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Education

PhD, University of Chicago, 2000 (Philosophy)
AM, University of Chicago, 1993 (Philosophy)
MA, Northwestern University, 1991 (Art History)
AB, Harvard University, 1985 (Fine Arts)

Areas of specialization

Experimental ethics
Moral psychology
Philosophy of psychology

Areas of competence

Aesthetics
Applied epistemology
Ethics
Logic

Employment

(2021–) Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Missouri
(2007–) Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Missouri
(2001–2007) Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Program in Philosophy-Neuroscience-Psychology, Washington University in St. Louis
(2000–2001) Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Vermont
(1999–2000) Postdoctoral Fellow, Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas, UNAM

Research indices

h-index: 17
i10-index: 22

Publications

Books

Malle BF, **Robbins P**, eds. (2025). *The Cambridge Handbook of Moral Psychology*. Cambridge University Press.

Robbins P, Aydede M, eds. (2009). *The Cambridge Handbook of Situated Cognition*. Cambridge University Press.

Journal articles and book chapters

(* = peer-reviewed)

1. **Robbins P**. (2025).* Moral categorization and mind perception.
In: Malle BF, Robbins P, eds. *The Cambridge Handbook of Moral Psychology*. Cambridge University Press.
2. Malle BF, **Robbins P**. (2025). Modern moral psychology: An introduction to the terrain.
In: Malle BF, Robbins P, eds. *The Cambridge Handbook of Moral Psychology*. Cambridge University Press.
3. **Robbins P**, Alvear F. (2023).* Deformative experience: Explaining the effects of adversity on moral evaluation. *Social Cognition*, 41(5), 415–446.
4. **Robbins P**, Alvear F., Litton P. (2021).* Good deeds and hard knocks: The effect of past suffering on praise for moral behavior. *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, 97, 104216.
5. **Robbins P**, Litton P. (2018).* Crime, punishment, and causation: The effect of etiological information on the perception of moral agency. *Psychology, Public Policy, and Law*, 24(1), 118–127.
6. **Robbins P**. (2015). Philosophizing the social brain.
Cognitive Systems Research, 34–35, 1–4.
7. Jack AI, **Robbins P**, Friedman JP, Meyers CD. (2014).* More than a feeling: Counterintuitive effects of compassion on moral judgment.
In: Sytsma J, ed. *Advances in Experimental Philosophy of Mind* (pp. 125–179). Bloomsbury Academic.
8. **Robbins P**, Shields K. (2014).* Explaining ideology: Two factors are better than one.
Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 37(3), 326–328. .
9. **Robbins P**. (2013).* Modularity and mental architecture.
WIREs Cognitive Science, 4(6), 641–649.
10. Jack AI, **Robbins P**. (2012).* The phenomenal stance revisited.
Review of Philosophy and Psychology, 3(3), 383–403.
11. Knobe J, Buckwalter W, Nichols S, **Robbins P**, Sarkissian H, Sommers T. (2012).* Experimental philosophy.
Annual Review of Psychology, 63, 81–99.
12. **Robbins P**. (2009).* Guilt by dissociation: Why mindreading may not be prior to metacognition after all.
Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 32(2), 159–160.
13. **Robbins P**, Aydede M. (2009). A short primer on situated cognition.
In: Robbins P, Aydede M, eds. *The Cambridge Handbook of Situated Cognition* (pp. 3–10). Cambridge University Press.

14. **Robbins P.** (2008).* Consciousness and the social mind.
Cognitive Systems Research, 9(1–2), 15–23.
15. **Robbins P.** (2007).* Minimalism and modularity.
In: Preyer G, Peter G, eds. *Context-Sensitivity and Semantic Minimalism* (pp. 303–319). Oxford University Press.
16. **Robbins P, Zacks JM.** (2007). Attachment theory and cognitive science.
Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association, 55(2), 457–467.
17. **Robbins P.** (2006).* The ins and outs of introspection.
Philosophy Compass, 1(6), 617–630.
18. **Robbins P, Jack AI.** (2006).* The phenomenal stance.
Philosophical Studies, 127(1), 59–85.
19. **Robbins P, Jack AI.** (2006).* An unconstrained mind: Explaining belief in the afterlife.
Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 29(5), 484.
20. Boyer P, **Robbins P, Jack AI.** (2005). Varieties of self-systems worth having.
Consciousness and Cognition, 14(4), 647–660.
21. **Robbins P.** (2005).* The myth of reverse compositionality.
Philosophical Studies, 125(2), 251–275.
22. Jack AI, **Robbins P.** (2004).* The illusory triumph of machine over mind.
Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 27(5), 665–666.
23. **Robbins P.** (2004).* To structure, or not to structure?
Synthese, 139(1), 55–80.
24. **Robbins P.** (2004).* Knowing me, knowing you: Theory of mind and the machinery of introspection.
Journal of Consciousness Studies, 11(7–8), 129–143.
25. **Robbins P.** (2002).* The paradox of self-consciousness revisited.
Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, 83(4), 424–443.
26. **Robbins P.** (2002).* How to blunt the sword of compositionality.
Noûs, 36(2), 313–334.
27. **Robbins P.** (2002).* What domain integration could not be.
Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 25(6), 696–697.
28. **Robbins P.** (2002). Normativity, naturalism, and the necessity of virtue.
In: Beltrán J, Pereda C, eds. *La Certeza, ¿Un Mito?* (pp. 63–70). IIF-UNAM.
29. Aydede M, **Robbins P.** (2001).* Are Frege cases exceptions to intentional generalizations?
Canadian Journal of Philosophy, 31(1), 1–22.
30. **Robbins P.** (2001).* What compositionality still can do.
Philosophical Quarterly, 51(204), 328–336.
31. **Robbins P.** (1998).* Will the *real* philosopher behind the last logicist please stand up?
Southern Journal of Philosophy, 36(2), 265–287.

