

# CARRIE JENKINS

## Personal Details

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## Main Areas of Research Interest and Teaching Competence

Epistemology, Metaphysics, and the Philosophy of Logic, Language and Mathematics

## Qualifications

- *PhD in Philosophy* at Trinity College, Cambridge  
Supported by a grant from the Arts and Humanities Research Board  
Thesis title: *Grounding Concepts: An Empirical Basis for Arithmetical Knowledge*  
Submitted: July 2004. Passed without corrections: October 2004. Degree awarded: January 2005
- *MPhil in Philosophy* at Trinity College, Cambridge  
Supported by a grant from the Arts and Humanities Research Board  
Degree awarded: July 2001. Result: first class (all elements)
- *BA(Hons) in Philosophy* at Trinity College, Cambridge  
Degree awarded: June 2000. Result: first class (all Tripos parts)

## Principal Career Details

01-01-09 – Associate Professor and Reader in Philosophy  
University of Nottingham  
01-09-06 – 31-12-08 Lecturer in Philosophy  
University of Nottingham  
01-09-05 – 31-08-06 Lecturer in Philosophy  
University of St Andrews  
01-08-04 – 01-09-05 Executive Director/Research Fellow  
Arché Research Centre, University of St Andrews

## Additional Affiliations

01-09-09 – 31-08-12 Associate Fellow  
Northern Institute of Philosophy, University of Aberdeen  
01-09-08 – 01-03-09 Visiting Associate Professor in Philosophy  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
01-10-07 – Advisory Board Member  
Eidos Centre for Metaphysics, University of Geneva  
01-12-06 – Associate Fellow  
Arché Research Centre, University of St Andrews  
01-09-06 – 31-08-07 Postdoctoral Research Fellow  
(on secondment from Nottingham)  
Epistemic Warrant Project, Philosophy Discipline,  
Research School of Social Sciences,  
Australian National University

## Academic Distinctions

- 2000: Matthew Buncombe Prize from the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Cambridge. Awarded for the best overall results university-wide in the Philosophy MPhil degree.

## Research

### (i) Publications

#### Book

- 2008: *Grounding Concepts: An Empirical Basis for Arithmetical Knowledge*, Oxford University Press.

#### Papers

- 2005: 'Realism and Independence', in *American Philosophical Quarterly* 42 (3), pp. 199-209.
- 2005: 'Sleeping Beauty: A Wake-Up Call', in *Philosophia Mathematica* 13 (2), pp. 194-201.
- 2005: 'Knowledge of Arithmetic', in *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 56 (4), pp. 727-47.
- 2006: 'Knowledge and Explanation', in *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 36 (2), pp. 137-63.
- 2006: 'Lewis and Blackburn on Quasi-Realism and Fictionalism', in *Analysis* 66 (4), pp. 315-9.
- 2007: 'True, False, Paranormal and Designated', in *Analysis* 67 (1), pp. 80-3.
- 2007: 'Anti-Realism and Epistemic Accessibility', in *Philosophical Studies* 132 (3), pp. 525-51.
- 2007: 'Entitlement and Rationality', in *Synthese* 157 (1), pp. 25-45.
- 2007: 'Epistemic Norms and Natural Facts', in *American Philosophical Quarterly* 44 (3), pp. 259-72.
- 2008: 'Liar-like Paradox and Object-Language Features', with Daniel Nolan, in *American Philosophical Quarterly* 45 (1), pp. 67-73.
- 2008: 'Romeo, René and the Reasons Why: What Explanation is', in *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society* 108 (1), pp.61-84 .
- 2008: 'Boghossian on the A Priori', in *The Croatian Journal of Philosophy* 8 (22), pp. 113-27.
- 2008: 'A Priori Knowledge: Debates and Developments', in *Philosophy Compass* 3 (3), pp. 436-50.
- 2008: 'The Importance of Being Designated: a Comment on Caret and Cotnoir', in *Analysis* 68 (3), pp. 244-7.
- 2008: 'Backwards Explanation', with Daniel Nolan, in *Philosophical Studies* 140 (1), pp. 103-15.
- 2008: 'Modal Knowledge, Counterfactual Knowledge and the Role of Experience', in *The Philosophical Quarterly* 58 (233), pp. 693-701.
- 2009: 'The Mystery of the Disappearing Diamond', in J. Salerno (ed.) *New Essays on the Knowability Paradox*, Oxford University Press, pp. 302-19.
- 2010: 'Apriorism About Modality: Reply to Scott Sturgeon', in R. Cameron, B. Hale and A. Hoffmann (ed.s), *The Logic, Epistemology and Metaphysics of Modality*, Oxford University Press, pp. 310-317.
- Forthcoming: 'Maximising, Satisficing and Context', with Daniel Nolan, to appear in *Noûs* (9,200 words).
- Forthcoming: 'Concepts, Experience and Modal Knowledge', to appear in *Philosophical Perspectives* 24.

