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Primary Appointments

Sherwin Scott Professor of Philosophy University of Arizona	2021–present
Professor of Philosophy Rutgers University, New Brunswick	2015–2021
Associate Professor of Philosophy Rutgers University, New Brunswick	2009–2015
Assistant Professor of Philosophy University of Michigan	2004–2009
Assistant Professor of Philosophy Harvard University	2003–2004
Assistant Professor of Philosophy University of Texas at Austin	2001–2003

Secondary Appointments

Associate Faculty Department of Linguistics Rutgers University, New Brunswick	2015–2021
Executive Council Center for Cognitive Science (RuCCS) Rutgers University, New Brunswick	2016–2021
Affiliate Faculty Interdisciplinary Center for Economic Science George Mason University	2011–present

Education

Philosophy and Cognitive Science University of Arizona	Ph.D., 1997–2001
Dissertation: <i>Rational Belief Change</i>	
Committee: John L. Pollock (chair), Shaughan Lavine, David Chalmers	

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Philosophy and Political Science B.A., 1992–1996
Westminster College
Magna Cum Laude

Research Interests

Philosophy of Language: Formal Semantics and Pragmatics; Epistemology:
Belief Revision, Defeasible Reasoning; Philosophical Logic; Decision/Game
Theory

Editorial Positions

Associate Editor, *Semantics & Pragmatics* 2012–present
semprag.org

Grants and Awards

White Distinguished Visiting Professor Spring Quarter 2014
Department of Philosophy
University of Chicago

Context and Accommodation in the Semantics of Modal Constructions
National Science Foundation 2006–2008
Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences, #BCS-0547814

Social Preferences and Interactive Epistemology
Intern. Found. for Research in Experimental Economics 2007–2008
co-PI with Mary L. Rigdon

Cognitive Science: Language and Cognition
National Science Foundation 1997–2000
Graduate Research Trainee Grant #DGE-9355028
Program for Cognitive Science, University of Arizona

Publications

(Re-)reading “Dynamic Predicate Logic”
In: *A Readers’ Guide to Classic Papers in Formal Semantics* to appear
Volume 100 of SLAP, Springer
(Louise McNally, Zoltan Gendler Szabo, and Yael Sharvit, eds.)

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- A Problem About Preference
Philosophers' Imprint 21(19): 1-30 2021
<http://hdl.handle.net/2027/spo.3521354.0021.019>
- Still Going Strong (with Kai von Fintel)
Natural Language Semantics 29: 91-113 2021
[doi:10.1007/s11050-020-09171-x](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11050-020-09171-x)
- Updating Data Semantics
Mind 129(513): 1-41 2020
[doi:10.1093/mind/fzy008](https://doi.org/10.1093/mind/fzy008)
- Plausible Deniability & Cooperation in Trust Games (with Mary Rigdon)
Review of Behavioral Economics 6(2): 95-118 2019
[doi:10.1561/105.00000103](https://doi.org/10.1561/105.00000103)
- Conditionals
In: *Blackwell Companion to the Philosophy of Language*, Blackwell 2017
(Bob Hale, Alex Miller, and Crispin Wright, eds.)
- Indicative Conditionals
In: *Routledge Companion to Philosophy of Language*, Routledge 2012
(Gillian Russell and Delia Graff Fara, eds.)
- Might Made Right* (with Kai von Fintel)
In: *Epistemic Modality*, Oxford University Press 2011
(Andy Egan and Brian Weatherson, eds.)
- Must... Stay ... Strong!* (with Kai von Fintel)
Natural Language Semantics 18(4): 351-383 2010
[doi:10.1007/s11050-010-9058-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11050-010-9058-2)
- Iffiness
Semantics & Pragmatics 3(4): 1-42 2010
[doi:10.3765/sp.3.4](https://doi.org/10.3765/sp.3.4)
- On Truth Conditions for *If* (But Not Quite Only *If*)
Philosophical Review 118(3):325-349 2009
[doi:10.1215/00318108-2009-002](https://doi.org/10.1215/00318108-2009-002)

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- CIA Leaks (with Kai von Fintel)
Philosophical Review 117: 77–98 2008
doi:10.1215/00318108-2007-025
- Counterfactual Scorekeeping
Linguistics and Philosophy 30: 329–360 2007
doi:10.1007/s10988-007-9018-6
- An Opinionated Guide to Epistemic Modality (with Kai von Fintel)
Oxford Studies in Epistemology 2 2007
(Tamar Szabó Gendler and John Hawthorne, eds.)
- What Might Be the Case After a Change In View
Journal of Philosophical Logic 35(2): 117–145 2006
doi:10.1007/s10992-005-9006-7
- Epistemic Conditionals and Conditional Epistemics
Noûs 38: 585–616 2004
doi:10.1111/j.0029-4624.2004.00485.x
- New Foundations for Epistemic Change
Synthese 138: 1–48 2004
doi:10.1023/B:SYNT.0000012202.66263.b2
- Modal Scorekeeping and ‘Might’-Counterfactuals
Proceedings of the Fourteenth Amsterdam Colloquium 2003
(Paul Dekker and Robert van Rooij, eds.)
- Common Ground, Corrections, and Coordination (with Nicholas Asher)
Argumentation 17: 481–512 2003
doi:10.1023/A:1026346605477
- Foundationalist Belief Revision in Update Semantics
Proceedings of the Thirteenth Amsterdam Colloquium 2001
(Robert van Rooij and Martin Stokhof, eds.)
- A New Solution to Moore’s Paradox
Philosophical Studies 105: 237–250 2001
doi:10.1023/A:1010361708803

