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AOS Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Physics, Asian Philosophy

AOC Epistemology, Logic

EDUCATION **The Ohio State University**, Columbus, Ohio USA

Ph.D., Philosophy, December 2006

M.A., Philosophy, June 2004

**Saint Francis College**, Loretto, Pennsylvania USA

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Philosophy with minors in Math and History, June 2000

PUBLICATIONS “Idealizing, Abstracting, and Semantic Dispositionalism” (with Adam Podlaskowski), *European Journal of Philosophy*, *forthcoming*.

“Mereological Heuristics for Huayan Buddhism,” *Philosophy East and West* 60:3 (July 2010), *forthcoming*.

“Fazang: Hermeneutics, Causation, and Mereology,” in *Dao Companion to Chinese Buddhist Philosophy*, ed. Sandra A. Wawrytko (Springer), *forthcoming*.

“Fazang’s Total Power Mereology: An Interpretive Analytic Reconstruction,” *Asian Philosophy* 19:3 (November 2009), 199-211.

“General Relativity and the Standard Model: Why Evidence for One Does Not Disconfirm the Other,” *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics* 40:2 (May 2009), 124-132.

“Is Theology Respectable as Metaphysics?,” *Zygon: Journal of Religion & Science* 43:3 (September 2008), 579-592. (with a reply by Gregory Peterson)

“Evidence and Falsification: Challenges to Gregory Peterson,” *Zygon: Journal of Religion & Science* 43:3 (September 2008), 599-604.

“Is All Abstracting Idealizing?,” *The Reasoner* 2:4 (April 2008), 4-5.

“The Logic of *Soku* in the Kyoto School,” *Philosophy East and West* 54:3 (July 2004), 302-321.

PRESENTATIONS “Fazang’s Total Power Mereology,” to be presented at the International Society for Buddhist Philosophy annual meeting in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, New York, December 2009.

“Cartwright’s Capacities, Coulomb’s Law, and Hydrogen Bonds,” Alabama Philosophical Society Annual Conference, October 2009.

“Approximation and Inconsistency,” Society for Exact Philosophy Annual Meeting, University of Alberta, May 2009.

“Scientific Realism, Approximate Truth, and Some Twists on the Diachronic Conjunction Argument,” Tennessee Philosophical Association Annual Conference, November 2008.

“Against Pluralistic and Inexact Ontologies,” Philosophy of Science Association Biennial Meeting, Pittsburgh, November 2008.

“A Problem with Ontological Pluralism,” Alabama Philosophical Society Annual Conference, September 2008.

“Belief Revision and Coherence without Foundations”, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, Chicago, April 2008.

“Why It Is Impossible to Justify Belief in the Existence of Changeless Duration”, Tennessee Philosophical Association Annual Conference, Vanderbilt University, October 2007.

“Belief Revision and Coherence without Foundations”, Alabama Philosophical Society Annual Conference, September 2007.

“Resolving the Bayesian Problem of Idealization”, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, Chicago, April 2007.

“Resolving the Bayesian Problem of Idealization”, Confirmation, Induction and Science Conference, London School of Economics, March 2007.

“Is ‘Interference’ the Solution to the Knowability Paradox?”, University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society’s 2nd Annual Graduate Conference, University of Iowa, April 2006.

“Idealized Explanations as Ontological Guides”, Indiana Philosophical Association Spring Meeting, Marian College, April 2006.

“Interference and the Knowability Principle”, 13th Annual May 4th Philosophy Graduate Student Conference, Kent State University, March 2006.

“Anti-Realism and Epistemic Progress”, Midsouth Philosophy Conference, University of Memphis, February 2006.

“Knowability, Undecidability, and Progressive Epistemic Situations”, Alabama Philosophical Society Annual Conference, University of Montevallo, October 2005.

“Evidentialism and Electromagnetism”, Ohio Philosophical Association, University of Cincinnati, April 2005.

“Constrained Evidentialism”, 12th Annual May 4th Philosophy Graduate Student Conference, Kent State University, March 2005.

“Method for Deriving the Principle Unit Normal Vector for Two-Space Vectors,” Kappa Mu Epsilon Mathematics Honor Society Regional Convention, Muskingum College, March 2000.

“Apologia for Kant’s Transcendental Aesthetic: Kant After Reimann and Einstein,” Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, St. Joseph’s University, February 2000.

Comment on Scott Aiken’s “A Self-Defeat Problem for the Rhetorical Theory of Argument,” Tennessee Philosophical Association Annual Conference, November 2008.

