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- Areas** Metaphysics, Logic, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Time.
- Positions** Chair of the Philosophy Department, 2016–2020.  
Professor of Philosophy, since 2015.  
Associate Professor of Philosophy, 2008–2014.  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 2003–2007.
- Other** University of Sydney, Visitor at the Centre for Time, August 2013.  
Australian National University, Visitor in the Philosophy Department, August 2013.  
Università di Bologna, Visitor at the COGITO Research Center, May–June 2013.  
Davidson College, Visiting Assistant Professor, 2001–2003.
- Education** Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Ph.D. in Philosophy, 1995–2001.  
University of Cambridge, Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics, 1992–1995.  
University of Cambridge, Part III of the Mathematical Tripos, 1991–1992.  
Ruprecht–Karls–Universität Heidelberg, Diplomstudiengang Physik, 1988–1991.
- Book** *The Nature of Time*. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 2013.
- REVIEWS  
Jennifer Wang, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* 2014.03.28.  
Juan Colomina, *Dialogue* 53 (2014): 765–767.  
Geoffrey Goddu, *Analysis* 75 (2014): 167–169.  
Ileana Greca, *Science & Education* 23 (2014): 2161–2162.  
Barry Lee, *The Philosophical Quarterly* 65 (2015): 116–120.  
Thomas Pashby, *History and Philosophy of Modern Physics* 50 (2015): 13–18.  
Steven Savitt, *Mind* 124 (2015): 945–951.  
Ernesto Graziani, *FilosoficaMente* website.
- Articles**
- 1 Tense, Propositions, and Facts. *Synthese* (2016).
  - 2 Consciousness and the Present. In Yuval Dolev and Michael Roubach, eds., *Cosmological and Psychological Time*, pp. 143–153. Boston Studies in the Philosophy and History of Science, vol. 285. Springer-Verlag, 2016.
  - 3 Tense Logic. *Philosophy Compass* 10 (2015): 406–419.
  - 4 Time as a Logical Space. *CAPE Studies in Applied Philosophy and Ethics* 2 (2014): 199–209.
  - 5 Counterpart Theory and the Actuality Operator. *Mind* 122 (2013): 27–42.
  - 6 The Triviality of Presentism. In Roberto Ciuni, Kristie Miller, and Giuliano Torrengo, eds., *New Papers on the Present*, pp. 67–88. Philosophia Verlag, Munich, 2013.

- 7 Modal Property Comprehension. *Synthese* 190 (2013): 693–707.
- 8 Explaining Causal Loops. *Analysis* 72 (2012): 259–264.
- 9 Time and Modality. In Craig Callender, ed., *The Oxford Handbook of the Philosophy of Time*, pp. 291–321. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 2011.
- 10 Times as Abstractions. In Adrian Bardon, ed., *The Future of the Philosophy of Time*, 41–55. Routledge, Oxford, 2011.
- 11 Times in Tense Logic. *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 50 (2009): 201–219.
- 12 ‘Now’ and ‘Then’ in Tense Logic. *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 38 (2009): 229–247.
- 13 Worlds and Times. *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 47 (2006): 25–37.
- 14 Dummett on the Time-Continuum. *Philosophy* 80 (2005): 135–140.  
 See also Michael Dummett, Hume’s Atomism about Events: a Response to Ulrich Meyer. *Philosophy* 80 (2005): 141–144.
- 15 The Presentist’s Dilemma. *Philosophical Studies* 122 (2005): 213–225.  
 Reprinted in Ernâni Magalhães and Nathan Oaklander, eds., *Presentism: Essential Readings*, pp. 99–108. Rowman & Littlefield, Lanham, Md., 2010.
- 16 How to Apply Mathematics. *Erkenntnis* 61 (2004): 17–28.
- 17 The Metaphysics of Velocity. *Philosophical Studies* 112 (2003): 93–102.
- 18 Is Science First-Order? *Analysis* 62 (2002): 305–308.
- 19 Prior and the Platonist. *Analysis* 62 (2002): 211–216.
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- 20 Wave Equations on  $q$ -Minkowski space. *Communications in Mathematical Physics* 174 (1996): 457–475.
- 21 New Interactions in  $q$ -Scalar Electrodynamics? In Jerzy Lukierski, Ziemowit Popowicz, and Jan Sobczyk, eds., *Quantum Groups: Formalism and Applications*, pp. 555–560. Polish Scientific Publishers, Warsaw, 1995.
- 22 Projective Quantum Spaces. *Letters in Mathematical Physics* 35 (1995): 91–97.
- 23  $q$ -Lorentz Group and Braided Coaddition on  $q$ -Minkowski space. *Communications in Mathematical Physics* 168 (1995): 249–264.
- 24 (with Shahn Majid). Braided Matrix Structure of  $q$ -Minkowski Space and  $q$ -Poincaré group. *Zeitschrift für Physik C* 63 (1994): 357–362.