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Belief Revision and Epistemology (with John L. Pollock)
Synthese 122: 69–92 2000
doi :10.1023/A:1005220010407

The Epistemics of Presupposition
Proceedings of the Twelfth Amsterdam Colloquium 1999
(Paul Dekker, ed.)

Selected Manuscripts

Default Logic and *Hafta*

Author Meets Critics Comments

J. Horty, *Reasons as Defaults*

available at <https://semanticsarchive.net>

Formal Methods for Philosophical Analysis

(textbook for teaching a rigorous but useful graduate course in formal methods)

Hedging Your *Ifs* and Vice Versa (with Kai von Fintel)

[email for current draft]

Selected Invited Talks

A Problem about Preference

- New York Philosophy of Language Workshop 4.2019
NYU

- Normativity in Language Workshop 10.2016
University of Toronto

Britney, the Dalai Lama, and Conditional Obligation

- Conditionals & Truth Conditions Workshop 09.2015
9th Congress of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (Osnabrück)

What *Hafta* Reveals about Preference

- University of Chicago, L&P Workshop 05.2014

Default Logic and *Hafta*

- Author Meets Critics (Horty, *Reasons as Defaults*) 02.2014
Central APA

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- Hedging Your *If*s and Vice Versa (with Kai von Fintel)
- Colloquium 03.2013
LOGOS, University of Barcelona
 - Indicative Conditionals Symposium 02.2012
Central APA
 - Rutgers/Siena Cognitive Science Workshop 06.2011
Siena, Italy
 - Colloquium 05.2011
Department of Philosophy, NYU
 - Chambers Philosophy Conference: Epistemic Modals 04.2010
Department of Philosophy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- Counterfactual Dynamics, Inside and Out
- Dynamic Semantics Symposium 12.2012
Eastern APA
- Expectation Modals
- Colloquium 06.2012
LOGOS, University of Barcelona
 - John L. Pollock Memorial Conference 03.2012
Department of Philosophy, University of Arizona
 - Pre-APA Philosophy of Language Workshop 03.2011
Department of Philosophy, Northwestern University
- Presumptive *If*s
- Formal Epistemology Festival: Defaults & Defeasibility 05.2010
Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto
- Advverbs of Quantification, Strictly Speaking
- Contextualism Mini-Workshop 10.2009
Arché, University of St. Andrews
 - CSMN Talk 10.2009
CSMN, University of Oslo
- Must ... Stay ... Strong!*

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- Colloquium 10.2009
Department of Linguistics, Rutgers
- Arché Contextualism and Relativism Workshop II 11.2008
Arché Centre, University of St. Andrews
- UT/UNAM Conference 10.2008
University of Texas at Austin
- Iffiness
- Arché Contextualism and Relativism Workshop 05.2008
Arché Centre, University of St. Andrews
- Rutgers Semantics Workshop 10.2007
Commenter: Brian Weatherson
- Belief Revision for Introspective Agents
- Mind, Language, Etc. Seminar 02.2007
NYU
- On Truth Conditions for *If* (But Not Quite Only *If*)
- Department of Philosophy, Rutgers 10.2008
- Arché Contextualism and Relativism Research Seminar 05.2008
Arché Centre, University of St. Andrews
- Invited Session: Philosophy and Dynamic Logic 04.2007
Central APA
- Department of Philosophy 02.2007
University of Arizona
- Counterfactual Scorekeeping
- Oslo Dynamic Semantics Workshop 09.2006
Universitetet i Oslo
- Sage School of Philosophy 05.2006
Cornell University
- Invited Symposium: Conditionals 08.2005
Annual Congress of the ESPP (Lund)
- Epistemic Modals: A Dynamic Perspective

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- Invited Informational Session: Epistemic Modals 12.2005
Eastern APA
- Conditionals, Scorekeeping, and Conditional Scorekeeping
- Invited Session: Conditionals 05.2004
Annual Meetings of the Society for Exact Philosophy (College Park)
- Epistemic Conditionals and Conditional Epistemics
- Department of Logic & Philosophy of Science 02.2003
UC-Irvine
- Department of Philosophy 01.2003
University of Michigan
- Department of Philosophy 01.2003
Harvard University
- Department of Philosophy 01.2001
The University of Texas at Austin
- Department of Philosophy 01.2001
University of Arizona
- Formal Semantics and Meaning in Cognitive Science
- Linguistic Theory Workshop 03.2000
University of Arizona
- Selected Peer Reviewed Conference Talks**

