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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Singapore Management University (School of Social Sciences)

Lee Kong Chian Fellow, 2023-2024

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 2018-present

EDUCATION

PhD (Philosophy): Australian National University, 2017

MPhil (Philosophy): University of Sydney, 2010

BA (Philosophy) Honours: University of New South Wales, 2007

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Value Theory
Normative Ethics
Metaethics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Applied Ethics
Social & Political Philosophy
Logic & Critical Thinking

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Forthcoming 'Merit Transference and the Paradox of Merit Inflation', *Journal of Value Inquiry*.

- 2023 'Well-Being and Meaning in Life', *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, 52: 573-587.
Featured in the *New Work in Philosophy* newsletter:
<https://newworkinphilosophy.substack.com/p/matthew-hammerton-singapore-management>
- 2022 'What is the Fallacy of Approximation?' *Erkenntnis*, 1-20,
(Coauthored with Sovan Patra).
- 2022 'The Fundamental Divisions in Ethics', *Inquiry*, 1-24.
- 2022 'A Puzzle about Meaning and Luck', *Ratio*, 35: 123-132.
- 2021 'Setiya on Consequentialism and Constraints', *Utilitas*, 33: 474-479, (coauthored with Ryan Cox).
- 2020 'Deontic Constraints are Maximizing Rules', *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 54: 571-588.
- 2020 'Agent-Relative Consequentialism and Collective Self-Defeat', *Utilitas*, 32: 472-478.
- 2019 'Distinguishing Agent-Relativity from Agent-Neutrality', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 97: 239-250.
- 2017 'Is Agent-Neutral Deontology Possible?' *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 12: 319-324.
- 2016 'Patient Relativity in Morality', *Ethics* 127: 6-26.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2023 'Is the Godfather Wise?' in *The Godfather and Philosophy*, edited by J. Heter & R. Greene, Carus Books.
- 2020 'Relativized Rankings', in *The Oxford Handbook of Consequentialism*, edited by Douglas Portmore, 46-66, New York: Oxford University Press.

REPORTS

- 2020 'Country Report: The Teaching of Philosophy in Singapore Schools', *Journal of Didactics of Philosophy* 4: 190-193, (coauthored with Steven Burik and Sovan Patra).
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SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- 'Self-Sacrifice, Betrayal, and Intelligibility'**
- July 2023 Australasian Association of Philosophy Annual Meeting, Dianoia Institute of Philosophy, Melbourne.
- June 2023 Fifth International Conference on Philosophy and Meaning in Life, Tohoku University, Sendai.
- April 2023 School of Social Sciences Research Camp, SMU.
- 'Against Consequentialism about Meaning in Life'**
- July 2021 Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Online.
- October 2019 Second International Conference on Meaning in Life, Waseda University, Tokyo.
- 'Three Fault Lines in Ethics'**
- July 2019 Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, University of Wollongong.
- July 2018 Current Projects Seminar, University of Sydney
- April 2018 Philosophy Colloquium, Nanyang Technological University
- Nov 2017 PhilSoc Seminar, Australian National University
- 'Well-Being and Meaning in Life'**
- August 2018 First International Conference on Meaning in Life, Sapporo University

July 2018 Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Victoria University, Wellington

‘A Trilemma for Deontologists’

July 2017 Neutrality Conference, Nanyang Technological University.

May 2017 Philosophy Seminar Series, Lingnan University

June 2016 Philosophy Seminar Series, National University of Singapore

May 2016 Current Projects Seminar, University of Sydney

March 2016 Philsoc Seminar, Australian National University

‘Ensuring and the Timing of Wrongdoing’

July 2016 Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Monash

‘Deontology and Agent-Relativity’

July 2015 Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Macquarie University, Sydney

April 2015 Philsoc Seminar, Australian National University

‘A Defence of Agent-Relative Value’

May 2015 Current Projects Seminar, University of Sydney

July 2014 Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, ANU

TEACHING

INSTRUCTOR

Singapore Management University:

Critical Thinking (2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023)

Big Questions: Happiness & Suffering (2018, 2020, 2023)

Analytical Skills (2018)

TUTOR

University of Sydney:

The Philosophy of Happiness (2017)

Practical Ethics (2012)

Critical Thinking (2010)

Australian National University:

Theories of Ethics (2014)

Moral Psychology (2010, 2011)

Introductory Logic (2009, 2010)

Society, Self, Knowledge (2008)

Metaethics (2013)

SERVICE**Service to the profession:**

Journal Referee:

American Philosophical Quarterly (x2); *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (x4);
Canadian Journal of Philosophy; *Ethical Theory & Moral Practice* (x2); *Journal of
Ethics & Social Philosophy*; *Journal of Moral Philosophy*; *Journal of Philosophy* (x2);
Journal of Value Inquiry (x2); *Philosopher's Imprint*; *Philosophia*; *Philosophical
Studies* (x3); *Social Theory & Practice* (x4); *The Ethics Forum*; *Utilitas*.

Book Manuscript Reviewer:

Routledge; *Palgrave Macmillan*

Philosophy in the Community Committee member (Singapore representative),
Australasian Association of Philosophy. 2019-present

PhilPapers.org Category Editor for 'Contrasting Ethical Theories', 2018-present.

External Reviewer for promotion to 'Senior Lecturer', *Chinese University of Hong
Kong*, 2021

Service at Singapore Management University:

'Modes of Thinking' Curriculum Basket Coordinator, 2023-2025.

'Critical Thinking' Course Coordinator, 2023-2025.

School of Social Sciences START Scheme Committee member, 2023

School of Social Sciences Research Committee member, 2022-2024.

Brownbag Seminar Coordinator, School of Social Sciences, 2018-2020.

Public sector/community service:

Organizer and Delegation Leader for the Singapore International Philosophy Olympiad Team, 2020-present.

Project reviewer for Humanities and Social Science Research Programme, Singapore Ministry of Education, 2023.

Presenter and Facilitator, 'Argument Mapping Workshop', *Singapore Ministry of Education*, 2022

Presenter and Facilitator, 'Critical Thinking Workshop', *Singapore Ministry of Education*, 2021

Judge, *Australasian Association of Philosophy Philosothon*, 2020, 2021.

Judge and Panelist for *Hwa Chong Philosophy Olympiad*, 2018, 2020.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

2023-2024 *Lee Kong Chian Fellowship*,
Singapore Management University

2021 *Office of Core Curriculum Teaching Excellence Award*,
Singapore Management University

2009 *Lucy Firth Prize*
Department of Philosophy, University of Sydney

REFERENCES

Names and addresses of referees can be provided upon request.