Encyclopedia articles

1. **Robbins P.** (2017). Modularity of mind.
In: E. Zalta, ed., *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Fall 2017 Edition). (Substantive revision of entry originally published in 2009.)
2. **Robbins P.** (2013). Situated cognition.
In: Kaldis B, ed. *Encyclopedia of Philosophy and the Social Sciences*, vol. 2 (pp. 870–872). Sage.
3. **Robbins P.** (2013). Modularity of the mind.
In: Kaldis B, ed. *Encyclopedia of Philosophy and the Social Sciences*, vol. 2 (pp. 627–629). Sage.
4. **Robbins P.** (2009). Modularity of mind.
In E. Zalta, ed., *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Summer 2009 Edition).
5. **Robbins P.** (2005). Systematicity.
In Brown K., ed. *Encyclopedia of Language and Linguistics*, vol. 12, 2nd ed. (pp. 440–443). Elsevier.

Book reviews

1. **Robbins P.** (2008). Review of *Simulating Minds* by Alvin Goldman.
Mind, 117(468), 1076–1079.
2. **Robbins, P.** (2004). Review of *Philosophy of Mind* by David Chalmers (Ed.).
Philosophical Psychology, 17(2), 319–320.
3. **Robbins P.** (2002). Review of *Conceptual Spaces* by Peter Gärdenfors.
Philosophical Psychology, 15(2), 200–203.

Other publications

1. **Robbins P.**, ed. (2015). Philosophical perspectives on social neuroscience. [Special issue].
Cognitive Systems Research, 34–35, 1–70.
2. Buckwalter W, Knobe J, Nichols S, Pinillos A, **Robbins P**, Sarkissian H, Weigel C, Weinberg J. (2012). Experimental philosophy.
In: Pritchard D, ed. *Oxford Bibliographies Online*. Oxford University Press.
3. **Robbins P.** (2008). Teaching and learning guide for: The ins and outs of introspection. *Philosophy Compass*, 3(5), 1100–1102.
4. Boyer P, Jack AI, **Robbins P**, eds. (2005). The brain and its self. [Special issue].
Consciousness and Cognition, 14(4), 647–790.

Under review

Of machines and men: Folk attributions of moral responsibility in AI-assisted warfare. [*revise and resubmit*]

Adults' perceptions of childhood transgressions: The role of parental status and knowledge of child development. [with A. Roderick, Y. Guo, and N. Campione-Barr]

In preparation

Love, money, and blame: The effects of childhood adversity on judgments of criminal behavior. [with F. Alvear]

Morally minded: Folk psychology and the foundations of ethics.

