

Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Birmingham, UK

Department of Philosophy, School of Philosophy, Theology and Religion

- From June 2019–present
H. G. Wood Professor of Philosophy of Religion and Co-Director of the Birmingham Centre for Philosophy of Religion
- May 2012–May 2019
Professor of Philosophy
- September 2011–April 2012
Reader in Philosophy
- October 2009–August 2011
Senior Lecturer in Philosophy
- January 2006–September 2009
Lecturer in Philosophy

Australian National University, Australia

Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics

- June 2004–November 2005
Research Fellow and Deputy Manager of the Ethics and Biotechnology Program

University of Alberta, Canada

Department of Philosophy

- December 2004–May 2005
Izaak Walton Killam Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow

EDUCATION

Australian National University, Australia

- PhD in Philosophy (pass with no corrections), September 2000–December 2004

State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA

- BA *magna cum laude* in Philosophy (minor: Applied Mathematics), July 1996–May 2000

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Mind

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

Applied Ethics, Metaphysics

EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS

Book Series

- Editor, *Cambridge Elements in Philosophy of Religion*, Cambridge University Press, 2018–current.
- Advisory board member, *BSPR Book Series*, Routledge, 2013–present.
- Editor, *Palgrave Frontiers in Philosophy of Religion* (with Erik Wielenberg), Palgrave Macmillan, 2012–present.

Journals

- Editorial Board Member, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, 2020–present.
- Editorial Board Member, *Journal for the Study of Spirituality*, 2020–present.
- Editor-in-Chief, *Religious Studies*, 2019–present.
- Editorial Advisor, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 2018–present.
- Area Editor, *Ergo*, 2018–2019.
- Associate Editor, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 2016–present.
- Associate Editor, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 2016–2018.
- Philosophy of Religion Editor, *Philosophy Compass*, 2013–2018.
- Editorial board member, *Religious Studies*, Cambridge University Press, 2012–2018.
- Co-Editor and Review Editor, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 2011–2016.
- Management Committee member, *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations*, 2009–2011.

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

- *Maximal God: A New Defence of Perfect Being Theism*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017.
 Reviews: *Sophia*, *Notre Dame Review of Philosophy*, *Journal of Biblical and Theological Studies*, *Reading Religion*, *Signum*, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Religious Studies*, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Religious Studies Review*, *Faith and Philosophy*.
- *Miracles: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017.

Reviews: *Catholic Herald*, *Insights Magazine*, *Paradigm Explorer*, *Reading Religion*, *Science Fact & Science Fiction Concatenation*, *Reviews in Religion and Theology*, *Año Cero*, *Mezetulle*, *Religious Studies*.

- *The Existence of God: A Philosophical Introduction*, London: Routledge, 2011.
Reviews: *Tijdschrift voor Filosofie*, *Studia Historiae Ecclesiasticae*.
- *God and Phenomenal Consciousness: A Novel Approach to Knowledge Arguments*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008 (paperback edition: 2012). **Winner of the 2008 Templeton Award for Theological Promise.**
Reviews: *Mind*, *Notre Dame Review of Philosophy*, *Metapsychology*, *Times Higher Education*, *Philosophy in Review*, *Faith and Philosophy*, *The Heythrop Journal*.

Edited Books

- *Palgrave Handbook of the Afterlife* (with Benjamin Matheson), Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017.
- *Alternative Concepts of God: Essays on the Metaphysics of the Divine* (with Andrei Buckareff), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016.
Reviews: *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Theologische Revue*, *Religious Studies Review*, *Zygon*, *Journal of Analytic Theology*, *Journal of Biblical and Theological Studies*, *Philosophy in Review*, *Heythrop Journal*, *Philosophical Quarterly*.
- *Consciousness in the Physical World: Perspectives on Russellian Monism* (with Torin Alter), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015.
Reviews: *Russell: The Journal of Russell Studies*.
- *Scientific Approaches to the Philosophy of Religion*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012.
Review: *Philosophische Rundschau*.
- *New Waves in Philosophy of Religion* (with Erik Wielenberg), Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008.
Review: *Notre Dame Review of Philosophy*.
- *There's Something About Mary: Essays on Phenomenal Consciousness and Frank Jackson's Knowledge Argument* (with Peter Ludlow and Daniel Stoljar), Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2004.
Reviews: *New Scientist*, *Notre Dame Review of Philosophy*, *Philosophy in Review*, *Psyche*, and *Rivista di Filosofia Croatian Journal of Philosophy*, *Iride: Filosofia e Discussione Pubblica*, *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, *Metapsychology*.

Edited Journal Special Issues

- Special Issue on Concepts of the Divine, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* (with Andrei Buckareff) 11, Issue 2, 2019.
- Special Issue on Pantheism and Panentheism, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* (with Andrei Buckareff) 85, Issue 1, 2019.
- Special Issue on Monist Alternatives to Physicalism, *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 19, Issues 9–10 (with Max Velmans), 2012.
- Special Issue on Anselmian Theism, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 69, Issue 2, 2011.

