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Education and work history

2012 spring – senior research fellow, Central European University Institute for Advanced Studies.
2010- present – associate professor, Rutgers University – Newark.
2006- 2010 – associate professor, Yale University.
2005-2006 – senior research fellow, Collegium Budapest.
2005-2006 – recipient of a postdoctoral research grant, American Association of University Women.
2000-2006 – assistant professor, Yale University.
1998-1999 – Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, Cornell University.
1998 – Ph.D. Philosophy, Rutgers University.

Ph.D. Thesis

Director: Brian Loar
*Conceivability and Consciousness**
Degree obtained: October 1998

* My dissertation has been selected by Robert Nozick for publication in the series *Harvard Dissertations in Philosophy*.

Areas of specialization

Philosophy of Mind
Philosophy of Psychology/Cognitive Science
Free will and Personal Identity
Metaphysics
Buddhist philosophy

Areas of teaching competence

Research papers:

Published:

1. Acquaintance and the Mind-Body Problem. In Christopher Hill and Simone Gozzano (Eds.), *The Mental, the Physical* (pp. 16-43). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012.
2. In Defense of the Phenomenal Concept Strategy. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 84(1), 1-23, 2012.
3. Jerry Fodor on Non-Conceptual Content, *Synthese* 170 (2), 311-320, 2009.
4. Ontological Novelty, Emergence, and the Mind-Body Problem. In Günter Abel (Ed.) *Kreativität* (pp. 371-399). Hamburg: Meiner Verlag, 2006.
5. Conceivability, Possibility, and the Mind-Body Problem, *The Philosophical Review* 108 (4), 497-528, 1999. Chosen by *The Philosopher's Annual* as one of the ten best articles appearing in print in 2000. Reprinted in Volume XXIII of *The Philosopher's Annual*.

In progress:

6. Psychology, Neuroscience, and the Consciousness Dilemma (under review)
7. Illuminati, Zombies and Metaphysical Gridlock, 39 pages, (under review)
8. Hard, Harder, Hardest, 30 pages (in preparation).
9. The Phenomenal Concept Strategy and Its Critics, invited in the volume *Phenomenal Qualities*, Oxford UP (in preparation).

Survey articles and substantial critical reviews:

Published:

10. Phenomenal Concepts. In Brian McLaughlin, Ansgar Beckermann, and Sven Walter (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Mind* (pp. 292-312). Oxford: Oxford UP, 2009.
11. Review of Torin Alter and Sven Walter (eds.), *Phenomenal Concepts and Phenomenal*

Knowledge. Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews, May 17, 2008.

12. Commentary on Frank Jackson's *From Metaphysics to Ethics. Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 62(3), 645-652, 2001.

In Progress:

13. Critical study of David Chalmers' *The Character of Consciousness*, forthcoming in *Nous* (in preparation).

Short reviews, commentaries. and occasional pieces:

14. *Zombies, Human Sonar and Transhumanism*, interview with Kris Notaro of the *Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies*, August 23, 2010, permanent URL: <http://ieet.org/index.php/IEET/more/notaro20100823>.
15. 5 entries (on Descartes' dualism, Ryle's behaviorism, Fodor's account of Language of Thought, Parfit's theory of persons, Chalmers' zombies, and Free Will) in *30-second Philosophies*, Ivy Press, 2009. (Foreign editions: German, French, Italian, Spanish, Portugese, Greek, Hungarian, Russian and Chinese.)
16. Comments on Ned Block's target article *Consciousness, accessibility, and the mesh between psychology and neuroscience. Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 30(4), 499-500, 2007.
17. Review of David Papineau's *Thinking about Consciousness. Mind* 113 (452), 774-778, 2004.
18. Phenomenality and Higher order thought [symposium contribution on David Rosenthal's article *Consciousness, Content, and Metacognitive Judgements*]. *Consciousness and Cognition*, 9 (2), 215-219, 2000.
19. Review of Jennifer Hornsby's *Simple Mindedness: In Defense of Naive Naturalism in the Philosophy of Mind, The Philosophical Review*, 108(4), 562-565, 1999.

