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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Associate Professor of Philosophy and Linguistics Faculty Associate, Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies Faculty Affiliate, Program in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Faculty Affiliate, Weinberg Institute for Cognitive Science James B. and Grace J. Nelson Fellow in Philosophy Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 2006–2012	
EDUCATION	Massachusetts Institute of Technology: Ph.D. in Philosophy, minor in Linguistics, 2006 Tufts University: M.A. in Philosophy, 2001 Yale University: M.A. in Slavic Languages and Literatures, 1999 Bard College: B.A. in Literature, 1997	
PUBLICATIONS	“Omissive Implicature” Forthcoming in <i>Philosophical Topics</i> . Jason Stanley, editor. “Slurs and Ideologies” Forthcoming in <i>Ideology</i> . Robin Celikates, Sally Haslanger, and Jason Stanley, editors. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Critical notice of Jason Stanley’s <i>How Propaganda Works</i> Forthcoming in <i>Mind</i> . DOI: 10.1093/mind/fzwo45 “Indeterminacy in Causation” Forthcoming in <i>Philosophical Quarterly</i> . DOI: 10.1093/pq/pqwo68 “Probability in Philosophy of Language” In Alan Hájek and Chris Hitchcock (eds.), <i>The Oxford Handbook of Probability and Philosophy</i> , 772–788. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016. “The Application of Constraint Semantics to the Language of Subjective Uncertainty” <i>Journal of Philosophical Logic</i> , vol. 45, no. 2 (2016): 121–146. Online First DOI: 10.1007/s10992-015-9367-5 “Ordering Supervaluationism, Counterpart Theory, and Ersatz Fundamentality” <i>Journal of Philosophy</i> , vol. 109, no. 6 (2014): 289–310. “Subjunctive Biscuit and Stand-Off Conditionals” <i>Philosophical Studies</i> , vol. 163, no. 3 (2013): 637–648. Online First DOI: 10.1007/s11098-011-9836-9	

PUBLICATIONS
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“Conditional Excluded Middle without the Limit Assumption”
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, vol. 85, no. 2 (2012): 301–321. Online First
DOI: 10.1111/j.1933-1592.2011.00507.x

“The Language of Causation”
In Delia Graff Fara and Gillian Russell (eds.), *The Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Language*, 716–728. London: Routledge, 2012.

“Propositional Attitudes”
In Claudia Maienborn, Klaus von Heusinger, and Paul Portner (eds.), *Semantics: An International Handbook of Natural Language Meaning*, vol. 2, 1538–1561. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter, 2012.

“On the Treatment of Incomparability in Ordering Semantics and Premise Semantics”
Journal of Philosophical Logic, vol. 40, no. 6 (2011): 693–713. DOI: 10.1007/s10992-010-9157-z

“How Not to Theorize about the Language of Subjective Uncertainty”
In Andy Egan and Brian Weatherson (eds.), *Epistemic Modality*, 249–269. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.

“Lessons from the Context Sensitivity of Causal Talk”
Journal of Philosophy, vol. 107, no. 5 (2010): 221–242.

“Structurally Defined Alternatives and Lexicalizations of XOR”
Linguistics and Philosophy, vol. 33, no. 1 (2010): 31–36. DOI: 10.1007/s10988-010-9074-1

“On Scope Relations between Quantifiers and Epistemic Modals”
Journal of Semantics, vol. 27, no. 4 (2010): 529–540. DOI: 10.1093/jos/ffq010

Review of *Reflections on Meaning*, by Paul Horwich.
Philosophical Review, vol. 118, no. 1 (2009): 131–134.

“Modality in Language”
Philosophy Compass, vol. 3, no. 6 (2008): 1193–1207. DOI: 10.1111/j.1747-9991.2008.00177.x

“A Note on Gibbard’s ‘Rational Credence and the Value of Truth’”
Oxford Studies in Epistemology, vol. 2 (2007): 179–189. Tamar Szabó Gendler and John Hawthorne, editors.