Academic Articles

- ‘A Panpsychist Dead End’, *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society, Supplementary Volume*, forthcoming.
- ‘Pro-Immortalism and Pro-Mortalism’, T. Ryan Byerly (ed.), *Death, Immortality and Eternal Life*, London: Routledge, forthcoming.
- ‘Personal Theism vs. Impersonal Axiarchism’, Georg Gasser and Simon Kittle (eds.), *Personal and A-Personal Aspects of the Divine*, London: Routledge, forthcoming.
- ‘Panpsychism versus Pantheism, Polytheism, and Cosmopsychism’, William Seager (ed.), *The Routledge Companion of Panpsychism*, London: Routledge, pp. 259–268, 2019.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’ with replies to critics, Nick Trakakis (ed.), *The Problem of Evil: Eight Views*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 151–163 (paper) and pp. 169–175 (replies), 2018. Translated into Arabic by Ibrahim Al-Kaltham (<https://mana.net/archives/2833>) and Persian by Hamid Reza Yazdani (<https://www.dinonline.com/16191/>).
- ‘Global Philosophy of Religion and its Challenges’, in Paul Draper and J. L. Schellenberg (eds.), *Renewing Philosophy of Religion: Exploratory Essays*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 33–47, 2018.
- ‘Panpsychism and Priority Cosmopsychism’ (with Khai Wager), in Godehard Brüntrup and Ludwig Jaskolla (eds.), *Panpsychism*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 113–129, 2017.
- ‘Silence, Evil and Shusaku Endo’, in Adam Green and Eleonore Stump (eds.), *Hidden Divinity and Religious Belief: New Perspectives*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 246–259, 2016. German translation forthcoming.
- ‘Modal Panentheism’, in Andrei Buckareff and Yujin Nagasawa (eds.), *Alternative Concepts of God*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 91–105, 2016.
- ‘Multiverse Pantheism’, in Klaas Kraay (ed.), *God and the Multiverse: Scientific, Philosophical, and Theological Perspectives*, London: Routledge, pp. 177–191, 2015.
- ‘The Paradox of Eden and Black-and-White Mary’, in Andrew Moore (ed.), *God, Mind and Knowledge*, Aldershot: Ashgate, pp. 135–143, 2014.
- ‘MaximalGod and the Problem of Evil’, in Jeanine Diller and Asa Kasher (eds.), *Models of God and Other Ultimate Realities*, New York: Springer, pp. 233–243, 2013.
- ‘Models of Anselmian Theism’, *Faith and Philosophy* 30, pp. 3–25, 2013.
- ‘What is Russellian Monism?’ (with Torin Alter), *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 19, pp. 67–95. Reprinted in Torin Alter and Yujin Nagasawa (eds.) (2015), *Consciousness in the Physical World: Perspectives on Russellian Monism*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 422–451, 2012.
- ‘Introduction to Monist Alternative to Physicalism’ (with Max Velmans), *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 19, pp. 7–18, 2012.
- ‘Infinite Decomposability and the Mind-Body Problem’, *American Philosophical Quarterly* 49, pp. 357–367, 2012.
- ‘Is There a Shallow Logical Refutation of the Ontological Argument?’, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 4, pp. 87–99, 2012.
- ‘John Hick’s Pan(en)theistic Monism’, in Sharada Sugirtharajah (ed.), *Religious Pluralism and the Modern World: An Ongoing Engagement with John Hick*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 176–189, 2012.
- ‘Anselmian Theism’, *Philosophy Compass* 6, pp. 564–571, 2011.

- ‘The Ontological Argument and the Devil’, *Philosophical Quarterly* 60, pp. 72–91, 2010. **Winner of the 2010 Excellence in Philosophy of Religion Prize.**
- ‘Australasian Dualism’, Graham Oppy and Nick Trakakis (eds.), *A Companion to Philosophy in Australia and New Zealand*, Melbourne: Monash University Publishing, 2010. <http://www.publishing.monash.edu/books/cpanz.html>
- ‘The Knowledge Argument and Epiphenomenalism’, *Erkenntnis* 72, pp. 37–56, 2010.
- ‘Immortality without Boredom’ (with Lisa Bortolotti), *Ratio* 22, pp. 261–277, 2009.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument’, in Tim Bayne, Axel Cleeremans and Patrick Wilken (eds.), *The Oxford Companion to Consciousness*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 395–397, 2009.
- ‘A New Defence of Anselmian Theism’, *Philosophical Quarterly* 58, pp. 577–596, 2008. **Winner of the 2007 Philosophical Quarterly Essay Prize.** Polish translation forthcoming.
- ‘Millican on the Ontological Argument’, *Mind* 116, pp. 1027–1040, 2007.
- ‘The Grounds of Worship Again: A Response to Crowe’ (with Tim Bayne), *Religious Studies* 43, pp. 475–480, 2007.
- ‘Formulating the Explanatory Gap’, *The American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Philosophy and Computers* 7, 2007. <http://www.apaonline.org/apa/publications/newsletters/v07n1/Computers/06.asp>
- ‘Proxy Consent and Counterfactuals’, *Bioethics* 22, pp. 16–24, 2007.
- ‘A Further Reply to Beyer’, *Sophia* 46, pp. 65–67, 2007.
- ‘Surgeon Report Cards and the Concept of Defensive Medicine’, in Steve Clarke and Justin Oakley (eds.), *Informed Consent and Clinical Accountability: The Ethics of Auditing and Reporting Surgeon Performance*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 255–265, 2007.
- ‘A Place for Protoconsciousness?’, Symposium on Gregg Rosenberg’s *A Place for Consciousness*, *Psyche* 12 (online), 2006.
- ‘The Grounds of Worship’ (with Tim Bayne), *Religious Studies* 42, pp. 299–313, 2006.
- ‘Physicalism and Omniscience: A Reply to Beyer’, *Sophia* 44, pp. 55–58, 2005.
- ‘Anything You Can Do God Can Do Better’ (with Campbell Brown), *American Philosophical Quarterly* 42, pp. 221–227, 2005.
- ‘The Best of All Possible Worlds’ (with Campbell Brown), *Synthese* 143, pp. 309–320, 2005.
- ‘Chappell on the Consistency of Criticisms of Christianity’, *Ratio* 18, pp. 104–106, 2005.
- ‘I Can’t Make You Worship Me’ (with Campbell Brown), *Ratio* 18, pp. 138–144, 2005.
- ‘Skeptical Theism and Moral Skepticism: A Reply to Almeida and Oppy’ (with Nick Trakakis), *Ars Disputandi* 4 (online), 2004.
- ‘Subjective Character of Experience in Medical Ethics: A Reply to Atkins’, *Journal of Applied Philosophy* 21, pp. 219–223, 2004.
- ‘Salvation in Heaven?’ (with Graham Oppy and Nick Trakakis), *Philosophical Papers* 33, pp. 95–117. Reprinted in Graham Oppy (2006) *Arguing About Gods*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 314–330.
- ‘Thomas vs. Thomas: A New Approach to Nagel’s Bat Argument’, *Inquiry* 46, pp. 377–394, 2003.

