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**Date of Birth:** May 24, 1960**Citizenship:** Canadian/ Australian/ American**Education:**

- 1991 University of Toronto: Ph.D. (Philosophy).  
Dissertation Title: *The Meaning of Living Languages*.  
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- 1984 University of Toronto: M.A. (Philosophy).
- 1981 Dartmouth College: A.B. Honours (Double Major in Government and Philosophy).

**Areas of Specialization:**

- philosophy of mind and cognitive psychology (with special emphasis on social cognition & development)
- moral psychology (philosophical & experimental)
- current research foci: (1) the nature of responsible agency and our responsibility practices, personal and institutional; (2) a skill-based account of social cognition.

**Primary Appointments: ongoing**

Princeton University (half time):

- 2016- Senior Research Scholar, University Center for Human Values (half time, with tenure)

Australian National University:

- 2020 - Professor, School of Philosophy, RSSS
- 2013- Member, Centre for Consciousness, RSSS
- 2013- Member, Centre for Moral, Social and Political Thought, RSSS
- 2017- Member, Centre for the Philosophy of the Sciences, RSSS

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**Primary Appointments: past**

## Princeton University:

- 2008-16 Research Scholar, University Center for Human Values (with tenure)
- 2004-08 Asst. Research Scholar, UCHV
- 2004- Lecturer, Dept. of Philosophy

## Australian National University:

- 2018-19 Associate Professor, School of Philosophy, RSSH
- 2013-18 Senior Research Fellow, School of Philosophy, RSSH
- 2013- Member, Centre for Consciousness, RSSH
- 2013- Member, Centre for Moral, Social and Political Thought, RSSH
- 2017- Member, Centre for the Philosophy of the Sciences, RSSH

## Vanderbilt University

- 1994-98 Asst. Professor, Dept. of Philosophy

## University of California, Berkeley:

- 1992-94: Post-doctoral Fellow, Institute of Human Development (Alison Gopnik Laboratory)

## Dalhousie University:

- 1991-92 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy

## University of Toronto:

- 1984-90 Graduate Instructor and Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Philosophy

**Honorary and declined appointments:**

- 2016 Half-time faculty appointment (rank: Professor), Dept. of Philosophy, Stanford University (declined)
- 2009-14 Honorary Senior Lecturer, School of Philosophy, Sydney University

**Visiting Appointments:**

- Visiting Fellow, Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics, Oxford University, Oxford (Trinity Term, May-June 2019)
- Senior Fellow, Centre for Advanced Studies "Justitia Amplificata", Goethe University, Frankfurt and Free University, Berlin (April-July 2016)
- Visiting Fellow, Institute of Philosophy, University of London (June 2015)
- Stanford University: Visiting Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy and Center for Advanced Studies in behavioral and Social Sciences (Sept. 2010- June 2011)
- Harvard University: Visiting Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy (Sept. 2006- June 2007)
- Simon Fraser University: Adjunct Professor (Sept 1999- June 2005)
- Princeton University: Visiting Fellow, Dept. of Philosophy (Sept 2002-Dec. 2002); Sept 2003-June 2004)
- Australian National University: Program Visitor in Philosophy, Research School of Social Sciences (Sept. 2001-July 2002); (Jan. 2003-July 2003); (Jan, 2004); (Jan, 2005); (Jan, 2006); (Jan, 2007); (Jan, 2008); (Jan, 2009); (Jan, 2010); (Jan, 2011); (Jan, 2012)
- New York University: Visiting Scholar, Dept. of Philosophy (Sept, 1999- June, 2001)
- Columbia University: Visiting Scholar (Sept. 1998- June, 1999)

**Grants and Fellowships:**

- Australian Research Council Discovery Grant, “The Demands of Reason”, Partner Investigator 2014-2017
- McDonnell Project in Philosophy and the Neurosciences, Senior Member 2001-05  
Research Proposal: “Rethinking Mindreading: philosophical, psychological and neurological implications of a regulative account of our folk-psychological capacities” (description available on request)
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Research Fellowship 1992-94
- Izaak Walton Killam Memorial Postdoctoral Fellowship, Dalhousie University 1991-92
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship 1986-89
- University of Toronto Open Fellowship 1985-86

#### Awards:

- University Research Council Summer Award, Vanderbilt University 1996
- Alice B. Wilson Award, The Royal Society of Canada 1993
- Richard M. Griffith Memorial Award, The Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology 1993
- George Paxton Young Memorial Award, University of Toronto 1990; 1989; 1988; 1987; 1985

#### Named lectures & Keynotes:

- (prospective) Keynote lecture: workshop on Philosophical Moral Psychology, Salzburg, Austria July 2020
- Address to the Aristotelian Society, London 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018
- Keynote address: conference on “Self-Knowledge and Folk Psychology: Perspectives from philosophy and psychiatry”, Radboud University Nijmegen, the Netherlands, 27-28 June 2014
- Keynote address: workshop on self-knowledge, mental agency, and folk-psychology. Basel, Switzerland. June, 2010
- Ronald Suter Distinguished Guest Lecturer, Michigan State University, 2009-10.