TALKS

TBD
Tufts University, February 2018

“Dilemmas, Conflicts, and Gaps: Three Varieties of Normative Indeterminacy”
The Third Varieties of Normativity Workshop, Uppsala University, April 2017

TALKS
(CONTINUED)

- “Channels for Common Ground”
ConceptLab Meaning Innovation and Meaning Change Workshop, University of Oslo, March 2017
- “Political Context Setting”
University of Pittsburgh, November 2016
- “Metaethics Without Semantics: Presupposition, Force, and Ideology in Ethical Appraisal”
University of California, Davis, October 2016
- “Omissive Implicature”
PhLiP (Philosophical Linguistics and Linguistical Philosophy), September 2016
- “Metaethics Without Semantics”
Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference, August 2016
- “Context and Community”
Social and Political Philosophy of Language Roundtable
Bob Stalnaker Celebration, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, April 2016
- “Slurs and Ideologies”
Michigan / Mellon Project on the Egalitarian Metropolis, February 2016
Yale Ideology Conference, January 2016
SIUCC XXIV, University of Valladolid, October 2015
Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, August 2015
- “Causal Distribution: The Logic of Counterfactuals Reflected in the Logic of Causation”
Second Annual California Metaphysics Conference, USC, January 2013
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, January 2012
- “Imperative Force in the English Modal System”
Michigan Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, May 2012
- “Context Setting”
University of Toronto, December 2011
University of St. Andrews, November 2011
- “Ordering Supervaluationism, Counterpart Theory, and Ersatz Fundamentality”
Carolina Metaphysics Workshop, June 2011
- “Constraint Semantics and the Language of Subjective Uncertainty”
Chambers Philosophy Conference, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, April 2010
Yale University, November 2008

TALKS
(CONTINUED)

- “Counterpart Theory and Limit Assumptions”
University of Colorado, Boulder, July 2009
- “Conditional Excluded Middle (and Causal Decision Theory) without the Limit Assumption”
Second Formal Epistemology Festival, University of Michigan, May 2009
- “Incomparability and Ordering Semantics for Modals and Counterfactuals”
Rutgers Semantics Workshop, April 2009
- “Lessons from the Context Sensitivity of Causal Talk”
University of California, Los Angeles, March 2009
- “Constraint Semantics and its Application to Conditionals”
First Formal Epistemology Festival, University of Konstanz, July 2008
- “Something ‘Might’ Might Mean”
University of California, Berkeley, January 2006
Harvard University, January 2006
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, January 2006
Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference, November 2005
- “Frege’s Puzzle and the Presuppositions of Proper Names”
APA Central Division Meeting, April 2005
Brown Graduate Philosophy Conference, October 2004
56th Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, October 2004
- “Common Attitudes”
APA Pacific Division Meeting, March 2005
University of Rochester Graduate Epistemology Conference, September 2004
- “Supposition and Compartmentalization”
APA Eastern Division Meeting, December 2004
- “Demonstratives as Pronouns”
Princeton-Rutgers Graduate Philosophy Conference, April 2004
University of Pittsburgh-Carnegie Mellon Graduate Philosophy Conference,
March 2004
- “A Friendly Amendment to the Standard Analysis of Supposition”
University of Colorado, Boulder Graduate Philosophy Conference, February 2004
CUNY Graduate Philosophy Conference, February 2004
University of Miami Graduate Epistemology Conference, January 2004

- TALKS
(CONTINUED)
- “Biscuit Conditionals and Common Ground”
North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information
(NASSLLI), June 2003
- COMMENTARIES
- On a paper by Robin Dembroff
Ranch Metaphysics Workshop, January 2018
- On David Pizarro’s “Disgust as a Metaphor for Moral Disapproval”
Cornell Workshop in Linguistics and Philosophy, November 2016
- On Ana Arregui’s “On Indexical Anchoring in Conditionals”
Michigan Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, December 2012
- On Dilip Ninan’s “Counterfactual Attitudes and Assignment-Sensitivity”
Michigan Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, April 2011
- On Eliza Block’s “Is the Symmetry Problem Really a Problem?”
Michigan Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, November 2008
- On Adrian Brasoveanu’s “Anaphora to Quantificational Dependencies”
On Sam Cumming’s “Hypercontexts”
Rutgers Semantics Workshop, October 2007
- On Martina Faller’s “Evidentiality and Epistemic Modality at the Semantics / Pragmatics Interface”
Michigan Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, November 2006
- On Michael Blome-Tillmann’s “Epistemic Contextualism and the Error-Theory Objection”
Harvard-MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference, March 2005
- TEACHING
- Philosophy and Narrative
Problems of Philosophy
Introductory Logic
Introduction to Symbolic Logic
Introduction to Formal Philosophical Methods
Language and Mind
Philosophy of Language
Causation, Responsibility, and the Force of Language in *The Brothers Karamazov*
Social and Political Philosophy of Language (advanced undergraduate seminar)
Graduate Proseminar
Social and Political Philosophy of Language (graduate seminar)
Underdetermination (graduate seminar)
Discourse Constraints on Anaphora (graduate seminar co-taught with Ezra Keshet)
The Analysis, Representation, and Ascription of Belief (graduate seminar)

SUPERVISION Dissertation committee chair for Daniel Drucker and Eduardo García-Ramírez (defended in 2010)

 Dissertation committee member for Nate Charlow (defended in 2011), Adam Marushak (Pittsburgh Philosophy), Ivan Mayerhofer (defended in 2010), Patrick Shirreff, Alex Silk (defended in 2013), Batia Snir (Michigan Linguistics), Rohan Sud (defended in 2016), and Dustin Tucker (defended in 2011)

SERVICE TO THE Co-editor of the *Journal of Philosophical Logic*, starting May 2017.