- Forthcoming: ‘What Is Ontological Realism?’, to appear in *Philosophy Compass*.

#### Critical Notice

- 2009: Critical Notice of Ralph Wedgwood *The Nature of Normativity*, in *Analysis* 69 (1), pp. 156-66.

#### Reviews

- 2006: Review of Jonathan Kvanvig, *The Knowability Paradox* (OUP, 2006), in *Mind* 115 (460), pp. 1141-7.
- 2010: Review of Gillian Russell, *Truth in Virtue of Meaning*, in *Mind* 119 (473), pp. 232-8.

#### Something More Lighthearted

- 2006: ‘The Philosophy of Flirting’, in *The Philosophers Magazine* 36 (4), pp. 37-40.

#### **(ii) Papers Submitted and Committed**

- ‘Intrinsicness and Dispositions’. Submitted to a journal.
- ‘What’s Wrong With Incoherence Credences’. Submitted to a journal.
- ‘Is Grounding Irreflexive?’. Submitted to a journal.
- ‘Kripkenstein and the Cleverly Disguised Mules’. Submitted to a journal.
- ‘Devitt’s Naturalism and the A Priori’. Submitted to a journal.
- ‘Merely Verbal Disputes’. Submitted to a journal.
- ‘The A Priori, and What Concepts Have To Do With It’. Committed for a companion to epistemology, to be edited by Andrew Cullison.
- ‘Naturalism and the A Priori’. Committed for a collection on the a priori, to be edited by Albert Casullo and Joshua Thurow.
- ‘Intuition’, Intuition, Concepts and the A Priori’. Committed for a collection on intuitions, to be edited by Anthony Booth and Darrell Rowbottom.
- ‘The Truth Fairy and the Indirect Epistemic Consequentialist’. Committed for a collection on epistemic entitlement, to be edited by Nikolaj Jang Pedersen.
- Critical notice of JC Beall, *Spandrels of Truth*. Committed for *Philosophical Books*.
- ‘Explanation and Fundamentality’. Committed for a collection on ontological dependence, to be edited by Miguel Hoeltje, Benjamin Schnieder and Alex Steinberg.
- Symposium item on Ernie Sosa, *Reflective Knowledge*. Committed for *Philosophical Papers*.

#### **(iii) Forthcoming and Recent Presentations**

##### Invited Presentations

- ‘Explanation and Fundamentality’, November 2010, Logic and Metaphysics Forum, Institute of Philosophy, London.
- ‘Explanation and Fundamentality’, November 2010, PERSP seminar, University of Barcelona.
- ‘Arithmetic and Naturalism’, November 2010, Conference on The Number Concept, Université Nancy 2.
- ‘Explanation and Ontic Vagueness’, September 2010, LOGOS Vagueness and Metaphysics workshop, University of Barcelona.
- ‘Explanation and Fundamentality’, August-September 2010, Phlox Because II Conference, Humboldt University of Berlin.
- ‘What Is Ontological Realism?’, July 2010, Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network, Syracuse University.

