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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Metaphysics, philosophy of mathematics, free will, philosophy of time, metaphilosophy, metaontology, and, to a lesser extent, metaethics and philosophy of language.

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

Logic, philosophy of logic, philosophy of mind, epistemology, philosophy of science.

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY:

Sept. 1988-June 1992: *City University of New York Graduate Center*
Graduated with a PhD in philosophy. Dissertation: *Knowledge of Mathematical Objects*. Committee: Professors Arnold Koslow, Hartry Field, Jerrold Katz, Charles Landesman, and Elliott Mendelson.

Sept. 1982-May 1986: *University of Colorado, Boulder*
Graduated Cum Laude with a triple major in Philosophy, Mathematics, and Psychology.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Sept. 1992-present: *California State University, Los Angeles*
Started as Assistant Professor of philosophy. Awarded early tenure and promotion to Associate Professor, September 1997. Awarded early promotion to Professor, September 2001. Graduate (MA) courses taught include: Philosophy of Mathematics, Free Will and Determinism, Metaontology, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language, Truth, Moral Realism, Advanced Logic, and History of the Philosophy of Mathematics. Undergraduate courses taught include: Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics, History of the Philosophy of Mathematics, Metaethics, Advanced Logic, Metalogic and Set Theory, Introduction to Logic, and Critical Thinking.

Aug. 1990-May 1992: *Hunter College*
Started as Teacher's Assistant. Promoted after one year to Graduate Assistant A, a teaching-fellowship position that enabled me to teach my own courses. Courses taught included Introduction to Philosophy, Critical Thinking, and Introduction to Logic and the Scientific Method.

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

How to Be a Presentist, 2026, Oxford University Press.

Mathematical Anti-Realism and Modal Nothingism, 2022, Cambridge University Press.

Metaphysics, Sophistry, and Illusion: Toward a Widespread Non-Factualism, 2021, Oxford University Press.

Free Will, 2014, MIT Press.

Free Will as an Open Scientific Problem, 2010, MIT Press.

Platonism and Anti-Platonism in Mathematics, 1998, Oxford University Press.

Symposia on my work:

"Replies to McKenna, Pereboom, and Kane," *Philosophical Studies*, vol. 169 (2014), 71-92; this was part of a symposium on my book *Free Will as an Open Scientific Problem*. The other contributors to the symposium are Michael McKenna, Derk Pereboom, and Robert Kane.

In Spring 2009, there was an online symposium (on the free will website "Garden of Forking Paths", run out of UC Riverside) on my paper "Why There are no Good Arguments for any Interesting Version of Determinism."

Papers:

Papers Published in Journals:

"How to Be a One-Thinger," forthcoming in *Synthese*.

"Metaphysically Minimal Presentism, Or: Presentism Without Time, Without Temporal Passage, and Without the A-Theory," forthcoming in *Disputatio*.

"How We Could Have Libertarian Free Will Even if God Were a Total Know-It-All About the Future," forthcoming in *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*. (With Rebecca Chan.)

"Sapolsky-freedom and Libertarian-freedom," forthcoming in *Teorema*, in a book symposium on Robert Sapolsky's *Determined*.

"Strawson, Ordinary Language, and the Priority of Holding Responsible Over Being Responsible," *Harvard Review of Philosophy*, vol. 30 (2023), pp. 1-20.

"Why Metaphysical Debates are not Merely Verbal (or How to Have a Non-Verbal Metaphysical Debate)," *Synthese*, vol. 197 (2020), pp. 1181-1201.

"Free Will, Determinism, and Epiphenomenalism," *Frontiers in Psychology* (2019), https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2018.02623.

PUBLICATIONS, Papers, Papers Published in Journals (continued):

"Why The Debate About Composition is Factually Empty (Or Why There's No Fact of the Matter Whether Anything Exists)," *Synthese*, vol. 195 (2018), pp. 3975-4008.

"Why Mathematical Fictionalism isn't Psychologistic," *The Journal of Consciousness Studies*, vol. 24 (2017), pp. 103-11.

"Mathematical Pluralism and Platonism," *The Journal of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research*," vol. 34 (2017), pp. 379-98.

"Anti-Metaphysicalism, Necessity, and Temporal Ontology," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, vol. 92 (2016), pp. 145-67.

"A Solution to the Paradox of Analysis," with Terry Horgan, *Analysis*, vol. 76 (2016), pp. 3-7.

"Conceptual Analysis and X-Phi," *Synthese,* vol. 193 (2016), pp. 2367-88.