PROFESSION

 Member of the Editorial Board for *Linguistics and Philosophy* since 2012; for *Semantics and Pragmatics* since 2011.

 Organizer of the Marshall M. Weinberg Symposium on Neurolaw. Ann Arbor, March 2014.

 Co-organizer of the Third Formal Epistemology Festival, on Learning from Experience and Defeasible Reasoning, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Toronto, May 2010.

 Co-organizer of the Second Formal Epistemology Festival, on Causal Decision Theory and Scoring Rules, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Ann Arbor, June 2009.

 Co-organizer of *Discourse Constraints on Anaphora: An Interdisciplinary Seminar and Conference*, with Ezra Keshet. Sponsored by the Marshall M. Weinberg Fund for Graduate Seminars in Cognitive Science. Ann Arbor, April 2009.

 Co-editor of *Conditionals and Ranking Functions*, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Special Issue of *Erkenntnis* (2009).

 Philosophical Gourmet Report Department Evaluator and Area Evaluator for Philosophy of Language and Epistemology, 2008 and 2011.

 Co-organizer of the First Formal Epistemology Festival, on Conditionals and Ranking Functions, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Konstanz, July 2008.

 Co-organizer of the Harvard-MIT-UConn Workshop on Indexicals, Speech Reports, and Logophors, with Pranav Anand, Andrew Nevins, and Yael Sharvit. Cambridge, November 2004.

 Referee for the Amsterdam Colloquium*, *Analysis*, *The Australasian Journal of Philosophy**, *The Baltic International Yearbook of Cognition, Logic, and Communication*; the Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference*; Deutscher Kongress für Philosophie; *Dialectica*; *Ergo**; *Erkenntnis*; International Congress of Linguists*; *Journal of Philosophical Logic*; *Journal of Pragmatics*; *Journal of Semantics**; *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*; *Linguistics and Philosophy**; *Mind**; *Natural Language*

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION (CONTINUED)	<i>Semantics; Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic; Noûs*</i> ; <i>Oxford Studies in Epistemology</i> ; Oxford University Press*; <i>Pacific Philosophical Quarterly</i> ; <i>Philosophers' Imprint*</i> ; <i>Philosophical Quarterly*</i> ; <i>Philosophical Review</i> ; <i>Philosophical Studies*</i> ; <i>Philosophy Compass</i> ; <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*</i> ; <i>Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT)*</i> ; <i>Semantics and Pragmatics*</i> ; <i>Southern Journal of Philosophy</i> ; <i>Studia Logica</i> ; <i>Studies in Linguistics and Philosophy*</i> ; <i>Synthese*</i> ; <i>Thought</i> ; the Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference*. (* indicates that I have refereed multiple submissions.)
SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY	Member of the Weinberg Institute for Cognitive Science Graduate Certificate Committee, since 2016 Member of the LSA Information Technology Faculty Advisory Committee, since 2015 Philosophy Department Course Scheduler, since 2013 Chair of the Philosophy Graduate Admissions Committee, 2012–2013 Member of the Philosophy Graduate Admissions Committee, 2008–2014 University of Michigan Senate Assembly Alternate, 2010–2011 Member of the Philosophy Undergraduate Studies Committee, 2006–2010 Member of the Philosophy Faculty Recruitment Committee, 2006–2007
GRANTS AND AWARDS	Fellowships awarded, but declined for family reasons (2013–2014): Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellowship for Recently Tenured Scholars Stanford Humanities Center External Faculty Fellowship Marshall M. Weinberg Fund for Graduate Seminars in Cognitive Science, 2009 \$42,000 to support a co-taught seminar and a conference on issues in philosophy, linguistics, and other cognitive sciences University of Michigan, Office of the Vice President for Research, Small Grants to Support Major Conferences, 2009 \$2,455 to support the Second Formal Epistemology Festival, described above University of Michigan, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, Organize an Event Grant, 2009 \$2,500 to support the Second Formal Epistemology Festival, described above Rackham Graduate School Dean's Strategic Funding for Conferences, 2009 \$1,000 to support the Second Formal Epistemology Festival, described above
LAST UPDATED	April 20, 2017