefield, 1997).
- "Explanation and Metaphysical Controversy", in P. Kitcher and W.C. Salmon (eds.), Scientific Explanation (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1989).
 Reprinted in The Philosopher's Annual 12 (1989).
- "Cost-Benefit Analysis as a Source of Information about Welfare", in P. Brett Hammond and Rob Coppock (eds.), Valuing Health Risks, Costs, and Benefits for Environmental Decision Making (Washington, D.C.: National Academy Press, 1990).
- "Taking Physical Probability Seriously", in M. H. Salmon (ed.), The Philosophy of Logical Mechanism (Dordrecht: D. Reidel, 1990).
- "Naturalism and Prescriptivity," in Social Philosophy and Policy 7 (1989): 151-174.
 Reprinted in Ellen Frankel Paul, et al. (eds.), Foundations of Moral and Political Philosophy (Oxford: Blackwell, 1990).
- "Moral Theory as a Moral Practice", Nous 25 (1991): 185-190.
- "Toward Fin de siècle Ethics", with Stephen Darwall and Allan Gibbard, The Philosophical Review 101 (1992): 115-189.
 Reprinted in M. Smith (ed.), Meta-Ethics (Aldershot: Dartmouth, 1995); in S. Darwall, et al., Moral Discourse and Practice (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997); and in Portuguese translation (forthcoming).
 "Pluralism, Determinacy, and Dilemma", Ethics 102 (1992): 720-42.
 Reprinted in H. E. Mason (ed.), Moral Dilemmas and Moral Theory (New York: Oxford University Press, 1996).

- "Nonfactualism about Normative Discourse", Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 52 (1992): 961-68.
 Also appearing (with additional material) as "Noncognitivism about Rationality: Benefits, Costs, and an Alternative", in Philosophical Issues 4 (1993): 36-51.
- "Some Questions about the Status of Morality", Philosophical Perspectives 6 (1992): 27-53.
- "What the Noncognitivist Helps Us to See, the Naturalist Must Help Us to Explain", along with a reply to comments by David Wiggins, in J. Haldane and C. Wright (eds.), Reality, Representation and Projection (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1993).
- "Broadening the Base for Bringing Psychology to Bear on Ethics", Behavioral and Brain Sciences 17 (1994): 27-28.
- "Essentially General Predicates", Midwest Studies in Philosophy 18 (1993): 166-175.
- "Truth, Reason, and the Regulation of Belief", Philosophical Issues 5 (1994): 71-93.
 Also appearing (with changes) as "Scientific Objectivity and the Aims of Belief", in P. Engel (ed.), Believing and Accepting (Dordrecht: Kluwer, 2000).
- "Subject-ive and Objective", Ratio 8 (1995): 259-276.
 Reprinted in Brad Hooker (ed.), Truth in Ethics (Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 1996).
- "Moral Realism: Prospects and Problems", in W. Sinnott-Armstrong and M. Timmons (eds.), Moral Epistemology (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1996).
- "A Kind of Nonsubjective Reason?", in J. Schneewind (ed.), Reason, Ethics, and Society (Chicago: Open Court, 1996).
- "The Diversity of Moral Dilemmas", in G. Mason (ed.), Moral Dilemmas (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1996).
- "On the Hypothetical and Non-Hypothetical in Reasoning about Thought and Action", in G. Cullity and B. Gault (eds.), Ethics and Practical Reason (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1997).
- "Explanations Involving Rationality", in John Earman and John Norton (eds.), The Cosmos of Science (Pittsburgh and Konstanz: Pittsburgh University Press and Universitats Verlag Konstanz, 1997, reprinted 1998).
- "Made in the Shade: Moral Compatibilism and the Aims of Moral Theory", Canadian Journal of Philosophy, suppl. vol. 21 (1997): 79-106.
- "Aesthetic Value, Moral Value, and the Ambitions of Naturalism", in J. Levinson (ed.), Aesthetics and Ethics (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1997).
- "Moral Explanation and Moral Objectivity", Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 58 (1998): 175-182.
- "Red, Bitter, Good", The European Review of Philosophy 3 (1998): 67-84.

