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Education

Ph.D.	University of California, Berkeley (2001)
M.Phil.	University of Hong Kong (1993)
B.A.	University of London (1990)

Academic Employment

Professor	California State University, Chico (2010-present)
Associate Professor	California State University, Chico (2005-2010)
Assistant Professor	California State University, Chico (2002-2005)
Visiting Assistant Professor	Virginia Commonwealth University (2001-2002)

Areas of Specialization

Epistemology and Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

Ethics
Wittgenstein
Philosophy of Mind
Philosophy of Language
Philosophy of Religion
History of Analytic Philosophy
Modern Philosophy from Descartes to Kant
Ancient Chinese Philosophy

Ph.D. Dissertation

Title: *Rational Resistance to Skepticism*

Committee: Professor Barry Stroud (chair)

Professor Samuel Scheffler

Professor Christopher Kutz (external)

Publications

- *The Possibility of Philosophical Understanding: Reflections on the Thought of Barry Stroud*, co-edited with Jason Bridges and Niko Kolodny (Oxford University Press, 2011)
- “What the Skeptic Still Can't Learn from How We Use the Word ‘Know’”, in J. Bridges, N. Kolodny, & W. Wong (eds), *The Possibility of Philosophical Understanding: Reflections on the Thought of Barry Stroud* (Oxford University Press, 2011), pp.124-144
- “The Cosmic Lottery”, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 66 (2009), pp.155-165
- “Internalism about Justification and the Skeptic’s Dilemma”, *Erkenntnis* 71 (2009), pp.361-375
- “What Williamson's Anti-Luminosity Argument Really Is”, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 89 (2008), pp.536-543
- “Meaningfulness and Identities”, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* 11 (2008), pp.123-148
- “Moore, the Skeptic, and the Philosophical Context”, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 87 (2006), pp.271-287
- “The Skeptical Paradox and the Indispensability of Knowledge-Beliefs”, *Synthese* 143 (2005), pp.273-290
- “Strawson’s Anti-Scepticism: A Critical Reconstruction”, *Ratio* 16 (2003), pp.290-306
- “The Problem of Insulation”, *Philosophy* 77 (2002), pp.349-373
- “Interpretive Charity, Massive Disagreement, and Imagination”, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 29 (1999), pp.49-74
- “To Interpret, or to Be Omniscient”, *Philosophical Papers* 22 (1993), pp.189-198

Papers Submitted

“How Fallacious Is the Consequence Fallacy?”, co-authored with Zanja Yudell, submitted to *Philosophical Studies*

“Tolstoy and Questions about Meaningfulness”, submitted to *Philosophy and Literature*

Papers in Progress

“Philosophical Methodology and the Argument from Evil”

“The Probability of There Being Nothing”

“Internalism and the Acquisition of the Concept of Justification”

“Necessary Existence and Nothingness”

“A Normative Account of the Need for Explanation”, co-authored with Zanja Yudell

Book Projects

Meaningful Lives and Identities (being revised, will be submitted soon)

Academic Honors

Ralph W. Church Fellowship (1993-94)

Pao Siu Loong Graduate Scholarship (1993-4)

Li Ka Shing Prize (1993) [campus-wide award for best M.Phil. thesis, University of Hong Kong]

Professional Service

Referee for *Erkenntnis*

Referee for *European Journal of Philosophy*

Referee for *Synthese*

Referee for MIT Press

Teaching Experience

Professor at California State University, Chico:

Theory of Knowledge

Metaphysics

Analytic Philosophy

Philosophical Methods

Introduction to Philosophy

Logic and Critical Thinking

Visiting Assistant Professor at Virginia Commonwealth University:

Introduction to Philosophy

Mind and Reality

The Nature of Belief

Modern Philosophy

Instructor at University of California at Berkeley:

Introduction to Metaphysics

Teaching Assistant at University of California at Berkeley:

Theory of Knowledge

Metaphysics

Ethical Theories

Philosophy of Language

Philosophical Methods

Modern Philosophy
Individual Morality and Social Justice

References

Professor Barry Stroud (UC Berkeley)
Professor Samuel Scheffler (New York University)
Professor Janet Broughton (UC Berkeley)
Professor Niko Kolodny (UC Berkeley)
Professor Jason Bridges (University of Chicago)