#### Publications:

##### Journal articles & commentaries:

1. “Mindshaping is inescapable, social injustice is not: Reflections on Sally Haslanger’s critical social-cognitive theory”, forthcoming in *Australian Philosophical Review* (2020)
2. “Scaffolding Agency: A proleptic view of the reactive attitudes” *European Journal of Philosophy* (2018) – online first: <https://doi:10.1111/ejop.12408>
3. “Intelligent Capacities”, *Proceedings and Addresses of the Aristotelian Society* (2018) – online first: <https://doi.org/10.1093/arisoc/aoy017>
4. “The value of reactive attitudes:”. Critical response to C. Tappolet’s *Emotions, Values and Agency* forthcoming in *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research* 97(2): 512-519. doi: [10.1111/phpr.12541](https://doi.org/10.1111/phpr.12541) (2018)
5. “Are ‘optimistic’ theories of criminal justice psychologically feasible? The probative case of civic republicanism” (with Friederike Funk) *Criminal Law and Philosophy*, published online 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
6. (a) “The desirability and feasibility of restorative justice” (with Philip Pettit) *Raisons Politiques* vol. 57 (2015)  
(b) Republished with modest revisions in *Restorative Justice: An International Journal* vol. 3 (2015).
7. “Mind-making practices: the social infrastructure of self-knowing agency and responsibility” *Philosophical Explorations* 18:2 (2015) 259-281.  
❖ Reprinted as one of the ten best philosophy articles in 2015 in *The Philosopher’s Annual* 35 (2016).
8. “Building a better theory of moral responsibility: Response to Manuel Vargas”, *Philosophical Studies* published online April 2015

9. Funk, F., McGeer, V., & Gollwitzer, M., "Get the Message: Punishment is Satisfying if the Transgressor Responds to its Communicative Intent", *Personality & Social Psychology Bulletin* 40:8 (2014) 986-997.
10. Parkinson, C., Sinnott-Armstrong, W. Koralus, P. Mendelovici, A., McGeer, V. & Wheatley, T., "Is morality unified? Evidence that distinct neural systems underlie moral judgments of harm, dishonesty, and disgust", *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience* 23:10 (2011) 3162-3180.
11. "The thought and talk of individuals with autism", *Metaphilosophy* 40:3-4 (2009) 517-530.
12. "The skill of perceiving persons", *The Modern Schoolman* 86:2/3 (2009).
13. "Trust, hope and empowerment", *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 86:2 (2008) 237-254
14. "Why neuroscience matters to cognitive neuropsychology", *Synthese* 159:3 (2007) 347-371. Special issue: *Experience, action, inference: Functional integration and the mind*, edited by Jakob Hohwy.
15. "The moral development of First-Person Authority", *European Journal of Philosophy* 16:1 (2007) 81-108.
16. (with Eric Schwitzgebel) "Disorder in the Representational Warehouse", *Child Development* 77(6) 2006 1557-1562.
17. "Developing Trust on the Internet". *Analyse und Kritik* 26 (2004) 91-107.
18. "Autistic Self-Awareness". *Philosophy, Psychiatry and Psychology* 11:3 (2004) 235-251.
19. "Constructing agents: rethinking the how and what in developmental theories of social understanding". Commentary on J. Caramazza and C. Lewis. *Behavioural and Brain Sciences* 27 (2004) 115.
20. "The Art of Good Hope". *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 592 (2004) 100-127.  
❖ Reprinted (in German) in *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* 60 (2012) 105-133 (trans. Anne Gnielka)
21. "The Trouble with Mary". *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 84:4 (2003) 384-393.
22. (with Philip Pettit), "The Self-Regulating Mind". *Language and Communication* 22:3 (2002) 281-299.
23. "Developing Trust", *Philosophical Explorations* 5:1 (2002) 21-38.
24. "Psycho-practice, Psycho-theory and the Contrastive Case of Autism: how practices of mind become second-nature", *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 8:5-7 (2002) 109-32.
25. "Is 'Self-Knowledge' an Empirical Problem? Renegotiating the Space of Philosophical Explanation," *Journal of Philosophy* 93:10 (1996) 483-515
26. "Rationality and Error: A Surd Spot in Rational Intentionalism," *Philosophia* 21:3-4 (1992) 295-309.

