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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2013 –	Department of Philosophy, University of Texas, El Paso. Associate Professor
2013 – 2018	Department of Philosophy, University of Texas, El Paso. Department Chair
2009 – 2013	Department of Philosophy, University of Wyoming. Associate Professor
2003 – 2009	Department of Philosophy, University of Wyoming. Assistant Professor

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## EDUCATION

2003	Ph.D., University of Colorado, Ph.D. (Philosophy). Dissertation: <i>Communication, Meaning and the Attitudes: Toward a General Theory of Content</i> . Advisor: George Bealer. Committee: Michael Tooley, Graeme Oddie Christopher Shields, Laura Michaelis (Linguistics), Kent Bach.
2002	University of Colorado, M.A. (Philosophy).
1993	New Mexico State University, B.A. (Philosophy, Psychology; minor Mathematics).

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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology, philosophy of language, philosophy of mind

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics, philosophical logic, mathematical logic, 20<sup>th</sup> Century analytic, philosophy of science (esp. biology), applied philosophy

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Edited Volumes

1. *Knowing How: Essays on Knowledge, Mind and Action*. Co-edited with John Bengson. Oxford (2011).

### Articles

1. “Intuitions as evidence: An introduction”  
In Lasonen-Aarnio & Littlejohn (Eds.), *Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Evidence*, Routledge (2021)
2. “Non-propositional intellectualism” (w/ John Bengson)  
In Bengson & Moffett (Eds.), *Knowing How: Essays on Knowledge Mind and Action*, Oxford (2011)

3. “Introduction: Two conceptions of mind and action” (w/ John Bengson)  
In Bengson & Moffett (Eds.), *Knowing How: Essays on Knowledge Mind and Action*, Oxford (2011)
4. “Against a posteriori functionalism”  
*Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, **40** (2010): 83–106.
5. “The folk on knowing how” (w/ John Bengson & Jen Wright)  
*Philosophical Studies*, **142** (2009): 387–401.
6. “Reasonable disagreement and rational group inquiry”  
*Episteme: A Journal of Social Epistemology*, **4** (2007): 352–367.
7. “Know-how and concept possession” (w/ John Bengson)  
*Philosophical Studies*, **136** (2007): 31–57.
8. “Constructing attitudes”  
*Protosociology*, **21** (2005): 105–128.
9. “Language, communication, and the paradox of analysis: Some philosophical remarks on Plato’s *Cratylus*”  
*Logical Analysis and History of Philosophy: Epistemology*, **8** (2005): 58–67.
10. “Knowing facts and believing propositions: A solution to the Problem of Doxastic Shift”  
*Philosophical Studies*, **115** (2003): 81–97.
11. “A note on the relationship between Mates’ Puzzle and Frege’s Puzzle”  
*Journal of Semantics*, **19** (2002): 159–166.

#### Encyclopedia Entries, Reviews & Abstracts

1. “Addendum to Synonymy”  
In D. Borchert (Ed.), *The Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Supplement), 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. New York: Macmillan (2006).
2. “Generalized quantifiers and NP conjunction in intensional algebraic logic (Abstract)”  
*Bulletin of Symbolic Logic*, **10** (2003).

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#### PAPERS PRESENTED (excluding job talks)

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| Mar 2019 | “A unified theory of basic evidence”<br>New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM (Invited)                                    |
| Feb 2015 | “The unity of understanding”<br>New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM (Invited)  |
| Nov 2014 | “Intentionality – Propositional and Objectual”<br><i>Workshop on Propositions</i> , Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX (Invited) |
| Aug 2014 | “Understanding, wisdom, & intellectual progress”<br><i>Southwest Epistemology Conference</i> , Albuquerque, NM (Invited)         |
| Nov 2013 | “The dilemma of fair chase” — public lecture<br>Boise State University, Boise ID (Invited)                                       |
| Nov 2013 | “Understanding, wisdom, & intellectual progress”<br>Boise State University, Boise, ID (Invited)                                  |