- ‘Explanation and Fundamentality’, June 2010, Carolina Metaphysics Workshop, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- ‘The A Priori’, May 2010, Workshop on the A Priori, University of Cologne.
- ‘Intuition, ‘Intuition’, Concepts and the A Priori’, April 2010, Departmental Seminar, University of Sheffield.
- ‘Intuitions’, January 2010, Departmental Seminar, University of Reading.
- ‘The Truth Fairy’, November 2009, Northern Institute of Philosophy Entitlement Workshop, University of Aberdeen.
- ‘Devitt’s Naturalism and the A Priori’, October 2009, A Priori Workshop, University of Nottingham.
- Two seminars on *Grounding Concepts*, October 2009, Arché, University of St Andrews.
- ‘Naturalism and the A Priori’, September 2009, Naturalism Workshop, University of Leeds.
- Commentary on Gideon Rosen, *Metaphysical Dependence: Grounding and Reduction*, March 2009, Colorado Conference on Dependence.
- Seminar on *Grounding Concepts*, October 2008, University of Buenos Aires.
- ‘An Explanationist Account of Dispositions’, October 2008, University of Buenos Aires.
- ‘Maximising, Satisficing and Context’ (with Daniel Nolan), September 2008, guest seminar, Calvin College.
- ‘What’s Wrong With Incoherent Credences’, September 2008, guest seminar, University of Michigan.
- ‘Realism, Independence and Metaontology’, June/July 2008, Metaphysical Mayhem, Rutgers State University of New Jersey.
- ‘A Priori Knowledge: Debates and Developments’, April 2008, A Priori Knowledge Workshop, University of Aberdeen.
- ‘Grounding Arithmetical Concepts’, March 2008, Conference on Metaphysics and Epistemology: Issues in the Philosophy of Mathematics, University of Manchester.
- ‘Explanation in Philosophical Theories’, March 2008, guest seminar, University of York.
- ‘Explanation in Philosophical Theories’, February 2008, guest seminar, University of Manchester.
- ‘Explanation in Philosophical Theories’, February 2008, Eidos ‘Because’ Conference, University of Geneva.
- ‘Realism and Anti-Realism’ and ‘Romeo, René and the Reasons Why: What Explanation Is’, February 2008, Eidos Graduate Workshop on Metaphysics, University of Geneva.
- Comments on Andy Egan, January 2008, Arizona Ontology Conference, Tucson, Arizona.
- ‘What Explanation Is’, November 2007, Aristotelian Society, London.
- ‘Backwards Explanation’, November 2007, Jowett Society, University of Oxford.
- ‘A Priori Knowledge: Debates and Developments’, September 2007, Eidos Launch Conference, University of Geneva.
- ‘Counterfactual Knowledge, Modal Knowledge and the Role of Experience’, May 2007, Epistemology Workshop, Australian National University.
- ‘The Liar Paradox And Features of the Object Language’ (with Daniel Nolan), May 2007, Logic Seminar, University of Melbourne.
- ‘The Liar Paradox And Features of the Object Language’ (with Daniel Nolan), April 2007, Philosophy Society, Australian National University.
- ‘The Conceptual Approach to the A Priori’, February 2007, Epistemology Workshop, K.U. Leuven.
- ‘Flirtation: A Debate’ (with Daniel Nolan), December 2006, Social and Political Theory seminar, Australian National University.
- Faculty Respondent, November 2006, Arché Graduate Conference, University of St Andrews.

- ‘Boghossian and Epistemic Analyticity’, October 2006, Philosophy Society, Australian National University.
- ‘Experience and Modal Knowledge’, August 2006, guest seminar, Australian National University.
- Reply to Scott Sturgeon, June 2006, Arché Conference on the Metaphysics and Epistemology of Modality, University of St Andrews.
- ‘Experience and Modal Knowledge’, April 2006, Arché Reading Party, Isle of Raasay.
- ‘Experience and Modal Knowledge’, April 2006, guest seminar, University of Aberdeen.
- ‘Experience and Modal Knowledge’, April 2006, guest seminar, University of Connecticut.
- ‘Experience and Modal Knowledge’, January 2006, guest seminar, University College Cork.
- ‘Concepts and the World’, November 2005, guest seminar, University of Stirling.
- ‘Knowability: Two Puzzles’, August 2005, NAMICONA, University of Aarhus.
- ‘Entitlement and Rationality’, June 2005, Summer Reflectorium, University of St Andrews.
- ‘Realism, Essence and Modality’, Arché Modality Workshop, May 2005, University of St Andrews.
- Faculty Respondent, February 2005, Arché Graduate Conference, University of St Andrews.
- ‘Arithmetical Knowledge’, March 2003, Cambridge Moral Sciences Club, University of Cambridge.
- ‘What Possible Knowers Can Know’, October 2002, East Anglian Philosophy Triangle (Cambridge).

