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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Mind ♦ Perception ♦ Cognitive Science ♦ Artificial Intelligence ♦ Psychiatry

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics ♦ Epistemology ♦ Value Theory ♦ Early Modern

Employment

- 2022- Fellow, Hong Kong Catastrophic Risk Centre (HKCRC), Lingnan University
Tuen Mun, Hong Kong
- 2021- Assistant Professor, Lingnan University
Tuen Mun, Hong Kong
- 2020-2021 Instructor, Auburn University
Auburn, Alabama
- 2019-2020 Post-Doctoral Researcher, Centre for Philosophical Psychology, University of Antwerp
Antwerp, Belgium

Education

- 2019 Philosophy, Ph.D.
University of California, Berkeley
Sensitive Subjects: Bodily Awareness, Pain, and the Self
Committee: John Campbell (co-chair), Geoffrey Lee (co-chair), M.G.F. Martin, Alison Gopnik (outside member)
- 2011 Philosophy, B.A. *summa cum laude*
University of Cincinnati

Published Work

IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS¹

- Forthcoming 'Depersonalization and the Immediacy of Affect', *Synthese*

¹Date in parentheses denotes 'Online First' publication date when it is different from the date of record.

- Forthcoming 'Rational Affective Transformation', *Ergo* co-authored with [Quinn Hiroshi Gibson](#)
- Forthcoming 'Varieties of Moral Agency and Risks of Digital Dystopia', *American Philosophical Quarterly* co-authored with [Brad Saad](#)
- 2025 'Cognitive representation and AI wellbeing', *Asian Journal of Philosophy* 4: 105
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s44204-025-00335-2>
- 2025 'AI Alignment vs. AI Ethical Treatment: Ten Challenges', *Analytic Philosophy* 0: 1-19 co-authored with [Brad Saad](#)
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/phib.12380>
- 2025 (2024) 'The Puzzle of Mood Rationality', *Noûs* 59: 349-371.
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/nous.12517>
- 2025 (2022) 'Digital Suffering: Why it's a Problem and How to Prevent It', *Inquiry* Vol. 68 No. 7, 2110-2145 co-authored with [Brad Saad](#)
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/0020174X.2022.2144442>
- 2024 'Against the Pathology Argument for Self-Acquaintance', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 102:3, 641-657
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00048402.2024.2320841>
- 2023 (2021) 'Monothematic Delusions and the Limits of Rationality', *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 4 (3):811-835 co-authored with [Quinn Hiroshi Gibson](#)
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1086/714986>
- 2021 'The Paradox of Pain', *The Philosophical Quarterly* 71(4)
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1093/pq/pqaa084>
- 2021 (2019) 'The Feeling of Bodily Ownership', *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (2):359-379
doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/phpr.12657>

IN EDITED VOLUMES

- 2024 'Delusions and Rationality' co-authored with Quinn Hiroshi Gibson
In *The Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Delusion*, ed. Ema Sullivan-Bissett. (London: Routledge)
- 2023 'Psychedelic Therapy as Transformative Experience'
In *Transformation and the History of Philosophy*. eds. G. Anthony Bruno and Justin Vlasits. New York, NY: Routledge.

Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

- 2026-2028 Hong Kong Research Grants Council (RGC) Early Career Scheme (ECS) Grant. - \$150,000 HKD (≈ \$19,300 USD) grant for 2-year research project entitled "Reasons of the Heart: Affective Experience, Cognition, and Rationality".
- 2025 Visiting Fellow, London AI and Humanity Project, Institute of Philosophy, School of Advanced Study, University of London. Six-week visiting fellowship to engage in work on the philosophy of AI.
- 2025 Faculty Research Grant, Lingnan University. \$40,000 HKD (≈ \$5,100 USD) internal grant for a project entitled 'Representation and Representational Format in Genera-