"A Guide for the Perplexed: What Mathematicians Need to Know to Understand Philosophers of Mathematics," *Mathematical Intelligencer*, vol. 36 (2014), pp. 3-8.

"Interview on Free Will and Moral Responsibility", *Methòde*, vol. 2 (2013), pp. 1-11.

"Structures, fictions, and the explanatory epistemology of mathematics in science," (with Elaine Landry, Sorin Bangu, and Christopher Pincock), *Metascience*, vol. 22 (2013), pp. 247-73.

"Reply to Armour-Garb," *Philosophia Mathematica*, vol. 19 (2011), pp. 34-48.

"Is There a Fact of the Matter Between Direct Reference Theory and (Neo-)Fregeanism?," *Philosophical Studies*, vol. 154 (2011), pp. 53-78.

"Why There are no Good Arguments for any Interesting Version of Determinism," *Synthese*, vol. 168 (2009), pp. 1-21.

"Fictionalism, Theft, and the Story of Mathematics," *Philosophia Mathematica*, vol. 17 (2009), pp. 131-62.

"The Metaphysical Irrelevance of the Compatibilism Debate (and, More Generally, of Conceptual Analysis)," *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, vol. 47 (Spring 2009), pp. 1-24.

"Indexical Propositions and *De Re* Belief Ascriptions," *Synthese*, vol. 146 (September, 2005), pp. 325-55.

"A Coherent, Naturalistic, and Plausible Formulation of Libertarian Free Will," *Nous*, vol. 38 (September 2004), pp. 379-406.

"A Theory of Mathematical Correctness and Mathematical Truth," *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, vol. 82 (June 2001), pp. 87-114.

"Reply to Dieterle," *Philosophia Mathematica*, vol. 8 (October 2000), pp. 310-315.

PUBLICATIONS, Papers, Papers Published in Journals (continued):

"Libertarianism as a Scientifically Reputable View," *Philosophical Studies*, vol. 93 (February 1999), pp. 189-211.

"Attitudes Without Propositions," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, vol. 58 (December 1998), pp. 805-26.

"Non-Uniqueness as a Non-Problem," *Philosophia Mathematica*, vol. 6 (1998), pp. 63-84.

"Indexical Senses," *Theoria* (March 1998).

"Towards a Nominalization of Quantum Mechanics," *Mind*, vol. 105 (1996), pp. 209-26

"A Fictionalist Account of the Indispensable Applications of Mathematics," *Philosophical Studies*, vol. 83 (1996), pp. 291-314.

"A Platonist Epistemology," *Synthese*, vol. 103 (1995), pp. 303-25.

"Platonismo Pleno," *Analisis Filosofico*, vol. 14 (1994), pp. 131-48. (Note: this journal is published in Argentina, at the University of Buenos Aires.)

"Against (Maddian) Naturalized Platonism," *Philosophia Mathematica*, vol. 2 (1994), pp. 97-108.

Papers Published in Anthologies:

"Deflationist Views in the Philosophy of Time," *Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Time*, N. Emery (ed.), Routledge, 2026.

"Why the Market Value of Free Will is $99.99," *Ted Chiang and Philosophy*, D. Friedell (ed.), Palgrave Macmillan, 2025.

"How to Be an Anti-Platonist," *Platonism*, H. Hrachovec and J. Macha (eds.), De Gruyter, 2024, pp. 175-201.

"Libertarianism," *A Companion to Free Will*, in the *Blackwell Companions to Philosophy Series*, J. Campbell, K.M. Mickelson, and V.A.White (eds.), Wiley-Blackwell Publishing, 2023, pp. 314-334.

"How to Be a Fictionalist About Material Constitution (And Just About Anything Else)," *Philosophical Fictionalism*, B. Armour-Garb and F. Kroon (eds.), Oxford University Press, 2020, pp. 142-67.

"Moral Folkism and the Deflation of (Lots of) Normative and Metaethics," *Abstract Objects: For and Against*, J.L. Falguera Lopez and C. Martinez-Vidal (eds.), Synthese Library, 2020, pp. 297-318.

"Full-Blooded Platonism," *An Historical Introduction to the Philosophy of Mathematics*, R. Marcus and M. McEvoy (eds.), Bloomsbury Press, 2016, pp. 719-32.

PUBLICATIONS, Papers, Papers Published in Anthologies (continued):

"A Guide for the Perplexed: What Mathematicians Need to Know to Understand Philosophers of Mathematics," reprint published in *The Best Writings in Mathematics 2015*, M. Pitici (ed.), Princeton University Press.

