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Curriculum Vitae

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Appointments

- 2020–21. [York University](#) (ON, Canada): Philosophy Instructor.
2018–20. [University of Toronto](#) (ON, Canada): Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Network for Sensory Research.
2018. [Lebanon Valley College](#) (PA, United States): Instructor of Religion and Philosophy.
2016–17. [Kutztown University of Pennsylvania](#) (PA, United States): Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy.
11–12, 16. [Lone Star College](#) (TX, United States): Philosophy Instructor.
2011. [Houston Community College](#) (TX, United States): Philosophy Instructor.

Education

2015. Ph.D. Philosophy. Rice University.
2011. M.A. Philosophy. Rice University.
2009. B.A. Philosophy. Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.

Research

- AOS: cognitive science; philosophy of mind; philosophy of perception.
AOC: philosophy of neuroscience; logic; philosophy of language; 20th century analytic philosophy.

Publications

2021. Barkasi, Michael, “[What should the sensorimotor enactivist say about dreams?](#)”, *Philosophical Explorations*. 10.1080/13869795.2021.1908575
2020. Barkasi, Michael, “[Does what we dream feel present? Two varieties of presence and implications for measuring presence in VR](#)”, *Synthese*. 10.1007/s11229-020-02898-4
2020. Barkasi, Michael, “[Some hallucinations are experiences of the past](#)”, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, 101(3): 454–488. 10.1111/papq.12320
2020. Barkasi, Michael and Rosen, Melanie G., “[Is mental time travel real time travel?](#)”, *Philosophy and the Mind Sciences*, 1(1): 1–27. 10.33735/phimisci.2020.1.28
2019. Barkasi, Michael, “[Are there epistemic conditions necessary for demonstrative thought?](#)”, *Synthese*. 10.1007/s11229-019-02453-w
2019. Barkasi, Michael, “[The role of experience in demonstrative thought](#)”, *Mind & Language*, 34(5): 648–666. 10.1111/mila.12228
†2008. Holowchak, M. Andrew with Barkasi, Michael, “[An impromptu visit to Rien-à-Faire: A tribute to Bernard Suits](#)”, *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*, 35(2): 111–119. 10.1080/00948705.2008.97147-33

† special issue introduction

Presentations

2021. “[Perception as experience of the past](#)”, The 95th Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association. Open Session. Virtual Conference. July 16–18.
2021. “[Some hallucination is experience of the past](#)”, American Philosophical Association (APA) Pacific Division Meeting. Colloquium paper. Virtual Conference. April 5–10.
- *2021. “[The nonimmersive feeling of pastness as the phenomenal manifestation of remembering](#)”, *Dreaming and Memory*, a conference hosted jointly by the Philosophy of Neuroscience Group (Tübingen) and the Centre for Philosophy of Memory (Grenoble Alps). Virtual Conference. February 22–23.
2021. “[Does what we dream feel present? Two varieties of presence](#)”, American Philosophical Association (APA) Eastern Division Meeting. Colloquium paper. Virtual Conference. January 15.
2020. “[Is mental time travel real time travel?](#)”, w/ Melanie G. Rosen, 112th Annual Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP). Contributed Session: Memory. Virtual Conference. December 3–5.
2019. “[Conscious blindsight—but still unconscious sight](#)”, 45th Annual Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP). Contributed Session: Consciousness and Cognition. San Diego, California. July 10–13.
2019. “[What should the externalist say is missing from dream experience?](#)”, *Dreams, Hallucinations and Imagination*, a workshop by the Centre for the Study of Perceptual Experience. University of Glasgow. Glasgow, Scotland. February 23–24.
2019. “[The role of visual representations in seeing](#)”, American Philosophical Association (APA) Central Division Meeting. Colloquium paper. Denver, Colorado. February 20–23.
2016. “[Distinguishing perception and cognition via the perceptual landscape](#)”, *Rice Summer Workshop on the Interface Between Perception and Thought*. Rice University. Houston, Texas. May 5–6.
2014. “[An argument for naïve realism from demonstrative thought](#)”, American Philosophical Association (APA) Pacific Division Meeting. Colloquium paper. San Diego, California. April 16–20.
2014. “[A user’s guide to epistemic modals](#)”, American Philosophical Association (APA) Central Division Meeting. Colloquium paper. Chicago, Illinois. February 26–March 1.
2013. “[Introducing objects for thought: or, why we need to revisit an old argument for naïve realism](#)”, *Perception and Concepts*, the 9th International Symposium of Cognition, Logic and Communication. University of Latvia. Riga, Latvia. May 16–18.
2011. “[Getting straight on epistemic modals](#)”, The Arché/CSMN Graduate Conference. University of St Andrews. St Andrews, Scotland. October 8–9.
2008. “[Plato’s generation of number in the *Parmenides*](#)”, The 26th annual joint meeting of Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (SAGP) with the Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy (SSIPS). New York, New York. October 24–26.

