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About: I completed my doctoral thesis at the University of Cambridge (Queens' College), where I have also held research positions both as a Jacobsen Fellow in 2017/18 and as the as the Mind Student for 2018/19. Prior to coming to Cambridge, I received a B. A. in Philosophy at University College London, and completed the B. Phil in Philosophy at the University of Oxford (University College). I am presently a Leverhulme Early Career Fellow at the Faculty of Philosophy and Research Affiliate of University College at the University of Oxford.

Research Areas

Areas of Specialisation: Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics.

Areas of Competence: Early Modern Philosophy, Early Analytic Philosophy; Meta-ethics.

Academic Posts

2019-2021: Leverhulme Early Career Fellow (University of Oxford).

2019-2021: Research Affiliate of University College (University of Oxford).

2018-2019: Mind Student (University of Cambridge).

2017-2018: Jacobsen Fellow (University of Cambridge).

Education

PhD in Philosophy (pass without corrections). University of Cambridge, Queens' College. 2019.
Thesis Title: *Austinian Disjunctivism Defended: A Presentational Theory of Visual Experience*.
Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Tim Crane. 2014-2019 (with a three month intermission in 2018).

B. Phil in Philosophy (Distinction). University of Oxford, University College. 2014.
Thesis Title*: In Defence of Animalism*. Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Ralf Bader. 2012-2014.

B.A. in Philosophy (First Class Hons.). University College London. 2012.
Thesis Title: *Agency, Frankfurt Cases, and the Compatibility of Free Will and Moral Responsibility with Determinism*. Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Ian Phillips. 2009-2012.

Awards and Scholarships

Mind Studentship (£14,777). Awarded by The Mind Association. 2018-2019.

Jacobson Studentship (£8000). Awarded by the Royal Institute of Philosophy. 2017-2018.

Aristotelian Society Bursary (£3000). Awarded by the Aristotelian Society. 2017-2018.

Craythorne Scholarship (£500). Awarded by the Worshipful Company of Cutlers after nomination by Queens' College, University of Cambridge. 2017.

AHRC-Walker Studentship. Hosted by the Faculty of Philosophy and Queens' College as part of the AHRC Doctoral Training Partnership, University of Cambridge. Full Funding: 2014-2017.

T.H. Green Scholarship (c. £40,000). Full funding departmental scholarship. Awarded by the Philosophy Faculty. University of Oxford. 2012-2014.

Dean's List Certificate. For excellence in undergraduate results. University College London. 2012.

Richard Murphy Memorial Prize (£150). For best final year examination results in philosophy. University College London. 2012.

Rosa Morisson Memorial Medal (and £100 prize). For best degree results in the Arts and Humanities Faculty. University College London. 2012.

UCL Faculty Undergraduate Scholarship for Excellence (£3000). Scholarship for excellence in academic performance, awarded by the Arts and Humanities Faculty, University College London. 2012.

A. J. Ayer Prize (£100). For best second year examination results in philosophy; awarded by the Philosophy Department. University College London. 2011.

Dawes Hicks Prize (£30). For excellence in first year examination results in philosophy. University College London. 2010.

Publications

Published Articles

1. 'Naïve Realism, Causation, and Hallucination: A New Response to the Screening Off Problem', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 97 (2): 368-382. 2018.
2. 'Naive Realism, Seeing Stars, and Perceiving the Past', *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*. 100 (1): 202-232. 2018.
3. 'Kind-Dependent Grounding', *Analytic Philosophy*, 59 (3): 359-390. 2018.
4. 'The Paradox of Decrease and Dependent Parts', *Ratio* 31 (3): 273-284. 2018.

Forthcoming Articles

1. 'Naïve Realism and the Basis Problem', to appear in *Dualism in the 21st Century*, (eds.) Weir, R., Rickabaugh, B., & Göcke, P., Cambridge University Press.
2. 'Alternate Composition Cases and Conditional Ground', to appear in *Objects and Properties*, (eds.) Rossi, C., Taylor, H., & Moran, A., Oxford University Press.

Edited Volumes

1. *Objects and Properties* (with C. Rossi and H. Taylor), under review with Oxford University Press.

Reviews

1. 'Review of *Animalism: New Essays on Persons, Animals and Identity*, by Blatti, S. & Snowdon, P. F. (eds.), OUP', *Philosophy in Review*, 37 (3): 94-96. 2017.
2. 'Review of *Galileo's Error: Foundations for a New Science of Consciousness*, by Philip Goff, Rider: Penguin Random House.

Presentations

'Episodic Memory and the Reality of the Past', Centre for Philosophy of Memory, Université Grenoble Alpes, "Memory and Perception" workshop. March 2020. [Postponed]

'Knowing the Qualitative: Colour, Consciousness, and Objectivity', University of Warsaw, February 2020.

'Panpsychism and Naïve Realism: Grounding the Qualitative', debate with Philip Goff, University College, University of Oxford. February 2020.

'Philosophy and Creativity', Peterhouse Theory Group, University of Cambridge. February 2020.

'On the Evil of Death', Buckingham University/The Humane Philosophy Society, January 2020.

'The Problem of the Qualitative', Munich Centrre For Mathemathical Philosophy, January 2020.

'Emergentist and Non-Reductive Views: Is There A Real Distinction?', *Emergence: Conceptual and Philosophical Aspects*, Dutch Institute for Emergent Phenomena. May 2019.

'Naive Realism, Dualism, and Purely Experiential Events', *Dualism in the Twenty-First Century*, CEU Budapest. December 2018.

'The Structure of Experience and the Grounds of Conscious Character', *Third Annual Minds, Brains and Consciousness Conference*, University of Minho, Braga, Portugal. October 2017.

'A Puzzle About Material Things: Russell's Principle and Grounding-Qua', *Serious Metaphysics Group*, University of Cambridge, Michaelmas Term. October 2017.

'An Argument Against Epistemic Disjunctivism', *New Directions in the Study of the Mind Discussion Group*, Templeton Project: University of Cambridge. November 2016.

'Epistemic Disjunctivism and Overdetermination', *BPPA Masterclass on Naive Realism and Its Challenges*, Warwick University. October 2016.

'Consciousness and Conditional Grounding', presented at '*Metaphysical Mayhem*', a Bi-Annual Metaphysics Conference. Rutgers University. August 2016. (Plus $400 award for travel expenses.)

'Austinian Disjunctivism', *Graduate Seminar*, University of Cambridge. March 2016.

'The Thinking Parts Problem', *Serious Metaphysics Group*, University of Cambridge. October 2015.

'Explaining Phenomenal Character' *New Directions in the Study of the Mind Discussion Group*, Templeton Project: University of Cambridge. March 2015.

'Dion's Foot and Aristotle's Hand: A New Solution to the Paradox of Decrease', *Serious Metaphysics Group*, University of Cambridge. January 2015.

'Animalism and Thinking Parts', *Ontology of the Human Person: What We Are and What Difference Does it Make?* St. Louis University Graduate Philosophy Conference. January 2015.

'Naive Realism, The Time-Lag Argument, and Eternalism', *Philosophy of Mind Work in Progress Group*, (Commentator: Oliver Rashbrook-Cooper), University of Oxford. May 2014.

'Wittgenstein on 'I' and Cartesian Error', *Perspectives on the First Person Pronoun "I": Looking at Metaphysics, Linguistics and Neuroscience*, Durham University. May 2014.

'The Remnant Person Argument: Animalism's Undoing?', *Ockham Society*, University of Oxford. Michaelmas Term. October 2013.

'Animalism', *Martlets Society*, University of Oxford (University College). October 2013.

' Agency, Frankfurt Cases, and the Compatibility of Determinism with Free Will and Moral Responsibility', *British Undergraduate Philosophy Conference*, University of Leeds. June 2012.

'Agency, Frankfurt Cases, and Compatibilism', *King's College Undergraduate Philosophy Society Conference*, King's College London. April 2012.

Teaching

Summary of Teaching at the University of Oxford (2019-).
Tutorials for Undergraduates
1. General philosophy tutorials.
2. Graduate seminar "Topics in the Philosophy of Perception" (with Dominic Alford-Duguid).

Summary of Teaching at the University of Cambridge (2014-2019).
One-to-One Supervisions for undergraduates

1. For first-years: Metaphysics; Ethics & Political Philosophy; Set Texts (Plato, Descartes, Mill).
2. For second-years*:* Metaphysics & Epistemology; Early Modern Philosophy; Political Philosophy.
3. For third-years: Philosophy of Mind; Metaphysics.

Discussion Groups for undergraduates

1. For first-years: Metaphysics; Ethics.
2. For second-years: Early Modern Philosophy; Metaphysics.

Lectures for undergraduates (2016/17)

1. 'Perception and Mind-Dependence'. For second-years taking 'Metaphysics and Epistemology'.

Advanced seminars

1. Research seminar concerning 'Metaphysical Grounding' for graduates and research staff (2015/16).
2. Research seminar concerning 'Perception and Reality' for graduates and research staff (2018/19).

Journal Refereeing

I have acted as a referee for the philosophy journals *Mind*, *Philosopher's Imprint, The Philosophical Quarterly*, *The Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Inquiry, Erkenntnis, Synthese, European Journal of Philosophy, Mind & Language, Ergo,* and *Acta Analytica*.

Conferences and Workshops

1. *Title:* 'Objects and Properties: Generating Dialogue'. University of Cambridge, St. John's College, June 2018. Co-organised with Carlo Rossi (Cambridge) and Henry Taylor (Birmingham).
2. *Title:* 'Perceptual Presence', with Rob Hoveman and Tim Crane, to be hosted at CEU, March 2020. [postponed]

Academic References

[1] Prof. Tim Crane. Professor of Philosophy, Central European University (formerly Knightbridge Professor of Philosophy and Fellow of Peterhouse at the University of Cambridge).
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[2] Dr. Craig French. Assistant Professor at Nottingham University.
Email: Craig.French@nottingham.ac.uk

[3] Dr. Ralf Bader. Associate Professor of Philosophy, Oxford University (Merton College).
Email: ralf.bader@philosophy.ox.ac.uk

[4] Prof. Adam Pautz. Professor of Philosophy at Brown University.
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[5] Prof. Bill Child. Professor of Philosophy & Fellow and Tutor in Philosophy, University College at the University of Oxford. Email: bill.child.@univ.ox.ac.uk