"Determinism and its Relevance to the Free-Will Question," *Handbook of Neuroethics*, J. Clausen and N. Levy (eds.), Springer, 2014, pp. 231-51.

"Mill and the Philosophy of Mathematics," *Mill's A System of Logic: Critical Appraisals*, A. Loizides (ed.), Routledge, 2014, pp. 83-100.

"Bare Bones Moral Realism and the Objections from Relativism," *Blackwell Companion to Relativism*, S. Hales (ed.), Blackwell Press, 2011, pp. 368-90.

"Fictionalism, Mathematical Facts, and Logical/Modal Facts," *Fictions and Models*, J. Woods (ed.), Philosophia Verlag, 2010, pp. 149-89.

"Realism and Anti-Realism in Mathematics," in *Philosophy of Mathematics* (*Handbook of the Philosophy of Science*), A.D. Irvine (ed.), Amsterdam: Elsevier/North-Holland, 2009, pp. 35-101.

"Mathematical Platonism," in *Proof and Other Dilemmas: Mathematics and Philosophy*, B. Gold and R.A. Simons (eds.), Mathematical Association of America Publications, 2008, pp. 179-204.

Encyclopedia Articles:

"Realism and Anti-Realism About Metaphysics," forthcoming in *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.

"Abstract Objects," in *Oxford Bibliographies in Philosophy*, *http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/*, 2019.

"Fictionalism in the Philosophy of Mathematics," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, *http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/fictionalism/*, 2008 (updated 2018).

"Fictionalism in the Philosophy of Mathematics," in *Oxford Bibliographies in Philosophy*, *http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/*, 2012 (updated 2018).

"Platonism in Metaphysics," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, *http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/platonism/*, 2004 (updated 2016).

"Kurt Gödel," *Encyclopedia Britannica*, *http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/236770/Kurt-Godel#*, 2009.

"Philosophy of Mathematics," *Encyclopedia Britannica*, *http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/369237/philosophy-of-mathematics*, 2007.

Book Reviews:

Review of *Effective Intentions* by Alfred Mele, *Philosophical Review*, vol. 120 (2011), pp. 447-52.

"Can We Know That Platonism is True?" (review essay of Jerrold Katz's *Realistic Rationalism*), *Philosophical Forum*, vol. 34, (Fall/Winter 2003), pp. 459-75.

Review of *Thinking About Mathematics* by Stewart Shapiro, *The Bulletin of Symbolic Logic*, vol. 8 (March 2002), pp. 89-91.

Review of *Naturalism in Mathematics* by Penelope Maddy, *Philosophy of Science*, vol. 66 (September 1999), pp. 502-04.

Review Essay on *Mathematics as a Science of Patterns* by Michael Resnik, *Philosophia Mathematica*, vol. 7 (February 1999), pp. 108-26.

Review of *Metaphysical Myths, Mathematical Practice* by Jody Azzouni, *The Journal of Symbolic Logic*, vol. 60 (1995), pp. 1312-14.

PRESENTATIONS:

Author-Meets-Critics Sessions on My Work:

Author-Meets-Critics Session on *Metaphysics, Sophistry, and Illusion* (Critics: Ted Sider, Karen Bennett, and Agustin Rayo), 2022 Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, Canada, April 2022.

Author-Meets-Critics Session on *Free Will as an Open Scientific Problem* (Critics: Robert Kane, Derk Pereboom, and Michael McKenna), 2011 Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, CA, April 2011.

Author-Meets-Critics Session on *Free Will as an Open Scientific Problem* (Critics: Anthony Bruekner and Robert Gressis), 2010 Southern California Philosophy Conference, Pomona, CA, November 2010.

Lectures:

"What Makes a Philosophical Work Good" (with Hannah Kim), to be presented at the University of Arizona, December 2026.

"Theoretical Fundamentality Without Metaphysical Fundamentality," to be presented at Chapman University, November 2026.

"Against the Layered View of Reality," presented at a conference at the University of Rijeka, Croatia, October 24, 2026.

PRESENTATIONS, Lectures (continued):

"How to Be a Neo-Positivist," presented at a conference at the University of Rijeka, Croatia, October 23, 2026.

"Welcome to Flatlandism: A Nice Place to Live," presented at a conference at Union College, Schenectady, NY, May 2026.