Talks and presentations

1. Of machines and men: Folk attributions of moral responsibility in AI-assisted warfare.
5th European Experimental Philosophy Conference, University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK, July 2025 [poster]
2. Of machines and men: Folk attributions of moral responsibility in AI-assisted warfare.
Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, June 2025 [poster]
3. Love, money, and blame: The effects of childhood adversity on judgments of criminal behavior.
University of Missouri, Department of Philosophy, April 2025
4. Minding the responsibility gap: The moral perception of disobedient robots. (with A. Tramel)
3rd International Conference on Ethics of AI, University of Azores, Azores, Portugal, September 2024 [virtual]
5. Adults' perceptions of childhood transgressions. (with A. Roderick, Y. Guo, and N. Campione-Barr)
Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, April 2024
6. The ethics of adversity: Towards a scientifically informed account of moral responsibility. [invited, keynote]
XII Jornadas Rolando Chuaqui Kettlun, Santiago, Chile, October 2022
7. W(h)ither modularity? Skeptical worries about a foundational concept in cognitive science. [invited]
XII Jornadas Rolando Chuaqui Kettlun, Santiago, Chile, October 2022
8. Deformative experience: The effect of past suffering on moral evaluation.
European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Milan, Italy, July 2022
9. Deformative experience: The effect of past suffering on moral evaluation. (with F. Alvear)
University of Missouri, Department of Philosophy, April 2022
10. Moral handicapping: What it is, how it works, and why it matters. (with F. Alvear)
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Mobile, Alabama, April 2022
11. The effect of valence on moral typecasting. (with F. Alvear and P. Litton)
Society for Philosophy and Psychology, July 2021 [virtual, poster]
12. Polarity matters: The effect of valence on moral typecasting. (with F. Alvear and P. Litton)
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, December 2020 [virtual]
13. Polarity matters: The effect of valence on moral typecasting.
Social and Personality Area Meeting, Department of Psychological Sciences, University of Missouri, September 2019
14. Crime, punishment, and causation: Contextual effects on moral perception. [invited]
VIII Workshop on Language, Cognition, and Context, Villa General Belgrano, Argentina, August 2019
15. To attract praise, be a victim, not a beneficiary.
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Cincinnati, Ohio, March 2019
16. Happiness, pleasure, and the good life.
Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy, University of Missouri, November 2018
17. The significance of linguistic illusions: Comments on Szabó.
Kline Workshop on Semantics and Logic, University of Missouri, October 2018

18. The moral agency of animals: Comments on Ferrin.
Kline Workshop on Animal Ethics, University of Missouri, April 2018
19. Does group improvisation require a plural subject? Comments on Hagberg.
Kline Workshop on Aesthetics and Philosophy of Music, University of Missouri, March 2018
20. Two questions of persistence: Comments on Rose. [invited]
Central States Philosophical Association, St. Louis, October 2017
21. Thinking about thinking machines: Turing and the dawn of Artificial Intelligence.
MU Honors College, Humanities Series, April 2017
22. Crime, punishment, and causation: The effect of etiological information on the perception of moral agency. (with P. Litton)
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Savannah, Georgia, March 2017
23. Why so few? Gender stereotypes, ability beliefs, and the underrepresentation of women in philosophy. (with G. Marks-Wilt)
Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, Texas, January 2017 [poster]
24. Crime, punishment, and causation: The effect of etiological information on the perception of moral agency. (with P. Litton)
Buffalo Annual Experimental Philosophy Conference, SUNY Buffalo, September 2016
25. More than a feeling: Towards an alternative dual-process account of moral judgment.
Missouri Philosophy of Science Workshop, University of Missouri, April 2016
26. Exploring philosophy's gender gap: Stereotyping, identity, and academic engagement. (with G. Marks-Wilt)
APA Eastern Division, Washington, D.C., January 2016
27. Philosophy's leaky pipeline: Self-perceived competence outperforms stereotyping and identity in predicting academic engagement. (with G. Marks-Wilt)
Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, California, January 2016 [poster]
28. Race-asymmetric moral assessments, ideological orientation, and symbolic racism. (with G. Marks-Wilt).
Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, June 2015 [poster]
29. The racial division(s) of moral labor: Symbolic racism, political orientation, and race-asymmetric moral status ascription. (with G. Marks-Wilt)
Buffalo Annual Experimental Philosophy Conference, SUNY Buffalo, October 2014
30. Race and racism in ascriptions of moral status. (with G. Marks-Wilt)
Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, May 2014 [poster]
31. The gendered division of moral labor. (with G. Marks-Wilt)
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Charleston, SC, February 2014
32. More than a feeling: Compassion predicts resistance to utilitarian moral judgments — even when it shouldn't.
Social and Personality Area Meeting, Department of Psychological Sciences, University of Missouri, March 2013
33. Situating the self. [invited]
Zygon Center for Religion and Science, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, February 2013

