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“Some Attractions of Causalism,” FernUniversität in Hagen; Hagen, Germany, March, 2016.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Gothenburg, November, 2015.

“Moral Responsibility: Radical Reversals and Original Designs,” University of Gothenburg, November, 2015.

“Two Theories of Free Will: or Why Event-causal Libertarians Should Prefer My Daring Libertarian View to Robert Kane’s View,” Royal Institute of Philosophy, London, October, 2015. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yFqhuCf2A9w>

“Two Libertarian Theories: or Why Event-causal Libertarians Should Prefer My Daring Libertarian View to Robert Kane’s View,” University of Manchester, October, 2015.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Washington, October, 2015.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” keynote address, Saint Petersburg State University, Russia, September, 2015.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” Latimer, England, August, 2015.

“Mind Over Masters: The Question of Free Will,” panel discussion with Christoph Koch, Tamar Kushnir, and Azim Shariff, moderated by Emily Senay, World Science Festival, New York City, May, 2015. <http://livestream.com/WorldScienceFestival/events/4063353/videos/88765079?t=1433264437858>

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” World Science U for a Day: Evolution of Mind and Matter, World Science Festival, New York City, May, 2015. [http://www.worldscienceu.com/courses/master\\_class/master-class-alfred-mele](http://www.worldscienceu.com/courses/master_class/master-class-alfred-mele)

Discussion of *Free: Why Science Hasn’t Disproved Free Will* (Mele 2014), Science and Story Café, World Science Festival, New York City, May, 2015.

“Self-Control: A Puzzle,” Moral Psychology Research Group, Dartmouth College, April, 2015.

“Two Libertarian Theories: or Why Event-causal Libertarians Should Prefer My Daring Libertarian View to Robert Kane’s View,” Dartmouth College, April, 2015.

“On Some Unsuccessful Control-featuring Arguments Against Event-Causal Libertarianism,” University of Calgary, March, 2015.

“Luck, Control, and Free Will: Answering Berofsky,” Columbia University, March, 2015.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Grand Valley State University, January, 2015.

<http://hauensteincenter.org/american-conversations-alfred-mele-2/>

Also podcast by Australian Broadcasting Corporation, February 9, 2016. Does Free Will Exist? <http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/bigideas/does-free-will-exist/7133070>

“Proximal Intentions in Buridan Scenarios, Neuroscience, and Free Will,” University of Antwerp, December, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Milan, December, 2014.

“Backsliding: Response to Funke and Lake,” contribution to author-meets-critics session on my *Backsliding* (Oxford University Press, 2012); Florida Philosophical Association; Tampa; November, 2014.

“On the Situationist Challenge to Free Will,” Hendrix College; November, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” Hendrix College; November, 2014.

“On the Situationist Challenge to Free Will,” Seattle Pacific University, October, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Seattle Pacific University, October, 2014.

“Potential Implications of Advances in Neuroscience Research for Ethics and Moral Decision Making,” Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues; Emory University, June, 2014. <http://www.tvworldwide.com/events/bioethics/140609/>

“Losing Control: On Some Unsuccessful Arguments Against Event-causal Libertarianism,” University of Miami; April, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Tennessee, Knoxville; April, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” Texas State University; April, 2014.

“On the Situationist Threat to Free Will,” Texas State University; March, 2014.

“Free Will: Today’s Philosophical Landscape,” University of Central Florida; March, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Central Florida; March, 2014.

“Free Will and Moral Responsibility: Does Either Require the Other?” The Queen’s College, Oxford University; March, 2014.

“Synchronic Self-Control,” King’s College London; March, 2014.

“The Power of Situations, People, and Education.” Washington State University; January, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” Potter Memorial Lecture, Washington State University; January, 2014.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” John Templeton Foundation; Conshohocken, PA; November, 2013.

“On a Compatibilist Attempt to Solve a Problem About Luck for Libertarians,” University of Manchester; July, 2013.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” keynote address, Graduate Student Conference, “Open Minds,” University of Manchester; July, 2013.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: What Do Old-School and New-Wave Studies Show?” London School of Economics; June, 2013.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Marist College; March, 2013.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Central European University, Budapest; January, 2013.

“Consciousness in Action: Free Will, Moral Responsibility, Data, and Inferences,” International Workshop on Cognitive Science, San Sebastian, Spain, November, 2012.

