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Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Philosophy
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WORK EXPERIENCE

Herbert H. Lehman College, City University of New York, August 2017 -
Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Department of Philosophy

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of California, Berkeley, 2008 – 2017
Ph.D. in Philosophy, awarded August 11, 2017
M.A. in Philosophy, May 2011

Columbia University, New York, 2006-2008
Lab Manager, Memory and Metacognition Lab (PI: Janet Metcalfe)
Researcher, Social, Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience Imaging Lab (PI: Edward E. Smith)

Columbia University, New York, 2002-2006
B.A. *summa cum laude*, Psychology (major), Philosophy (minor), May 2006

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Mind
Metaphysics
Early Modern Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Epistemology
Philosophy of Language
19th Century Political Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

Smith, E.E., Myers, N., **Sethi, U.**, Pantazatos, S., Yanagihara, T., Hirsch, J. (2012). "Conceptual Representations of Perceptual Knowledge." *Cognitive Neuropsychology*, 29(3), 237-248.

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS (* = REFEREED; ** = INVITED)

"Varieties of Instantiation"

- ** Colloquium Series, Vassar College, April 2018
- ** Colloquium Series, Wellesley College, March 2018
- ** Colloquium Series, Graduate Center, City University of New York, November 2018

"Sensible Over-Determination"

- **Cognitive Science Series, Graduate Center, City University of New York, November 2018
- **Colloquium Series, City College, City University of New York, November 2018

"Sensible Individuation"

- ** Keynote Speaker, Berkeley-London Graduate Student Conference, London, May 2018
- ** Cambridge Mind Seminar, Cambridge, UK, June 2018
- ** Canadian Philosophical Association Congress, Montreal, June 2018

“Mind-Dependence in Berkeley and the Problem of Perception”

- * Ninth Scottish Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Aberdeen, May 2018
- * Fifth Finnish-Hungarian Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Budapest, May 2018
- ** NY/NJ Early Modern Philosophy Seminar, New York, April 2018
- ** Annual Research Colloquium, University of Bonn, Germany, November 2017
- ** NYU Philosophy of Mind Discussion Group, New York, October 2017

“Two Grounds for Sensible Qualities”

- * European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Hertfordshire, UK, August 2017
- ** Department of Philosophy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, February 2017
- ** Department of Philosophy, Williams College, Williamstown, February 2017
- ** Department of Philosophy, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, February 2017
- * MindGrad 2016, University of Warwick, Coventry, UK, December 2016
- * Grounding and Consciousness Conference, Birmingham, UK, June 2016

“Hallucination Defanged: Perception and the Dual Nature of its Objects”

- Philosophy Colloquium, Berkeley, December 2015
- * Women in Philosophy: A Networking & Mentoring Workshop, York, UK, June 2015
- ** Annual Research Colloquium, University of Bonn, Germany, June 2015
- * Berkeley-Stanford-Davis Graduate Student Conference, Stanford University, April 2015

“Objective Appearances and Berkeley’s Relativity Arguments”

- Work-in-Progress Lunch, Berkeley, November 2015

“A Critique of Representationalism”

- * (Poster) Society of Philosophy and Psychology, Duke University, June 2015

“Having the World Appear: A New Relational Account of Experience”

- * 11th Annual London-Berkeley Conference, University College London, May 2014

“An Objective Account of Looks”

- * 10th Annual Berkeley-London Conference, Berkeley, May 2013

“Metacognition and Study Choice in Young Children” (w/ Janet Metcalfe)

- ** Subway Summit on Cognition and Learning, Fordham University, NYC, March 2008

“Metacognition and Control in Elementary School Children”

- * (Poster) IES Research Conference, Washington D.C., June 2007

OTHER CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Participant and Commentator, *Philosophies in the Mediterranean: Aristotle’s Metaphysics Yesterday and Today*, Summer School and International Conference, Sicily, September 2018

Chair, “Perceptual Particularity and Singular Thoughts,” Symposium, Pacific APA, Seattle, April 2017.

GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS

Principal Investigator, “The Sensible World,” PSC-CUNY Type-B Research Award, 2017-2018

Competitive, year-long research award that provides three credits of course relief and additional research funds.

Co-Principal Investigator, “Grounding Sensible Qualities,” *New Directions in the Study of Mind*, Cambridge University, 2016-2017

£10,000 competitive, year-long grant to study the metaphysics of sensible qualities

Berkeley Connect Fellowship, Berkeley, 2016-2017

Competitive, year-long research & mentoring fellowship awarded to a small number of advanced graduate students

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Berkeley, Spring 2016

University-wide award presented to a small number of graduate students for teaching excellence

Summer Grant, Graduate Division, Berkeley, 2009, 2010

University-wide, competitive summer grant awarded to a small number of graduate students for summer research

Phi Beta Kappa, Columbia University, May 2006

Inducted into Academic Honors Society

Global Scholar Award, Columbia University, 2002-2006

University-wide, competitive scholarship awarded to a small number of undergraduates for their "remarkable academic and personal achievements."

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

LEHMAN COLLEGE, CUNY ((* = UPPER LEVEL)

* Special Topics: Philosophy of Mind, Spring 2018

Problems of Philosophy, Spring 2018/Fall 2017

* Early Modern Philosophy, Fall 2017

BERKELEY

PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR

Berkeley Connect, Fall 2016

Nature of Mind, Summer 2015, Summer 2013

GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR (* = UPPER LEVEL)

* Kant, Daniel Warren, Spring 2016

* Theory of Meaning, John MacFarlane, Spring 2015

Nature of Mind, John Campbell, Fall 2014

Modern Philosophy, Janum Sethi, Summer 2014

* Philosophy of Perception, Michael Martin, Fall 2013

* Theory of Knowledge, Markus Gabriel, Spring 2013

Nature of Mind, Geoffrey Lee, Spring 2012

* Theory of Knowledge, Barry Stroud, Fall 2011

* Philosophy of Mind, Owen Flanagan, Summer 2011

Philosophical Methods, Seth Yalcin, Spring 2011

* Nietzsche, Hans Sluga, Fall 2010

Modern Philosophy, Hannah Ginsborg, Spring 2010

* Philosophy of Language, John Searle, Fall 2009

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Organizer, International Conference "Grounding Sensible Qualities", New Directions in the Study of Mind Project, Berkeley, June 2017

Organizer, Bi-Weekly Workshop "Grounding Sensible Qualities", New Directions in the Study of Mind Project, Berkeley, October 2016 - May 2017

Referee, *The Journal of the APA*, *The Journal of Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Phenomenology and Cognitive Sciences*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Ratio*, *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Synthese*.

Reviewer, 2nd Annual Minds Online Conference, 2016

Commenter, *Fields of Sense* by Markus Gabriel, Oxford University Press, 2015

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

LEHMAN COLLEGE, CUNY

Member, Search Committee, Department of Philosophy, Lehman College, Fall 2018
Advisor, Senior Thesis Project with Emmanuella Saforo, Fall 2018
Member, Search Committee for the Dean of Arts and Humanities, Lehman College, Spring 2018

BERKELEY

Organizer, Minorities and Philosophy, Berkeley chapter, 2016-2017
Member, Equity Task Force, Department of Philosophy, Berkeley, 2015-
Head Graduate Student Instructor, Department of Philosophy, Berkeley, 2015-2016
Organizer, 12th Berkeley-London conference, Department of Philosophy, Berkeley, May 2015
Department Steward, Student Worker's Union, UAW Local 2865, Berkeley, 2013-2014
Editor, Department of Philosophy Newsletter, Berkeley, 2011-2012
Organizer, Colloquium Series, Department of Philosophy, Berkeley, 2009-2010
Organizer, Prospective Student Visit, Department of Philosophy, Berkeley, 2008-2009

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of the American Philosophical Association
European Society of Philosophy and Psychology

LANGUAGES

Hindi (native fluency)
Italian (reading and speaking proficiency)
German (basic reading proficiency)