34. More than a feeling: Counterintuitive effects of empathy on reasoning about moral dilemmas. [invited]
Mindreading, Understanding, and Emotion, UNC Chapel Hill, January 2013
35. Persons, minds, and morals.
Buffalo Experimental Philosophy Conference, SUNY Buffalo, October 2012
36. Consilience denied: Folk personology and the Balkanized brain.
Science Studies Colloquium, University of Missouri, September 2012
37. Is conscious will an illusion?
MU Honors College, Social and Behavioral Science Series, September 2011 [lecture]
38. The social foundations of selfhood. [invited]
SMU Mind Workshop on Consciousness and the Self, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, April 2012
39. Persons, minds, and morals. [invited]
Department of Philosophy, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, Texas, April 2012
40. Minding the gaps: Comments on King.
Kline Workshop on Semantics, Pragmatics, and Epistemology. University of Missouri, October 2011
41. Mind perception and moral projection.
Quantitative Area, Department of Psychological Sciences, University of Missouri, October 2011
42. A plea for excuses: Comments on Herman.
Kline Workshop on Kantian Ethics, University of Missouri, April 2011
43. Mind perception and moral projection.
University of Missouri, April 2011
44. Commonsense thinking about minds and morals.
MERG (Metropolitan Area Experimental Philosophy) Workshop, NYU, March 2011
45. Minds and morals: The experientialist (hypo)thesis revisited. [invited]
Henry Smits Memorial Lecture, Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri, November 2010
46. Minds and morals: The experientialist (hypo)thesis revisited. [invited]
Department of Cognitive Science, Case Western Reserve University, October 2010
47. Who's to judge? Comments on Jackson.
Kline Workshop on Experimental Philosophy, University of Missouri, April 2010
48. The self and its social body. [invited]
Society for Exact Philosophy, Kansas City, March 2010
49. Mentality and morality: The experientialist (hypo)thesis revisited.
University of Missouri, March 2010
50. Self-knowledge: A brain's-eye view. [invited]
APA Eastern Division, New York City, December 2009
51. Consciousness, meta-consciousness, and the social mind: Four lectures. [invited]
School of Philosophy and Center for Cognitive Science, University of Chile, Santiago, October 2009
52. Mirroring, language, and the viral mind: Reflections on Gordon and Fadiga. [invited]
Morris Symposium on Language, Cognition, and Motor Control, SUNY Stony Brook, May 2009

53. The fractionation of pragmatics: Comments on Stainton.
Kline Workshop on Meaning, University of Missouri, April 2009
54. A fresh look at the feeling of understanding.
Missouri Philosophy of Science (MOPS) Workshop, University of Missouri, September 2008
55. Subsentential speech and psychology. [invited]
APA Central Division, Chicago, April 2008
56. Thinking about consciousness.
SPAM (Social and Personality Area Meeting), Department of Psychological Sciences, University of Missouri, March 2008
57. The genuine problem of consciousness. [invited]
Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, January 2008
58. Consciousness and the social mind.
Cognition and Neuroscience Group, University of Missouri, October 2007
59. The genuine problem of consciousness. [invited]
Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness, Las Vegas, June 2007 (plenary symposium)
60. The genuine problem of consciousness. [invited]
BASIC Workshop on Subjectivity, Intersubjectivity, and Self-Representation, Copenhagen, May 2007
61. The introspective self. [invited]
APA Pacific Division, San Francisco, April 2007
62. Minding the gap. [invited]
Northern Illinois University, February 2007
63. The mind of a minimalist. [invited]
University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, January 2007
64. The mind of a minimalist. [invited]
Colgate University, January 2007
65. The mind of a minimalist. [invited]
York University, Toronto, January 2007
66. The mind of a minimalist. [invited]
University of Missouri, January 2007
67. The reappearance of introspection.
Washington University in St. Louis, December 2006
68. Anchoring intuitions: Comments on Swain, Alexander & Weinberg. [invited]
Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP), St. Louis, June 2006
69. Educating intuition: Explanatory gaps and the Balkanized brain. [invited]
Association for Philosophy of Education, APA Pacific Division, Portland, Oregon, March 2006
70. Folk personology and the Balkanized brain.
University of Missouri, December 2005 [invited]
71. Is semantics modular?
Workshop on Semantics and Psychological Evidence, Washington University in St. Louis, April 2005 (invited)

72. The phenomenal stance.
APA Pacific Division, San Francisco, March 2005 (symposium) [invited]
73. The phenomenal stance.
Washington University Medical School, St. Louis, October 2004
74. Unifying Modulandia: Language as domain integrator. [with S. Bernal]
SPP–EuroSPP, Barcelona, July 2004
75. Is self-awareness impaired in Asperger syndrome?
The Brain and Its Self, Washington University in St. Louis, April 2004
76. Unifying Modulandia: Language as domain integrator. [with S. Bernal]
APA Eastern Division, Washington, D.C., December 2003 (symposium)
77. Unifying Modulandia: Language as domain integrator. [with S. Bernal]
Washington University in St. Louis, October 2003
78. Reverse compositionality.
Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP), Pasadena, June 2003
79. Anti-Cartesian lessons from the theory of cognitive control: Comments on Thalos.
APA Central Division, Cleveland, April 2003
80. Autism, schizophrenia, and the self.
Washington University in St. Louis, April 2003
81. Reverse compositionality.
APA Pacific Division, San Francisco, March 2003 (symposium)
82. Emotion, mood, and the body.
Philosophical Collaborations Conference, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, March 2003
83. Reverse compositionality.
Washington University in St. Louis, February 2003
84. Reverse compositionality.
University of Missouri–St. Louis, St. Louis, November 2002 [invited]
85. Reverse compositionality.
Central States Philosophical Association, Columbia, October 2002
86. Can we afford to be broad-minded?
APA Pacific Division, Seattle, March 2002
87. Prototypes, compositionality, and syntax: Comments on Rives.
Illinois Philosophical Association, Bloomington, November 2001
88. Inferentialism and singular terms: Comments on McCullagh.
Central States Philosophical Association, St. Louis, October 2001
89. What compositionality still can do.
APA Pacific Division, San Francisco, March 2001
90. Getting to the heart of self-consciousness.
Washington University, St. Louis, January 2001 [invited]