- “Normative Force and Normative Freedom: Hume and Kant, but not Hume versus Kant”, Ratio 12 (1999): 320-353.
Reprinted in J. Dancy (ed.), Normativity (Oxford: Blackwell, 2000)
- "Taste and Value", in R. Crisp and B. Hooker (eds.), Well-Being and Morality (Oxford: Clarendon, 2000)
- “Darwinian Building Blocks”, in L.D. Katz (ed.), Evolutionary Origins of Morality: Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives (Thorverton: Imprint Academic, 2000).
- “Morality, Ideology, and Reflection; Or, The Duck Sits Yet”, in E. Harcourt (ed.), Morality and Ideology (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000).
- “A Priori Rules: Wittgenstein on the Normativity of Logic”, in Paul Boghossian and Christopher Peacocke (eds.), New Essays on the A Priori (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001).
- “Kant rencontre Aristote là où la raison rencontre l’appétit”, Philosophiques 28 (2001): 47-67.
Also appearing in English as “Kant Meets Aristotle Where Reason Meets Appetite”, in C.U. Moulines and Karl-Georg Niebergall (eds.), Argument und Analyse (Paderborn: Mentis, 2002).
- “Toward an Ethics that Inhabits the World”, in B. Leiter (ed.), The Future of Philosophy (New York: Oxford University Press, 2004).
- “How to Engage Reason: The Problem of Regress”, in R. Jay Wallace, Philip Pettit, Samuel Scheffler, and Michael Smith (eds.), Reason and Value (New York: Oxford University Press, 2004).
- “Staying in Touch with Normative Reality”, Philosophical Studies, 126 (2005): 501-508.
- “Moral Factualism”, in J. Dreier (ed.), Contemporary Debates in Moral Theory (Oxford: Blackwell, 2006).
- “The Humean Theory of Practical Rationality”, in D. Copp (ed.), The Oxford Handbook of Ethical Theory (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006).
- “Normative Guidance”, in Oxford Studies in Metaethics (2006) 1: 3-34.
- “Précis of Facts, Values, and Norms”, “Reply to Ralph Wedgwood”, “Reply to Justin D’Arms”, and “Reply to Ben Eggleston”, in Philosophical Studies 126 (2006): 429-432, 481-508.
- “Naturalism Relativized?”, in W. Sinnott-Armstrong (ed.), Moral Psychology, vol. 1, The Evolution of Morality: Adaptations and Innateness (Cambridge: MIT MIT/Bradford, 2008, reprinted 2009).
- “Reply to John Skorupski”, contribution to a symposium on Facts, Values, and Norms, Utilitas 20 (2008): 230-242.

- “Practical Competence and Fluent Agency”, in D. Sobel and S. Wall (eds.), *Practical Reason* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2009).
- “Internalism for Externalists”, *Philosophical Studies* 19 (2009): 187-202.
- “Realism and Its Alternatives”, forthcoming in *Routledge Companion to Ethics*, J. Skorupski (ed.).
- “Coping with Moral Uncertainty”, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 77 (2008): 794-801.
- “Two Cheers for Virtue, or: Might Virtue Be Habit Forming”, forthcoming in *Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics*.
Also appearing in Polish Translation in N. Szutta (ed.), *Virtue Ethics*
- “Nietzsche’s Normative Theory? The Art and Skill of Living Well”, in S. Robertson and C. Janaway, eds., *Nietzsche, Naturalism, and Normativity* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012).
- “That Obscure Object: Desire”, *Proceedings and Addresses of the American Philosophical Association*, 86:2 (2012): 22-46.
- “The Critical Project Today”, *Philosophical Studies*, 85 (2012): 201-209.
- “Navigating into the Future or Driven by the Past? Prospection as an Organizing Principle of Mind”, with Martin Seligman, Roy Baumeister, and Chandra Sripada, *Perspectives in Psychological Science*, 8 (2013): 119-141.
- “The Affective Dog and Its Rational Tale: Intuition and Attunement”, *Ethics*, 124 (2014): 813-859.
- “Lewis on Values and Valuing”, in B. Loewer and J. Schaffer (eds.), *Blackwell Companion To David Lewis* (Chichester, UK: Wiley, 2015).
- “‘Dual-Process’ Models of the Mind and the ‘Identifiable Victim Effect’”, in I.G. Cohen, N. Daniels, and N. Eyal (eds.), *Identified versus Statistical Lives* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015).
- “The More Compleat Humean, Or, Just How Do the Passions Rule?”, in R.N. Johnson and M. Smith (eds.), *Passions and Projections* Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015).
- “Reliance, Trust, and Belief”, *Inquiry*, 57 (2015): 122-150.
- “Sentimentalism and Realism in Epistemology and Ethics”, in R. Debes and K. Steuben (eds.), *Ethical Sentimentalism* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017)
- “Maximal Minimalism”, forthcoming in a Festschrift for Ruwen Ogien, edited by Roberto Merrill
- “Learning as an Inherent Dynamic of Belief and Desire”, in F. Lauria and J.A. Deonna (eds.), *The Nature of Desire* (Oxford: Oxford University Press. 2017).
- “Two Sides of the Metaethical Mountain”, in Peter Singer (ed.), *Does Anything Really Matter* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017).