Book-length project

In progress:

20. Editor of a volume of Brian Loar's essays, under contract with Oxford University Press (in progress; writing introduction, chapter abstracts, index, bibliography, etc.).
21. Book tentatively entitled *Through a glass darkly*

Grants and awards

1. Central European University Institute for Advanced Studies, Senior Research Fellow, Spring 2012.
2. Fulbright Travel Grant, Spring 2012.
3. Collegium Budapest, Senior Research Fellow, 2005-2006.
4. American Association of University Women, Postdoctoral Research Grant, 2005-2006.
5. Whitney Griswold Faculty Grant, Yale University, Summer 2005.
6. Morse Faculty Fellowship, Yale University, 2002-2003.
7. Whitney Griswold Faculty Grant, Yale University, Summer 2002.
8. My paper "Conceivability, Possibility, and the Mind-Body Problem", *The Philosophical Review*, Vol 108, No 4 (October 1999) was chosen by *The Philosopher's Annual* as one of the ten best articles appearing in print in 2000. It has been reprinted in Volume XXIII of *The Philosopher's Annual*.
9. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Cornell University, 1998-1999.
10. Graduate Student Award of the APA Pacific Division, for paper delivered in April 6, 1996.
11. Excellence Fellowship, Rutgers University, 1990-1993.
12. Soros Fellowship, 1989-90.
13. National Award for Translation of Literature (short stories by Karen Blixen), Budapest, Hungary, 1989.

Professional activities

1. Principal faculty, NEH Summer Research Institute *Investigating Consciousness: Buddhist and Contemporary Philosophical Perspectives*, the College of Charleston, May 21-June 2, 2012.
2. Selection panelist, 2012-2013 American Association of University Women's (AAUW's) American Fellowships, February 2-20, 2012.
3. Invited panelist, Mind and Life Humanities Initiative exploratory meeting, Harvard University, February 10-12, 2012.

4. Senior Investigator, Mind and Life Summer Research Institute, Garrison Institute, June 5-13, 2009.
5. Participant, NEH Summer Institute on Consciousness and Intentionality, Santa Cruz, June 24-August 2, 2002.

Selected talks:

1. "The Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts", *Conference on Phenomenal Concepts*, Center of Ethics and Philosophy of Mind, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, January 24-27, 2013.
2. 'The Phenomenal Concept Strategy and Its Critics' (keynote address), conference on *Indexicality and the Mind: Phenomenal Concepts and the Explanation of Consciousness in a Physicalistic Framework*, Humboldt University in Berlin, July 27-28, 2012.
3. "Self-awareness", NEH Summer Research Institute *Investigating Consciousness: Buddhist and Contemporary Philosophical Perspectives*, College of Charleston, May 22nd, 2012.
4. "Psychology, Neuroscience, and the Consciousness Dilemma", talk in the *What is cognitive science?* series at Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science, November 17, 2011.
5. "The Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts", ANU Philosophy Colloquia, Canberra, August 18, 2011.
6. "Acquaintance and the Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts", Cognitive Science Speaker Series at the CUNY Graduate Center, December 10, 2010.
7. "Illuminati, zombies, and metaphysical gridlock", Consciousness Project, NYU Philosophy Department, November 17th, 2009.
8. "Illuminati, zombies, and metaphysical gridlock," invited lecture at the Rutgers University Philosophy Department Colloquium Series, Sept. 24, 2009.
9. "Illuminati, zombies and metaphysical gridlock", invited symposium *Conceivability and the Mind-Body Problem*, APA Pacific Division, Vancouver, April 8-12, 2009 (with David Chalmers and Stephen Yablo).
10. "In Defense of the Phenomenal Concept Strategy", *Consciousness Online, the Cyber Consciousness Conference*, February 20-27, 2009.