91. Getting to the heart of self-consciousness.
Mississippi State University, Starkville, February 2001 [invited]
92. How to blunt the sword of compositionality.
Universidad Autónoma de Estado de Morelos, Cuernavaca, Mexico, July 2000 [invited]
93. The paradox of self-consciousness revisited.
Ohio University, Athens, February 2000 [invited]
94. Are Frege cases exceptions to intentional generalizations?
APA Pacific Division, Berkeley, April 1999
95. Rethinking self-consciousness.
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, February 1999 [invited]
96. Atomism for the narrow-minded.
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, January 1999 [invited]
97. Atomism for the narrow-minded.
Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science (RuCCS), Piscataway, January 1999
98. Atomism for the narrow-minded.
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, January 1999 [invited]
99. Can factualists solve the self-location problem?
APA Eastern Division, Washington, D.C., December 1998
100. Classical propositionalism, generation gaps, and the diagonal argument.
World Congress of Philosophy XX, Boston, August 1998
101. Classical propositionalism, generation gaps, and the diagonal argument.
APA Central Division, Chicago, May 1998
102. Mathematical fictionalism in context.
Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis, February 1997

Other conference activity

Invited discussant, Culture and the Mind Workshop on Folk Psychology and Folk Epistemology, Lisbon, January 2007

Grants and awards

Arts and Science Writing Program Fellowship, University of Missouri, Fall 2024

Funding for conference travel (XII Jornadas Rolando Chuaqui Kettlun), Arts and Science Faculty International Travel award, University of Missouri, April 2022, \$1,000

Funding for conference travel (SSPP 2022), Arts and Humanities Domestic Travel award, University of Missouri, April 2022, \$800

Funding for conference travel (SSPP 2020), Arts and Humanities Domestic Travel award, University of Missouri, February 2020, \$600 [not used; trip cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic]

Funding for development of *Blind Spots* (online critical thinking course), Intercampus Course Sharing Program, University of Missouri, November 2016, \$11,383

Funding for experimental philosophy project on the effects of gender and race on moral perception, MU Arts and Humanities Small Grants Program, University of Missouri, September 2013, \$500

Funding for experimental philosophy project on moral responsibility, MU Arts and Humanities Small Grants Program, University of Missouri, December 2012, \$500

Funding to subsidize visit to Oberlin Colloquium in Philosophy, Center for Humanities, University of Missouri, March 2012, \$500

Outstanding Undergraduate Mentor Award Nominee, Office of Undergraduate Research, University of Missouri, April 2011

Funding to subsidize visit to campus by Dr. Ernest Sosa (Rutgers University), Center for Humanities, University of Missouri, October 2009, \$500

Purple Chalk Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, College of Arts and Science, University of Missouri, February 2009

Funding for the conference “The brain and its self: A new frontier of neuroscience,” co-organized with P. Boyer (Psychology, Anthropology) and A. Jack (Neurology), Washington University Sesquicentennial Committee, April 2004, \$7,500

Special Recognition for Excellence in Graduate Mentoring, Washington University, April 2003

APA Graduate Student Travel Stipend, December 1998

Whiting Dissertation-Year Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1997–1998

Ames Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1995–1997

Mellon Foundation Research Grant, University of Chicago, Summer 1995

Century Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1991–1995

University Fellowship, Northwestern University, 1989–1990

Harvard College, John Harvard, and Farkas Scholarships, Harvard College, 1981–1985

National Merit Scholarship, 1981–1982

Media attention

EurekAlert! (September 2021)

Futurity (October 2017, September 2021)

Neuroscience News (August 2023)

Phys.org (September 2021, August 2023)

Science Daily (October 2017, September 2021, August 2023)

StudyFinds (August 2023)

St. Louis American (November 2017)

Technology Networks (October 2021)

PhD supervision (primary)