Comment on Thomas P. Kasulis’ *Intimacy or Integrity: Philosophy and Cultural Difference*, Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy annual meeting, Asilomar, CA, June 2008.

Comment on James Bednar’s “Fear and Hope in ‘The Will to Believe’”, Tennessee Philosophical Association Annual Conference, Vanderbilt University, October 2007.

Comment on Charles Hermes’ “Breaking the Laws in the Closest Counterfactual Worlds”, Midsouth Philosophy Conference, University of Memphis, February 2006.

#### GRANTS

UAHuntsville Research Minigrant, \$6933, Summer 2009

Humanities Center Library Enhancement Grant, \$5260, The University of Alabama in Huntsville, December 2008

Alabama Humanities Foundation Small Grant, \$2000, for UAHuntsville Philosophy Forum Speaker Series, August 2008

Humanities Center Library Enhancement Grant, \$2829, The University of Alabama in Huntsville, December 2007

#### MEMBERSHIPS

American Philosophical Association, 1998 - present

Alabama Philosophical Society, 2007 - present

Ohio Philosophical Association, 2005 - present

Philosophy of Science Association, 2005 - present

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, 2007 - present

#### SERVICE

*University-Level*

CLA Website Redesign Committee, UAH, Summer 2009

Chair, Institutional Review Board, UAH, 2008 - present

STS@UAHuntsville Steering Committee, 2008

RELACS Committee, UAH, 2008 - present

Philosophy Forum Coordinator, UAH, 2008: Michael Weisberg, “Deploying Highly Idealized Models” and Derek Turner, “What Is Evolutionary Contingency?”

Graduate Students’ Representative, OSU, 2001 - 2002; 2004 - 2005

Graduate Students’ Ombudsperson, OSU, 2005 - 2006

“Faculty Friend” to Morrill Tower Floor 4, OSU, 2003 - 2004

Undergraduate Students’ Representative, OSU, 2000 - 2001

*Profession-Level*

President, Alabama Philosophical Society, 2008 - present

Vice President, Alabama Philosophical Society, 2008 - 2009

Secretary-Treasurer, Alabama Philosophical Society, 2007 - 2008

Reviewer, *Erkenntnis*, 2008

Reviewer, *Contemporary Philosophy*, 2007 - present

Technical Engineer, *Contemporary Philosophy*, Autumn 2000 - Spring 2005

HONORS AND  
AWARDS

Graduate Student Travel Stipend Award, Central Division APA, 2007

Nominee, Graduate Associate Teaching Award, Ohio State University, 2004 - 2005; 2005 - 2006; 2006 - 2007

William H. Fink Prize, Best Philosophy Graduate Student Paper, OSU, 2002

Delta Epsilon Sigma (National Catholic Honor Society) Fellowship, 2000 - 2001

University Fellowship, Ohio State University, 2000 - 2001

Delta Epsilon Sigma, National Catholic Honor Society, Chi Chapter, 2000

Kappa Mu Epsilon, Mathematics Honor Society, Pennsylvania Mu Chapter, 2000

Phi Alpha Theta, Honor Society in History, Alpha Alpha Beta Chapter, 2000

Outstanding Student Award, Department of Philosophy, 1998 - 1999; 1999 - 2000

President’s Scholarship, Saint Francis College, 1995 - 1999

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**University of Alabama in Huntsville**, Huntsville, Alabama, USA

*Assistant Professor*, 2007 - present

Philosophy 101: Introduction to Philosophy

Philosophy 201: Introduction to Logic

Philosophy 202: Introduction to Ethics

Philosophy 302: Modern Philosophy

Philosophy 311: Philosophy of Science

Philosophy 314: Asian Philosophies

Philosophy 395: Junior Research Seminar

**The Ohio State University**, Columbus, Ohio USA

*Lecturer*, 2007

Philosophy 150: Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking  
Philosophy 215: Asian Philosophy

*Instructor*, 2004 - 2006

Philosophy 101: Introduction to Philosophy  
Philosophy 150: Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking  
Philosophy 215: Asian Philosophy  
Philosophy 367: Contemporary Social and Moral Problems in the United States

*Facilitator for University-Wide Teaching Assistant Orientation*, 2005, 2006

Facilitating Classroom Discussion  
Preparing for the First Day  
Teaching in the Independent Course

#### REFERENCES

Robert W. Batterman, Rotman Canada Chair in Philosophy of Science, The University of Western Ontario, Department of Philosophy, 307F Talbot College, London, Ontario N6A 3K7 Canada, email: rbatterm@uwo.ca

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