Chapters in edited volumes:

1. McGeer, V. "The Art of Good Hope", reprinted with minor modifications in *The Philosophy of Emotions*, vol. 4, eds. Aaron Ben Ze'ev & Angelika Krebs. Routledge, 2017. (Originally published in the *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 592 (2004) 100-127.)
2. McGeer, V. & Pettit P., "The empowering theory of trust". In *New Philosophical Perspectives on Trust*, eds. Paul Faulkner & Thomas Simpson. Oxford University Press 2017
3. McGeer, V. & Pettit, P., "The hard problem of responsibility". *Oxford Studies in Agency and Responsibility* vol. 3, ed. D. Shoemaker. Oxford University Press, 2015.
4. "PF Strawson's Consequentialism". In *Oxford Studies in Agency and Responsibility* vol. 2, eds. D. Shoemaker & N. Tognazzini. Oxford University Press 2014
5. "Civilizing Blame". In *Blame: Its nature and norms* eds. D. Justin Coates and Neal A. Tognazzini. Oxford University Press, 2013.
6. "Co-reactive attitudes and the making of moral community". In *Emotions, Imagination and Moral Reasoning*, eds., C. MacKenzie & R. Langdon. Macquarie monographs in Cognitive Science. Psychology Press, 2012.
7. (with Philip Pettit) "Judgmental Stickiness, Rhetorical Therapy". In *Judgment: Essays in Honor of John Dunn*, eds. R. Bourke and R. Geuss. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2009.

8. "The Regulative Dimension of Folk-Psychology". In *Folk-psychology Reassessed*, eds. Daniel Hutto and Matthew Ratcliffe. Springer, 2007.
9. "Varieties of moral agency: lessons from autism (and psychopathy)" in *Moral Psychology (vol. 3) The neuroscience of morality: Emotion, disease and development*, ed. Walter Sinnott-Armstrong. MIT Press, 2008.
10. "The makings of a moral sensibility: Replies to comments from Jeannette Kennett, Heidi Maibom, and Frederique de Vignemont and Uta Frith" in *Moral Psychology (vol. 3) The neuroscience of morality: Emotion, disease and development*, ed. Walter Sinnott-Armstrong. MIT Press, 2008.
11. "Out of the Mouths of Autistics: Subjective Report and its role in Cognitive Theorising". In *Cognition and the Brain: The Philosophy and Neuroscience Movement*, eds. Andrew Brook and Kathleen Akins. C.U.P 2005.
12. (with Philip Gerrans,) "Theory of Mind in Autism and Schizophrenia". In *Individual differences in theory of mind: Implications for typical and atypical development*, eds. E. Repacholi and V. Slaughter. Brighton: Psychology Press 2003.

Encyclopedia entries & Reviews:

1. "Self-Knowledge: Philosophical Aspects". In *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, eds. N.J. Smelser and P.B. Baltes. Oxford: Elsevier Science, 2001. Vol. 20, pp. 13837-41.
2. Book Review of Akeel Bilgrami's *Belief and Meaning*, *Journal of Philosophy* 91:8 (1994) 430-439.

**Work in progress:**

Available in MS:

1. "Between excuse and exemption: Navigating the grey area of responsible agency"
2. "Empathy internalized: on the scaffolding power of self-directed emotion"
3. "Enculturating folk-psychologists" (under review, *Synthese*)
4. "Why do we punish: confronting the myth of folk retributivism" (with F. Funk)
5. "Civilizing Shame"
6. (with Susan Leekam) "Sensory-perceptual dysfunction and the development of autism"
7. "Reheeding Ryle"
8. "Imagination and the development of moral wisdom: philosophical reflections on Eliot's *Middlemarch*"
9. "Moral Travel and the Narrative Work of Forgiveness"

**Conferences and workshops:**

Invited presentations:

1. TBA, 2-3 sessions of Workshop on Free will and Agency, Bogota Columbia 2021 (pending successful grant application to Templeton Foundation by workshop organizers, Manuel Vargas (UC San Diego) & Santiago Amaya (University of the Andes, Columbia))
2. TBA, Conference on 'The Political Role of Moral Emotions: Normative, Conceptual, and Practical Dimensions', Université de Genève, Geneva, Switzerland. 25-26 June, 2020.
3. TBA, Workshop on the Philosophy of P.F. Strawson, Institute of Philosophy, KU Leuven, Belgium, 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> November 2019.
4. "Empathy Internalized", Workshop on Moral Conversations. University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019.
5. "Empathy Internalized", Symposium on Varieties of Holding Responsible. Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands. 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019.
6. "Shame", 11<sup>th</sup> Conference on Moral and Political Philosophy, Llafranc, Spain 2-4 June 2019.