- “Commentary (or: Back on Track)”, in Derek Parfit, *On What Matters*, vol. 3 (Oxford: Oxford University Press).
- “At the Core of Our Capacity to Act for a Reason: The Affective System and Dynamic Model-based Learning and Control”, with commentary and replies, *Emotion Review*, 9 (2017): 335-342.
- “Moral Learning: Conceptual Foundations and Normative Relevance”, *Cognition*, 167 (2017): 172-190.
- “Naturalistic Moral Realism”, in T. McPherson and D. Plunkett (eds.), *Routledge Handbook of Metaethics* (New York: Taylor & Francis, 2018)
- “Addiction and Moral Psychology”, with Chandra Sripada, in H. Pickard and S Ahmed (eds.), *Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy and Science of Addiction* (New York: Routledge, 2019).
- “Moral Metaphysics, Moral Psychology, and Cognitive Science”, in A. Goldman and B.P. McLaughlin (eds.), *Metaphysics and Cognitive Science* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019).
- “‘We’ll see you in court!’: The Rule of Law as an Explanatory and Normative Kind”, in K. Toh, S. Shapiro, and D. Plunkett (eds.), *Dimensions of Normativity: New Essays on Metaethics and Jurisprudence* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019).
- “Ethical Learning: Natural and Artificial”, in S. Matthew Liao (ed.), *Ethics of Artificial Intelligence* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2020).
- “Can Reason Be Practical?”, in R. Chang and K. Sylvan (eds.), *Routledge Handbook of Practical Reason* (New York: Routledge, 2020).
- “A Convenient Truth? Climate Change and Subjective Well-Being”, in T. McPherson, M. Budolfson, and D. Plunkett (eds.), *Philosophy and Climate Change* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2021).
- “Expressivism and Objectivity”, forthcoming in B. Dunaway and D. Plunkett (eds.), *Essays in Honor of Allan Gibbard* (Ann Arbor: Maize Books, 2022).
- “The Normative Significance of Humanity”, forthcoming in S. Buss and N. Theunissen (eds.), *Rethinking the Value of Humanity* (New York: Oxford University Press).
- “Comment on Ruth Chang, ‘Three Dogmas of Normativity’”, forthcoming in the *Journal of Applied Philosophy*.

Books

- (Co-editor) Moral Discourse and Practice: Some Philosophical Approaches, with Stephen Darwall and Allan Gibbard (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).
- Facts, Values, and Norms: Essays Toward a Morality of Consequence (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2003)
- (Co-author) Homo Prospectus, with M. Seligman, R. Baumeister, and C. Sripada (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016)

Selected invited papers

Papers presented to the following departments of philosophy, among others:

