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employment Instructor, Mississippi State University (Meridian, Starkville), 2013 – present
Lecturer, Drexel University, Philadelphia, 2007 – 2013

areas of specialization Philosophy of Psychology, Philosophy of Neuroscience, Emotion

areas of competence Game Theory, Inductive Logic, Philosophy of Mind, Business Ethics

education Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Cincinnati, 2007
DISSERTATION *On the Relationship between Psychology and Neurobiology: Levels in the Cognitive and Biological Sciences*

M.A. program, Economics (27 graduate credits completed), Temple University

B.A., Psychology, Georgetown University, 1995

publications *Book*

Johnson, G. (2016). *Argument and Inference: An Introduction to Inductive Logic*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

Journal Articles

Johnson, G. (2016). Methodological functionalism and the description of natural systems. *Philosophical Psychology*, 29, 374–389.

Johnson, G. (2012). The relationship between psychological capacities and neurobiological activities. *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 2, 453–480.

Johnson, G. (2009). Mechanisms and functional brain areas. *Minds and Machines*, 19, 255–271.

Johnson, G. (2008). LeDoux's fear circuit and the status of emotion as a non-cognitive process. *Philosophical Psychology*, 21, 739–757.

Encyclopedia Article

Johnson, G. (2009). [Theories of emotion](#). In *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. J. Fieser and B. Dowden (Eds.).

in progress (under review) Identity, Autonomy, and Eliminativism

(under review) What Is Ethics Anyway? [for a general audience]

presentations *Forthcoming in italics*

Business and Climate Change. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, March 22-23, 2019.

Confirmation and Psychological Explanation. Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. Cincinnati, OH, March 7-9, 2019.

The Hypothetico-Deductive Method in Psychology and the Neurobiological Alternative. Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. Cincinnati, OH, March 7-9, 2019.

The Hypothetico-Deductive Method in Psychology and the Neurobiological Alternative. Mississippi Academy of Sciences Annual Meeting. Hattiesburg, MS, February 21, 2019.

Probabilities and the St. Petersburg Paradox (POSTER). Society for Judgment and Decision Making Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, November 18, 2018.

Confirmation in Psychology and Neurobiology. Deep South Philosophy and Neuroscience Workshop. Pensacola Beach, FL, September 28, 2018.

Confirmation and Psychological Explanation. Causality in the Neuro and Psychological Sciences 2018. Antwerp, Belgium, September 19, 2018.

Autonomy in the Age of Identity: A Critique of Polger & Shapiro. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, March 24, 2018.

Confirmation and Psychological Explanation. Mississippi Academy of Sciences Annual Meeting. Hattiesburg, MS, February 23, 2018.

Confirmation and Psychological Explanation. Annual Meeting of the Alabama Philosophical Society. Pensacola, FL, September 29, 2017.

Some Comments on the Doctrine of Multiple Realization. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, April 1, 2017.

Psychology and Explanatory Extinction. Annual Meeting of the Alabama Philosophical Society. Pensacola, FL, September 30, 2016.

Psychology and Explanatory Extinction. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 20, 2016.

- A Short Argument for the Reduction of Cognitive Psychology to Neurobiology. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, March 2015.
- The Nature and Scope of Methodological Functionalism. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 2014.
- A New Argument for the Reduction of Psychology. Department of Philosophy and Religion, Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS, September 13, 2013.
- Methodological Functionalism and the Reduction of Psychology. Society for Philosophy and Psychology and European Society for Philosophy and Psychology Joint Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada (Université du Québec à Montréal), July 2011.
- Levels and the Relationship between Psychology and Neurobiology (POSTER). Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA, June 2008.
- Levels and Cognitive Psychology. Philosophy Department, University of Cincinnati. Cincinnati, OH, December 12, 2006.
- Some Criticisms of Lycan's Account of a Hierarchy of Levels. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 2006.
- Comments on Affect Programs (POSTER). Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. Winston-Salem, NC, June 2005.
- Some Criticisms of Affect Programs, Primitive Emotions, and LeDoux's Fear Circuit. Indiana University Cog-X (cognitive science group) meeting. Bloomington, IN, April 2005.
- Comments on Affect Programs. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 2005.
- A Social Constructionist Model for the Emotions Based on a Theory of Language Acquisition (POSTER). International Society for Research on the Emotions Annual Conference. New York City, July 2004.
- What to do with Buridan's Theory of Common Supposition. International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, MI, May 2004.

courses taught

Course number in parentheses

Mississippi State University

Decisions, Games, and Rational Choice (4990)

Consciousness (4990), co-taught with Rodney Wilson, Ph.D. (psychology)

Happiness and Well-being (4990)

Investigations of Folk Psychology I & II [independent studies] (4000)

Medical Ethics (3323)

Philosophy of Religion (3123)
 Business Ethics (3013)
 Introduction to Ethics (1123)
 Introduction to Logic (1113)
 Introduction to Philosophy (1103)

Drexel University

Critical Reasoning (105)
 Introduction to Philosophy (101)

University of Cincinnati

Aesthetics (423)
 Issues of the Information Age (345)
 Philosophy of Mind (307)
 Love, Anger, Fear and Other Emotions (280)
 Critical Thinking (121)
 Introduction to Philosophy: Ethics (106)
 Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge (104)
 Moral and Political Ideas (103)

professional service

Institutional Review Board Member, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, 2011–2013
 Journal referee: *Philosophical Psychology*, *Kairos: Journal of Philosophy & Science*, *Behavioral Sciences*, *Teorema*
 Conference referee: Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology; Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society

memberships & activities

American Philosophical Association
 Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology
 Mississippi Philosophical Association
 Mississippi Academy of Sciences
 McDonnell Project in Neurophilosophy Workshop participant (June 2005, Pasadena, CA)