7. "The Ratchetting-Up Effect: A pathology of normative retributivism", Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Justice in Criminal Law. Ziff (Centre for Interdisciplinary Research), Bielefeld, Germany, May 23th-25th 2019
8. "Self-Reactive Emotions", Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. Vancouver, BC. April 2019
9. "Enculturating Folk-Psychologists," Social Cognition Workshop, Centre for Philosophy of the Sciences, ANU, April 2018.
10. "Empathy internalized: On the scaffolding power of self-directed emotions", Australasian Annual Workshop in Moral Philosophy, ANU, Kioloa Coastal Campus, January 2018
11. "Enculturating folk-psychologists", Normative Folk Psychology Workshop, York University, Toronto, Canada Oct. 26-27 2017
12. "Empathy internalized: On the scaffolding power of self-directed emotions", CFS conference "Empathy, Recognition, Morality. Copenhagen, DK 21-22 Sept 2017
13. "Shifting Blame", Panel discussion on Shoemaker and Vargas's signaling theory of blame, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. Seattle, WA. April 2017
14. "Scaffolding Agency", Workshop on Reactive Attitudes at the Universitat Duisberg-Essen. Essen, Germany. June 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> 2016
15. "The Value of Reactive Attitudes". Author meets critics symposium on Christine Tappolet's *Emotions, Values and Agency*, Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016
16. "Skillful Minds", Workshop on social cognition, Macquarie University. Sydney, Australia. February 2016.
17. "The empowering theory of trust" (with Philip Pettit), Conference in Moral Philosophy, Beaune France, June 2015
18. "Mind-making practices: the social infrastructure of agency and responsibility", Workshop on "Embodied Social Cognition". University of Wollongong. Wollongong, Australia. 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> February, 2015.
19. Republican Theories of Criminal Law Conference, Cordoza School of Law, 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2014.
20. Instituting Minds Conference. University College London. London, England. 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> July 2014
21. Cognitive Science, Group Minds and Intentionality Workshop. University College Dublin, Dublin. 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014
22. Agency & Moral Cognition Workshop. Macquarie University, Sydney, NSW. May 2014
23. Author meets critics session at the American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meetings: Manuel Vargas, *Building better beings: A theory of moral responsibility*", San Diego, California. 16-23 April 2014
24. (with Philip Pettit) "The hard problem of responsibility". Workshop on 'Many Moral Rationalisms', University of Melbourne, Victoria. 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2014
25. "Living with Blame". Workshop on Social Cognition. Wollongong University, NSW. 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> January 2014.
26. "Civilizing Shame". Moral Psychology Research Group. Washington University, St. Louis. 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November, 2013.
27. "The perils of retributivism". Workshop on Punishment and Responsibility. Queen's University, Belfast. June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
28. "Moral travel and the narrative work of forgiveness". Point of View in Memory and Imagery: Philosophical and psychological perspectives on perspective. Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia. May 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2013
29. "P.F. Strawson's Consequentialism". Australasian Annual Workshop in Moral Philosophy, Kioloa (NSW) January 2013
30. "P.F. Strawson's Consequentialism", Princeton Workshop in Normative Philosophy". Princeton University, November, 2012
31. "P.F. Strawson's Consequentialism". Conference in honour of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the publication of P.F. Strawson's "Freedom and Resentment". College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Fall 2012.