The University of Chicago (along with the Program in the Conceptual Foundations of Science), May 1981; The Ohio State University, November 1981; The University of Florida, February 1982; The University of Manitoba (Canada), October 1982; Princeton University, December 1982; Lehigh University, November 1984; The University of Southern California, February 1985; The University of California at Santa Cruz, February 1985; The University of California at San Diego, May 1985; California Institute of Technology, May 1985; The University of Washington, May 1985; The Johns Hopkins University, October 1985; The University of Minnesota, November 1985; The University of Campinas (Brazil), July 1986; The University of Tennessee, October 1986; The University of Miami, February 1987; Syracuse University, April 1987; Cornell University, May 1987; Oakland University, March 1988; The University of Pittsburgh, April 1988; Dalhousie University (Canada), August 1989; Princeton University, February 1990; The University of Pittsburgh (Department of History and Philosophy of Science), March 1990; The Johns Hopkins University, March 1990; The University of Virginia, April 1990; Virginia Polytechnic Institute, April 1990; Brown University, May 1990; New York University, May 1990; Rutgers University, May 1990; Duke University, October 1990; Harvard University, November 1990; University of Wisconsin, December 1991; University of Notre Dame, January 1992; University of Illinois at Chicago, April 1992, Michigan State University, May 1992, University of Colorado, Boulder, November 1992, University of Toronto (Canada), November 1992, University of Nebraska (NEH Summer Institute), June 1993, Dalhousie University (Canada), August 1993, University of California, Riverside, February 1994; University of Southern California, February 1994; California Institute of Technology, February 1994; Stanford University, February, 1994; Graduate Center, City University of New York, May 1994; New York University (School of Law), October 1994; University of Reading (England), June 1996; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, December 1996; University of Illinois, April 1997; Northwestern University, April 1997; University of Kansas, May 1997; Texas A&M University, October 1997; University of Texas, October 1997; Department of Philosophy, University of Vermont, October 1997; York University (Canada), February 1998; McGill University (Canada), February 1998; University of Birmingham (England), April 1998, Arizona State University, September 1998; New York University, October 1998; Northern Illinois University, April 1999, Harvard University, October 1999, University of Paris-La Sorbonne (France), April 2000, University of Rome-La Sapienza (Italy), May 2000, University of Rotterdam (Netherlands), May 2000, University of British Columbia (Canada), October 2000, École Polytechnique (Paris), March 2001, University of Rome – La Sapienza (Italy), June 2001, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (Paris), June 2001, Australian National University, August 2001, Seoul National University (Korea), August 2001, Georgetown University, December 2001, University

of Bristol (England), October 2001, Rochester University, February 2002, École Polytechnique (Paris), March 2002, University of Oslo (Norway), June 2004, University of Rome-La Sapienza (Italy), June 2004, MIT, October 2004, University of Oslo (Norway), September 2005, North Carolina State University, October 2005, Rice University, January 2006, University of Iowa, January 2006, University of Maryland, September 2006, Union College, January 2007, University of Oslo (Norway), May 2007, University of Minnesota, September 2007; Michigan State University, January 2009; Rutgers University, February 2009; Purdue University, March 2009; University of Bergen, May 2009; Université Cheikh Anta Diop (Dakar, Senegal), June 2009; Texas Tech University, October 2009; Bowling Green State University, October 2009; Columbia University, February 2010; University of Oslo (Norway), May 2010, Cornell University, November 2010; University of Buffalo, November 2010; North Carolina State University, January 2011; Duke University, February 2011; Davidson College, February 2011; Oberlin College, March 2011; University of Alberta (Canada), October 2011; University of Edmonton (Canada), October 2011; Federal University of Minas Gerais (Brazil), May 2012; Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), May 2012; Ohio State University, November 2013; University of Notre Dame, January 2014; CUNY-Graduate Center, February 2014; Center for Affective Science, University of Geneva (Switzerland), February 2014; Washington University-St. Louis, March 2014; University of Western Ontario (Canada), April 2014; Nanjing Normal University, Nanjing (China), April, 2014; University of Stockholm (Sweden), May 2014; Indiana University, November 2014; University of Toronto, March, 2016; Princeton University, April, 2016; University of California at San Diego, April 2016; Harvard University, November 2016; Clemson University, March 2017; University of Maryland-Baltimore County, March 2017; ; McGill University (Canada), March 2017; University of Illinois-Chicago, April 2017; University of Tel Aviv (Israel), May 2017; Duke University, October 2017; Princeton University (Department of Politics), November 2017; University of Montreal (Department of Computer Science), January 2018; University of Oxford (UK, Locke Lectures), May-June 2018; University College London (UK), June 2018; ; Institute of Philosophy Lectures, NYU, March 2019; Wesley Salmon Lecture, University of Pittsburgh (Department of History and Philosophy of Science), March 2019; Hebrew University, Jerusalem (Israel), Centre for Moral and Political Philosophy (Annual Lecture), May 2019; Tufts University, February 2020; University of Tuebingen (Germany), July 2020; University of California San Diego (Ethics in the Public Sphere Lecture and Department of Philosophy), November 2020; etc.

