

Curriculum Vitae

T. Bradley Richards

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AOS: Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Science (especially Cognitive Science, Psychology, Biology), Aesthetics

AOC: Metaphysics, Applied Ethics, History of Science

Citizenship: Canadian

Education

PhD University of Guelph, June 2012

Visiting Student Australian National University, RSSH/Centre for Consciousness Studies
2007 and 2008

MA History and Philosophy of Science, IHPST, University of Toronto, November 2005

MA Philosophy, University of Toronto November 2004

BA Honours, Philosophy, University of Toronto, June 2003

Languages

English, French and some German and Mandarin

Individual Studies and Tutelage

2010 with Ned Block, ASSC 14 mentorship program; 2008/09 with Frank Jackson, as a visitor to Princeton; 2005 with Brian Baigrie, Representation in Science; 2004 with William Seager, Perception; 2004 with Robert Tully, Philosophical Logic; 2003 with Ronald DeSousa, Naturalistic Theories of Mind; 2002 with Ian Hacking, Rationality

Scholarships and Awards

Graduate Grants and Funding

University of Guelph Scholarships/Full Graduate Funding, 2005–09; University of Guelph Travel Scholarship, 2008; University of Toronto Full Graduate Funding, 2004–05; SSHRC CGS Master's, 2003–04; University of Toronto Full Graduate Funding, 2003–04

Academic Excellence

Regent's Scholar Award, 2001 and 2002; Friends of Victoria University Library Award, 2001: Book Collection and essay Prize, 2002 ; Dean's List Scholar, 2000–2002; Canada Millennium Scholarship 2000–2002; UTAPS (University of Toronto Bursary)

Other Grants

Awarded Development Grant (2019) to fund Tim Mt. Pleasant to create a philosophy for children module for First Nations children in Toronto

Cognitive Science for Kids development Grant (2024) to develop cognitive science modules for philosophy for kids program

Published Work

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

2021 "Seeing and Attending Wholes and Parts: A Reply to Prettyman." *Thought: A Journal of Philosophy*.

2020 "Forests, Trees, and Aesthetic Attention: A Reply to Nanay." *Journal of Consciousness Studies*.

2016 "Cognitive Penetrability, Context, and Aesthetics: Nanay, Danto and the Gallery of Indiscernibles". *Philosophical Psychology*.

2016 "Attention and Seeing Objects: The Identity-Crowding Debate." in *Philosophical Psychology*.

2015 "Advancing the Overflow Debate." *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 22(7-8), 124–144.

2015 "Cognitive Phenomenology and Indirect Sense." *Metaphysica*. 16(1), 37–52

2015 “Sexual Desire and the Phenomenology of Attraction.” *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review/Revue Canadienne de Philosophie*, 54(02), 263–283.

2014 “Horgan and Tienson on Phenomenology and Intentionality.” *Philosophical Studies*, 167(2), 313-326. (with Andrew Bailey)

2013 “Identity-Crowding and Object-Seeing: A Reply to Block.” *Thought*, 1(4), 9–19.
See also: 2013 Ned Block's *reply* to the above article: Seeing and Windows of Integration. *Thought* 1 (4):29-39.

Articles in Edited Volumes

“*” indicates a peer-reviewed contribution; others were invited

2023 “Asterios Polyp as Philosophy: Master of Two Worlds”. In *Palgrave Handbook of Philosophy and Popular Culture*. Palgrave-Macmillan.

2023 “Pulp Fiction as Philosophy: Bad Faith and the Path of the Righteous Man”. In *Palgrave Handbook of Philosophy and Popular Culture*. Palgrave-Macmillan.

2022, “What is it like to be a host?” In *Introducing Philosophy through Pop Culture* (2nd Edition). Wiley-Blackwell. (reprinted from *Westworld and Philosophy*)

2019 “Be Right Back”. In *Black Mirror and Philosophy*. Wiley-Blackwell.*

2018 “What is it like to be a host?” In *Westworld and Philosophy*. Wiley-Blackwell.*

2012 “Living in the Dreamworld: On the Existence of an Objective Dreamworld in Neil Gaiman's *The Sandman*”. In *Neil Gaiman and Philosophy*. Open Court: Chicago.*

Other Written Contributions

2013 Category Summary, Attention and Consciousness in Psychology, *PhilPapers*

Category Summary, Change/Inattentional Blindness, *PhilPapers*

Presentations and Conference Activities

Talks and Conference Presentations

2011 *Consciousness and Attention: Could you repeat the question?*, accepted to The Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness 15, Kyoto (talk)

2010 *Consciousness, Awareness, and Accessibility: A Reply to Block*, delivered at The Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness (poster)

2010 *Consciousness, Awareness, and Accessibility: A Reply to Block*, delivered at Towards a Science of Consciousness, Tucson, Arizona (poster)

2008 *Radical Indeterminacy and the Periphery in Visual Perceptual Experience*, delivered at RSSH Philosophy Department, Australian National University

2008 *Why There Could be Zombies*, delivered at Australasian Association of Philosophy (AAP) Annual Conference, Melbourne