## Reviews

- Review of L. Nathan Oaklander, ed., *Debates in the Metaphysics of Time* (Bloomsbury, 2014). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* 2015.03.33.
- Review of Carlos Montemayor, *Minding Time: A Philosophical and Theoretical Approach to the Psychology of Time* (Brill, 2013). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* 2014.07.24.
- Review of Berit Brogaard, *Transient Truths: An Essay in the Metaphysics of Propositions* (Oxford, 2012). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* 2012.12.09.
- Review of Joseph Keim Campbell, Michael O’Rourke, and Harry Silverstein, eds., *Time and Identity* (The MIT Press, 2010). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* 2011.01.02.
- Review of Yuval Dolev, *Time and Realism* (The MIT Press, 2007). *Iyyun* 58 (2009): 92–101.  
 See also Yuval Dolev, “Time and Ontology: A Reply to Meyer.” *Iyyun* 58 (2009): 292–300.

- Invited Talks**
- Distances and Durations. Third Annual Meeting of the International Association for the Philosophy of Time. Winston–Salem, N. C., June 2016.
  - The Arrested Spotlight. Università di Milano, Italy, March 2016.
  - The Banach–Tarski Paradox. University of Rochester, November 2015.
  - Fatalism as a Metaphysical Thesis. University of Sydney, Australia, June 2015.
  - Relationism about Time. Università di Padova, Italy, June 2014.
  - Will the Present be the Past? Università Roma Tre, Italy, March 2014.
  - Time as a Logical Space, Kyoto University, Japan, November 2013.
  - Time Travel and Causal Loops. The College of Charleston, S. C., October 2013.
  - Distances and Durations. University of Sydney, Australia, August 2013.
  - Theories of Presentness. Australian National University, August 2013.
  - Distances and Durations. Università di Bologna, Italy, June 2013.
  - Theories of Presentness. University of St. Andrews, Scotland, April 2013.
  - Tense Logic. Logic Group, Arché Research Centre for Logic, Language, Metaphysics, and Epistemology. University of St. Andrews, Scotland, April 2013.
  - Theories of Presentness. University of Nottingham, England, March 2013.
  - The Triviality of Presentism. University of Nottingham, England, March 2013.
  - Disanalogies between Presentism and Actualism. PERSP Space & Time Seminar. Barcelona, Spain, March 2012.
  - Time Travel and Causal Loops. Thomas Jack Lynch Lecture, Wake Forest University, North Carolina, October 2011.
  - What is Absolute Time? Conference on Time and Explanation, Université de Genève, Switzerland, September 2011.
  - Time and Consciousness. Workshop on Cosmological and Conscious Time. The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, Israel, June 2011.
  - Times as Abstractions. Symposium on the Future of the Philosophy of Time, Wake Forest University, Winston–Salem, North Carolina, April 2010.
  - Action at a Temporal Distance. Mount Holyoke College, May 2006.
  - Action at a Temporal Distance. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, January 2006.
- Presentations**
- Logical Spaces. 15th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, Helsinki, Finland, August 2015.
  - The Arrested Spotlight. Philosophy of Time Society, Philadelphia, December 2014.
  - What has Eternity Ever done for You? Colgate University, October 2014.
  - Tense, Propositions, and Facts. Prior Centenary Conference, Oxford, August 2014.
  - Action at a Temporal Distance. Triennial Conference of the Società Italiana di Logica e Filosofia delle Scienze (SILFS). Rome, June 2014.

Time Travel and Causal Loops. Colgate University, February 2014.

Will the Present be the Past? University of Glasgow, Scotland, April 2013.

'Theories of Presentness. Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, Seattle, Washington, April 2012.

What is Absolute Time? Philosophy of Time Society, Seattle, April 2012.

Modal Property Comprehension. First Annual *Synthese* Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, October 2007.