- ‘Divine Omniscience and Experience: A Reply to Alter’, *Ars Disputandi* 3 (online), 2003.
- ‘Divine Omniscience and Knowledge *De Se*’, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 53, pp. 73–82, 2003.
- ‘Moral Evil and Human Freedom: A Reply to Tierno’, *Sophia* 42, pp. 107–111.
- ‘God’s Point of View: A Reply to Mander’, *The Heythrop Journal* 44, pp. 60–63, 2003.
- ‘I Trust You, You’re a Doctor’, *Australian Journal of Professional and Applied Ethics* 5, pp. 70–73, 2003.
- ‘Externalism and the Memory Argument’, *Dialectica* 56, pp. 335–346, 2002.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument Against Dualism’, *Theoria* 68, pp. 205–223, 2002.
- ‘“Very-Slow-Switching” and Memory’, *Acta Analytica* 15, pp. 173–175, 2000.

Popular Articles

- ‘What Do World Religions Teach Us About COVID and the Possibility of Miracles?’, University of Birmingham Blog, <https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/ptr/departments/philosophy/news/2021/w-hat-do-world-religions-teach-us-about-covid-19-and-the-possibility-of-miracles.aspx>
- ‘Coronavirus: Medieval Japanese Thinkers Had Similar Reactions to Plagues – Isolate or Party’, *The Conversation* (<https://theconversation.com/coronavirus-medieval-japanese-thinkers-had-similar-reactions-to-plagues-isolate-or-party-149028>).
- ‘Uskotko itse ihmeisiin?-Filosofi Yujin Nagasawan haastattelu tietoisuuden ongelmasta ja ihmeiden mahdollisuudesta’ (‘Do you Believe in Miracles?’ Interview with Philosopher Yujin Nagasawa about the Problem of Consciousness and the Possibility of Miracles), *Areiopagi* magazine, 2019. <https://www.areiopagi.fi/2019/04/uskotko-itse-ihmeisiin-filosofi-yujin-nagasawan-haastattelu-tietoisuuden-ongelmasta-ja-ihmeiden-mahdollisuudesta/>
- ‘Philosophical, Religious and Scientific Perspectives on Miracles’, *REtoday* magazine 36, p. 69, 2018.
- ‘Nauka a Cuda’ (‘Science and Miracles’), translated into Polish by Jacek Jarocki. Marcin Iwanicki and Jacek Jarocki (eds.), *27 podróży filozoficznych*. Przewodnik (nie tylko Pascala), Lublin: Wydawnictwo KUL, pp. 38–39, 2018. Reprinted in *Filozofuj!* Magazine, 2018. <http://filozofuj.eu/yujin-nagasawa-nauka-a-cuda/>
- ‘Is it Unreasonable to Believe in Miracles?’, the Irish Times, 28 February 2018. <https://www.irishtimes.com/culture/is-it-unreasonable-to-believe-in-miracles-1.3401635>
- ‘Why We Still Believe in Christmas Miracles . . . According to Philosophy’, *The Conversation*, 14 December 2017. <https://theconversation.com/why-we-still-believe-in-christmas-miracles-according-to-philosophy-89137>
- ‘Is there Definitive Proof of the Existence of God?’, OUPblog, 8 November 2017. <https://blog.oup.com/2017/11/definitive-proof-existence-god/>
- ‘Why do So Many People Believe in Miracles?’, OUPblog, 6 October 2017. <https://blog.oup.com/2017/10/why-people-believe-miracles/>
- ‘Where does Consciousness Come From?’, *BBC Focus* magazine, August Issue, pp. 64–69, 2017. (Translated into Turkish by Ezgi Arıkan, ‘Bilinç Nereden Geldi?’, *Öncül Analitik Felsefe Dergisi* 3).