“Autonomy and Beliefs,” Centre for Advanced Study in Bioethics, University of Münster, October, 2012.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” SUNY-Brockport, October, 2012.

“Spinning Out of Control: On Some Unsuccessful Control-based Arguments Against Event-causal Libertarianism,” keynote address, Florida State University Graduate Student Conference on Free Will and Moral Responsibility; September, 2012.

“Intuitions and Philosophy,” Experimental Philosophy Institute, University of Arizona, July, 2012.

“Do Conscious Decisions Ever Play a Role in Action Production?” Université du Québec à Montréal; July, 2012.

“Manipulation, Moral Responsibility, and Bullet Biting,” Central European University, Budapest; June, 2012.

“Free Will and Substance Dualism: The Real Scientific Threat to Free Will?” Institute of Philosophy, London; May, 2012.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Three Techniques and Two Common Problems,” University of Padua; May, 2012.

“Unconscious Decisions, Conscious Reasoning, and Free Will.” Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Milano; May, 2012.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Back to the Drawing Board,” University of Delaware; March, 2012.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Florida State University, Physics Department; February, 2012.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Back to the Drawing Board,” University of Notre Dame; November, 2011.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Back to the Drawing Board,” University College Dublin; November, 2011.

Panelist, “The Science and Philosophy of Free Will,” New York City; November, 2011.

“Crimes of Negligence: Attempting and Succeeding,” University of Southern California Law School; October 2011.

“Autonomy, Moral Responsibility, and the Continuation Problem,” Ludwig - Maximilians - Universität; Munich; September, 2011.

“A Model of Conscious Deciding.” Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness; Kyoto University; June, 2011.

“Free Will and Substance Dualism: the Real Scientific Threat to Free Will?” Duke University; April, 2011.

“Free Will and the Neurosciences.” University of Southern Mississippi, November, 2010.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Revisiting Libet’s Studies.” Florida State University, College of Medicine, November, 2010.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Revisiting Libet’s Studies.” IESE Business School, Barcelona, October, 2010.

“Free Will: Theories and More.” Brown University, Psychology Department, October, 2010.

“Free Will and Neuroscience.” Florida State University, College of Medicine, October, 2010.

“Free Will, Science, and Law.” Peking University, Beijing, September, 2010.

“Free Will and Neuroscience.” SunYat-Sen University, Guangzhou, September, 2010.

“Folk Conceptions of Intentional Action.” University of Potsdam, July, 2010.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” keynote address, Society for Evolutionary Analysis in Law, William and Mary School of Law, Williamsburg, April, 2010.

“Autonomy and Neuroscience.” University of Miami, March, 2010.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Washington University in St. Louis, November, 2009.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Princeton University, October, 2009.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Wayne State University, October, 2009.

“Is Free Will an Illusion?” Royal Institution of Great Britain, London, September, 2009.

“Weakness of Will and Akrasia,” Utrecht University, September, 2009.

“Investigating Free Will,” Templeton Retreat: Science of Free Will, Columbia University, July, 2009.

“Yours to Decide: Fate, Free Will, Neither or Both?” Panel discussion with Patrick Haggard and Daniel Wegner; moderated by Paul Nurse. World Science Festival, New York City, June, 2009.

“Self-Deception and Self-Knowledge,” Delmenhorst, Germany, June, 2009.

“Free Will,” University of Richmond, April, 2009.

“Free Will and Neuroscience: Deciding, Vetoing, and the Timing of Conscious Intentions,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Savannah, April, 2009.



“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Centenary College, March, 2009.

“Free Will Today,” Davidson College, November, 2008.

“Testing Free Will,” College of William & Mary, September, 2008.

“Vetoing and Awareness,” University of Edinburgh, June, 2008.

“Free Will, Neuroscience, and Social Psychology,” Free Will and Neuroscience Workshop, Banff, Canada, May, 2008.

“Decisions, Intentions, and Consciousness,” Conscious Process and Free Action Conference, Amelia Island, FL, April, 2008.

“Vetoing and Awareness,” Tribute to Benjamin Libet Workshop, Tucson, April, 2008.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Franklin and Marshall College, March, 2008.

“Moral Responsibility and Agents’ Histories,” VU University Amsterdam, March, 2008.

“Why Be Skeptical about Free Will?” Western Missouri State University; February, 2008.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of North Florida; December, 2007.

“Moral Responsibility and Agents’ Histories,” Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt; November, 2007.

