

## ERIC SWANSON

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SPECIALIZATIONS	Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind	
COMPETENCIES	Logic, Philosophy of Science, Ethics, Formal Semantics and Pragmatics	
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: Assistant Professor of Philosophy, since September 2006 Center for Russian and East European Studies Faculty Associate, since March 2009	
EDUCATION	Massachusetts Institute of Technology: Ph.D. in Philosophy, with a minor in Linguistics, September 2006  Tufts University: M. A. in Philosophy, November 2001  Yale University: M. A. in Slavic Languages and Literatures, May 1999  Bard College: B. A. in Literature, May 1997	
PUBLICATIONS	“Propositional Attitudes” Forthcoming in <i>Semantics: An International Handbook of Natural Language Meaning</i> . Claudia Maienborn, Klaus von Heusinger, and Paul Portner, editors. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.  “How Not to Theorize about the Language of Subjective Uncertainty” Forthcoming in <i>Epistemic Modality</i> . Andy Egan and Brian Weatherson, editors. Oxford: Oxford University Press.  “Modality in Language” <i>Philosophy Compass</i> , October 2008. DOI: 10.1111/j.1747-9991.2008.00177.x  “Note on Gibbard, ‘Rational Credence and the Value of Truth’” <i>Oxford Studies in Epistemology</i> , vol. 2 (2008): 179–189.	
BOOK REVIEWS	Review of Paul Horwich, <i>Reflections on Meaning</i> . <i>Philosophical Review</i> , vol. 118 (2009): 131–134.	
PRESENTATIONS	“Counterpart Theory and Limit Assumptions” University of Colorado, Boulder, July 2009  “Conditional Excluded Middle (and Causal Decision Theory) without the Limit Assumption” Second Formal Epistemology Festival, May 2009	

PRESENTATIONS  
(CONTINUED)

“Incomparability and Ordering Semantics for Modals and Counterfactuals”  
Rutgers Semantics Workshop, April 2009

“Lessons from the Context Sensitivity of Causal Talk”  
University of California, Los Angeles, March 2009

Comments on “Is the Symmetry Problem Really a Problem?” by Eliza Block  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, November 2008

“Constraint Semantics and the Language of Subjective Uncertainty”  
Yale University, November 2008

“Constraint Semantics and its Application to Conditionals”  
First Formal Epistemology Festival, July 2008

Comments on “Hypercontexts,” by Sam Cumming, and on “Anaphora to Quantificational Dependencies,” by Adrian Brasoveanu  
Rutgers Semantics Workshop, October 2007

Comments on “Evidentiality and Epistemic Modality at the Semantics/Pragmatics Interface,” by Martina Faller  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, November 2006

“Something ‘Might’ Might Mean”  
University of California, Berkeley, January 2006  
Harvard University, January 2006  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, January 2006  
Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference, November 2005

“Frege’s Puzzle and the Presuppositions of Proper Names”  
APA Central Division Meeting, April 2005  
Brown Graduate Philosophy Conference, October 2004  
56th Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, October 2004

“Common Attitudes”  
APA Pacific Division Meeting, March 2005  
University of Rochester Graduate Epistemology Conference, September 2004

“No Error Theory Needed” (comments on “Epistemic Contextualism and the Error-Theory Objection,” by Michael Blome-Tillmann)  
Harvard-MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference, March 2005

“Supposition and Compartmentalization”  
APA Eastern Division Meeting, December 2004

Comments on “Non-Legal Worlds in Counterfactual Analysis,” by Charles Hermes  
56th Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, October 2004

PRESENTATIONS  
(CONTINUED)

“Demonstratives as Pronouns”  
Princeton-Rutgers Graduate Philosophy Conference, April 2004  
University of Pittsburgh-Carnegie Mellon Graduate Philosophy Conference,  
March 2004

“A Friendly Amendment to the Standard Analysis of Supposition”  
University of Colorado Boulder Philosophy Conference, February 2004  
CUNY Graduate Philosophy Conference, February 2004  
University of Miami Graduate Epistemology Conference, January 2004

“Common Knowledge and the Muddy Children Puzzle”  
MIT Independent Activities Period, January 2004

“Biscuit Conditionals and Common Ground”  
North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information  
(NASSLLI), June 2003

TEACHING

Discourse Constraints on Anaphora (with Ezra Keshet)  
Causation, Responsibility, and the Force of Language: An Introduction to Philosophy  
through *The Brothers Karamazov*  
Introduction to Symbolic Logic  
Philosophy of Language  
Graduate Proseminar (with Allan Gibbard)  
Honors Introduction to Philosophy  
The Analysis, Representation, and Ascription of Belief (graduate seminar)  
Honors Introduction to Logic

SERVICE

Co-editor of *Conditionals and Ranking Functions*, with Franz Huber and Jonathan  
Weisberg. Special Issue of *Erkenntnis* (2009).

Co-organizer of the Third Formal Epistemology Festival, on Defeater/Default Logic  
and Perception, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Toronto, 2010.

Co-organizer of the Second Formal Epistemology Festival, on Causal Decision Theory  
and Scoring Rules, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Ann Arbor, June 2009.

Co-organizer of *Discourse Constraints on Anaphora: An Interdisciplinary Seminar  
and Conference*, with Ezra Keshet. Sponsored by the Marshall M. Weinberg Fund for  
Graduate Seminars in Cognitive Science. Ann Arbor, April 2009.

Co-organizer of the First Formal Epistemology Festival, on Conditionals and Ranking  
Functions, with Franz Huber and Jonathan Weisberg. Konstanz, July 2008.

Referee for *Dialectica*, *Noûs*, Oxford University Press, Studies in Linguistics and Phi-  
losophy

Evaluator, Philosophical Gourmet Report, 2009  
Specialty Rankings in Philosophy of Language and Epistemology

SERVICE  
(CONTINUED)

Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Michigan, 2008, 2009

Undergraduate Studies Committee, University of Michigan, 2006–2009

Junior Recruitment Committee, University of Michigan, 2006

Organizing Committee and Web Page Designer, MITing of the Minds 2005

Co-organizer of the Harvard-MIT-UConn Workshop on Indexicals, Speech Reports, and Logophors, with Pranav Anand, Andrew Nevins, and Yael Sharvit. Cambridge, November 2004.

Organizing Committee and Proceedings Editor, Harvard-MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference, 2003 and 2004

GRANTS AND  
AWARDS

Marshall M. Weinberg Fund for Graduate Seminars in Cognitive Science, 2009  
\$21,000 to support co-teaching a seminar focused on issues relevant to linguistics, philosophy, and other cognitive sciences

OVRP Small Grants to Support Major Conferences, 2009

LSA Organize an Event Grant, 2009

Rackham Graduate School Dean's Strategic Funding for Conferences, 2009

LANGUAGES

Reading knowledge of French and Russian

REFERENCES

Robert Stalnaker  
Professor of Philosophy  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Stephen Yablo  
Professor of Philosophy  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Ned Hall  
Professor of Philosophy  
Harvard University

Mark Richard  
Professor of Philosophy  
Tufts University

Jeffrey King  
Professor of Philosophy  
Rutgers University