Book Reviews and Notes

- ‘Review of Daniel A. Dombrowski’s *Rethinking the Ontological Argument and A Platonic Philosophy of Religion*’, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 1, pp. 177–181, 2009.
- ‘Review of David Benatar’s *Better Never to Have Been*’, *Mind* 467, pp. 674–677, 2008.
- ‘Review of Robert Kirk’s *Zombies and Consciousness*’, *Philosophical Books* 49, pp. 170–171, 2008.
- ‘Note on Colin McGinn’s *Consciousness and Its Objects*’, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 84, pp. 472–473, 2006.
- ‘Critical Notice of Richard Swinburne’s *The Evolution of the Soul* (Revised Version)’, *The Secular Web*, 2005. https://infidels.org/library/modern/yujin_nagasawa/soul.html
- ‘Note on Mark Rowlands’ *Externalism*’, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 83, pp. 150–151, 2005.
- ‘Review of John Perry’s *Knowledge, Possibility and Consciousness*’, *Psyche* 10 (online), 2004.
- ‘Note on Robert Kirk’s *Mind and Body*’, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 82, pp. 368–369, 2004.
- ‘SARS and Health Care Workers’ Duties’, *Eubios Journal of Asian and International Bioethics* 13, p. 208, 2003.
- ‘Review of Michael Palmer’s *The Question of God*’, *Teaching Theology and Religion* 5, pp. 246–247, 2002.
- ‘Review of Joseph Levine’s *Purple Haze*’, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 80, pp. 245–247, 2002.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

- President, British Society for the Philosophy of Religion, 2017–2019.
- Runner-Up for the Excellence in Doctoral Supervision Award, University of Birmingham, 2017.
- Excellence in Philosophy of Religion Prize (for one of the three best papers published in philosophy of religion in 2010), University of St. Thomas, US\$2,000, 2011.
- The John Templeton Award for Theological Promise, the University of Heidelberg, US\$20,000, 2008.
- The *Philosophical Quarterly* Essay Prize, £1,500, 2007.

GRANTS

- Principal investigator, a supplement to the grant for the Global Philosophy of Religion Project to produce TV documentary episodes for PBS’s *Closer to Truth*, the John Templeton Foundation, \$510,000, 2020–2023.
- Principal investigator, ‘The Global Philosophy of Religion Project’, the John Templeton Foundation and the University of Birmingham’s Dynamic Investment Fund (DIF), \$2.9 million (\$2.15 million from JTF), 2020–2023.
- Birmingham International Engagement Fund, ‘Philosophy and Meaning in Life Conference’, £3700, 2020.

- Principal investigator, ‘The Pantheism and Panentheism Project’ (with Andrei Buckareff), the John Templeton Foundation, \$213,916 2017–2019.
- Marie Curie Fellowship to host a postdoctoral research fellow at the John Hick Centre for Philosophy of Religion (with Elena Kalmykova), the European Research Council, €195,445, 2015–2018.
- Summer Stipend, Classical Theism Project, the University of St. Thomas, \$1000, 2015.
- William Paton Fund to establish a visiting fellow scheme in philosophy of religion at the University of Birmingham (with David Cheetham), the William Paton Trust, £100,000, 2012–2015.
- Principal investigator, ‘The John Hick Archives Project’, the Spalding Trust and the Hick family, £3000, 2012–2013.
- Principal investigator, ‘Death, Immortality and the Afterlife’, the Analytic Theology Project, the University of Innsbruck (with David Cheetham), €12,000, 2012–2014.
- Principal investigator, ‘Exploring Alternative Concepts of God’ (with Andrei Buckareff), the John Templeton Foundation, \$54,950, 2011–2013.
- Conference grant, ‘Philosophy of Religious Pluralism and the Modern World: An Ongoing Engagement with John Hick’, the Mind Association, £800, 2011.
- Principal investigator, ‘Toward a Nonphysicalist Monist Solution to the Mystery of Consciousness’ (with Max Velmans), the John Templeton Foundation, £22,250, 2009–2011.
- Principal investigator, ‘Perfect-Being Theology and the Cognitive Science of Religion’, the Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology, the University of Oxford, £12,110, 2008–2009.
- Dean’s Special Initiative Fund, ‘Death and Dying in the 21st Century’ (with Lisa Bortolotti), £1,430, 2007.
- Izaak Walton Killam Memorial Postdoctoral Fellowship, the Killam Trust and the University of Alberta, CA\$50,000, 2004–2005.
- Foreign Scholar Travel Stipend, American Philosophical Association, US\$500, 2002.
- Conference Grant, the Aristotelian Society, 2001.
- ANU Graduate School Scholarship Funded by the Endowment for Excellence, Australian National University, 2000–2004.
- ANU PhD Scholarship, Australian National University, 2000–2004.

PRESENTATIONS

Conferences

- ‘A Panpsychist Deadend’, the Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, University of Hertfordshire (online), June 2021.
- ‘Publishing in Philosophy of Religion’, Iranian Association for Philosophy of Religion (online), 22 February 2021.
- ‘Cambridge Elements: A New Concept in Academic Publishing’, Frankfurt Book Fair, Germany, 17 October 2019.
- ‘Pro-Immortalism and the Meaning of Life’, The Second International Conference on Philosophy and Meaning in Life, Waseda University, Tokyo, 7 October 2019.
- ‘Evil and Optimism’, Life, Death and Meaning: Eastern and Western Perspectives, University of Birmingham, UK, 9 September 2019.