* invited talk

Discussion

2021. Invited discussant for a session of *Neural Mechanisms Online*, a running speaker series in the philosophy of neuroscience, for a paper on object files. March 19.
2019. Co-organized *Experiencing What’s Not There: A Workshop on Hallucinations, Dreams, Imagination, and Virtual Reality*, w/ Mohan Matthen, as part of the Network for Sensory Research. Hosted at the University of Toronto (St. George campus). June 7–8.
2019. Commentator on a colloquium paper on the extended mind hypothesis at the American Philosophical Association (APA) Pacific Division Meeting. Vancouver, British Columbia. April 17–20.
2013. Co-organized *How Perception Makes Things Available for Thought*, w/ Casey O’Callaghan, as part of the Senses Project at Rice. Hosted at Rice University. November 8–9.

Teaching

Undergraduate

- 2021s. Cogs/Phil 3750: [Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence](#) (York University).*
- 2020f. Phil 3260: [Philosophy of Psychology](#) (York University).*
- 2020f. Cogs/Phil 2160: [Minds, Brains, and Machines](#) (York University).*
- 2018s. Phil 110: [The Examined Life](#) (Lebanon Valley College).
- 2017s. Phi 280: [American Philosophy: Pragmatism](#) (Kutztown University).
- 2017s. Phi 030: [Introduction to Philosophy](#) (Kutztown University).
- 2016f. Phi 235: [Topics in Moral Theory: Virtue Ethics](#) (Kutztown University).
- 2015s. Fwis 129: [Objectivity in Perception](#) (Rice University).
- 2014r. Phil 106: [Logic](#) (Rice University).
- 2011f. Phil 2306: [Introduction to Ethics](#) (Lone Star College).

Courses listed by the last term taught, not all sections listed.

* online course, s = spring/winter term, f = fall term, r = summer term

Service

- ad hoc.* Journal referee for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences*, *Mind & Language*, *Synthese*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Dialectica*, *Philosophical Psychology*, and *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*. Conference referee for the *Society for Philosophy and Psychology*.
- 2019. Technology demo session chair for *Thoughts and Reactions*, an interdisciplinary workshop on how technology and multi-modal perception are implicated in learning, at the University of Toronto, Mississauga. March 6–7.
- 2017. Philosophy committee representative to the Technology Committee of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania. Spring semester.
- 2014, 16. Judge for the Houston High School Ethics Bowl, hosted by the Rice University Department of Philosophy.
- 2013–15. Graduate representative to the Rice philosophy faculty.
- 2014. Symposium chair at the American Philosophical Association (APA) Eastern Division Meeting. Philadelphia. December 27–30.
- 2010. Organizer for the Rice Department of Philosophy work-in-progress talk series. Fall semester.

Awards

- 2015. Robert Alan and Kathryn Dunlevie Hayes Dissertation Completion Fellowship. Provided 6th year funding. Rice Philosophy Department.

References

- Mohan Matthen. Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto.
mohan.matthen@utoronto.ca
- Casey O’Callaghan. Department of Philosophy, Washington University in St. Louis.
casey.ocallaghan@wustl.edu
- Richard Grandy. Department of Philosophy (emeritus), Rice University.
rgrandy@rice.edu
- Alex Morgan. Department of Philosophy, Rice University.
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