32. “Perceiving Persons”. Group Think Workshop & launch of new MA in Consciousness and Embodiment, University College Dublin, Dublin. 22 June 2012.
33. “Perceiving Persons”. Interdisciplinary Conference on Social Interaction, Engagement and the Second-Person Perspective. May 25-27, 2012 Universität zu Köln (Neuer Senatssaal).
34. “The rationality of blame” University of Melbourne, workshop on rationalism January 2012
35. “Civilizing Blame”. Philosophy of Mind Workshop, Queen’s University, Belfast. May 2011.
36. “Why punishment doesn’t satisfy”, Moral Psychology Research Group. Duke University, Durham, NC. March 2011.
37. “Eliot on the development of moral wisdom”. Workshop on Wisdom. Minneapolis, MN July 2010.
38. Conference in Value Theory. Reykjavik, Iceland. June 2010
39. Keynote speaker, workshop on self-knowledge, mental agency, and folk-psychology. Basel, Switzerland. June, 2010
40. Moral Philosophy Group, Rethymnon, Greece. June 2009
41. Moral Psychology Research Group, Fall meeting, Minary Centre, Dartmouth College, October 2008
42. SUNY Stony Brook conference on philosophy and the ethical challenge of cognitive disability, Manhattan location, September 2008
43. Macquarie University interdisciplinary workshop on emotions, imagination and moral reasoning, Sydney Australia September 2008
44. Address to bi-annual Henle Conference at Saint Louis University on “Varieties of Perception”, St. Louis, MO. April 4-5, 2008.
45. Moral Psychology conference, Sydney Australia. August 31-Sept 2, 2007
46. “Two ideals of authoritative agency: agonism versus autonomy”, Ohio State University/Maribor/Rijeka Conference on "Regulating Attitudes with Reasons". Dubrovnik, May 2006.
47. Invited speaker, Symposium on “Trust and Responsibility – Critical and Analytic Perspectives on Social Capital” in Villa Nante, Rome, Italy. September 2005
48. “The moral development of First-Person Authority” American Philosophical Association, annual meeting (Pacific Division). San Francisco, March 2005
49. “Trust, Hope and Empowerment”. Conference on Trust at University of California, Riverside February 2004.
50. “Multimedia Trust”. Conference on Trust and Community on the Internet. Centre for Interdisciplinary Research (Zif), University of Bielfeld, Germany, August 2003.
51. “Autism and Self-report”. American Philosophical Association, annual meeting (Pacific Division). San Francisco, March 2003.
52. “Developing Moral Imagination: reflections on George Eliot’s *Middlemarch*”, interdisciplinary workshop on Middlemarch, RSSS, Australian National University, February 2003.
53. “Doing Away with Introspection: A Direct Expressivist Account of Self-Reflective Awareness”, Philosophy and Neuroscience Conference. Carleton University, Canada, October 2002.
54. “Theory of mind, levels of explanation and integrative theories of schizophrenia”, co-authored with Philip Gerrans. Interdisciplinary workshop on Mindreading and Behaviour: Individual Differences in Theory of Mind and Implications for Social Functioning. Macquarie Centre for Cognitive Science (MACCS), Macquarie University, in Sydney, July 2001.
55. “Autism and the Self-Regulating Mind”, presented at the Tofino Meeting of the McDonnell Project for Philosophy and the Neuroscience, June 2000.
56. “Intentionality, Active and Passive”, co-authored with Philip Pettit. Presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Italian-American Philosophy Conference, “Normativity and Legitimacy”. New York, October 1999.
57. “Raising Consciousness: A Developmental Approach to the problem of Other Minds”. Co-authored with David Braybrooke. Austin Conference on Communication and Social Selves at the University of Texas. Austin, February 1992.

Submitted presentations:

1. (with Philip Pettit) “Agency, Capacity and Accountability”, New Orleans Workshop on Agency

- and Responsibility. New Orleans, USA. November 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
2. "Forgiveness", Feminism & Moral Psychology panel, Hypatia 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, Feminist Legacies/Feminist Futures. University of Washington, Seattle, October 2009
  3. (with Susan Leekam) "Making sense of sensory dysfunction in autism". European Society for Philosophy and Psychology. Queen's University, Belfast, August 2006
  4. "Trust, hope and empowerment". Fifth European Congress for Analytic Philosophy. University of Lisbon, Portugal, August 2005
  5. "Imagining a new moral ideal: the developmental challenge of *Middlemarch*". Inaugural Conference of the North American Victorian Studies Association. University of Indiana, Bloomington, October 2003
  6. "The Zombie Knowledge Argument", Australasian Association of Philosophy, annual meeting. Hobart, July 2001
  7. "Out of the Mouths of Autistics: Subjective Report and its role in Cognitive Theorising", Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness", annual meeting. Duke University, May 2001
  8. "Moral Travel and the Narrative work of Forgiveness", 2000 International Conference of the Society for the Study of Narrative Literature. Atlanta, March 2000.
  9. "Deconstructing Swampman", Conference on Methodologies in the Philosophy of Science, New School of Social Research. New York, December 1998.
  10. Love's Labour's Lost: What's Amiss with the Swampman Thought-Experiment", Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. St. John's, Newfoundland, June 1997.
  11. "Developing Trust," Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. St. Catherine's, June 1996.
  12. "Where Meaning Lies in Living Languages: or Why You can't Derive an 'Ought' from the Putnam-Burge Thought Experiments." Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Montreal, June 1995.
  13. "Externally Constructed Agents: New Grist for the Theory of Mind Mill". Symposium presentation at the Society of Research in Child Development. Indianapolis, April 1995.
  14. "The Ways of Error in Language, Games, and Language-Games." American Philosophical Association -Pacific Division Meetings. San Francisco, March 1995.
  15. "Knowing Ourselves: An Externalist Account of Self-Knowledge". Society for Philosophy and Psychology. Vancouver, June 1993. Also presented at the Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. Ottawa, June 1993. A substantially different version was also presented at the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. New Orleans, April 1993.
  16. "Davidson's Omniscient Interpreter: An Argument that Couldn't Be". American Philosophical Association - Pacific Division Meetings. San Francisco, March 1993.
  17. "Social Externalism and First Person Authority: A Communicative Approach". Western Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Vancouver, October 1991.
  18. "Being at Home with Language". Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, "Perspectives on Language", Montreal, Quebec, September 1989.
  19. "Rationality and Error: A Surd Spot in Rational Intentionalism." Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Quebec City, June 1989.
  20. "Salmon and van Fraassen: The Case for the Common Cause." Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, annual meeting. Montreal, June 1985.