- ‘Pro-Immortalism and Pro-Mortalism’, British Society for the Philosophy of Religion, Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford, UK, 5–6 September 2019.
- ‘Reply to Mawson’, Pantheism and Panentheism Workshop, University of Birmingham, UK, 29–30 May 2019.
- ‘Maximal God and the Modal Ontological Argument’, Helsinki Analytic Theology Workshop: Investigating Classical Theism, University of Helsinki, Finland, 20–22 February 2019.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’, New Perspectives in European Philosophy of Religion, University of Maribor, Slovenia, 28 November 2018.
- ‘Maximal God and the Ontological Argument’, conference at John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland, October 25 2018.
- ‘Miracles’, The Times and the Sunday Times Cheltenham Literature Festival, UK, 8 October 2018.
- ‘Personal Theism vs. Non-Personal Axiarchism’, Conference on personal and a-personal concepts of God, University of Innsbruck, Austria, 8 August 2018.
- ‘Reply to Coleman’, Pantheism and Panentheism Workshop, Rutgers University, USA, 8 June 2018
- ‘Miracles’, FT Weekend Oxford Literary Festival, 18 March 2018.
- ‘Pantheism, Panpsychism and Cosmopsychism’, Pantheism and Panentheism Workshop, University of Birmingham, 28 November 2017.
- ‘Death and Afterlife’, Headlong (theatre company), London, 21 November 2017.
- ‘Miracles’, OUP’s *Very Short Introductions* series promotional event, Blackwell’s Bookstore, Oxford, 17 November 2017.
- ‘Global Philosophy of Religion’, conference on inter-religious dialogue, University of Genoa, Italy, 28 September 2017.
- ‘A Panpsychist Dead End’, Conference on Russellian monism, Central European University, Hungary, 12 August 2017.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’, European Society for Philosophy of Religion, University of Uppsala, Sweden, 28 August 2016.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’, God and Nature: The Problem of Evil, Verona, Italy, 23 October 2015.
- ‘Hiddenness, Silence and Shusaku Endo’, British Society for the Philosophy of Religion, Oriel College, University of Oxford, 12 September 2015.
- ‘Multiverse Pantheism’, Theism and Multiverse Workshop, Toronto, Canada, 15 February 2013.
- ‘Philosophy, Religion and the Nature of Scientific Knowledge’, The Big Band and the Interfaces of Knowledge, Wilton Park and CERN, Geneva, Switzerland, 15 October 2012.
- ‘Pantheism and Priority Cosmopsychism’, international conference Minds: Human and Divine, the Munich School of Philosophy, Germany, 6–9 August 2012.
- ‘A Reply to John Leslie’, Alternative Concepts of God, University of Birmingham, 19 July 2012.
- ‘John Hick’s Pan(en)theism’, British Society for the Philosophy of Religion, Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, 15 September 2011.
- ‘A Systematic Modelling of Anselmian Theism’, Ontological Proofs Today, Kazimierz Wielki University, Bydgoszcz, Poland, 8 September 2011.
- ‘John Hick’s Pan(en)theism’, Philosophy of Religion in the 21st Century, Krakow, Poland, 27 June 2011.

- ‘The Mind-Body Problem in an Infinitely Decomposable Universe’, Minds, Bodies and Souls: Society for Christian Philosophers Eastern Regional Conference, Fordham University, 18 March 2011.
- ‘John Hick’s Nonphysicalist Monism’, Philosophy of Religious Pluralism and the Modern World: An Ongoing Engagement with John Hick, University of Birmingham, 10 March 2011.
- ‘What’s Wrong with Physicalism?’, Consciousness and Monism Workshop, Dartington Hall, 17 June 2010.
- ‘A Reply Buckareff on Omniscience’, American Philosophical Association Central Division Program, Chicago, 20 February 2010.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, British Society for Philosophy of Religion, Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford, 16 September 2009.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, Metaphysics and Philosophy of Religion Conference, University of Texas, San Antonio, 28 March 2009.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, the Fourth Annual Philosophy of Religion Conference, Baylor University, Texas, 6 February 2009.
- ‘A New Defence of Anselmian Theism’, Philosophical Theology Workshop, King’s College, London, 28 April 2008.
- ‘Is God a Delusion?’, Birmingham Debating Society, University of Birmingham, 22 November 2007.
- ‘An Anselmian Non-Omni God’, British Society for the Philosophy of Religion Conference, Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford, 12 September 2007.
- ‘Defending Anselm’s Ontological Argument for the Existence of God’, Belief and Metaphysics Conference, Instituto de Filosofía Edith Stein, Granada, Spain, 17 September 2006.
- ‘On the “Most Powerful” Objection to the Knowledge Argument’, Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, University of Southampton, 7 July 2006.
- ‘Reply to Adams’, Robert Merrihew Adams’s public lecture sponsored by the Royal Institute of Philosophy, University of Birmingham, 8 June 2006.
- ‘Defensive Medicine and the Disclosure of Surgeons’ Performance Data’, Publishing Performance Data on Individual Surgeons: the Ethical Issues, University of Melbourne, Australia, 16 November 2004.
- ‘Salvation in Heaven?’ (with Graham Oppy), Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, University of Adelaide, Australia, 10 July 2003.
- ‘Divine Omniscience and Knowledge *De Se*’, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Program, Philadelphia, 29 December 2002.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument Against Dualism’, Toward a Science of Consciousness, University of Arizona, 9 April 2002.
- ‘Divine Omniscience and Knowledge *De Se*’, Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific Regional Meeting, Whitworth College, 6 April 2002.
- ‘Externalism and the Memory Argument’, Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, University of York, 7 July 2001.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument, Dualism, and the Parity of Reasons Objection’, Australasian Postgraduate Philosophy Conference, University of Melbourne, Australia, 19 April 2001.
- ‘Social Externalism, Slow-Switching, and Memory’, the Australasian Association of Philosophy (New Zealand Division) Conference, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, 6 December 2000.