- S. E. Bae, *Making Sense of Constructionist Accounts of Emotion* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2023– [co-director]
- C. Culak, *The Limits of the Virtue of Compassion* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2022–2025 [reader]
- S. Shahi, *Three Essays on Knowledge-How* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2019–2024 [reader]
- R. Agrawal, *Trolley Problems, Normativity, and Moral Psychology* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2019–2020 [reader]
- S. Khawaja, *Naturalizing Epistemology: Reconsidering Quine and Nietzsche* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2018–2019 [reader]
- T. Hall, *Three Studies in the Philosophy of Jazz* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2017–2018 [reader]
- S. Kang, *The Consciousness of Visual Experience* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2015–2018 [reader]
- K. Shields, *Amoralists, Inverted Commas, and the Puzzle of Moral Internalism: An Essay in Experimental Metaethics* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2013–2016 [director]
- P. Zema, *Three Questions Concerning Reid’s Moral Epistemology* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2014–2016 [reader]
- R. Lauer, *Explanation for the Cognitively Bounded: Psychology and the Pragmatics of Explanation* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2014–2016 [reader]
- L. Chiu, *Niche Construction and the Logic of Natural Selection Explanations* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2012–2015 [reader]
- X. Liu, *Choice, Control, and Moral Responsibility* (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2009–2012 [reader]
- J. R. Thompson, *Contexts, Intentions, and Content* (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), 2001–2004 [co-director]
- D. Weiskopf, *A Defense of Conceptual Pluralism* (Washington University in St. Louis, PNP), 2001–2002 [reader]
- K. Bradfield, *Mood and Representation* (Washington University in St. Louis, PNP), 2001–2007 [reader]
- C. Vodehnal, *Motivation and Moral Responsibility* (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), 2002–2007 [reader]
- E. Gaudet, *The Asymmetry Between Quine’s Indeterminacy of Translation Thesis and Underdetermination of Theory* (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), December 2003 [reader]
- E. Landers, *Mental Disorder in a Biomedical Age: Problems with Symptoms, Perils of Reduction* (Washington University in St. Louis, PNP), August 2003 [reader]
- W. Schonbein, *An Intimate Affair: Cognition and Its Physical Basis* (Washington University in St. Louis, PNP), June 2002 [reader]

PhD supervision (secondary)

- E. Holberg, *Happiness, Suffering, and Attributions of Moral Goodness* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2024–2025 [outside reader]
- P. N. Michener-Portock, *Retrospective Revaluation Effects during Interpersonal Attributions* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2024–2025 [outside reader]
- C. Von Gunten, *Assessing Whether Inhibition Tasks Are Associated with Self-Control and Self-Control Outcomes* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2017–2018 [outside reader]
- N. Karcher, *Striatum Functional Activation and Psychosis Risk* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2015–2017 [outside reader]
- M. Halusic, *Developing a Computer Coding Scheme for the Implicit Achievement Motive* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2014–2015 [outside reader]
- S. Heintzelman, *The Motivational Primacy of Environmental Coherence: Self-Derogation and the Experience of Meaning in Life* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2014–2015 [outside reader]
- J. Trent, *Judging Books by Their Covers: Mood, Individual Differences in Intuition, and Perceptions of Trustworthiness* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2012–2013 [outside reader]
- D. Cicero, *Understanding Delusions: The Role of Aberrant Salience and Self-Relevant Information Processing* (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), May 2011 [outside reader]
- N. Speer, *Text Comprehension Processes in the Brain* (Washington University in St. Louis, Psychology), November 2005 [outside reader]
- M. Melinder, *Automatic vs. Controlled Priming in Individuals with Schizophrenia* (Washington University in St. Louis, Psychology), November 2003 [outside reader]

MA supervision (primary)

- N. Rahman, “Equal opportunity for welfare revisited,” 2024–2025 [3rd reader]
- N. Stagg, “Why you should think twice,” 2024–2025 [1st reader]
- S. Y. Bae, “Determination of representational content: Correlational information and structural correspondence,” 2022–2023 [2nd reader]
- S. Shahi, “Novelty and knowledge-how,” 2017–2019 [1st reader]
- C. Porter, “Semantic integration and know-how,” 2017–2018 [1st reader]
- A. Ray, “Dusting off the trade-off hypothesis,” 2014–2015 [1st reader]
- S. Khawaja, “Cognitive evaluation and epistemic diversity: Alternative approaches,” Spring 2015 [3rd reader]
- G. Marks-Wilt, “The division of moral labor: Prospects, progress and problems in examining the moral status/social category relationship,” 2013–2014 [1st reader]
- J. Kestner, “Hill’s representationalism and the problem of hallucination,” Summer 2014 [1st reader]
- P. Zema, “Psychological altruism and religiosity: Is God watching?” Spring 2013 [1st reader]
- J. Burmeister, “Trying to detect stakes effects for knowledge using bridge cases,” Spring 2013 [1st reader]