Poster sessions:

1. (with Friederike Funk & Mario Gollwitzer) "Getting satisfaction from getting even". The Society for Personality and Social Psychology. New Orleans, January 2013.

Commentaries:

1. Commentary on Thomas Nadelhoffer, "Psychopathy, the philosophy of psychiatry and pure retributivism". University of San Francisco Conference on Responsibility, Agency, and Persons. San Francisco, September 2011.
2. Commentary on John Dunn, "The Politics of Imponderable and Potentially Lethal Judgement for Mortals: Hobbes's Legacy to the Understanding of Modern Politics". The 17th International



Symposium of Philosophy: The Theoretical Legacy of Hobbes, Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas. Mexico City, August 1999.

3. Commentary on Akeel Bilgrami, "Identity, Relativism and the Liberal State". The 17th International Symposium of Philosophy: The Theoretical Legacy of Hobbes, Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas. Mexico City, August 1999.
4. Commentary on A. Mercier's, "A Perverse Case of the Contingent *A Priori*." Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Montreal, June 1995.
5. Commentary on M. Hogan's, "Causal Theories of Representation and the Problem of False Belief". Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Kingston, May, 1991.
6. Commentary on R. Murray's, "Davidson's Argument for the Causal Theory of Action". Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Kingston, May, 1991.
7. Commentary on M. Stack's, "Davidson, Optimism and God". Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Victoria, May 1990.
8. Commentary on C. McKinnon's, "The Case Against Theories of Meaning". Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, "Perspectives on Language", Montreal, Quebec, September 1989.
9. Commentary on D. Davies', "Curbing the Realist Flights of Fancy". Canadian Philosophical Association, annual meeting. Hamilton, June 1987.

#### Invited talks:

1. TBA, Faculty lecture, Groupe de Recherche Interuniversitaire sur la Normativité, Interuniversity Centre de Recherche en Ethique, 20th September 2019.
2. TBA, Philosophy Colloquium, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 2019
3. "Why do we punish?", Faculty Seminar, Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics, Oxford University. Oxford, UK. 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019.
4. "Why do we punish?" Interdisciplinary lecture, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX Oct 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018
5. "On Self-Reactive emotions", Philosophy Colloquium, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018
6. "Ethics, fiction and hope", Ethics Bonanza, University Centre for Human Values, Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 2018
7. "Intelligent Capacities", ANU Philosophy Colloquium, May 2018.
8. "Scaffolding Agency", ANU Philosophy Colloquium (May 2017), University of British Columbia Philosophy Colloquium (April 2017), University of Sydney Philosophy Colloquium (April 2017), Melbourne Philosophy Colloquium (Mar 2017), Fellow Seminar UCHV, Princeton University (November 2017)
9. "Are optimistic theories of criminal justice psychologically feasible?" *Justitia Amplificata* Colloquium. University of Frankfurt, May 17<sup>th</sup> 2016
10. "Why do we punish?", Princeton University, Cognitive Science Lunchtime Colloquium, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014
11. "Living with Blame", University of Melbourne Philosophy Colloquium, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014
12. "The hard problem of responsibility" (with Philip Pettit), University of Auckland Philosophy Colloquium, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2014
13. "The hard problem of responsibility" (with Philip Pettit), University of Wellington Philosophy Colloquium, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014
14. "Strawson's consequentialism", University of Otago Philosophy colloquium, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014
15. "Civilizing Shame". U. Penn-Rutgers-Princeton joint graduate seminar in moral psychology. November 2013.
16. Joint Philosophy Colloquium, Duke University-UNC Chapel Hill, April 2013.
17. Moral Psychology Research Group. Duke University, April, 2013
18. History and Philosophy of Science, Sydney University, March 2013
19. Moral, Social and Political Philosophy Colloquium. ANU, March 2013
20. "Civilizing Blame". Faculty Seminar, Center for Ethics and Public Affairs, Murphy Institute, Tulane University (December 2012).
21. "P.F. Strawson's Consequentialism", Princeton Workshop in Normative Philosophy". Princeton University, November, 2012
22. "Civilizing Blame". Law & Philosophy colloquium, University of Athens (June 2012);