#### Presentations Selected by Review

- ‘Merely Verbal Disputes’, March 2009, Arché Methodology Conference, University of St Andrews.
- ‘Backwards Explanation’, August 2007, Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference, Western Washington University.
- ‘ $7+5=12$ ’, July 2003, Joint Session of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society (Graduate Sessions), University of Belfast.
- ‘Knowing that  $7+5=12$ ’, November 2002, Oxford Postgraduate Philosophy Conference (Oxford).

#### Submitted Presentations

- ‘Is Metaphysical Grounding Irreflexive?’, July 2010, Joint Session of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society (Open Sessions), University College Dublin.
- ‘The Conceptual Approach to the A Priori’, December 2006, Australasian Association of Philosophy (New Zealand Division), University of Wellington.
- ‘Vague Existence and Ontological Commitment’, July 2006, Joint Session of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society (Open Sessions), University of Southampton.
- ‘Entitlement and Rationality’, July 2005, Joint Session of the Mind Association and the Aristotelian Society (Open Sessions), University of Manchester.

#### Other Presentations

- ‘Reply to John Hawthorne’, November 2006, Arché Basic Knowledge Workshop, University of St Andrews. (This was an event that I organized.)

### **Teaching and Supervising**

#### At the University of Nottingham

- 2010: Lead a seminar on research presentations for V7DRES, Research Methods, MA course
- 2010: Module convenor, V7BFL2, Formal Logic 2, second and third year course
- 2010: Module convenor, V7APSC, Philosophy of Science, first and second year course

- 2009-12: Main supervisor of PhD student working on intuitions
- 2009-12: Co-supervisor of PhD student working on mind-independence
- 2009: Joint module convenor, V74MK1, Mind and Knowledge, MA course
- 2009: Module convenor, V71RPM, Reasoning and Argument, first year course
- 2009: Module convenor, V7APSC, Philosophy of Science, first and second year course
- 2009: Module convenor, V7BFL2, Formal Logic 2, second and third year course
- 2008: Module convenor, V7APSC, Philosophy of Science, first and second year course
- 2008: Module convenor, V74APK, A Priori Knowledge, MA course
- 2008-11: Main supervisor of PhD student working on philosophy of probability
- 2008: Supervision of undergraduate independent projects

At the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

- 2008: Course convenor, PHIL 402, Undergraduate Seminar (A Priori Knowledge), fourth year course
- 2008: Course convenor, PHIL 308, Knowledge and Reality, third year course

At the University of St Andrews

- 2004-6: Lecturing and class teaching for first year Logic
- 2006: Supervisor for visiting PhD student (March-June)

At the University of Cambridge

- 2003-4: Lecturing for second year Metaphysics
- 2001-4: Supervising for first year Logic, second year Logic and second year Metaphysics
- 2001-4: Coordinating first year Discussion Groups (most recently on Philosophy of Religion and Ethics)
- 2002-3: Tutoring first year Logic Classes. Teaching introductory logic to small groups (approximately ten students)
- 2000-2: Marking for first year Logic Classes.
- 2000-2: Cambridge University Philosophy Faculty Teaching Skills Training Programme.

**Administration**

At the University of Nottingham

- 2010-2011: Head of the Department of Philosophy
- 2009-2010: Undergraduate Admissions Tutor
- 2008-present: Pastoral responsibility (as personal tutor) for undergraduate students
- 2008-9: Joint Webmaster
- 2009: Careers Officer
- 2007-present: Convenor of the Metaphysics and Epistemology Reading Group.