Seminars

- ‘Pro-Immortalism and Pro-Mortalism’, University of Southampton, 27 October 2020.
- ‘The Problem of Evil’, UWC Red Cross Nordic, Norway, 22 October 2020.
- ‘The Ontological Argument’, King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham, 7 October 2020.
- ‘Applying for Research Grants’, University of Birmingham, 16 September 2020.
- ‘The Ontological Argument’, King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham, 22 October 2019.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’, Distinguished National Lecture, the Logos Institute for Analytic and Exegetical Theology, University of St. Andrews, 24 May 2019.
- ‘Cosmos and Consciousness’, series of four lectures, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland, 23–25 October 2018.
- ‘Miracles’, Malvern College, 17 October 2018.
- ‘The Ontological Argument’, King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham, 10 October 2018.
- Series of six lectures on personal and non-personal concepts of God, University of Innsbruck, Austria, 30 July–1 August 2018.
- ‘The Modal Ontological Argument’, King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham, 4 March 2018.
- ‘Miracles’, Google London Office, 27 February 2018.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists and Pantheists’, University of Hertfordshire, 25 January 2018.
- ‘Maximal God and the Modal Ontological Argument’, University of Hertfordshire, 25 January 2018.
- ‘After Life’, Headlong Theatre Company, 21 November 2017.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists and Pantheists’, Centre for Philosophy of Religion, University of Leeds, 2 November 2017.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists and Pantheists’, Royal Institute of Philosophy Stapledon Colloquium, University of Liverpool, 13 March 2017.
- ‘Maximal God and the Modal Ontological Argument’, Joseph Butler Society, Oriel College, University of Oxford, 7 November 2016.
- ‘Maximal God and the Modal Ontological Argument’, Auburn University, 28 October 2016.
- ‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’, Auburn University, 27 October 2016.
- ‘The Maximal God Thesis and the Modal Ontological Argument’, University of Edinburgh, 12 February 2016.
- ‘Perfect Being Theism’, University of Birmingham, 7 October 2015.
- ‘Perfect Being Pantheism’, Joseph Butler Society, Oriel College, University of Oxford, 3 November 2014.
- ‘Hiddenness, Silence and Shusaku Endo’, University of Uppsala, Sweden, 15 November 2014.
- ‘Perfect Being Pantheism’, University of Uppsala, Sweden, 16 November 2014.
- ‘Japanese Christian Philosophy’, Open End, University of Birmingham, 7 November 2013.
- ‘Evil and Non-Existence’, Open End, University of Birmingham, 23 October 2012.

- Series of six lectures on God and consciousness, the Munich School of Philosophy, Germany, 2–4 August 2012.
- ‘Anselmian Theism and Anselmian Pantheism’, D Society, University of Cambridge, 24 February 2012.
- ‘The Mind-Body Problem in an Infinitely Decomposable Universe’, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY, 21 March 2011.
- ‘The Mind-Body Problem in an Infinitely Decomposable Universe’, University of Durham, 17 February 2011.
- ‘Systematic Modelling of Anselmian Theism’, University of Nottingham, 2 February 2011.
- ‘God, Infinity and Nothingness’, Birmingham Guild of Students, 16 November 2010.
- ‘Infinity and the Mind-Body Problem’, University of Tokyo, Japan, 19 April 2010.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, State University of New York at Stony Brook, 18 February 2010.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument and Epiphenomenalism’, University of Kyoto, Japan, 14 July 2009.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, LOGOS, University of Barcelona, 3 June 2009.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument and Epiphenomenalism’, Open University, 17 May 2009.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, Oxford Brookes University, 29 April 2009.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, University of Texas at Austin, 26 March 2009.
- ‘God and Universal Value Commensurability’, University of Birmingham, 2 February 2009.
- ‘A New Defence of Anselmian Theism’, University of Heidelberg, Germany, 26 May 2008.
- ‘Can the Devil Take Revenge on the Ontological Argument for the Existence of God?’, University of Reading, 12 February 2008.
- ‘On a Shallow Logical Objection Response to the Ontological Argument’, Joseph Butler Society, Oriel College, University of Oxford, 29 January 2008.
- ‘Is it Obligatory to Worship God?’, Open End, University of Birmingham, 10 January 2008.
- ‘An Anselmian Non-OmniGod’, University of York, 6 December 2007.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument and Epiphenomenalism’, University of Rijeka, Croatia, 17 October 2007.
- ‘The Knowledge Argument and Epiphenomenalism’, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, 15 October 2007.
- ‘Defending Anselm’s Ontological Argument’, Open End, University of Birmingham, 15 February 2007.
- ‘Anselm’s Ontological Argument’, Heythrop College, London, 7 February 2007.
- ‘Anselm’s Ontological Argument’, University of Birmingham, 22 January 2007.
- ‘Knowledge Argument, Epiphenomenalism and Causal Theories of Knowledge’, University of Birmingham, 20 March 2006.
- ‘“The Most Powerful Reply” to the Knowledge Argument’, Australian National University, Australia, 4 October 2005.