Times in Tense Logic. Metaphysics of Time Conference, Università di Bergamo, Italy, September 2007.

'Now' and 'Then' in Tense Logic. 13th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, Beijing, China, August 2007.

Modal Property Comprehension. Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April 2007. Commentator: Chris Swoyer, Oklahoma.

Presentism and Actualism. Philosophy of Time Society, Chicago, April 2006. Commentator: Joshua Mozerky, Queen's University, Ontario.

Eternal Tense Logic. Philosophy of Time Society, Portland, Oregon, March 2006. Commentator: Steven Savitt, University of British Columbia.

A Definition of 'Disposition'. Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April 2005. Commentator: John Heil, Washington University.

A Definition of 'Disposition'. The Creighton Club (New York State Philosophical Association), Skaneateles, November 2004. Commentator: Michael Fara, Cornell.

A Puzzle about Velocity. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and Mind Association, University of Kent, Canterbury, England, 2004.

The Presentist's Dilemma. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and Mind Association, Queen's University, Belfast, Northern Ireland, 2003.

## Comments

Comments on Ciro De Florio and Aldo Frigerio, "In Defence of the Timeless Solution to the Problem of Human Free Will and Divine Foreknowledge." Philosophy of Time Conference, Gargnano, Italy, May 2014.

Comments on Scott Dixon, "What Is the Well-foundedness of Grounding?" Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, April 2014.

Comments on Takeshi Sakon, "Some Disanalogies between Time and Modality." Philosophy of Time Society, Washington, D.C., December 2011.

Comments on Roy Sorensen, "Veridical Idealizations." Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, California, April 2011.

Comments on Brad Skow, "The Rate of Time's Passage in the Moving Spotlight Theory." Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April 2010.

Comments on Ted Sider, "Passage." Philosophy of Time Society, Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association, New York, December 2009.

Comments on Barak Krakauer, "Content and Counterpossibles." Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 2009.

Comments on Craig Callender and Jonathan Cohen, “A Better Best System Account of Lawhood.” Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, August 2008.

Comments on Thomas Sattig, “Compatibilism about Coincidence.” LOGOS Conference on Meta-Metaphysics, Barcelona, Spain, June 2008.

Comments on P. D. Magnus, “What species can teach us about theory.” Creighton Club (New York Philosophical Association), Geneva, New York, November 2007.

### Awards

Cornell Society for the Humanities Fellowship, 2015–2016 (declined).

Picker Research Fellowship, Colgate University, 2013.

Summer Grant, National Endowment for the Humanities, 2012.

Josephine de Kármán Fellowship, 1999.

Graduate Fellowship, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1997–2000.

Undergraduate and Ph.D. Scholarship, *Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes*, 1991–1997.

Research Fellowship, *Deutscher akademischer Austauschdienst* (DAAD), 1991, 1996.

Travel Grant, Cambridge Philosophical Society, 1994.

J. T. Knight Prize in Mathematics, University of Cambridge, 1994.

Travel Grant, A. J. Pressland Fund, 1994.

Human Capital and Mobility Fellowship, Commission of the European Union, 1993.

Horne Scholarship, St. John’s College, Cambridge, 1992–1995.

Graduate Fellowship, Science and Engineering Research Council (SERC), 1992–1995.

College Prize, St. John’s College, Cambridge, 1992.

Heidelberg–Cambridge Exchange Scholarship, 1991–1992.

### Service

Vice-President, Philosophy of Time Society, 2012–present.

Panel Member, National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), 2015.

Reviewer for *Schweizerischer Nationalfonds* (Swiss National Science Foundation), 2014.

External evaluator for tenure cases in philosophy.

Co-organizer, Philosophy of Time Conference, Gargnano, Italy, May 2014.

Referee for Oxford University Press and Cambridge University Press.

Referee for the following philosophy journals: *Acta Analytica*, *Analysis*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, *Erkenntnis*, *Journal for the History of Analytical Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Logic*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Mind*, *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, *Philosophers’ Imprint*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics*, *Synthese*, *Theoria*.

Chair of the Committee on Information Technology, Colgate University, 2008–2011.

Director of the Colgate Study Group at the University of St. Andrews, Spring 2008 & 2013.

Director of the Colgate Study Group at the University of Freiburg, Spring 2017.

### Languages

German, English, Italian, conversational French, Latin, elementary Japanese.