Selected presentations:

American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy, Boston, December 1980; Philosophy of Science Association, Philadelphia, October 1982; Chapel Hill Philosophy Colloquium, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, October 1983; Philosophy of Science Association, Chicago, October 1984; American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, New York, December

1984; Weingart Conference on Explanation and Justification, California Institute of Technology, March 1985; Tanner Lecture Symposium, Stanford University, April 1985; Bertram Morris Colloquium in Social Philosophy, The University of Colorado, Boulder, February 1986; Oberlin Colloquium in Philosophy, Oberlin College, April 1987; Conference on Valuing Risk, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC, June 1987; Conference on Realism and Reason, University of St. Andrews (Scotland), March 1988; Annual Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Cincinnati, April 1988; Conference on the Foundations of Moral and Political Philosophy, Bowling Green State University, September 1988; Colloquium on Values, Reason, and Culture, Institute for the Humanities, Rice University, April 1989; American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 1991; Conference on Moral Dilemmas, University of Minnesota, April 1991; Ethics Symposium on Moral Dilemmas, Hollins College, June 1991; Fifth Congress of the Sociedad Filosofica IberoAmericana, University of Florida, May 1992; Conference in Honor of Kurt Baier, University of Pittsburgh, April 1993; Sixth Congress of the Sociedad Filosofica Ibero-Americana, Universidad de La Laguna, Tenerife (Spain), June 1993; Conference on Belief, Université de Caen, Caen (France), April 1995 ; NEH Summer Institute, University of Nebraska, July 1993; Conference on Moral Epistemology, Dartmouth College, October 1994; Conference on Practical Reason, University of St Andrews (Scotland), March 1995; Conference on the Public and the Private, École Normale Supérieure, Paris (France), June 1995 ; Conference on Morality and Ideology, Oxford University (UK), May 1996; International Society for Utilitarian Studies, New Orleans, March 1997; American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Berkeley, March 1997; Dewey Lecture, University of Vermont, October 1997; Conference on Normativity, University of Reading (UK), April 1998 ; CNRS École de formation en philosophie morale, Cérisy (France), June 1998 ;Conference on Well-Being, Bowling Green State University, October 1998; Conference on Hume, University of California, Los Angeles, October 1998; American Philosophical Association, Central Division, New Orleans, May 1999; Jowett Society, Balliol College, Oxford University (UK), May 1999; British Society for Ethical Theory, Durham (UK), June 1999; Kant Lectures, Stanford University, May 2000; Journées morales, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris (France), June 2000 ; GAP Conference, Beilefeld (Germany), October 2000; Institute on Practical Reason, Rotterdam (Netherlands), June 2001; Conference on the Theory and Practice of Moral Philosophy, Urbino (Italy), June 2001; Workshop on Moral Philosophy, University of Rome- La Sapienza (Italy), June 2001; Parcells Lecture, University of Connecticut, December 2000; Rutgers Epistemology Conference, April 2001; Colloque sur la raisonnement humaine, École Normale Supérieur and Université de Paris-Sorbonne (France), June 2001 ; Oxford University Graduate Conference, Oxford (UK), October 2001; Spetnagel Lecture, Ohio University, October 2001; American Philosophical Association Pacific Division, Seattle, March 2002; Conference in Honor of Joseph Raz, Columbia University, April 2002; American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 2002; Workshop in Honor of Derek Parfit, Rutgers University, April 2003; Colloquium on Facts, Values, and Norms, Department of Philosophy, University of Rome-La

