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Academic Appointments

2014 - present **Lecturer/Teaching Associate** (fixed-term), University of Sheffield
2012 - 2014 **Adjunct Assistant Professor**, Department of Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin
2011 - 2014 **Occasional Lecturer**, University College Dublin
2012 - 2013 **BA Course Writer** (part-time) Dublin City University, Dublin
2011 - 2012 **Adjunct Lecturer**, Department of Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin
2010 - 2011 **Lecturer** (full-time, fixed-term) Department of Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin
2007 - 2010 **Lecturer** (part-time), Department of Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin
2005 - 2006 **Teaching Fellow**, Department of Philosophy, Kings College London

University Education

2000 - 2005 **Ph.D.** in Philosophy, King's College London
Dissertation: "Non-existents and Non-existence"
1998 - 2000 **Mphil** in Philosophy, King's College London
Examined topics: The Philosophy of Gottlob Frege, Logic & Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language.
1993 - 1997 **BA** two subject moderatorship: Mathematics and Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin
Final grades: Philosophy I, Maths II.2.

Areas of Specialisation

Metaphysics, Philosophical Logic, Philosophy of Language.

Areas of Competence

Political Philosophy, Aesthetics, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Mind, History of Modern Philosophy, Epistemology, Ethics & Metaethics, Philosophy of Religion.

Publications

- 2017 | 'I'm here now, but I won't be here when you get this message.' *Dialectica* Volume 71 (4):603-622.
- 2015 | 'Yes: Bare Particulars!' *Philosophical Studies* Volume 172 (5):1355-1370.
- 2014 | Tim Crane, The Objects of Thought. *The Philosophical Quarterly* Volume 64 (256): 517-52.
- 2012 | 'Truth as, at Most, One' *International Journal of Philosophical Studies* Volume 20 (1): 135-147.
- 2011 | 'How the Dead Live' *Philosophia* 39 (1): 83-103.
- 2010 | Christopher Belshaw, Annihilation, the Sense and Significance of Death. *Journal of Value Enquiry* Volume 44 (3):407-411.
- 2005 | 'The Puzzle of Non-existence', *The Richmond Journal of Philosophy* Issue 10: 32-39.

Under Review:

| 'Fictional Resistance and Real Feelings'

Other Publications:

- 2013 | 'The Notion of Biological Species' in *The Red Stables Summer School* July 2013. (Dublin City Council Arts Office) 2013.
- 2011 | 'Metaphysics' *Philosophy 5: Oscail DCU Distance Learning Module*. (Educational Textbook).

In Preparation:

| 'The Eliminativist Bundle Theory'
 | 'The capped crusader unmasked! It's... Anna Karenina!?'
 | 'Fictional characters and characterisations'
 | 'Modal Meinongianism doesn't exist'

Selected Research Presentations

- 2018 | 'Fictional characters and characterisations' DPRN Workshop on the work of Stephen Yablo, University College Dublin, May 2018.
- | 'Modal Meinongianism doesn't Exist.' Joint Sessions of the Aristotelian Society and Mind Association. (Open Sessions) University of Oxford, July 2018.
- 2017 | 'I'm here now; but I won't be here when you get this message.' Invited talk, King's College London, September 2017.

- 2017 'Misnamed modal Meinongianism.' DPRN Empty Names Workshop, Trinity College Dublin, July 2017.
- 2016 'Fictional resistance and moral fictionalism.' University of Sheffield Departmental Seminar, November 2016.
- 'I'm here now; but I won't be here when you get this message.' DPRN conference on the philosophy of language, Trinity College Dublin, May 2016.
- 2014 'Yes: Bare Particulars!' Invited talk, Irish Philosophical Club Annual Conference, Drogheda, February 2014.
- 'Against Ontological Permissiveness' Dutch-Flemish Society for Analytic Philosophy, Metaphysics Conference, Groningen, January 2014.
- 2013 'The Importance of Existence Questions' Philosophies of Philosophy Conference, University College Dublin, June 2013.
- 'On Being in a Good State' APORO Epistemology Workshop, Dublin May 2013.
- 'Can there be a non-exotic semantics for talk about fiction?' Invited talk, Centre for Logic and the Philosophy of Science, University of Ghent, April 2013.
- 2012 'Schaffer's Ontological Permissiveness' Joint Sessions of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society, University of Stirling, July 2012.

Extramural Presentations

- 2017 'The puzzle of non-existence', University of Sheffield Arts & Humanities Faculty Showcase, Millenium Gallery, Sheffield, March 2017.
- 2016 'Angel Heart', Philosophy at the Showroom, Sheffield, March 2016.
- 2015 'The Paradoxes of Horror', Philosophy at the Showroom, Sheffield, February 2015.
- 2014 'Philosophy and Love', Evening Lectures. Trinity College Dublin, December 2014.
- 2013 'Idealism and Science', Evening Lectures. Trinity College Dublin, 4 December 2013.
- 'The Notion of a Biological Species' Invited talk, Red Stables Summer School, Dublin July 2013.
- 2012 'Skepticism', Evening Lectures. Trinity College Dublin, 4 December 2012.

Teaching

I have experience teaching and developing courses at different levels (both in Sheffield, UCD and TCD) to larger and smaller groups, via lectures, seminars and individual supervision. The courses I have taught include:

Logic (formal and informal, 2nd year)	History of Analytic Philosophy (2nd year)
Self and Society (Political Philosophy, 1st year)	History of Philosophical Ideas (1st year)
Truth (1st year)	Hume (2nd year)
Fiction and Truth (3rd year & masters)	The Empiricists (2nd year)
Reference and Truth (2nd year)	Philosophical Projects: Nietzsche on Morality (3rd year)
Philosophy of Language (2nd year)	Philosophical Projects: Dialetheism (3rd year)
Metaphysics (1st, 2nd & 3rd year)	Matters of Life and Death (1st year)
Seminar in Epistemology and Metaphysics (masters)	Mortal Questions (2nd year)
Philosophy of Mind (2nd year & masters)	Philosophy of Religion (1st year)
Mind, Brain and Personal Identity (1st year)	Religion and the Good Life (2nd year)
Puzzles about Persons (1st year)	Free Will and Religion (3rd year & masters)
Philosophy of Science (2nd year)	Philosophy of Sex (1st year)
The History of Philosophy (1st year Theology)	Workplace Learning (3rd year & masters)
Problems in Analytic Philosophy (3rd year)	

Professional Experience (Selection)

- 2019 - 2020 **Exams officer**, University of Sheffield.
- 2019 - 2020 **Director of 2nd and 3rd year teaching**, University of Sheffield.
- 2018 - 2019 **Careers officer**, University of Sheffield.
- 2016 - 2018 **Graduate funding advisor**, University of Sheffield.
- 2016 - 2018 **Director of graduate recruitment**, University of Sheffield.
- 2014 - 2016 **Invited speaker seminar organiser**, University of Sheffield.

Peer Review

Ad hoc reviewer for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, *Mind* and *Philosophia*.

Grants & Awards

Sopha Essay Prize Fourth prize at the SOPHA 2009 conference, Geneva 2009.

Wray Prize for best undergraduate thesis in Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin 1997.

John Isaac Beare Prize for highest mark in philosophy cohort, Trinity College Dublin 1996, 1995.

Referees

Available on request.

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