23. “Blame”. Philosophy colloquium, Stanford University. March 2010
24. Philosophy Colloquium, Hofstra University, April 2009
25. Philosophy Colloquium, Temple University, 2009-10
26. Moral Psychology workshop, Universite de Montreal, 2009-10
27. Philosophy Colloquium, Universite de Montreal, 2009-10.
28. 2006-07: Philosophy colloquium, Smith College 2006-07
29. Philosophy and English colloquium, Williams College 2006-07;
30. Philosophy colloquium, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University, 2006-07
31. Work in Progress workshop, MIT (April 19, 2007);
32. Moral Psychology workshop, Harvard University 2006-07
33. Philosophy colloquium, University of Victoria (March 1, 2007)
34. Philosophy colloquium, Vanderbilt University, 2004-05
35. Philosophy Colloquium., New School University 2004-05
36. Philosophy Colloquium., Monash University 2002-03
37. Philosophy department, Tufts University Sept. 2001
38. Philosophy program, RSSH, Australian National University, 2001-02
39. Philosophy Colloquium, Macquarie University, 2001-02
40. HSS seminar, California Institute of Technology, 2000-01
41. Philosophy department, City College of New York, 1999-2000
42. Philosophy department, UC Riverside, 1999-2000
43. Tofino workshop, McDonnell Project for Philosophy and the Neurosciences, 1999-2000.
44. Philosophy department, Univ. of Pennsylvania 1998-99
45. Philosophy department, Williams College 1998-99
46. Philosophy department, University of Oregon, 1997-98;
47. Philosophy department, Dalhousie University, 1997-98
48. Cognitive science seminar, Vanderbilt University, 1996-97;
49. Philosophy colloquium, McMaster University, 1996-97;
50. Philosophy colloquium, York University, 1996-97;
51. Philosophy colloquium, University of Toronto, 1996-97
52. Philosophy colloquium, UC Davis, 1994-95
53. Philosophy colloquium, University of Alberta, 1994-95
54. Philosophy colloquium, University of Chicago, 1992-93;
55. Philosophy colloquium, York University, 1992-93
56. Philosophy colloquium, Central Michigan University 1991-92
57. Philosophy colloquium University of Calgary, 1990-91;
58. Philosophy colloquium, University of British Columbia, 1990-91;
59. Philosophy colloquium, University of Victoria, 1990-91

### Interviews and Special Events:

1. “Hope and Climate Change”, a story for BBC Future, by Diego Arguedas Ortiz. Sept 2019/
2. “Hope Isn’t Blind: It’s a Way to Build Trust and Manage Anxiety” – Big Think/Edge interview on hope as part of the Los Angeles Hope Festival, a collaboration between Big Think and [Hope & Optimism](#) (interview can be found at: <http://bigthink.com/videos/victoria-mcgeer-how-hope-can-mitigate-fruitless-anxieties>). Summer 2017.
3. “Knowing Ourselves: The Puzzling Phenomena of Consciousness,” by Brenda Ellis in *Research at Vanderbilt*, Spring 1996.
4. Radio interview on Self-Knowledge and Development at *MTSU*, April 1996.
5. “The Mind in Cognition: Where Philosophy fits in Cognitive Disciplines”. Royal Society of Canada, Awards Ceremony. June, 1993.

