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## **Appointments**

- 2017– Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)  
Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas  
Postdoctoral Fellow in Philosophy
- 2015–17 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Postdoctoral Fellow in Philosophy

## **Education**

- 2008–15 New York University  
PhD in Philosophy  
Dissertation: *Noncausal Explanation*  
Committee: Kit Fine (chair), Ted Sider, Michael Strevens
- 2002–6 Yale University  
BA *summa cum laude* in Mathematics and Philosophy
- 2004–5 University of Oxford  
Visiting Student in Mathematics and Philosophy

## **Areas of Specialization**

Metaphysics, Philosophy of Science

## **Areas of Competence**

Logic, Philosophy of Physics

## **Honors and Awards**

- 2014–15 Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, NYU
- 2013 Global Research Initiative Fellowship, NYU
- 2008–14 Henry M MacCracken Fellowship, NYU
- 2008–12 Jacob K Javits Fellowship, US Department of Education

2005 Phi Beta Kappa, Yale University

## Publications

“The Difference between Epistemic and Metaphysical Necessity.” Forthcoming in *Synthese*.

“Being Someone Else.” Forthcoming in *Becoming Someone New: Essays on Transformative Experience, Choice, and Change*, eds. Enoch Lambert and John Schwenkler. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

2017 “Essentialist Explanation.” *Philosophical Studies* 174: 2871–2889.

2016 “Laws and the Completeness of the Fundamental.” In *Reality Making*, ed. Mark Jago, 11–37. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## Work in Progress

“Ground and Explanation.” Commissioned for the *Routledge Handbook of Metaphysical Grounding*, ed. Mike Raven. London: Routledge.

## Presentations

2018 “Ground and Explanation” (invited)  
Workshop on Metaphysical Grounding, University of Hamburg

“What Time Is It in Other Possible Worlds?” (invited)  
APA Eastern Division

“The Standpoint Challenge to the PSR” (invited)  
The Principle of Sufficient Reason: Then and Now, Simon Fraser University

2017 “Being Someone Else” (invited)  
APA Pacific Division

“Being Someone Else”  
Midsummer Philosophy Workshop, University of Leeds

“The Necessity of Determinism”  
Society for the Metaphysics of Science, Fordham University

“Fake News and the Real World”  
Journalism and the Search for Truth in an Age of Social Media, Boston Univ.

Comments on Gideon Rosen’s “Normative Grounding”  
SOFIA XXI: Grounding, Huatulco, Mexico

Comments on Hedda Hassel Mørch’s “Phenomenal Powers Panpsychism”  
Grounding and Consciousness, La Pietra, Florence

- 2016 “Essentialist Explanation”  
Ground, Essence and Modality Conference, University of Helsinki  
“Essentialist Explanation”  
APA Pacific Division  
Comments on Jennifer Wang’s “Fundamentality and Modal Freedom”  
Ranch Metaphysics Workshop
- 2015 “Explanation, Actualist Possibility and Tomorrow’s Sea Battle”  
APA Pacific Division  
“Grounding and Essentialist Explanation”  
Workshop on Grounding and Fundamentality, CUNY Graduate Center
- 2014 “Explanation, Actualist Possibility and Tomorrow’s Sea Battle”  
Iowa Philosophical Society  
Comments on Jonathan Payton’s “True for Lack of Falsemakers?”  
APA Pacific Division
- 2013 “Laws and the Completeness of the Fundamental”  
Arché/CSMN Graduate Conference, University of St Andrews
- 2012 Comments on Jonathan Schaffer’s “The Action of the Whole”  
Reality Making, University of Nottingham
- 2011 “Grounding and Necessitation”  
Workshop on Grounding and Fundamentality, CUNY Graduate Center

### **Teaching (as Instructor)**

- 2018 Explanation and Ground (graduate course)
- 2016 Metaphysics  
Making Sense of Ourselves
- 2013 History of Ancient Philosophy
- 2012 History of Modern Philosophy
- 2011 Logic

### **Teaching (as Preceptor)**

- 2013 Central Problems in Philosophy (Helen Yetter-Chappell)
- 2012 Existentialism and Phenomenology (John Richardson)

- 2011 History of Ancient Philosophy (James Stazicker)  
Central Problems in Philosophy (Jim Pryor)
- 2010 Metaphysics (Peter Unger)

### **Outreach Teaching**

- 2011 Guest Lecturer on Philosophy of Mathematics  
Essex Street Academy, New York
- 2008 Guest Lecturer on Philosophy of Mathematics  
High School for Science, Mathematics and Engineering, New York

### **Service**

- 2017 Co-Organizer, Themes in Transformative Experience (Pacific APA pre-conference)  
Assistant Organizer, Ranch Metaphysics Workshop
- 2016 Organizer, Transformative Experience Working Group, UNC–Chapel Hill
- 2013 Conference Organizer, The Philosophy of Kit Fine, NYU
- 2012–13 Curriculum Committee, NYU
- 2010–11 Colloquium Committee, NYU

### **Other Employment**

- 2006–8 Oundle School, Oundle, UK  
Mathematics Teacher and Peter Ling Fellow  
Taught secondary school mathematics and led regular discussion groups on  
topics in mathematics and philosophy.

## References

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