Sapienza (Italy), June 2004; First Annual Metaethics Workshop, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 2004; American Society for Aesthetics, October 2003; Workshop on Value, Rutgers University, December 2004; Kenan Seminar in Moral Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, December 2004; Forry and Micken Lecture, Amherst College, April 2005; American Society for Aesthetics, Providence, October 2005; Chapel Hill Colloquium in Philosophy, University of North Carolina, October 2005; Conference on Practical Reason, Bowling Green State University, April 2006; Seminar in Law and Philosophy, University of Southern California, October 2006; Mellon Seminar in Moral Philosophy, Harvard University, December 2006; American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 2007; Conference on Norms and Descriptions, University of Sydney (Australia), June 2007; Moral Philosophy Workshop, University of Europe, Brugge (Belgium), June 2007; Conference on Reason and Value, UC-Santa Barbara, February 2008; Colloque autour de Jean-Pierre Dupuy, CNRS, Cérisy (France), July 2007; Meta-ethics Seminar, Princeton, October 2007; AHRC (Arts and Humanities Research Council) Workshop on Culture and the Mind, University of Sheffield (UK), March 2008; AHRC Project on Nietzsche and Modern Moral Philosophy, Southampton (UK), April 2008; Mind and Language Seminar, NYU, April 2008; Colloque autour de « Repenser les normes et valeurs », Université de Québec (Canada), May 2008 ; AHRC Workshop on Naturalism and the A Priori, London (UK), June 2008; International Society Society of Utilitarian Studies Meeting, Berkeley, September 2008; Center for the Study of Mind in Nature, University of Oslo (Norway), October 2008; Conference on Virtue, University of Gdansk (Poland), October 2009; Conference on Autonomy, Creativity, and Singularity, National Humanities Center, November 2008; APA-Pacific Division, Vancouver (Canada), April 2009; University of Texas Graduate Conference, Austin, April 2009; CSMN, University of Oslo, May 2009; First Annual Conference on Normative Ethics, University of Arizona, January 2010; Workshop on Taste and Value, NYU-Abu Dhabi (UAE), January 2009; APA-Central Division, Chicago, February 2010; Workshop on Taste and Value, NYU-UCL (Abu Dhabi), February 2010; McDonnell Interuniversity Consortium on Causation, May 2010; Conference in Honor of Judith Jarvis Thomson, Department of Philosophy, MIT, June 2010; Workshop on the Nature of Value and Practical Reason, University of Iceland, Reykjavik (Iceland), June 2010; Workshop on PR's Research, University of Geneva (Switzerland), September 2010; Origins Conference, Arizona State University, November 2010; APA-Eastern Division, Boston, December 2010; Workshop on Rationality in Belief, Desire, and Action, Department of Philosophy, UNC-Chapel Hill, April 2012; Conference in honor of Barbara Herman, Cornell University, September 2011; Conference on Value in an Aging World, Ohio State University, October 2011; Carnegie-Uehiro-Oxford Conference on Values, New York, November 2011; Oxford Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Oxford, November 2011; Workshop on the Foundations of Moral Preferences, CSMN, University of Oslo, November 2011; Presidential Address, APA Central Division Meetings, Chicago, February 2012; Henle Conference, St. Louis University, March