### Education:

#### Graduate Advising:

- Roohollah Haghsheenas (Tehran University, visiting PhD student, ANU)

- John Zerillo (ANU, committee member; PhD completed 2017)
- Samuel Preston (Princeton University, committee member; in process)
- Amy McKiernan (Vanderbilt University, committee member - external; PhD completed 2016)
- Nathaniel Stout (Temple University, committee member - external; PhD completed 2016)

*Undergraduate Advising:*

- George Kunkel (senior thesis, Princeton University 2016-17)
- Daniel Schiff (senior thesis, Princeton University 2011-12)
- Emilio Campos (senior thesis, Princeton University 2011-12)

*Graduate courses:*

- Blame: its nature and norms (Foundations Seminar ANU)
- Topics in Moral Psychology: agency and responsibility
- Topics in Philosophy of Mind / Metaphysics
  - From Descartes to Dennett: the naturalist turn
  - Dispositions in Mind and Matter
  - The Development of Agency: from folk-psychology to moral reasoning
- Topics in Philosophy of Language
  - Wittgenstein,
  - Theories of Representation
- Topics in Epistemology
  - Foundationalism and Coherentism; Naturalized Epistemology

*Undergraduate Courses:*

- Freedom and Responsibility
- Moral Psychology of Adam Smith
- Explaining Value
- Topics in Moral Psychology (Freshman seminar)
- Philosophy of Mind
- Philosophy of Language
- Introductory Logic
- Introduction to Philosophy (Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics and Political Theory)
- Introduction to the History of Philosophy (Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Descartes, Pascal, Locke, Leibniz, Berkeley, Hume, Rousseau, Kant, Mill, Marx, Freud)

**Professional Activities:**

Professional associations

- Moral Psychology Research Group (MPRG) – by invitation
- American Philosophical Association (APA)
- Australasian Association of Philosophy (AAP)

External examiner (PhD)

- Jillian Craigie, Monash University (2008)
- Andreas Paraskevaides, University of Edinburgh (2010)
- Amy McKiernan, Vanderbilt University (dissertation prospectus, 2015)
- Amy McKiernan (PhD 2016)
- Julie Germein, Macquarie University (2016 - referred)
- Nathaniel Stout, Temple University (2016)
- Daphne Brandenburg, Radboud University, Nijmegen (2019)

Committees:

- RSSH, Australian National University: Co-Convenor, Interdisciplinary Workshop on George Eliot's *Middlemarch*. February 2003
- American Philosophical Association (Eastern Division): Program Committee, 1999-2001.
- Society for Philosophy and Psychology: Executive Committee, 1999-2001.
- Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology Richard M. Griffith Award Committee, April, 1995

Refereeing:

- Tenure & promotion letters (as requested – ongoing)
- Grant refereeing
  - Hope and Optimism Project 2015 (directed by Andrew Chignell & Sam Newlands)
  - ARC discovery grants 2016
- Journal refereeing (ongoing)
  - *Journal of Political Philosophy*
  - *Australian Journal of Philosophy*
  - *American Philosophical Quarterly*
  - *Critica*
  - *Dialogue*
  - *Ethics*
  - *The Canadian Journal of Philosophy*
  - *The Journal of Moral Philosophy*
  - *Philosophical Quarterly*
  - *APA Journal*
- Conference refereeing:
  - New Orleans Workshop on Agency and Responsibility 2015
  - American Philosophical Association 1999-2001
  - Canadian Philosophical Association 1988-92

Conference/ Workshop organizing:

- Workshop on “Scaffolding Responsibility”, University Center for Human Values, Princeton University, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2018
- (with Susan Leekam) Symposium: “New Directions: The Changing Face of Sensory-Perceptual Research in Autism”, Society of Research in Child Development. Biennial meeting: Boston, March 2007

**University and Departmental Service:**

Princeton University:

- Panel organizer and organizational committee for UCHV 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event, 2014-15
- UCHV-Philosophy junior search committee 2012-13
- UCHV Executive Committee: 2006-
- Mentoring Committee, Erika Kiss (UCHV): 2010-15
- UCHV-Philosophy Junior Search Committee: 2012-13
- Laurance S. Rockefeller Fellows Selection Committee 2007, 2016, 2018
- Senior Thesis Prize committee, University Center for Human Values, 2005; 2006
- Faculty discussant, UCHV Film Forum: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2016

Australian National University

- RSSH Job Search Committee, senior appointment (Level D-E) in Philosophy, CASS - 2015
- RSSH Post-Doc search committee in Philosophy, CASS – 2017
- RSSH School of Philosophy webpage – liaison with CASS Marketing; troubleshooting & design – 2018
- RSSH Ethics & Risk Post-doc search committee in Philosophy, CASS -- 2019

*Vanderbilt University:*

- Sub-Committee on the Humanities, 1997-98
- Freshman Advisor, 1995-96
- Committee on Linguistics, 1994-97
- Speakers Committee, Dept. of Philosophy 1994-97

*Dalhousie University*

- Speakers Committee, Dept. of Philosophy

*University of Toronto:*

- Graduate Philosophy Student Union Representative 1984-88