- tive AI Systems*’.
- 2023 NYU Mind, Ethics, and Policy Program Award for Animal and AI Consciousness Workshop. – \$500 USD award for ‘*Digital Suffering: Why It’s a Problem and How to Prevent It.*’ Co-awarded with Brad Saad.
- 2023-2025 Hong Kong Research Grants Council (RGC) Early Career Scheme (ECS) Grant. – \$205,000 HKD (≈ \$26,000 USD) grant for 2-year research project entitled ‘*Affect, Concern, and the Sense of Self*’
- 2018 Fink Prize – For ‘*The Paradox of Pain.*’ Awarded to the best paper by a UC Berkeley philosophy department graduate student that year.
- 2018 New Directions Fellowship – \$14,500 USD departmental fellowship for mentorship in science. Worked with Dr. Howard Fields (Neurology, UC Berkeley/UCSF Medical Center).
- 2011 Taft Undergraduate Senior Research Fellowship
- 2011 Phi Beta Kappa

Presentations (Refereed)

- 2025 *Rational Affective Transformation* w/ Quinn Hiroshi Gibson
Pacific APA, San Francisco, CA
- 2024 *Self-Acquaintance and Pathologies of Self-Awareness*
Pacific APA, Portland, OR
- 2023 ‘*Allow Myself to Introduce... Myself*’: *Self-Acquaintance and Disorders of Self-Awareness*
Australasian Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ASPP), Canberra, AU
- 2023 *Digital Suffering: Why it’s a Problem and How to Prevent it* w/ Brad Saad
NYU Mind, Ethics, and Policy Program Animal and AI Consciousness Workshop,
New York, NY
- 2022 *Affective Transformations* w/ Quinn Hiroshi Gibson
Australasian Society for Philosophy and Psychology (5-Minute Blitz Talk), Zoom
- 2019 *Monothematic Delusion: A Two-Factor Expressivist Account* w/ Quinn Hiroshi Gibson
Eastern APA, New York, NY
- 2018 *Monothematic Delusion: A Two-Factor Expressivist Account* w/ Quinn Hiroshi Gibson
Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2018 *The Paradox of Pain*
Berkeley/London Graduate Conference, London, UK
- 2018 *Pain, Multimodality, and Bodily Awareness*
Pacific APA, San Diego, CA
- 2017 *Pain, Multimodality, and Bodily Awareness*
Philosophy of Language and Mind 4, Ruhr Universtät Bochum
- 2017 *Pain, Multimodality, and Bodily Awareness*,
The Nature of Pain Workshop, Ruhr Universtät Bochum
- 2017 *Body Integrity Identity Disorder and the Feeling of Bodily Ownership (Poster Presentation)*

- Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Baltimore, MD
- 2017 *Is There a Feeling of Bodily Ownership?*
Berkeley/London Graduate Conference, Berkeley, CA
- 2017 *Is There a Feeling of Bodily Ownership?*
Berkeley/Stanford/Davis Graduate Conference, Davis, CA
- 2016 *Perceptual Representationalism and the Paradox of Pain*
MindGrad, Warwick, UK

Presentations (Invited)