R. Lauer, "Understanding, explanation, and knowledge of causes," Spring 2013 [1st reader]

K. Shields, "Motivational internalism and experimental philosophy," Spring 2012 [1st reader]

K. Shields, "Moral concepts, objectivity, and experimental philosophy," Spring 2012 [1st reader]

L. Chiu, "Justifying the role of metaphysics in the extended mind debate," Summer 2011 [1st reader]

J. Smart, "Dialecticism: Or, how to do philosophy with personal intuitions," Spring 2011 [1st reader]

J. Wright, "Ad hockery," Spring 2011 [1st reader]

H.-J. Kang, "Mental attribution of beliefs and desires," Spring 2010 [1st reader]

J. Coon, "The new mysterian response to Chalmers's conceivability argument," Spring 2010 [1st reader]

W. Fan, "Are kind properties represented in perception?" Spring 2010 [1st reader]

C. Rice, "Concept empiricism, content, and compositionality" (University of Missouri, Philosophy), Spring 2009 [1st reader]

C. Rice, "Is language really the content integrator?" (University of Missouri, Philosophy), Spring 2009 [1st reader]

Y. Rowher, "Towards a unified module concept: Evidential and definitional properties of module concepts in cognitive science and biology" (University of Missouri, Philosophy), Spring 2009 [1st reader]

MA supervision (secondary)

J. Hua, "Differentiating psychosis risk and mania risk scales and their associations with spontaneous eye blink rates" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2017 [outside reader]

G. L. Mitchell, "Can people think like pigeons? Motivation and the Monty Hall dilemma" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2015 [outside reader]

S. Glenn Baker, "Lay theories and the correction of mood influences on judgments" (Psychological Sciences, 2014–2016 [outside reader]

C. Von Gunten, "Resource-depletion: Outcome of failed energy management or adaptive emotion?" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2014–2015 [outside reader]

S. Heintzelman, "Positive affect, intuitive processing, and visual encoding" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2011–2012 [outside reader]

M. Halusic, "Autonomous orientation and self differentiation" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2011–2013 [outside reader]

M. Prentice, "Threat, low hope, and defensive belief in luck" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), Summer 2011 [outside reader]

N. Karcher, "Magical thinking, dopamine, and salience" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2011–2012 [outside reader]

J. Trent, "Intuition and facial feedback" (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), 2009–2010 [outside reader]

Miscellaneous graduate supervision

C. Von Gunten, comprehensive exam committee (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), December 2016

N. Karcher, comprehensive exam (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), September 2014

M. Halusic, comprehensive exam committee, outside member (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), August 2014

S. Heintzelman, comprehensive exam committee, (University of Missouri, Psychological Sciences), February 2014

BA supervision

A. Tramel, “Prediction bounding: Filling the responsibility gap,” January 2024–May 2025 [director]

A. Roderick, “Parents’ and non-parents’ perceptions of childhood transgressions,” McNair Scholar Program, September 2023–January 2025 [co-mentor, with Dr. Lisa Campione-Barr, Psychological Sciences]

E. Schonemann, “More than the brain: Effective psychotherapies for treating PTSD suggest human cognition to be wholly embodied through connections to the nervous systems,” May 2021 [reader]

T. Tutin, “Free will and the insanity defense,” August 2017 [reader]

T. Ryan, “Transactions, transfers, and gambles,” May 2013 [reader]

E. Kirsch, “Commonsense attributions of moral roles: An empirical investigation,” 2010–2011 [director]

R. Curl, “Agency in virtual worlds” (University of Missouri, Philosophy), 2007–2008 [director]

K. Vallier, “Eliminative materialism, self-refutation, and the status of content” (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), 2003–2004 [director]

A. Streed, “Color physicalism” (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), 2002–2003 [director]

R. Friedman, “Terrorism as civil disobedience” (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), 2002–2003 [reader]

S. Arekapudi, “Physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia” (Washington University in St. Louis, Philosophy), 2001–2002 [reader]

S. Barks, “The study of theory of mind in non-human primates” (Washington University in St. Louis, PNP), 2001–2002 [reader]