"Mathematical Platonism, Mathematical Relativism, and the Mind-Dependence of Mathematical Truth," presented at a meeting of the Association of the Philosophy of Mathematical Practice, January 2026.

"A New Response to the Luck Objection," presented at a conference at the University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, November 2025.

"How to Be a Presentist," presented in Munich, June 2025.

"Mathematical Platonism, Mathematical Relativism, and the Mind-Dependence of Mathematical Truth," presented in Munich, June 2025.

"How to Be a Presentist," presented at UMass Amherst, April 2025.

"How to Be a One-Thinger," presented at UMass Amherst, April 2025.

"Why Cartesian Dualists (and Everyone Else) Encounters the Hard Problem Too," presented in Brighton, Utah, March 2025.

"Metaphysically Minimal Presentism," presented in Lisbon, June 2024.

"How to Make Presentism Compatible with Special Relativity," presented in Barcelona, June 2024

"How to Make Presentism Compatible with Special Relativity," presented at a conference in Rijeka, Croatia, June 2024.

"Temporal Nothingism," presented as part of the Metaphilosophy Workshop, through the Croatian Science Foundation, March 2024.

"Metaphysically Minimal Presentism," presented in Brighton, Utah, February, 2024

"Meta-Social Ontology," presented in Budapest, July 2023.

"What is Social Construction," presented in Budapest, July 2023.

"Platonism and Wittgenstein," presented at a Wittgenstein Society, Kirchberg, Austria, August 2022.

"Does Anyone Really Care About Free Will or Consistency?" presented at a conference on Ted Chiang's fiction, Schenectady, NY, May 2022.

"Temporal Nothingism," presented at a conference in Park City, Utah, March 2022.

PRESENTATIONS, Lectures (continued):

"How to Make Presentism Compatible with Special Relativity," to be presented at a meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association, Baltimore, MD, November 2021.

"Temporal Nothingism," presented at Princeton University, October 2021.

"How to Make Presentism Compatible with Special Relativity," presented at Princeton University, October 2021.

"How We Could Have Libertarian Free Will Even if God Were a Total Know-It-All About the Future," presented (with Rebecca Chan) to the Princeton-Rutgers Philosophy of Religion Group, October 2021.

"Presentism Without the A-Theory, Without Temporal Passage, and Without Time," keynote lecture at a conference at Rijeka University, Rijeka, Croatia, September 2021.

"Metaphysics, Sophistry, and Illusion," presented at Texas A&M University, April 2021. (I gave a lecture summarizing my new book.)

"Strawson, Ordinary Language, and the Priority of Holding Responsible Over Being Responsible," keynote lecture at a conference at Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, February 2021.

"Strawson, Ordinary Language, and the Priority of Holding Responsible Over Being Responsible," presented at a conference in Park City, Utah, February 2020.

"Non-Factualism About Composite Objects," presented at the Southern California Metaphysics Network, UC Irvine, December 2019.

"Free Will," presented at Google London, London, England, October 2019.

"A Semantic Solution to the Problem of Coincident Objects," presented to the London Language, Epistemology, and Metaphysics Group, at Senate House, London, England, October 2019.

"Free Will, Mathematics, and Economic Theory," presented at a conference at the Oxford University, October 2019.

"Neo-Positivism," presented at a conference in Park City, Utah, February 2019.

"Libertarianism," presented at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, October 2018.

"Metaphysics, Sophistry, and Illusion," presented at the University of Rijeka, June 2018. (I presented a new book manuscript in a series of lectures.)

"Moral Folkism and the Deflation of (Lots of) Normative and Metaethics," presented at a conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia, June, 2018.

"Anti-Metaphysicalism, Necessity, and Temporal Ontology," read at the Central European University in Budapest, July, 2017.

PRESENTATIONS, Lectures (continued):

"How to Make Presentism Compatible with Special Relativity," presented at the Central European University in Budapest, July, 2017.

"Saving Free Will From Evil Neuroscientists," presented at a conference on free will in Bonn, Germany, June, 2017.

"Material Constitution as a Fiction," presented at a conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia, June, 2017.

"How to Make Presentism Compatible with Special Relativity," presented at a conference in Park City, Utah, February, 2017.

"Modal Nothingism," presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Exact Philosophy, University of Miami, May, 2016.

"Mathematical Platonism and Humanism," presented at the annual meeting of the American Mathematical Society, at California State University, Fullerton, October 2015.

"Why The Debate Over Composition is Factually Empty (Or Why There's No Fact of the Matter Whether Anything Exists)," presented at the City University of New York Graduate Center, September 16, 2015.