- 2025 *Depersonalization and the Immediacy of Affect*
Depersonalisation and Derealisation: Philosophical and Empirical Perspectives
Workshop, Umeå University, Umeå, Sweden
- 2025 *Cognitive Representation and AI Wellbeing*
Turing Table Series, London AI and Humanity Project, Institute of Philosophy,
School of Advanced Study, University of London, London, UK
- 2025 *Depersonalization and the Immediacy of Affect*
History and Philosophy of Science Research Seminar, The Hong Kong University
of Science and Technology, Hong Kong
- 2024 *AI Alignment vs. Ethical Treatment: 10 Challenges* (joint work w/ Brad Saad)
The Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, Lingnan University, Hong Kong
- 2024 *Varieties of Moral Agency and Risks of Digital Dystopia* (joint work w/ Brad Saad)
HKCRC—Mimir—P.I.E. Workshop on Ethics, Technology, and the Future, Hong
Kong
- 2023 *Varieties of Moral Agency and Risks of Digital Dystopia* (joint work w/ Brad Saad)
Workshop on AI, Agency, and Wellbeing, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
- 2023 *Pascal's Puzzle: Affect's Influence on Cognition*
Institutskolloquium (Departmental Colloquium), Universität Tübingen, Tübingen,
Germany
- 2023 *Affect, Concern, and the Sense of Self*
PONS Oberseminar (Research Seminar), Universität Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany
- 2023 *Disorders of Self-Experience*
Arts Faculty Research Seminar, Lingnan University, Lingnan University (Zoom
Talk)
- 2021 *The Paradox of Pain*
Lingnan University (Zoom Talk), Hong Kong
- 2020 *Affective Concern and the Sense of Self*
PONS Oberseminar (Research Seminar), Universität Tübingen (Zoom Talk), Tübin-
gen, Germany
- 2020 *The Sense of Self*
MindWork Seminar, UT Austin (Zoom Talk), Austin, Texas
- 2019 *Monothematic Delusions: A Two-Factor Expressivist Account* w/ Quinn Hiroshi Gib-
son

- PONS Oberseminar (Research Seminar), Universität Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany
- 2019 *The Paradox of Pain*
Bilkent University (Department of Philosophy), Ankara, Turkey
- 2018 *Are Animals Conscious?*
BROCA (Berkeley Review of Cognitive Science Articles), Berkeley, CA
- 2017 *Bodily Sensations and Sensible Qualities*
Grounding Sensible Qualities Workshop, Berkeley, CA
- 2016 *Solving the Paradox of Pain*
Dennes Lectures on Perception, Berkeley, CA

Commentaries

- 2025 *A Matter of Principle? AI Alignment as the Fair Treatment of Claims* by Iason Gabriel
University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
- 2024 *Representational tools in the sciences: the puzzle of operative iconicity* by Valeria Giardino
Iconic Representation, NYU Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2019 *What is an Acquisition of Taste?* by Daniel Pallies
Pacific APA, Vancouver, BC
- 2017 *Is Experiential Content Propositional?* by Bryce Dalbey
Pacific APA, Seattle, WA
- 2016 *Slurring Epithets and Generic Descriptivism* by Pasi Valtonen
Berkeley/London Graduate Conference, London, UK
- 2014 *Tracing and Offloading* by Kevin Watson
Berkeley/Stanford/Davis Graduate Conference, Davis, CA
- 2012 *Constituents and Parts* by Christopher Healow
Berkeley/Stanford/Davis Graduate Conference, Stanford, CA

Teaching (Lead Instructor)

- 2025, -24, -
23 Philosophy of Mind
Lingnan University
- 2025, -23, -
22 Critical Thinking
Lingnan University
- 2025, -24 Introduction to Philosophy
Lingnan University
- 2026, -24, -
23, -22, -
21 Epistemology
Lingnan University
- 2020-1 Introduction to Ethics
Auburn University
- 2019, -17, -
16 The Nature of Mind
UC Berkeley (Summer Session)
- 2015 Introduction to Philosophy (Co-taught with Jeffrey Kaplan)

The Prison University Project at San Quentin State Prison

Supervision

- 2025- Directed Research Project (Undergraduate Thesis) Philosophy.
- 2023-2024 Directed Research Project (Undergraduate Thesis) Philosophy.
- 2023-2024 Directed Research Project (Undergraduate Thesis) Philosophy.
- 2022-2024 MPhil Philosophy. SUN Changshuo. Primary advisor.

Service

- 2021- Referee for *Noûs*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Synthese*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Ergo*, *Mind & Language*, *Erkenntnis*, *Inquiry*, *Analytic Philosophy*, *Review of Philosophy and Psychology*, *Philosophy*, *Psychiatry*, and *Psychology*, *Theoria*, and *Routledge*.
- 2017 Head GSI (TA) for Philosophy Department, UC Berkeley
- 2015-2017 Graduate Assembly (Student Government) Representative for Philosophy Department, UC Berkeley