- June 2011 “A theory of wisdom”  
*Bled Epistemology Conference*, Bled, Slovenia (Invited)
- May 2011 “Conceptions”  
*Society for Exact Philosophy*, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg (Refereed)
- April 2011 “Intelligent action”  
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM (Invited)
- March 2011 “Radical intellectualism”  
University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (Invited)
- Aug 2008 Symposium on epistemic conservatism and metaepistemology  
*UT Austin Methodology Workshop*, University of Texas, Austin (Invited)
- Sept 2007 “Valuing the wasteland” — public lecture  
*Red Desert Symposium*, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY (Invited)
- Sept 2007 “Conservatism, stability, and the metaphysics of belief”  
Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO (Invited)
- July 2007 “Conservatism, stability, and self-trust”  
*Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference*, Western Washington University (Refereed)
- June 2007 “A paradox of ideal rational inquiry”  
*Episteme Conference 2007: Testimony*, Rutgers University (Refereed)
- May 2007 “Conservatism, stability, and self-trust”  
*Society for Exact Philosophy: Time, Logic and Exact Philosophy*, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC (Refereed)
- May 2007 “Stability as an irreducible component of knowledge”  
*International Conference on Linguistics and Epistemology*, University of Aberdeen (Refereed)
- Apr. 2007 “Know-how and concept possession” (with John Bengson)  
Symposium, *Pacific Division APA*, San Francisco, CA (Refereed)
- Sept. 2006 “Domain-specific epistemic conservatism”  
*Rationality in Contemporary Epistemology*. Canadian Society for Epistemology, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC (Refereed)
- Sept. 2006 “Know-how and concept possession” (with John Bengson)  
*Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*, Washburn University, Topeka, KS (Refereed)
- Dec. 2003 “A semantic analysis of the Gettier Problem”  
Colloquium, *Eastern Division APA*, Washington, D.C (Refereed)
- July 2003 “Outline of a nonDavidsonian semantics for events”  
*It's About Time: Theoretical and Experimental Perspectives on Tense, Aspect, Modality and Events*, Michigan State University (Refereed)
- June 2003 “Knowledge attributions as generic sentences”  
*Third Barcelona Workshop on Issues in the Theory of Reference: General Terms* (Refereed)
- Mar. 2003 “A solution to the problem of doxastic shift”  
Colloquium, *Pacific Division APA*, San Francisco, CA (Refereed)

- Dec. 2002 “Are ‘that’-clauses really singular terms?”  
Colloquium, *Eastern Division APA*, Philadelphia (Refereed)
- Nov. 2002 “Knowing facts and believing propositions: A solution to the problem of doxastic shift”  
*Illinois Philosophical Association*, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville (Refereed)
- Oct. 2002 “Knowing facts and believing propositions: A solution to the problem of doxastic shift”  
*The Creighton Club (New York Philosophical Association)*, Cornell University (Refereed)
- Oct. 2001 “That-clauses, syntax and singular terms”  
*Northwest Conference on Philosophy*, Washington State University (Refereed)

### PRESENTED COMMENTARIES

- April 2013 Comments on Daniel Immerman, “A New Solution to the Surprise Test Paradox”  
Colloquium, *Pacific Division APA*, San Francisco, CA
- April 2009 Comments on Kevan Edwards, “Keeping Reference in Mind”  
Colloquium, *Pacific Division APA*, Vancouver, BC
- April 2008 Comments on Don Fallis, “What is Lying?”  
Colloquium, *Pacific Division APA*, Pasadena, CA
- May 2004 Comments on Richard Feldman, “Reasonable Disagreement”  
*Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference*, University of Idaho.
- Sept. 2003 Comments on Daniel Korman, “On the modal flexibility of causal laws”  
*Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*, University of Wyoming.
- Oct. 2002 Comments on James Sage, “Two senses of ‘reliability’ in evolutionary epistemology”  
*Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.
- Oct. 2001 Comments on Franz-Peter Griesmaier, “On explaining phenomenal consciousness”  
*Northwest Conference on Philosophy*, Washington State University.

### GRANTS, AWARDS & HONORS

#### Grants

##### External

- John Templeton Foundation (subaward), *The Unity of Practical and Theoretical Understanding*, (co-PI, with John Bengson), 2014, \$98,989.00.

##### Internal

- Basic Research Grant, University of Wyoming, College of Arts & Sciences, 2003, \$2,500.00.

#### Awards

- Extraordinary Merit in Research Award, College of Arts & Sciences, University of Wyoming, 2007
- Graduate Student Presentation Award, the *Creighton Club*, 2002.

### SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Conference Committee, 65<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the *New Mexico/Texas Philosophical Society*, El Paso, TX

Local Organizer & Program Chair, 36<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the *Society for Exact Philosophy*, Laramie, WY

Refereeing: *Mind*, *Noûs*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Synthèse*, *Erkenntnis*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Dialogue*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Topoi*, *Ratio*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, MIT Press, Oxford University Press

Session Chair: *Pacific Division APA*, 2004; *Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference*, Western Washington University, August 2006, *Eastern Division APA*, 2011.

Conference Refereeing: *Society for Exact Philosophy*; *Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*; *Canadian Philosophical Association*.

#### DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

##### University of Wyoming

2003–2013    Philosophy Club Faculty Mentor, University of Wyoming.  
 2003–2013    Director, Philosophy Colloquium Series  
 2003–2013    Graduate Admissions Committee  
 2004–2013    Graduate Program Assessment Committee, Philosophy M.A.  
 2005–2013    Undergraduate Advisor  
 2007–2013    Junior Faculty Mentoring Committee  
 2006–2007    Co-chair, Ancient Philosophy Search Committee  
 2005–2006    Ancient Philosophy Search Committee

##### University of Texas, El Paso

2021            Member, Political Philosophy and Chair Search Committee  
 2019–2020    Faculty Senate  
 2019            Member, Philosophy Lecturer Search Committee  
 2019            Member, Third Year Review Committee for Professor Dasgupta  
 2019            Member, Post Tenure Review Committee for Professor Best  
 2019–          Member, Professional Achievement Report Departmental Committee  
 2013–2018    Department Chair, Philosophy  
 2016–2017    Liberal Arts Committee on the Transition to Graduate School  
 2016–2017    Liberal Arts Committee on Stackable Degrees  
 2014–2015    Liberal Arts Faculty Leave Committee  
 2015            Chair, Administrative Assistant Search Committee  
 2014–2015    Chair, Philosophy of Mind/Philosophy of Science Search Committee  
 2013–2015    Undergraduate Advisor, minor in Feminist Philosophy  
 2014            Reviewer, UTEP Arts & Humanities Career Enhancement Awards  
 2013–2014    Chair, Latin American Search Committee

2013 Graduate Program Assessment, Philosophy M.A.

**EXTERNAL SERVICE**

2016-2017 Vice-President, Borderlands Ballet Company

2017- President, Borderlands Ballet Company

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**MASTER'S THESIS COMMITTEES**

**Chair**

UTEP

2014, Ramon Alvarado, *Moral Supervenience* (Co-Chair, Caroline Arruda)

Wyoming

2013, John Poland, *Understanding Nature*

2012, Glen Nesse, *Arbitrary Things*

2012, Casey Hart, *Truth and Abstracta*

2010, Joe Mayes, *Reference and Stuff*

2010, Ian Harmon, *Specificity and Know-how Attribution*

2008, Erik Hoversten, *Disagreement in Context*

**Reader**

UTEP

2019, Julisa Fernandez-Rivera, *The Latinx, Anti-Black Racism, and Forward-Looking Collective Moral Responsibility*

2014, Juan Torres, *The Problem of Using Evil Against the Possible Existence of God*

Wyoming

2008, Thomas S. Dixon, *Problems for Presentism*

2007, Robert Jason Williams, *Spinoza on the Relation between Substance and Attribute*

2007, Adam Ross Thompson, *Groundwork for a Concept-based Theory of Confirmation*

2007, Michael Farnsworth, *Improving Improvability*

2005, Chris Gaffney, *The Problem of Prior Probabilities in Bayesian Confirmation Theory*

2004, John Bengson, *From Inner Perception to Direct Attention*

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**REFERENCES**

Available On Request

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