- ‘Proxy Consent and Counterfactuals’, Bilkent University, Turkey, 8 March 2005.
- ‘Proxy Consent and Counterfactuals’, Philosophy Colloquia, University of Alberta, Canada, 10 February 2005.
- ‘Substituted Judgment, Counterfactuals and the End of Life’, Australian National University, Australia, 1 September 2004.
- ‘Substituted Judgment, Counterfactuals and the End of Life’, Charles Sturt University, Australia, 12 August 2004.
- ‘Substituted Judgment, Counterfactuals and the End of Life’, Australian National University, Australia, 3 August 2004.
- ‘Divine Omniscience and Knowledge *De Se*’, Australian National University, Australia, 5 November 2002.
- ‘Thomas vs. Thomas: A New Approach to the “What Is It Like To Be” Argument’, Australian National University, Australia, 21 May 2002.
- ‘Anything You Can Do God Can Do Better’ (with Campbell Brown), Australian National University, Australia, 30 April 2002.
- ‘Externalism and the Memory Argument’, Australian National University, Australia, 12 June 2001.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- Schole ID, Indonesia, 15 December 2020.
- BBC Radio 4, September 2018.
- *Massolit* (online philosophy course), July 2018.
- *AFTERLIFE: the Documentary*, 2018.
- *Talks at Google*, Google office, London, February 2018.
- *The Irish Times*, February 2018.
- *The Panpsycast* Podcast, February 2018.
- Life FM (Ireland), January 2018.
- BBC Radio Ulster, November 2017.
- talkRADIO, November 2017.
- *Curious Mind*, NEWSWIREFM, April 2015.
- BBC Radio Kent, February 2015.
- *The Guardian*, January 2015.
- Multiple episodes of PBS TV documentary series *Closer To Truth*, USA, 2011 and 2012.

TEACHING

University of Birmingham

Completed PhD and Research Masters Students

- Bobby Conway (PhD, successfully completed in 2020). Secondary Supervisor.
- Asha Lancaster-Thomas (PhD, successfully completed in 2020). Primary Supervisor.
- James Loxley Compton (PhD, successfully completed in 2020). Currently Lecturer in Philosophy at Auburn University. Primary Supervisor.
- Joshua Brown (PhD, successfully completed in 2020). Primary supervisor.
- Khai Wager (PhD, successfully completed in 2020). Primary supervisor.

- Jamie Dew (PhD, successfully completed in 2019). Primary supervisor.
- Eric Eck (PhD, successfully completed in 2018). Primary supervisor.
- Xiaosheng Cheng (PhD, ongoing, successfully completed 2018). Primary supervisor.
- Nader Alsamaani (PhD, successfully completed in 2017). Primary supervisor.
- Leland Harper (PhD, successfully completed in 2016). Primary supervisor.
- Toby Betenson (PhD, successfully completed in 2015). Primary supervisor.
- Naomi Thompson (MPhil, successfully completed in 2010, AHRC Research Preparation Masters Award). Primary supervisor.
- Luke Palmer (MPhil, successfully completed in 2010). Primary supervisor.
- Ben Matheson (MPhil, successfully completed in 2009). Primary supervisor.

MA Supervision

Have supervised over 50 students.

MA/MSc/MPhil courses

Value of Life, Ethics, God, Freedom and the Meaning of Life, Research Skills and Methods, Philosophy of Mind, Postgraduate Seminars

Undergraduate Courses

Problems of Philosophy, PRE Seminars, Logic, Introduction to Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophical Projects

Macquarie University

Undergraduate Courses

Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Mind, Language, Logic and Computation

Australian National University

Undergraduate Courses

Critical Thinking and Logic

ADMINISTRATION

University of Birmingham

- Member of the Internal REF Review Panel, Department of Philosophy, 2014–present.
- College Research Progress and Awards Sub Panel, College of Arts and Law, 2017–present.
- Postgraduate Teaching Programme Admissions Officer, 2019–2020.
- Distance Learning and Alternative Modes of Delivery Lead and Senior Tutor for Distance Learning Students, 2017–2020.
- Member of School Promotions Panel, 2016, 2018.
- School Plagiarism Officer, 2017–2020.
- Search Committee for numerous academic posts in the Department of Philosophy and the Department of Theology, 2006–present.
- Convener of the Open End Philosophy of Religion discussion group, 2011–present.
- Deputy Head of Postgraduate Research Programmes, 2015–2016.
- Library Officer, 2014–2016.
- School Head of Research and Knowledge Transfer, 2014–2016.