For the Arché Research Centre at the University of St Andrews

During 2004-06 I took considerable administrative responsibility for the workings of the Arché Research Centre. Among other things, I:

- worked with the Director (Professor Crispin Wright) on the Centre's planning and strategy, with regard to both day-to-day matters and longer-term goals,
- assisted in the preparation of successful major funding applications to the Arts and Humanities Research Council and the Leverhulme Trust (for awards totalling over £1.5 million),
- helped to administer major funding awards (totalling over £2 million),
- helped to oversee and co-ordinate the activities of the research teams,
- organized workshops and other events,
- assisted in the appointment and management of two secretaries and various members of casual staff (research and support),
- instated, oversaw and chaired the Arché Council,
- designed publicity materials for the Centre,

- sat on the Centre's Management Committee as Committee Secretary,
- liaised on the Centre's behalf with the Research Grants division of the Finance office, the Head of the School of Philosophical and Anthropological Studies, and various other members of University staff,
- developed and maintained the Centre's web pages and interactive research tools.

#### Other Administrative Experience

- November 2006: Organized a workshop on Basic Knowledge at the University of St Andrews.
- 2005-06: Member of the Management Group of the School of Philosophical and Anthropological Studies, University of St Andrews.
- 2003-04: Academic co-ordinator on the organizing committee of the National Postgraduate Analytic Philosophy Conference 2004.
- 2003: Student selection interviews. Subject interviews for Queens' College, Cambridge, and tutorial interviews for Emmanuel College, Cambridge.
- 2002-03: Graduate student representative on the Faculty Board of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Cambridge. The Board is the Faculty's main decision-making body.
- 2001-02: Secretary of the Cambridge Moral Sciences Club. Responsible for organizing a programme of talks by invited speakers.

#### **Other Professional Service**

- 2005-06: Member of *The Philosophical Quarterly* editorial board.
- I have acted as a referee for various journals, including:  
*Acta Analytica, Analysis, British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Dialectica, Journal of Political Philosophy, Mind, Philosophia, Philosophers' Imprint, Philosophia, Philosophical Papers, Philosophical Quarterly, Social Epistemology and Synthese*
- I have reviewed book proposals for the following publishers:  
Acumen, Routledge

#### **Public Outreach and Publicity**

##### Newspapers/Magazines

- My views on the use of Twitter for philosophical purposes were reported by the *Times Higher Education* in 2009.
- An article on my work on the philosophy of flirting appeared in the *Nottingham Evening Post* in 2008.
- Another article about my work on the philosophy of flirting appeared in the February 2008 edition of the University of Nottingham *Exchange Magazine*.
- The Polish psychology magazine *Charaktery* reported my flirting research in 2007.
- An article about my work on flirting and concept grounding appeared in the Autumn 2007 edition of the *Australian National University Reporter*.
- 'The Philosophy of Flirting' was the subject of an article in the Higher Education Supplement of *The Australian* (Australia's national newspaper) in 2006.

##### Radio

- A radio debate between Daniel Nolan and myself on the philosophy of flirting was aired on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Radio National programme *Life Matters* in 2006.
- I have given interviews to two other Australian radio stations: ABC Radio Hobart, and RTRfm in Perth.
- I have given an interview to one British radio station: Trent FM.

- I was the guest on an episode of the US radio show *Philosophy Talk*. The show is available from the *Philosophy Talk* website (free to stream, downloadable for a small charge).

#### Outreach Talks

- ‘Introduction to the Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics’, January 2009, Nottingham High School.
- ‘Paradoxes’, November 2009, Nottingham High School.

#### Other

- I maintain my own philosophy weblog, *Long Words Bother Me*, and contribute to of the best-known philosophy weblogs, *Thoughts, Arguments and Rants*. Both are freely accessible online.
- My Twitter stream (<http://twitter.com/carriejenkins>) includes regular philosophical reflections and livetweeting from philosophy conferences.
- I have produced two podcasts in the *University of Nottingham Podcasts* series, which are also freely accessible online.
- My band, The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Monads, is well known in the philosophical community and beyond for its catchy, and sometimes moving, musical reflections on topics of philosophical interest and the life of the contemporary academic philosopher.