2012; Aesthetic Judgment Project, University of Victoria, Canada, April 2011; Program in Ethics and Health, Harvard University, April 2011; Conference on Practical Reasoning and Metaethics, University of Nebraska, April 2011; Seminar in Metaethics, Department of Philosophy, Federal University of Santa Catarina (Brazil), May 2011; Workshop on Desire, University of Geneva (Switzerland), June 2012; Workshop on the Nature and Origin of Norms, University of Uppsala (Sweden), June 2012; Conference on the Measurement of Subjective Well-Being, University of Leeds, UK, July 2012; APA-Central Division, February 2013; APA Pacific Division, March 2013; Yale Legal Theory Workshop, New Haven, March 2013; New Scholarship on Happiness, Duke University, May 2013; British Society for Aesthetics, Cambridge, UK, September 2013; XVII Congresso Interamericano de Filosofia, Salvador, Bahia (Brazil), Brazil, October 2013; Center for Affective Science, University of Geneva (Switzerland), February 2014; Ideas at the House Series, Sydney Opera House, Sydney (Australia), March 2014; Symposium on Skills and Practices, Yale University, New Haven, April 2014; Workshop on Addiction, CSMN, University of Oslo (Norway), June 2014; Moral Revolutions Conference, NTU (Singapore), July 2014; International Summer School on Emotion and Action, University of Geneva (Switzerland), July 2014; Conference on Normativity in Aesthetics, University of Uppsala (Sweden), October 2014; Conference on Moral Phenomenology, University of Arizona, October 2014; Conference in Honor of Frank Jackson, University of Sydney (Australia), December 2014; Rio Metaethics Conference (Brazil), January 2015; Workshop on Belief, NYU, February 2015; Conference on Metaethics and Law, Yale University, April 2015; Conference on Emotion and Action, University of Tuebingen (Germany), April 2015; Co-Organizer and Presenter: Interdisciplinary Workshop on Moral Learning, University of Michigan, May 2015; Center for the Study of Mind in Nature, University of Oslo (Norway), May 2015; Conference on Desire and Normativity, University of Antwerp (Belgium), September 2015; Edwards Lecture, Grand Valley State University, October 2015; Society for Scottish Philosophy, University of Glasgow (Scotland), December 2015; Conference on Ideology, Yale University, January 2016; EPS Lecture, Rice University, March 2016; University of San Diego Graduate Conference, April 2016; NYU (Conference on Ethics and Artificial Intelligence), October 2016; University of Kansas (Lindley Lecture), November 2016; Harvard University, November 2016; University of Arizona (Workshop on Norms), December 2016; University of Utrecht (Conference on Evolution and Ethics), February 2017; University of Maryland, Baltimore County, March 2017; University of Montreal (Canada), March 2017; Great Lakes Conference on Philosophy (Keynote), March 2017; APA Pacific Division, Seattle, April 2017; Moral Philosophy Seminar, University of Krakow (Poland), June 2017; British Society for Ethical Theory (Keynote), Bristol, July 2017; Conference on Responsible Development of Artificial Intelligence, Montreal (Canada) November 2017; Chapel Hill Metaethics Workshop, December 2017; Conference on Ideology, Berlin (Germany), January 2018; Program in Computer Science, University of Montreal (Canada), January 2018; Chapel Hill Workshop on Grounding, March 2018; APA Pacific Division, San Francisco, March 2018; Conference on

Chinese Philosophy, Rutgers University, April 2018; Conference on Normativity, University of Kent (UK) June 2018; Society for Philosophy and Psychology (Keynote), July 2018; Centre for the Study of Mind in Nature, University of Oslo (Norway), October 2018; Chapel Hill Metaethics Workshop, December 2018; Conference on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, FLI, San Juan (Puerto Rico), January 2019; Society for the Theory of Ethics and Politics (Keynote), Northwestern University, May 2019; Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (Remote), December 2020; etc

Other professional activities

Editorial Board, Ethics (2008-2020), Philosophy and Economics (1988-1994), Philosophy and Phenomenological Research (2008-2020)

Nominating Committee, Philosophy of Science Association, 1988-90

Council for Philosophical Studies, 1992-1994

Nominating Committee, APA Central Division, 1996-97, (Chair) 2012-2013

Ethics Advisory Committee, APA Eastern Division, 2006

Executive Committee, APA National, 2010-2014

APA Task Force on Best Practices, Chair, 2015-2018

APA Committee on the Status of Women, Member, 2015-2018

University Committee on the Care and Utilization of Animals, University of Michigan, 2006-2012

National Humanities Center, Fellows Selection Committee, 2007

Member: American Philosophical Association, American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy, Philosophy of Science Association, Society for Philosophy and Psychology, AAAS

Affiliated with: Center for the Study of Mind in Nature, University of Oslo, 2006-2017; McDonnell Consortium on Causal Reasoning, 2008-2012; Prospective Psychology Project, University of Pennsylvania, 2012-2015; Moral Reasoning Project, 2018-