Complete list of presentations:

1. “The Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts”, talk at the *Conference on Phenomenal Concepts at the Center of Ethics and Philosophy of Mind* at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, January 24-27, 2013.
2. “The Phenomenal Concept Strategy and Its Critics”, keynote address at the conference *Indexicality and the Mind: Phenomenal Concepts and the Explanation of Consciousness in a Physicalistic Framework*, Humboldt University in Berlin, July 27-28, 2012.
3. “Self-awareness”, at the NEH Summer Research Institute *Investigating Consciousness: Buddhist and Contemporary Philosophical Perspectives* at the College of Charleston, May 22, 2012.
4. “Psychology, Neuroscience and the Consciousness Dilemma”, at the *Budapest Workshop in Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science*, Central European University, May 15, 2012.
5. “Zombies and Illuminati”, talk at the *Fellow Seminar series* at the Central European University Institute for Advanced Studies, March 15, 2012.
6. “Psychology, Neuroscience, and the Consciousness Dilemma” contributed session at the Consciousness Online 4 conference <http://consciousnessonline.com/>, February 17 – March 2, 2012.
7. "Psychology, Neuroscience, and the Consciousness Dilemma", talk in the *What is cognitive science?* series at Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science, November 17, 2011.
8. “The Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts”, ANU Philosophy Colloquia, Canberra, August 18, 2011.
9. “The Phenomenal Concept Strategy”, presentation at the Cognitive Science Workshop at Collegium Budapest, Budapest, July 13, 2011.
10. Commentary on “A Priori Testimony Revisited” by Anna-Sara Malmgren, Carolina Metaphysics Workshop, Duck, North Carolina, June 30, 2011.
11. “Acquaintance and the Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts”, Cognitive Science Speaker Series at the CUNY Graduate Center, December 10, 2010.
12. “The Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts”, talk at the NJIT Philosophy Department, November 16, 2010.
13. “Illuminati, zombies, and metaphysical gridlock”, presentation at the Seminar on Philosophy of Mind at the NYU Philosophy Department, March 8, 2010.

14. Commentary on "Ambiguous Figures and Representationalism", by Nicoletta Orlandi, at the 2009 Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 28, 2009.
15. "How I learned to live with the Explanatory Gap", invited lecture at the Department of Philosophy at Rutgers University, Newark, December 9th, 2009.
16. "Illuminati, zombies, and metaphysical gridlock", presentation for the Consciousness Project, NYU Philosophy Department, November 17th, 2009.
17. "Illuminati, zombies, and metaphysical gridlock", invited lecture at the Rutgers University Philosophy Department Colloquium Series, Sept. 24, 2009.
18. "Illuminati, zombies and metaphysical gridlock", invited symposium *Conceivability and the Mind-Body Problem*, APA Pacific Division, Vancouver, April 8-12, 2009 (with David Chalmers and Stephen Yablo).
19. "In Defense of the Phenomenal Concept Strategy", *Consciousness Online, the Cyber Consciousness Conference*, February 20-27, 2009.
20. "Physicalism and the conceivability arguments", invited lecture at the University of Massachusetts Philosophy Department, December 5, 2008.
21. "Physicalism and the conceivability arguments", lecture at Central European University, Budapest, July 17, 2008.
22. "Parfit and the Buddhist doctrine of No Self", invited lecture at Nalandabodhi New York, June 16, 2008.
23. "Zombies, Conceivability Arguments and the Phenomenal Concept Strategy", invited lecture at Union College, March 6th, 2008.
24. "Anti-physicalist arguments and physicalist defenses", invited lecture at CUNY Graduate Center, October 24, 2007.
25. "Dualist and physicalist accounts of acquaintance", presentation at the Symposium on Phenomenal Concepts at the conference *Toward a Science of Consciousness 2007*, Budapest, July 24, 2007.
26. "Consciousness and emergence", lecture at the conference *Emergence in Science and Philosophy*, Milan, June 19-21, 2007.
27. "Phenomenal Concepts and the Mind-Body Problem", invited lecture in the Cognitive Science Senior Seminar at Yale University, October 19, 2007.
28. "Hard, Harder, Hardest", paper delivered at the Budapest Mind Society Conference, July 25, 2006.