"Mathematical Platonism and Pluralism," presented at a conference on Mathematical Pluralism at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico City, September 10-12, 2015.

"Saving Free Will From Evil Neuroscientists," presented at a conference at the University of Rome, March 17, 2015.

"Why The Debate Over Composition is Factually Empty (Or Why There's No Fact of the Matter Whether Anything Exists)," presented at an invited symposium at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, CA, April 2014.

"Anti-Metaphysicalism, Necessity, and Temporal Ontology," presented at the University of California, Irvine, February 2014.

"Modal Nothingism," presented at the University of Aberdeen, October 2013.

"Why The Debate Over Composition is Factually Empty (Or Why There's No Fact of the Matter Whether Anything Exists)," presented at the University of Aberdeen, October 2013.

"Anti-Metaphysicalism, Necessity, and Temporal Ontology," presented at the University of Leeds, October 2013.

"Modal Nothingism," presented at Southern California Foundations of Mathematics conference, UCLA, April 2013.

"Why The Debate Over Composition is Factually Empty (Or Why There's No Fact of the Matter Whether Anything Exists)," presented at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, January 2013.

PRESENTATIONS, Lectures (continued):

"What Mathematicians Need to Know to Understand Philosophers of Mathematics," presented at the annual meeting of the Mathematics Association of America, San Diego, CA, January 2013.

"Anti-Metaphysicalism, Necessity, and Temporal Ontology," presented at California State University, Chico, Chico, CA, November 2012.

"Why The Debate Over Composition is Factually Empty (Or Why There's No Fact of the Matter Whether Anything Exists)," presented at California State University, Northridge, Northridge, CA, October 2012.

"A Scientifically Reputable Version of Indeterministic Libertarian Free Will," presented at the Evolution and Function of Consciousness conference, Montreal, Canada, July 2012.

"A Semantic Solution to the Problem of Coincident Objects," presented at an invited symposium at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Seattle, WA, April 2012.

"Free Will as a Case Study in What Conceptual Analysis is, Why it's (at Least Mostly) Empirical, and What's Wrong With the Canberra Plan," presented at the University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, January 2012.

"Comments on Al Mele's *Effective Intentions*," presented at an author-meets-critics session at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Minneapolis, MN, April 2011.

"Why Metaphysical Disputes are Not Merely Verbal…And Why At Least Some of Them are Empty Anyway," presented at the Central European University in Budapest, July, 2010.

"Fictionalism, Mathematical Facts, and Logical/Modal Facts," presented at a conference on fictionalism at the University of Manchester, Manchester, England, September, 2009.

"Fictionalism, Mathematical Facts, and Logical Facts," presented at an invited symposium at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, Canada, April 10, 2009.

"Free Will as an Open Scientific Problem," presented at Chico State, March 26, 2009.

"An Even Newer Wave Moral Realism: Token-Token Moral Naturalism," presented at the Central European University in Budapest, July 22, 2008.

"Mathematical Fictionalism," presented in an invited symposium at the 2006 Eastern Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Washington D.C., December 2006.

"Why There are No Good Arguments for Any Interesting Version of Determinism," presented at the Bled Conference on Freedom and Determinism, hosted by the University of Ljubljana, Bled, Slovenia, May-June, 2006.

PRESENTATIONS, Lectures (continued):

"Indexical Propositions and *De Re* Belief Ascriptions," presented at the University of California, Irvine, October 22, 2004.

"The Metaphysical Irrelevance of the Compatibilism Debate (and, More Generally, of Conceptual Analysis)," presented at the Southern California Philosophy Conference, University of California, Riverside, October 25, 2003.

"Intuitionism, Psychologism, and Excluded Middle," presented at the University of Queensland Philosophy of Mathematics Workshop, Brisbane, Australia, June 20, 2003.

"A Coherent, Naturalistic, and Plausible Formulation of Libertarian Free Will," presented at the University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia, June 17, 2003.

"An Even Newer Wave Moral Realism: Token-Token Moral Naturalism," presented at California State University, Northridge, September 25, 2002.

"Intuitionism, Psychologism, and Excluded Middle," presented as an invited paper at the 2002 meeting of the Association of Symbolic Logic at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, June 2002.

"Platonistic Epistemology," presented at California Institute of Technology, March 2002.

"A Non-Reductive, Naturalistic Moral Realism," presented at the University of Texas, Austin, October 18, 2001.