Departmental service

Chair, 2021–

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2020–2021

Curriculum Committee (General), 2020–2021

Promotion and Tenure Review Committee (Alex Radulescu; chair), 2019

Director of Graduate Studies, 2018–2020

Director of Graduate Admissions, 2018–2020

Graduate Affairs Committee (chair), 2018–2020
 Promotion and Tenure Review Committee (Kenny Boyce; member), 2018
 Raise Recommendation Advisory Committee (member), 2018–2020
 Undergraduate Affairs Committee (member), 2017–2019
 Departmental Workload Policy Committee (member), 2017
 Graduate Affairs Committee (member), 2016–2018
 Third-Year Review Committee (Marina Folescu, service), 2016
 Third-Year Review Committee (Alexandru Radulescu, research), 2016
 Curriculum Committee (member), 2014–2015, 2017–2018
 P&T Policy Review Committee (member), 2012–2013
 M&E Search Committee (member), 2012–2013
 History Search Committee (member), 2012–2013
 Director of Graduate Studies, 2012–2015
 Graduate Affairs Committee (chair), 2012–2015
 Graduate Student Teaching Prize coordinator, Spring 2012
 Graduate Admissions Committee (member), 2010–2012
 Graduate Affairs Committee (member), 2010–2012
 Course Director for PHIL 1200: *Logic and Reasoning*, 2008–2009, Spring 2011
 Faculty Advisor to Philosophy Club, University of Missouri, 2007–2011
 Director of Undergraduate Studies, University of Missouri, 2007–2011
 Director of Speaker Series, University of Missouri, 2008–2009
 Promotion and Tenure Review Committee, University of Missouri, 2007–2008
 Awards Committee (chair), Washington University in St. Louis, 2005–2007
 PNP Executive Committee, Washington University in St. Louis, 2001–2007
 PNP Search Committee, Washington University in St. Louis, 2002–2004
 Graduate Recruitment Committee, Washington University in St. Louis, 2001–2002, 2003–2004

University service

College of Arts and Science Undergraduate Scholarship Committee, 2018–2021
 College of Arts and Science Appeals Committee, 2019–2021
 Committee on Instruction and Advising, University of Missouri, 2007–2011
 Graduate Council faculty representative, Washington University in St. Louis, 2006–2007

Other service

Planning Committee, AI Research Interest Group, 2025–

Co-organizer, with H. Rubin and M. Schneider, Formal and Experimental Philosophy Workshop (FAX 3), University of Missouri, October 2023

Co-director, Planning Committee, Life Sciences and Society Program, for the symposium “Ethics and the Brain,” University of Missouri, March 2011

Director, MU Experimental Philosophy Lab, May 2010–

Director, Kline Workshop on Experimental Philosophy, April 2010

Planning Committee, Life Sciences and Society Program, for the symposium “From Biology to Art, and Back Again,” March 2010

Co-organizer, with A. Ariew, Missouri Philosophy of Science Workshop, September 2008

Organizer, Social Cognition Research Group, 2005–2006

Co-organizer, with R. Gordon (UMSL Philosophy), Social Cognition Reading Group, Spring 2005

Co-organizer, with P. Boyer (Psychology, Anthropology) and A. Jack (Neurology), “The Brain and Its Self: A New Frontier of Neuroscience,” April 2004

Co-organizer, with B. Hyde (Linguistics) and A. Stump (Computer Science), Semantics Reading Group, 2003–2004

Co-advisor, with B. Hyde, Linguistics Special Major, Washington University in St. Louis, 2002–2007

Co-organizer, with A. Jack (Neurology), PNP Study Group on Introspection and Metacognition, Washington University in St. Louis, Summer 2002

Refereeing

Journals

Australasian Journal of Philosophy

British Journal for the Philosophy of Science

Crítica

Dialectica

Ergo

Erkenntnis

European Review of Philosophy

European Journal for Philosophy of Science

Frontiers in Psychology

Journal of Consciousness Studies

Journal of Experimental Criminology

Journal of Mind and Behavior

Journal of Philosophy

Managerial and Decision Economics

Mind
Mind and Language
Minds and Machines
The Monist
Nature Human Behavior
New Ideas in Psychology
Noûs
Open Mind: Discoveries in Cognitive Science
Oxford Studies in Experimental Philosophy
Perspectives on Psychological Science
Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin
Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences
Philosopher's Imprint
Philosophical Explorations
Philosophical Psychology
Philosophical Quarterly
Philosophical Studies
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research
Philosophy of Science
Psychological Review
Ratio
Review of Philosophy and Psychology
Synthese

Presses

Cambridge University Press
Continuum Press
Longman
MIT Press
Oxford University Press
Routledge
Wadsworth
Wiley-Blackwell

Conferences

American Philosophical Association
Central States Philosophical Association
Cognitive Science Society
Society for Philosophy and Psychology
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology

Funding agencies

National Science Foundation

Canada Research Council

Israel Science Foundation

University of Missouri Research Board

Professional affiliations

American Philosophical Association

Society for Philosophy and Psychology

Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology