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### **Academic Positions**

University of California, Santa Barbara; Professor; Philosophy; [2016] 2021-present  
University of California, Santa Barbara; Associate Professor; Philosophy; 2011-[2016] 2021  
University of Kansas, Associate Professor, Philosophy, 2004-2011  
University of Kansas, Assistant Professor, Philosophy, 1999-2004  
Reed College, Visiting Scholar, 1998-1999  
Reed College, Visiting Assistant Professor, Philosophy and Humanities, 1995-1998

### **Education**

Princeton University, Ph.D. in Philosophy, 1999  
Princeton University, M.A. in Philosophy, 1993  
University of Washington (Seattle), B.A. in Philosophy *summa cum laude*, 1987

### **Areas of Specialization**

Metaphysics and Philosophy of Language

### **Areas of Competence**

History of Analytic Philosophy and Logic

### **Accepted Invitations for Written Work**

- “Origin Essentialism” for the *Routledge Handbook of Essence* (Kathrin Koslicki and Michael Raven, editors), approximately 6000 words, due 12/31/2021, draft available on request.

### **Papers under Review**

- Title redacted so as not to interfere with anonymous review [9,000 words]  
(with Nathan Salmón)

### **Papers**

17. “Everything but the Kitchen Sink: How (Not) to Give a Plenitudinarian Solution to the Paradox of Flexible Origin Essentialism” *Philosophical Studies* (forthcoming). <doi: 10.1007/s11098-021-01654-9>
16. “Is Chandler’s Paradox a Sorites Paradox?” in *On the Sorites Paradox* (Otávio Bueno and Ali Abasnezhad, editors), *Logic, Epistemology, and the Unity of Science* series, *Synthese* Library, Springer (forthcoming).
15. “Some Highs and Lows of Hylomorphism: On a Paradox about Property Abstraction” (with Nathan Salmón), *Philosophical Studies* 177 (2020): 1549-1563. <doi: 10.1007/s11098-019-01274-4>

14. “A Puzzle about Kinds”, *Philosophical Perspectives* 32 (2018): 352-364.  
<doi: 10.1111/phpe.12117>
13. “Modal Paradox” in *Naming, Necessity, and More: Proceedings of the University of Haifa International Conference on the Work of Saul Kripke* (Jonathan Berg, editor), Palgrave Macmillan (2014): 54-80.
12. “Essentialism and Reference to Kinds”, *Philosophical Books* 50.3 (July 2009): 125-141.
11. “Does the New Route Reach its Destination?” (with Graeme Forbes), *Mind* 115 (April 2006): 367-373.
10. “Internalism, (Super)Fragile Reasons, and the Conditional Fallacy”, *Philosophical Papers* 32.2 (July 2003): 171-184.
9. “(In the Fiction/Myth) the Number Seventeen Crosses the Rubicon”, *Southwest Philosophy Review* 19:1 (January 2003): 125-134.
8. “Are Modal Contexts Opaque?”, *Southwest Philosophy Review* 18.1 (January 2002): 79-88.
7. “On Soames’s Solution to the Sorites Paradox”, *Analysis* 60.4 (October 2000): 328-334.
6. “Essentialism: Origin and Order”, *Mind* 109 (April 2000): 299-307.
5. “Possibilities and the Arguments for Origin Essentialism”, *Mind* 107 (October 1998): 729-749.

#### Encyclopedia and Handbook Articles

4. “Reference” in the *Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Language* (Delia Graff Fara and Gillian Russell, editors), Routledge (2012): 189-198.
3. “Supplement to ‘Essential vs. Accidental Properties’: Arguments for Origin Essentialism” *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Edward N. Zalta, editor), (first published 4/29/2008 with subsequent minor corrections).  
<<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2008/entries/essential-accidental/origin-essentialism.html>>
2. “Essential vs. Accidental Properties”, *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Edward N. Zalta, editor), (first published 4/29/2008, substantive revisions with Philip Atkins in 2013, 2016, and 2020).  
<<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2020/entries/essential-accidental/>>  
<<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2018/entries/essential-accidental/>>  
<<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2013/entries/essential-accidental/>>  
<<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2008/entries/essential-accidental/>>

#### Book Review

1. “Review of Laurence Bonjour’s *In Defense of Pure Reason: A Rationalist Account of A Priori Justification*”, *European Journal of Philosophy* 8 (April 2000): 130-133.

#### Accepted Invitations for Presentations

- Keynote Talk for the 2020 Steven Humphrey Undergraduate Student Philosophy Colloquium (postponed until 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic)

#### Presentations

39. “Origin Essentialism” presented virtually at the Workshop for the *Routledge Handbook of Essence*, 9-12 July 2021

38. “Is it Turtles All the Way Down?: Comments on Taylor-Grey Miller’s ‘Trobule for Reducing Essence’” presented virtually at the Pacific Division Meetings of the American Philosophical Association, 7 April 2021
37. “Everything But the Kitchen Sink: How (Not) to Give a Plenitudist Solution to a Modal Paradox” presented at
  37. New York University Mind and Language Seminar (by Zoom), 14 April 2020
  36. the Department of Cognitive Science of the University of Messina, July 2019
  35. the Pacific Division Meetings of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, 18 April 2019
34. “Panel 15: Chandler’s Paradox and Modality” with Nathan Salmon and Timothy Williamson at the Latin American Analytic Philosophy Conference and the Conference of the Brazilian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Fortaleza, Brazil, 27-31 May 2014
33. “Things Undreamt of: Chandler’s Paradox, Modal Properties, and Plenitude” presented at
  33. the Philosophy of Language and Metaphysics Conference of the State University of Campinas (UNICAMP) in Campinas, Brazil, 3-5 June 2014
  32. the Latin American Analytic Philosophy Conference and the Conference of the Brazilian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Fortaleza, Brazil, 27-31 May 2014
  31. the Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference “Metaphysics on the Mountain” workshop, Sun Valley, Idaho, 17-21 March 2014
  30. the University of California, Irvine, 11 January 2013
29. “A Puzzle about Kinds” presented at
  29. the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, 11 November 2011
  28. the Federal University of Paraná, Curitiba, Brazil, 8 November 2011
  27. Society for Exact Philosophy, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, May 2011
  26. the University of Texas at Austin, 27 August 2010
  25. the University of California, Santa Barbara, 15 October 2010
  24. the “Celebration of Philosophy 1: Identity and Modality” conference at the Instituto Tecnológico de la Costa Grande Zihuatanejo (in conjunction with the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), 4-6 November 2010
23. “Essentialism and Reference to Kinds” presented at the University of Kansas Departmental Faculty Colloquium, 10 February 2010
22. “Three Questions concerning Essentialism about Kinds” presented at
  22. the “Lisbon-Curitiba Thought, Object, Language Philosophy Colloquium” in Curitiba, Brazil, December 2009
  21. the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, December 2009
20. “Some Remarks on Essentialism about Kinds” presented at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, 21 May 2009
19. Critic for Author-Meets-Critics Session on Penelope Mackie’s *How Things Might Have Been: Individuals, Kinds, and Essential Properties* at the Central Division Meeting of the APA, 20 February 2009
18. “Essential and Accidental Properties” presented at the University of Kansas Departmental Faculty Colloquium, 2 May 2007
17. Comments on Michael McGlone’s “The Inadequacy of Lewis’s Response to the Humphrey Objection” for the Pacific Division Meeting of the APA, 18 March 2008 (due to flight cancellation, my comments were read by David Braun)

16. Comments on Timothy Williamson's "Indicative versus Subjunctive Conditionals, Congruential versus Non-Hyperintensional" for the Third Steven Humphrey Excellence in Philosophy Conference, 16-20 February 2006
15. "Quantifying In and Essentialist Claims" presented at the University of Kansas Departmental Faculty Colloquium, 14 April 2004
14. "Internalism, (Super)Fragile Reasons, and the Conditional Fallacy" presented at the 2003 Meeting of the Society for Exact Philosophy at Simon Fraser University, 15-18 May 2003
13. "(Super)Fragile Reasons, Internalism, and the Conditional Fallacy" presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kansas Philosophical Society Meeting, 15 February 2003
12. "(Super)Fragile Reasons for Action and the Modal Structure of Internalism" presented at the University of Kansas Departmental Faculty Colloquium, 18 December 2002
11. "(In the Fiction/Myth) the Number Seventeen Crosses the Rubicon" presented at
  11. the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwestern Philosophical Society Meetings, 8-10 November 2002
  10. the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, 25-26 October 2002
9. Commentator on Jan Thomas's "Fiction, Morality, and Relativity" at the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, 25-26 October 2002
8. "Are Modal Contexts Opaque?" presented at the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Southwestern Philosophical Society Meetings, 2-4 November 2001
7. "Are Modal Contexts Opaque?" presented at
  7. the University of Kansas Departmental Faculty Colloquium, October 2001
  6. the University of Kansas Departmental Faculty Colloquium, April 2000
5. Commentator on Nathan Salmon's "Mythical Objects" at the Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, March 2000
4. "Modal Paradox" presented at the University of Haifa International Conference on the Work of Saul Kripke, 21-24 June 1999
3. "Possibilities and the Arguments for Origin Essentialism" presented at the University of Sheffield, May 1997
2. "Worlds and Possible Worlds" presented at the University of Washington, May 1996
1. "Comments on Stich's *Fragmentation of Reason*" presented at the Discipuli Conference at the University of Southern California, March 1992

### **Refereeing**

*Analysis*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, the *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, *Erkenntnis*, the *European Journal of Philosophy*, the *Journal of Philosophy*, *Manuscrito*, *Mind*, *Noûs*, Oxford University Press, Pearson-Longman. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Studies*, the *Review of Metaphysics*, Springer Press, *Synthese*, and *Thought*.