- Mentor for: Maja Spener (Lecturer), Elizabeth Miller (Lecturer), Nicholas Jones (Senior Lecturer), Jonathan Parry (Birmingham Fellow), Matthew Parrott (Lecturer), Jeremy Williams (Birmingham Fellow), Iain Law (Senior Lecturer), Bakinaz Abdalla (Postdoctoral Fellow), Jonathan Duquette (Postdoctoral Fellow), Mohammad Saleh Zarepur (Postdoctoral Fellow).
- Founding Co-Director, the Birmingham Centre for Philosophy of Religion, 2012–present.
- Chair of the EDACS/PTR Extenuating Circumstances Committee, 2013.
- Postgraduate Distance Learning Programme Director, 2013–2014.
- Member of the Distance Learning Masters Working Group, College of Arts and Law, 2012–2014.
- School Head of Education, 2011–2013.
- School Erasmus and Exchange Programme Coordinator, 2008–2012.
- Director of the MA Programme in Philosophy of Religion and Ethics, 2009–2013.
- Member of the GRAB Panel, 2011–2012.
- Deputy School Head of Education, 2010.
- Director of Undergraduate Studies in Philosophy, 2008–2011.
- School Contact for the Network of Subject Centre for PRS, 2010.
- Career Officer, 2007–2008.
- Website Manager, 2006–2008.
- Mitigation Officer, 2006–2008.
- Plagiarism Officer, 2006–2008.
- Senior Tutor, 2006–2008.

Australian National University

- Deputy Program Manager, Ethics and Biotechnology Program, Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics, 2004–2005.
- Convener of ANU Philosophy Society, Philosophy Program, 2002.

CONFERENCE/PUBLIC LECTURE ORGANIZATION

- Global Philosophy of Religion Project Conference on the Nature and Existence of God and Other Deities (online), 2020.
- Third International Conference on Philosophy and Meaning in Life (online), 2020.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop, 2020.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x3), 2019.
- Workshop: Life, Death and Meaning: Eastern and Western Perspectives, University of Birmingham, 2019.
- ‘Death and Immortality’, British Society for the Philosophy of Religion, 2019.
- Pantheism and Panentheism workshop, 2019.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x2), 2018.
- Philosophy of Afterlife Workshop, 23 February 2018.
- Pantheism and Panentheism workshop, 2017.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x4), 2017.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x3), 2016.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x3), 2015.
- Edward Cadbury Lectures: ‘Divine Aseity’ by William Lane Craig, 2015.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x2), 2015.

- Public lecture ‘The Kalam Cosmological Argument’ by William Lane Craig, 2015.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x3), 2014.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop (x2), 2013.
- Series of public lectures on death, immortality and the afterlife (speakers: Paul Badham, John Bishop, Lynne Rudder Baker, Eric Steinhart, Jerry Walls and Gregory Shushan), 2012–2014.
- Alternative Concepts of God Workshop, 2012.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop, 2012.
- Religious Pluralism and the Modern World: An Ongoing Engagement with John Hick (with Sharada Sugirtharajah), 2011.
- Philosophy of Religion Workshop, 2011.
- Jesse Bering’s public lecture, ‘God Instinct: The Psychology of Souls, Destiny and the Meaning of Life’, 2010.
- Philosophy of Consciousness Workshop, 2010.
- Toward a Nonphysicalist Monist Solution to the Mystery of Consciousness workshop, 2010.
- Philosophy of Religion Special Seminar Series, 2010.
- The Concept of God and the Cognitive Science of Religion, 2009.
- Philosophy of Religion public event (with David Cheetham), 2009.
- Happiness and the Meaning of Life conference (with Lisa Bortolotti), 2007.
- Robert Merrihew Adams’s public lecture, ‘The Problem of Evil and Love’, 2006.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Referee, grant applications: AHRC, SSHRC (Canada), John Templeton Foundation (US), Fund for Scientific Research, Research Foundation Flanders (Belgium), National Science Centre (Poland), National Research Foundation (South Africa), Swiss National Science Foundation (Switzerland), Killam Trust (Canada), Brazilian Association for the Philosophy of Religion (Brazil), Pontifical Catholic University of Chile (Chile).
- Referee, book manuscripts: Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Broadview Press, Palgrave Macmillan, Routledge, Continuum, Springer, Acumen, Polity Press.
- Referee, articles: *Ratio*, *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, *Bioethics*, *Polish Journal of Philosophy*, *Sophia*, *Mind*, *Noûs*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophers’ Imprint*, *Erkenntnis*, *Psyche*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Synthese*, *Inquiry*, *Disputatio*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Dialogue*, *Religious Studies*, *Faith and Philosophy*, *Topoi*, *Analysis*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *Sophia*, *European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Diametros*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Journal of Analytic Theology*, *Journal of Philosophy of Life*, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Spirituality*.
- Examiner, PhD theses: University of Birmingham (x3), Monash University, University of New South Wales, University of Genoa.
- External marker/examiner/research assessor: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (2018), Manchester Metropolitan University (2018), Oxford Brookes University (2018–2020), University of Roehampton (2017), Oxford University (MSt and MPhil in Philosophical Theology; 2017–2019), University of Leeds (MA

in Philosophy of Religion, 2010–2014), University of Leeds (BA in Philosophy; 2009–2013), University of York (MA in Philosophy, Theology and Ethics; 2008).

- Reviewer, promotion applications: Hong Kong Baptist University, Australian National University, University of Birmingham, Ryerson University, Heythrop College, London, Marist College.
- British Society for the Philosophy of Religion: Treasurer (2009–2013), President (2017–present).
- Member of the Advisory Board: Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre, Birmingham, 2009–2014; St. Mary's College, Oscott, 2011.