- On Truth Conditions for *If* (But Not Quite Only *If*) 07.2008
Formal Epistemology Festival: Conditionals & Ranking Functions (Konstanz)
- What Might Be the Case After a Change in View 05.2005
Formal Epistemology Workshop, FEW2 (Austin)
- Modal Scorekeeping and 'Might'-Counterfactuals 12.2003
Fourteenth Amsterdam Colloquium
- Epistemic Modality and Epistemic Change 09.2002
Prague International Colloquium on Formal Epistemology
- Foundationalist Belief Revision in Update Semantics 12.2001
Thirteenth Amsterdam Colloquium

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Mind-Reading in 2-Person Trust Games (with M. L. Rigdon) 06.2000
International Meetings of the Economic Science Association

How Not to Partition a Decision Problem 04.2000
Pacific APA

Selected Conference Comments

Comments on “Assertability semantics” 03.2018
Pacific APA (San Diego)

Expressivism Updated? 02.2015
Comments on Malte Willer, “Advice for Noncognitivists”
Central APA (St. Louis)

Default Logic and *Hafta* 03.2014
Author Meets Critics Session on John Horty, *Reasons as Defaults*
Central APA (Chicago)

Comments on Stalnaker and Loewer on Bennett 03.2009
Special Session on Jonathan Bennett on Conditionals
Pacific APA (Vancouver)

Epistemic Modals and Truth-Conditions 12.2006
Epistemic Modals Workshop
The University of Texas at Austin

Comments on von Stechow and Iatridou, “How To Say ‘Ought’ in Foreign”
Michigan Linguistics and Philosophy Workshop

What’s So Bad About Life Under the Sea? 10.2006
Comments on Dever, “Living the Life Aquatic”
OSU Presupposition Accommodation Workshop

On Stalnaker’s 06.2005
“Conditional Propositions and Conditional Assertion”
Formal Pragmatics Workshop
Linguistics Society of America Summer Institute (Harvard)

Advising

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Dissertations Chaired:

Sam Carter (Philosophy, Rutgers) <i>Supposition and Conditionals</i>	2020
Simon Goldstein (Philosophy, Rutgers) <i>Informative Dynamic Semantics</i>	2017
Zachary Miller (Philosophy, Rutgers) <i>Essays on the Semantics of Modality</i>	2013
Joshua Brown (Philosophy, Michigan) <i>From Formal Semantics to Metaphysics</i>	2009
Timothy Sundell (Philosophy, Michigan) <i>Conflict and Content</i>	2008

Dissertation Committees:

Diti Bhadra (Linguistics, Rutgers), Una Stojnic (Philosophy, Rutgers), Alex Anthony (Philosophy, Rutgers), Ben Levenstein (Philosophy, Rutgers), Choonkyu Lee (Psychology, Rutgers), Karen Lewis (Philosophy, Rutgers), Yi Mao (Philosophy, Texas), Jiun-Shiung Wu (Linguistics, Texas)

Department and University Service (Rutgers and Michigan)

Vice-Chair for Graduate Studies Department of Philosophy, Rutgers University	2011-2014
Graduate Admissions Department of Philosophy, Rutgers University	2010
Undergraduate Advising Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan	2005-07
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan	2005-07
Graduate Student Instructor Advising Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan	2004-05, 2007
Junior Recruitment Committee Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan	2004-2006, 2007-08
Honors Faculty Fellow	2004-05

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Honors College, University of Michigan

Professional Service and Memberships

Member, Editorial Board 2008–present
Semantics and Pragmatics
<http://semprag.org/>

Program/Organizing Committee

- Semantics and Linguistic Theory 2011
SALT 21, Rutgers University

- North American Summer School in Logic, Language & Information 2016
NASSLLI, Rutgers University

- North American Summer School in Logic, Language & Information 2010
NASSLLI, Indiana University

- ASL/Pacific APA Joint Meetings, San Francisco 2005

Referee

Australasian Journal of Philosophy; *Journal of Experimental and Theoretical Artificial Intelligence*; *Journal of Logic, Language and Information*; *Journal of Semantics*; *Linguistics & Philosophy*; *Mind*; *Mind & Language*; MIT Press; *Noûs*; National Science Foundation; Oxford University Press; *Philosopher's Imprint*; *Philosophical Review*; *Semantics and Linguistic Theory*; Amsterdam Colloquium, *Sinn und Bedeutung*; *Semantics & Pragmatics*; *Studia Logica*; *Review of Symbolic Logic*

Member

American Philosophical Association; European Association for Logic, Language and Information (FoLLI); Association for Symbolic Logic