“Moral Responsibility and Agents’ Histories,” Indiana University; September, 2007.

“Fundamental Problems in the Theory of Action,” Cargèse School on Consciousness: Consciousness & Action, Cargèse, France; June, 2007.

“Free Will: Action Theory Meets Neuroscience,” Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières; May, 2007.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Davidson College; April, 2007.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Simon Fraser University; March, 2007.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Cologne; February, 2007.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt; February, 2007.

“Conscious Intentions and ‘the Illusion of Conscious Will’,” University of Birmingham; January, 2007.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of California–Riverside, December, 2006.

“Conscious Intentions and ‘the Illusion of Conscious Will’,” University of Maryland; October, 2006.

“Conscious Intentions,” University of Potsdam; September, 2006.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Stanford University; May, 2006.

“Conscious Intentions,” Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference; Washington State University, April, 2006.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Oxford, Jowett Philosophical Society, November, 2005.

“Reasonology and False Beliefs,” University of Birmingham, November, 2005.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Birmingham (Psychology Department), November, 2005.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” Syracuse University, November, 2005.

“Self-Deception and Three Emotional Delusions,” Georgia State University, October, 2005.

“Free Will: Theories, Analysis, and Data,” National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD, August, 2005.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” keynote address, Australasian Association of Philosophy, Sydney, July, 2005.

“Free Action, Moral Responsibility, and Alternative Possibilities: Frankfurt-Style Cases Revisited,” University of Trento (Italy), June, 2005.

“Free Action, Moral Responsibility, and Alternative Possibilities: Frankfurt-Style Cases Revisited,” Texas Tech University, April, 2005.

“Free Will: The Current State of the Debate,” Texas Tech University, April, 2005.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” keynote address, North Texas Philosophical Association, Dallas, April, 2005.

“Free Will and Luck,” Southern Methodist University, April, 2005.

“Action Theory: Some Puzzles,” University of Bucharest (Law School), April, 2005.

“Free Will and Luck,” University of Bucharest (Philosophy Dept.), April, 2005.

“Free Will: The Current State of the Debate,” University of Bucharest (Philosophy Dept.), April, 2005.

“Action Theory, Free Will, and Neuroscience,” University of Zurich, Ethics Center, April, 2005.

“Free Will: Action Theory Meets Neuroscience,” University of Siena, March, 2005.

“Free Will and Neuroscience, University of Florida, February, 2005.

“Self-Deception and Delusion,” Macquarie Centre for Cognitive Science, Sydney, Australia, November, 2004.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Cincinnati, October, 2004.

“Akratic Action and Libertarianism,” Catholic University of America, September, 2004.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Calgary, September, 2004.

“Free Will and Neuroscience,” University of Helsinki, June, 2004.

“Decisions, Intentions, Urges, and Free Will: Why Libet Has Not Shown What He Says He Has,” University of Oregon (Psychology Department), October, 2003.

“Intentional Action: Data, Concepts, and Theories,” University of Oregon (Psychology Department), October, 2003.

“Emotion and Desire in Self-Deception,” Mercatus Center, George Mason University, October, 2003.

“Libertarianism, Luck, and Control,” University College London, June, 2003.

“Emotion and Desire in Self-Deception,” University of Hertfordshire, June, 2003.

“Libertarianism, Luck, and Control,” University of Dundee, June, 2003.

“Why Are Decisions Intentional?” University of Glasgow, June, 2003.

“Decisions, Intentions, Urges, and Free Will: Why Libet Has Not Shown What He Says He Has,”

University of Edinburgh, June, 2003.

“Decisions, Intentions, Urges, and Free Will: Why Libet Has Not Shown What He Says He Has,”  
University of Manchester, June, 2003.

“Libertarianism, Luck, and Control,” University of Stirling, June, 2003.

“Decisions, Intentions, Urges, and Free Will: Why Libet Has Not Shown What He Says He Has,”  
Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference; Washington State University, May, 2003.

“Intentional Action: Controversies, Data, and Core Hypotheses.” University of San Francisco,  
April, 2003.

“Decisions, Intentions, Urges, and Free Will: Why Libet Has Not Shown What He Says He Has,”  
University of Miami, March, 2003.

“Intentional Action.” Florida State University Law School, March, 2003.