2007 *Phenomenology and Intentionality*, delivered at the Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness Conference, by co-author Andrew Bailey

2007 *Phenomenology and Intentionality*, delivered at Centre for Consciousness Studies Australian National University

2007 *Being Mysterious*, delivered at Australian National University Workshop, Kioloa

2007 *Phenomenology and Compositionality*, delivered at AAP Annual Conference, Armidale

Commentaries

2014 invited to comment on *Transparency, Representation, and Error*, CPA annual general meeting, Brock University

2013 invited to comment on *Objections to Representationalism from Degraded Experience*, CPA annual general meeting, University of Victoria

Community/Other

Awarded Development Grant to fund Tim Mt. Pleasant to create a philosophy for children module for First Nations children in Toronto

Interviewed by the TMU newspaper on the Philosophy of Love and Sex

Interviewed by TMU newspaper regarding philosophy for children program

Created and instituted philosophy for children program

Taught and mentored undergraduate students implementing the philosophy for kids program

Teaching and Academic Work

Visiting Scholar

Visiting Scholar, Rutgers University (2024)

Founder

PhiKids Philosophy and cognitive science for children program

(partnered with the Toronto District School Board)

Current Appointment

Sessional Assistant Professor of Cognitive Science and Philosophy, York University (2022-23, 2023- 24)

Previous Appointments

Visiting Assistant Professor of Cognitive Science, Beloit College

Courses Taught

(I have taught over 100 courses. Most of these I have taught numerous times at York University, Toronto Metropolitan University, Beloit College, or the University of Guelph).

Special Courses

Honors Seminar in Cognitive Science (x2)

This course is integrated with York University's visiting speaker series. I helped organize the speaker series and guided 4th year cognitive science students through their major research project from conception to completion.

Philosophy for Children (community engagement) (x5)

This project teaches 4th year undergraduate students to teach philosophy to children in Toronto public schools.

Cognitive Robotics

In this course we explored embodied cognition and the relationship between simple rules and complex behavior using Lego and Java. (co-taught with computer science).

Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science

Philosophy of Mind (x5); Advanced Topics in Philosophy of Mind (x2); Introduction to Cognitive Science (Minds, Brains, and Machines) (x2); Honors Seminar in Cognitive Science (x2); Cognitive Robotics, Consciousness and Attention; Philosophy of Death (x6); Metaphysics (x5)

Critical Thinking and Writing

Modes of Reasoning (x2); Critical Thinking (x10); Essay Clinics; Honors Seminar in Cognitive Science (x2)

Core Philosophy

Problems in Philosophy (x2); Metaphysics (x5); Epistemology

Value Theory (mostly Aesthetics and Ethics)

Philosophy of Beauty (x19); Philosophy of Art (x2); Philosophy of Film (x5); Existentialism, Art, and Culture; Philosophy of Love and Sex (x18); Justice, Law, and Morality (x2); Freedom, Equality and Authority (x3); Ethics; Philosophy of Death (x6); Bioethics; Healthcare Ethics (x2); Ethical Issues in the Media (x5)

Other Academic Work

2024- consultant Brain Tumor Foundation of Canada

2024 – created cognitive science and ai for kids modules including lego robotics

2023 - board member for development of an international brain tumor registry
CHOP/Raymond Wood Foundation

2022- aided in grant application and development of novel home sodium testing methods for patients with hypothalamic and pituitary injury with Keith Pardee Lab (University of Toronto)

2018– *Created and implemented* a philosophy community outreach program for teens in
Jane and Finch/Sheppard area of Toronto

2017 – *Created and implemented* a philosophy for children program

2018 – *Tutored* TMU (Ryerson University) students on the writing of philosophy papers

2005-2009 -- *Assisted* with research on theories of mind, embodiment, perception (Andrew Bailey) and for a cognitive science anthology (Don Dedrick)

2001- *Tutored* university students with learning disabilities in Philosophy, Psychology, and the History of Science. Employer: Accessibility Services, University of Toronto

2000-2002 *Organized* library and *aided* students with research at the CASA (Cognitive Science and Artificial Intelligence Students Association) office

Professional Activities

Referee

Erkenntnis; Philosophical Psychology; The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science; Mind and Language; Thought: A Journal of Philosophy; Journal of Consciousness Studies; Acta Analytica; Minds Online Conference; Canadian Philosophical Association; Australasian Journal of Philosophy;

Editor

2011- *Category editor* for PhilPapers, Attention and Consciousness in Psychology
Category editor for PhilPapers, Change/Inattentional Blindness

Committee

Andrew Bailey, Mark McCullagh, Neil Campbell, Melvyn Goodale (external)

References

Dr. Andrew Bailey

Associate Professor, Associate Dean Graduate Studies, Philosophy, University of Guelph

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Dr. Christopher Mole, Professor, of Philosophy, University of British Columbia

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Dr. William Seager, Professor, of Philosophy, University of Toronto

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Dr. Mark McCullagh, Associate Professor, and Chair, University of Guelph

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