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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, City College of New York, 2014—Present

Visiting Assistant Professor, Duke University, 2013–2014

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin — Ph.D., Philosophy, 2013

Lewis and Clark College — B.A. with Honors in Philosophy, 2007

AREAS OF RESEARCH

Specialization — Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics, Social Ontology

Competence — Feminist Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of Mind

PUBLICATIONS

Plural and Collective Noun Phrases

forthcoming, *The Routledge Handbook of Collective Intentionality*

Can Semantics Guide Ontology?

2016, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*

The Metaphysics of Social Groups

2015, *Philosophy Compass*

What are Groups?

2013, *Philosophical Studies*

REVIEWS

Review of Deborah Tollefsen's *Groups as Agents*
2016, *The Journal of Social Ontology*

OTHER PAPERS

Collective Nouns: Polysemy and Predication (under review)
Social Creationism and Social Groups (under review)
No *Easy* Answers to Ontological Category Questions (with Vera Flocke) (under review)
Social Position and the Reclamation of Slurs
From Varieties of Social Structures to a Restricted Social Ontology

PRESENTATIONS

* denotes refereed

Social Position and the Reclamation of Slurs

IUC-Dubrovnik Philosophy of Language and Linguistics Conference, 09/2016
Dartmouth Mind and Language Workshop, 08/2016

From Varieties of Social Structures to a Restricted Social Ontology

Oxford University Structure in Metaphysics Conference, 05/2016
Early Career Women in Metaphysics Workshop, 04/2016 (under title 'Varieties of Social Structure')

No Easy Answers to Ontological Category Questions (with V. Flocke)

*Society for Exact Philosophy, 05/2016

Collective Nouns: Polysemy and Predication

Cornell Workshop in Linguistics and Philosophy, 11/2014
New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, 10/2014
Philosophical Linguistics and Linguistical Philosophy (PhLiP), 09/2014

Group Persons and Normative Individualism

*Collective Intentionality IX, 09/2014

Groups and Social Creationism

*The Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, 04/2016
Ohio State University Social Ontology Conference, 02/2016
Notre Dame University, 02/2016
Lewis and Clark College, 11/2015
CUNY Logic and Metaphysics Workshop, 11/2015

Social Groups and Group Nouns

CUNY Graduate Center Colloquium, 09/2016

Junior Metaphysics Workshop, 04/2015

Reduction, Fundamentality and Groups

*Society for Exact Philosophy, 06/2014

The Ontological Commitments of Natural Language are Indeterminate

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 01/2014 (under title “Natural Language and Ontology”)

Triangle Area Philosophy Conference, 08/2013 (under title “Natural Language and Ontology”)

*Mathematising Science: Limits and Perspectives Conference, 05/2013

University of Edinburgh, 02/2013 (under title: “Natural Language, Ontology and Indeterminacy”)

Gottingen University, 07/2011 (under title “Plurals and Ontological Commitment”)

*Arché Ordinary Language, Philosophy and Linguistics Conference, 06/2011

The Shifty Behavior of Collective Nouns

*Society for Exact Philosophy, 10/2012

*Collective Intentionality VIII, 08/2012

What are Groups?

Duke University, 01/2013

*The Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, 04/2012

What the Externalist Cannot Say About Slow Switching Case

*Society for Exact Philosophy, 05/2012

*Brandeis Graduate Philosophy Conference, 04/2011

*University of Iowa Graduate Philosophy Society Conference, 04/2010

Fourth Philosophy Conference UT-Austin/UNAM, 10/2009 (under title “Externalism, Memory, and Linguistic and Mental Contents)

Collective Belief Ascriptions—Against the Specification Principle

University of Texas at Austin Graduate Colloquium Series, 10/2010

Quantifiers, Context and Semantic ‘Completing’ Strategies

University of Texas at Austin MLK Conference, 01/2008

COMMENTARIES

On James Miller’s “The Nature of Words”

Junior Metaphysics Workshop, 03/2016

On Matthew Baddorf’s “Phenomenal Consciousness, Collective Mentality and Collective Moral Responsibility”

The Pacific APA, 04/2015

On Juan Colomina’s “Problematizing Prohibitionism”

The Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, 04/2014

On Bradley Rettler’s “A Truthmaker View of Ontological Commitments”

University of Texas at Austin Graduate Conference, 03/2012

On Matt Teichman’s “Casting Slurs”

University of Texas at Austin Graduate Conference, 04/2011

On Ivan Hu’s “Supervenience and Anomalous Monism”

University of Texas at Austin MLK Conference, 01/2009

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

Office of the Provost International Travel Grant, 2016, CCNY

Arts and Humanities Research Award (\$5,000), CCNY

Arts and Humanities Travel Grant, 2014 & 2015, CCNY

Office of the Provost Domestic Travel Grant, 2015, CCNY

Cogburn Essay Prize, University of Texas at Austin

Explanation: The Cogburn Essay Prize is awarded annually to the three best papers submitted by graduate students in the University of Texas Department of Philosophy.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICES

Memberships

American Philosophical Association, Society for Exact Philosophy

Referee

Analytic Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Dialectica, Erkenntnis, W.W. Norton & Company Publishing, The Journal of Social Ontology, Philosophy Compass, Philosophical Quarterly, Synthese

Service

Dissertation Committee Member: Sonia Kasyanenko (NYU, Linguistics, 2015-present), Daniel Shabasson (CUNY, Philosophy, 2016-present)

Member of the Search Committee for Dean of Humanities and The Arts, City College of New York (2016)

Job Candidate Mentorship Program for Women in Philosophy Mentor (2015-present)

Philosophy Department Executive Committee Member (2015-present)

Organizer of PhD Preparation meeting for Undergraduate Students (2015)

Mentor to Gage Williams (undergraduate student) in City College Fellowship Pre-PhD Program (2015-2016, 2016-2017)

Mentor to Rebecca Wellington (undergraduate student) in City College Fellowship Pre-PhD Program (2015-2016)

Undergraduate Philosophy Advisor (2015-present)

Faculty Advisor for the CCNY Philosophy Club (2014-2015)

Junior Metaphysics Workshop Steering Committee Member (2015-2016)

Co-Organizer of the University of Texas at Austin Graduate Colloquia Series (2009-2012)

Member of the Organizing Committee and Referee for University of Texas at Austin Graduate Conference (2009-2012)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

(all at CCNY unless otherwise specified)

Metaphysics and Epistemology	Fall 2016
Independent Study: Intersectionality	Fall 2015
Independent Study: History of Analytic	Fall 2015
Feminist Philosophy	Fall 2015
Philosophy of Mind	Spring 2015
Honors Rational Animals	Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016
Introduction to Philosophy	Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Summer 2016, Fall 2016
Philosophy of Language	Fall 2014, Spring 2016
Introduction to Logic	Summer 2016
Seminar: Collections and Collectivity (Duke)	Spring 2014
Philosophy of Language (Duke)	Spring 2014
Appearance and Reality (Duke)	Fall 2013
Introduction to Logic (Duke)	Fall 2013
Introduction to Logic (University of Texas)	Summer 2012