“Decisions, Intentions, Urges, and Free Will: Why Libet Has Not Shown What He Says He Has,”  
Munich Philosophical Lecture Series: On the Nature and Culture of Volition, Max Planck  
Institute for Psychological Research, February, 2003.

“Autonomy and Akrasia,” University of Helsinki, September, 2002.

“Can Libertarians Make Promises?” Royal Institute of Philosophy Conference, Action and  
Agency, University of Oxford, September, 2002.

“Can Libertarians Make Promises?” Jean Nicod Institute, Paris, May, 2002.

“The Motivational Power of Practical Reasoning,” Bielefeld University, May, 2002.

“Explaining Negative Actions,” International Congress: Causation and Explanation in Natural  
and Social Sciences,” Ghent University, Belgium, May, 2002.

“Akratics and Addicts,” Tilburg University, Netherlands, May, 2002.

“Agents’ Abilities,” Cornell University, April, 2002.

“Weakness of Will,” Ithaca College, April, 2002.

“Akratics and Addicts,” SUNY–Stony Brook, April, 2002.

“Agents’ Abilities,” University of Colorado at Boulder, March, 2002.

“Agents’ Abilities,” University of Miami, January, 2002.

“Free Will: The Current State of the Debate,” Davidson College, November, 2001.

“Reply to Commentators” (P. Dalton, R. Hilpinen, C. Thorpe), author-meets-critics session on my *Self-Deception Unmasked* (Princeton, 2001), Florida Philosophical Association,” DeLand, FL, November, 2001.

“Agents’ Abilities,” Florida State University, November, 2001.

“Emotion and Desire in Self-Deception,” Royal Institute of Philosophy Conference, Philosophy and the Emotions, Manchester, July, 2001.

“Human Action *Par Excellence*,” Mind and Action III, Universidade Nova de Lisboa (Portugal), May, 2001.

“Reasons for Action and Action for Reasons,” University of Zurich, Ethics Center, May, 2001.

“Emotion and Desire in Self-Deception,” University of Zurich, Ethics Center, May, 2001.

“Acting Intentionally: Probing Folk Notions,” University of Konstanz, Intentionality Center, May, 2001.

“Reasons for Action and Action for Reasons,” University of Keele, May, 2001.

“Weakness of Will,” University of Birmingham Law School, May, 2001.

“Free Will,” University of Manchester, May, 2001.

“Human Agency *Par Excellence*,” Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, University of Idaho, April, 2001.

“Free Will: The Current State of the Debate,” Florida State University, April, 2001.

“Weakness of Will,” University of Minnesota–Morris, April, 2001.

“Negative Actions,” University of Minnesota–Morris, April, 2001.

“Human Agency *Par Excellence*,” Scripps College, March, 2001.

“Freedom and Philosophy,” Dowling College, March, 2001.

“Responsibility and Freedom,” University of Richmond, December, 2000.

“Human Agency *Par Excellence*,” Australian National University, November, 2000.

“Humean Compatibilism” (with H. Beebee), Australian National University, November, 2000.

“Human Agency *Par Excellence*,” University of Florida, October, 2000.

“Disappearing Agents and Master Desires,” University of Manchester, May, 2000.

“Causal Theories of Action and Deviant Causal Chains,” University of Edinburgh, May, 2000.

“Reasons for Action and Action for Reasons,” University of Glasgow, May, 2000.

“Responsibility and Freedom: The Challenge of Frankfurt-Style Cases,” University of Zurich, Ethics Center, May, 2000.

“Executive States,” University of Zurich, Ethics Center, May, 2000.

“Acting Intentionally: Probing Folk Notions,” University of Zurich, Ethics Center, May, 2000.

“Human Agency *Par Excellence*,” University of Georgia, April, 2000.

“Moral Motivation: Internalism vs. Externalism,” University of Sheffield, 2-25-00.

“Deciding,” University of Manchester, 2-23-00.

“Self-Deception and Emotion,” University of Stirling, 2-19-00.

“Deciding,” University of Durham, 2-17-00.

“The Motivational Power of Practical Reasoning,” University of Keele, 2-11-00.

“Human Agency *Par Excellence*,” Birkbeck College, University of London, 2-10-00.

“The Motivational Power of Practical Reasoning,” University of Reading, 2-8-00.

“Goal-Directed Action,” University of Texas – Austin, 10-14-99.

“Goal-Directed Action,” Southern Methodist University, 10-13-99.

“Self-Deception and Emotion,” Texas A&M University, 10-12-99.