"What is Realism in Mathematics?" presented at California State University, Los Angeles, February 27, 2001.

"Why Compatibilism Adds Nothing of Metaphysical Relevance to the Problem of Free Will," presented at Oakland University, October 1999.

"A Theory of Mathematical Truth and Mathematical Correctness," presented at the University of Michigan, Dearborn, September 1999.

"Accounting for Indispensable Applications from a Fictionalist Point of View," presented at Stanford University, April 1998.

"A Theory of Mathematical Truth and Mathematical Correctness," presented at Stanford University, April 1998.

Platonism and Anti-Platonism in Mathematics (selected portions), presented in a series of lectures at UCLA, February 1997.

"Why Belief is Not a Relation," presented at Rutgers University, April 18, 1996.

"Attitudes Without Propositions," presented at the City University of New York Graduate Center, April 17, 1996.

"Non-Uniqueness as a Non-Problem," presented as an invited paper at the 1996 meeting of the Association of Symbolic Logic at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, March 1996.

PRESENTATIONS, Lectures (continued):

"A Kinder, Gentler Positivism," presented at California State University, Los Angeles, October 13, 1994.

"A Fictionalist Account of the Indispensable Applications of Mathematics," presented at the University of California, Irvine, May 2, 1994.

"Towards a Nominalization of Quantum Mechanics," presented at the University of California, Irvine, April 25, 1994.

"A Platonist Epistemology," presented at the University of Colorado, Boulder, February 28, 1994.

"Is There a Philosophical Problem Concerning Free Will?" presented at Redlands University, February 18, 1994.

Commentator:

Commentator at a conference in Utah, March 2026. I will present comments on two different papers, one by Adina Roskies and one by Steve Downes and Andrei Buckareff.

Commentator at a conference in Utah, March 2023. I presented comments on a paper by Alyssa Ney.

Commentator at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, April 2021. I presented comments on a paper by Sharon Berry.

Commentator at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, April 2017. I presented comments on a paper by Kenneth Boyce.

Commentator at the SOFIA conference, Huatulco, Mexico, January 2017. I presented comments on a paper by Karen Bennett.

Commentator at the Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference at UBC, August 2016. I presented comments on a paper by Bruno Whittle.

Commentator at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, March 2013. I presented comments on a paper by Alex Grzankowski.

Commentator at the Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference at Western Washington University, August 2012. I presented comments on a paper by Mary Beth Willard.

Commentator at a conference on free will at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, October 2011. I presented comments on a paper by Eddy Nahmias.

Commentator at the Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference at Western Washington University, August 2011. I presented comments on a paper by Randy Clarke.

Commentator at the INPC conference on Reference and Referring at the University of Idaho and Washington State University, April 2010. I presented comments on a paper by Jody Azzouni.

PRESENTATIONS, Commentator (continued):

Commentator at a conference on Free Will at the University of Indiana, September 2007. I presented comments on a paper by Adina Roskies.

Commentator at an invited colloquium on fictionalism in metaphysics at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, May 1999. I presented comments on a paper by Gideon Rosen.

Commentator at "Time, Tense, and Reference," a conference at Santa Barbara, April 1997. I presented comments on "Objects of Relief," by Mark Richard.

Commentator at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, March 1997. I presented comments on a paper by Mark Perlman.

Commentator at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, March 1995. I presented comments on a paper by Byeong-uk Yi.

GRANTS, AWARDS:

California State University, Los Angeles, Outstanding Professor Award, 2019.

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for College Teachers and Independent Scholars, 2003-2004. $40,000 to take the entire academic year off from teaching and work on a book on free will and metaphysics.

California State University, Los Angeles Creative Leave Grant, Spring 2001. One quarter off from teaching to work on a research project on free will and determinism.

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for College Teachers and Independent Scholars, 1995-96. $30,000 to take the entire academic year off from teaching and work on a book in the philosophy of mathematics.

California State University, Los Angeles Creative Leave Grant, Winter 1995. One quarter off from teaching to work on a research project in the philosophy of mathematics.

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar participant, summer 1992. $4,000 for the summer to study the philosophy of mathematics at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill with Distinguished Professor Michael D. Resnik.

City University of New York Alumni Dissertation Fellowship, 1991-92. $10,000 for the academic year.

Hunter College Graduate Assistant A, 1991-92. $14,000 teaching fellowship for the academic year.

REFERENCES:

Ned Markosian, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Terry Horgan, University of Arizona
Ted Sider, Rutgers University