29. Lecturing on physicalism and the mind-body problem at the Summer University (SUN) Program at Central European University, Budapest, July 3-14, 2006. SUN is an academic program for young faculty, researchers and professionals, postdocs and advanced doctoral students.
30. "Hard, Harder, Hardest", paper delivered at the Department of Philosophy, University of Fribourg, June 23rd, 2006.
31. "Does the constitutional account of phenomenal concepts solve the mind-body problem? An answer to Chalmers", paper delivered at the Budapest Mind Society, Central European University, April 12, 2006.
32. "Why the Phenomenal Concept Strategy Works: An Answer to Chalmers", presentation at the conference *Philosophy of Mind in Budapest*, March 30, 2006.
33. "Can philosophy help the sciences to solve the mind-body problem", presentation at the Fellow Seminar series at Collegium Budapest, Budapest, March 2, 2006.
34. "Is there non-conceptual content after all?", Department of History and Philosophy of Science, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, December 5, 2005.
35. "Creativity in Nature", paper at a plenary symposium of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Philosophie (the German equivalent of APA), September 27, 2005, Berlin, Germany.
36. "Why Frank is right to jilt Mary?", paper delivered at a conference in honor of Howard Robinson, Central European University, Budapest, September 22, 2005.
37. "The Quotation Account of Phenomenal Concepts", paper delivered at the MIT Philosophy Department Colloquium Series, October 29, 2004.
38. "Mental Quotation: a Cure for the Mind-Body Problem", paper delivered at the Workshop on Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Mind, Language and Action, Collegium Budapest, July 17-31, 2004.
39. Comments on Jerry Fodor's "Revenge of the Given", at The Steven Humphrey Excellence in Philosophy Conference: "Content and Concepts: A Conference on the Philosophy of Mind" at the University of California, Santa Barbara, February 14, 2004.
40. Comments on Sean Kelly's "The Logic of Motor Intentional Activity", at the *Themes in Philosophy of Language* conference, Yale University, November 8, 2003.
41. "The Quotational Account of Phenomenal Concepts", Towards a Science of Consciousness 2003 Conference: Between Phenomenology and Neuroscience, Prague, Czech Republic, July 7th, 2003.

42. "Hard, Harder, Hardest" paper delivered at the Cognitive Science Symposium, CUNY, March 21, 2003.
43. "Mental Quotation", paper delivered at the NEH Summer Institute on Consciousness and Intentionality, University of California, Santa Cruz, July 17, 2002.
44. "Phenomenal Concepts", paper delivered at the Bled Conference on Metaphysics, June 4-9, 2001.
45. "Metaphysics and Conceptual Analysis", paper delivered at ELTE University (Budapest), February 8, 2000.
46. "The Mind-Body Problem", paper delivered at Central European University (Budapest), October 12, 1999.
47. "Conceivability Arguments: The Revenge of the Zombies", paper delivered at Yale University, February 5, 1999.
48. "Conceivability, Possibility, and the Mind-Body Problem", paper delivered at the Sage School of Philosophy, Cornell University, January 29, 1999.
49. "Is Conceivability a Reliable Guide to Possibility?", paper delivered at the Twentieth World Congress of Philosophy, Boston, August 14, 1998.
50. "The New Conceivability Arguments", paper delivered at the conference entitled *Toward a Science of Consciousness*, Tucson, April 28, 1998.
51. "The New Conceivability Arguments Against Physicalism", paper delivered at the Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association (APA), April 1998.
52. "Computationalism and Consciousness", paper delivered in Claremont, California, at the ASSC Conference, June 13-16 1997.
53. "The Revenge of the Zombies", paper delivered in Bled, Slovenia, at the Conference on Modality, June 6, 1997.
54. "The Connection Principle Disconnected", paper delivered at the Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association (APA), April 6, 1996.
The paper won the Graduate Student Award of the APA.
55. "Unconscious Denied", paper delivered at the New Jersey Regional Philosophy Association Meeting, November 19, 1994.

Conferences and workshops organized

Budapest Workshop in Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science, Central European University, May 14-15, 2012.

Cognitive Science Workshop at Collegium Budapest, July 13, 2011.

Cognitive Science Workshop at CEU, Budapest, July 21, 2010.

Symposium on Phenomenal Concepts at the conference *Toward a Science of Consciousness 2007*, July 24, Budapest. (organized with David Papineau)

Second Collegium Budapest Conference and Workshop in Philosophy of Mind: *Consciousness and Physicalism*, March 29-31, 2006. (organized with Barry Loewer)

Membership in professional organizations

2008 – present, Member of the *University Seminar on Comparative Philosophy* at Columbia University

2008 Member of *Philosophy Compass* User Crew

2007 – present, Behavioral and Brain Sciences (BBS) Associate

Other Professional activities

1. Participant and presenter in the *Consciousness Project* organized by the New York Institute for Philosophy at NYU (a weekly discussion group), 2009- present.
2. Participant in the 2011 Contemplative Retreat for Educators organized by the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society, Garrison, NY, November 17-20.
3. Participant in the Fellows Seminar Series at Collegium Budapest, Hungary, 2005-2006.
4. Member of the Cognitive Science Colloquia Committee, 2003-2004.
5. Participant in the Faculty Seminar on Mind, Brain, Culture and Consciousness at the Whitney Humanities Center at Yale University, 2000-2003.
6. Participant in the Fellows Seminar at the Society for the Humanities at Cornell University, 1998-1999.

Refereeing

Australasian Journal of Philosophy
Behavioral and Brain Sciences
Cambridge University Press
Canadian Journal of Philosophy
Consciousness and Cognition
Dialectica
Grazer Philosophische Studien
Journal of Consciousness Studies
Mind
Mind and Language
Philosophers' Imprint
Philosophical Papers
Philosophical Psychology
Philosophical Quarterly
Philosophical Studies
Philosophy Compass
Routledge
Society for Philosophy and Psychology
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Departmental service

2010-2011 Running the undergraduate philosophy club "RU Thinkers"

2008-2009 Serving on the Junior Search Committee.

2004-2005 Serving on the Graduate Admissions Committee.

2003-2004 Serving on the Junior Search Committee.

2001-2002 Serving on the Junior Search Committee.

2000-2001 Serving on the Junior Search Committee.

2000-2001 Serving on the Graduate Admissions Committee.

Supervision

Rutgers/Newark:

2012 Independent Studies in metaphysics and philosophy of mind (Gary Martinez)

2011 Independent studies on consciousness concepts in philosophy and psychology (John Dell'Italia)

Yale:

- 2010 Directing senior essay project (Ashley Carter)
Directing senior essay project ((Richard Mason)
- 2009 Directing senior essay project (Jane Mackie)
Directing senior essay project (Matthew Goldman)
Directing senior essay project (Ashley Carter)
Advising on senior essay project (Gemma Bloemen)
- 2007 Reader of senior essay project (Suzie Poppick)
Directing senior essay project (Brandon Timmone, George Dalembert)
PhD committee member (Jason Rappoport)
- 2006 Directing senior project (Robert Fishkin, Mark Dunn)
Supervising and reading qualifying paper (Jason Rappoport, Heidi Lockwood)
- 2005 Directing senior project (David Silverander)
PhD committee member (Geoffrey Pynn)
Outside advisor for senior essay for an EPE major (Rebecca Krauss, won a departmental prize for best senior essay)
- 2003-5 Freshman advisor to Silliman college
- 2004 Sophomore advising (Susie Poppick)
Junior advisor for the major (David Rivera)
- 2003 Supervising summer project of recipient of Yale College Dean's Research Fellowship for the summer of 2002 (Gabe Greenberg).
- 2002 Directing senior essay project (Milligan Greenstead)
Directing senior essay project (Stuart Rosenberg)
Directing senior essay project (Debbie Edelman)
- 2001 Directing senior essay project

Teaching Experience

Courses at Rutgers:

Self: East and West, intermediate level undergraduate course
Intro to Philosophy
Philosophy of Psychology
Metaphysics and Philosophy of Mind

Courses at Yale:

Self: East and West, graduate/undergraduate seminar
Consciousness, graduate/undergraduate seminar
Topics in Philosophy of Mind, graduate/undergraduate seminar
Personal Identity, graduate/undergraduate seminar
Psychological Explanations, graduate/undergraduate seminar
Free Will, graduate/undergraduate seminar
Philosophy of Mind, intermediate lecture course
Free Will, intermediate lecture course
Philosophy of Psychoanalysis, intermediate lecture course
Philosophy of Language, intermediate lecture course
Concepts, intermediate lecture course
Early Modern Philosophy, freshman seminar at Yale's Directed Studies Program in the Humanities