“Self-Deception and Emotion,” Florida State University, 10-1-99.

“Weakness of Will,” Bryn Mawr, September, 1999.

“Goal-Directed Action,” University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand, 8-27-99.

“Motivational Strength and Control,” University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, 8-25-99.

“Motivated Belief Without Agency,” University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand, 8-24-99.

“Goal-Directed Action,” Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, 8-20-99.

“Weakness of Will,” LaTrobe University, Melbourne, Australia, 8-18-99.

“Motivated Belief Without Agency,” University of Western Australia, Perth, Australia 8-13-99.

“Self-Deception and Emotion,” Australian National University, 8-7-99.

“Goal-Directed Action,” Australian National University, 7-29-99.

“Weakness of Will,” Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 7-13-99.

“Goal-Directed Action: Teleological Explanations and Causal Theories,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, April, 1999.

“Intention, Intentional Action, and Moral Responsibility,” University of Oregon (Psychology conference on intentionality), October, 1998.

“Motivation, Self-Control, and the Agglomeration of Desires,” World Congress of Philosophy, Boston, August, 1998.

“Practical Irrationality: Two Kinds of Akratic Action,” Universidade Nova de Lisboa (Portugal), July, 1998.

“Ultimate Responsibility,” Uppsala University (Sweden), May, 1998.

“Motivated Belief and Agency,” University of Helsinki (Finland), May, 1998.

“Freedom and Alternative Possibilities,” University of Helsinki (Finland), May, 1998.

“Ultimate Responsibility,” Social Philosophy & Policy Center, Bowling Green State University, April, 1998.

“Practical Irrationality: Two Kinds of Akratic Action,” Université du Québec à Montréal, October, 1997.

“Ultimate Responsibility,” Wayne State University, September, 1997.

“Frankfurt-style Cases and Freedom,” Johns Hopkins University, April, 1997.

“Soft Libertarianism,” Washington University–St. Louis, March, 1997.

“Agency and Mental Action,” University of Missouri–St. Louis, March, 1997.

“Strength of Motivation and Being in Control: Learning from Libet,” Wake Forest University, March, 1997.

“Moral Theory, Motivation, and Listlessness,” North Carolina Philosophical Society, Elon College, February, 1997.

“Soft Libertarianism and Frankfurt-style Scenarios,” Texas A&M University, September, 1996.

“Soft Libertarianism and Frankfurt-style Scenarios,” University of Texas–Austin, September, 1996.

“Self-Deception and the Emotions,” International Society for Research on Emotion, University of Toronto, August 1996.

“Weakness of Will: Strict and Socratic Akratic Action,” keynote address, Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry, New York, May, 1996.

“Is There a Place for Intention in an Analysis of Intentional Action?” North Carolina Philosophical Society, University of North Carolina–Charlotte, February, 1996.

“Addiction and Self-Control,” Oslo, Norway, May, 1995.

“Real Self-Deception,” Mount Holyoke College, February 1995.

“Agency and Mental Action,” Dartmouth, February, 1995.

“Real Self-Deception,” Université du Québec à Montréal, September, 1994.

“Real Self-Deception,” University of Alabama, April, 1994.

“Effective Deliberation About What to Intend,” North Carolina Philosophical Society, Davidson College, February, 1994.

“Two Paradoxes of Self-Deception,” Stanford University, February, 1993.



“Better Judgment: Nature and Function,” CSLI/Stanford University, February, 1993.

“Incompatibilist Autonomy and Autonomous Action,” University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill, January, 1993.

“Psychological Autonomy and Personal History,” Triangle Ethics Group, Chapel Hill, January 1993.

“Intentions and Literature: Realism or Antirealism,” Duke University, November, 1992.

“Intentions, Reasons, and Beliefs: Morals of the Toxin Puzzle,” Université du Québec à Montréal, October, 1992.

“Davidsonian Intentions,” Literature and Philosophy Conference, “Passions, Persons, and Powers,” University of California–Berkeley, May, 1992.

“Reply to Critics,” contribution to symposium on my *Springs of Action: Understanding Intentional Behavior* (Oxford University Press, 1992), Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Memphis, April, 1992.

“Autonomous Agents and Agents’ Histories,” University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill, January, 1992.

“Intentional Realism and Literary Theory,” Modern Language Association, San Francisco, December, 1991.

“Autonomous Agents and Agents’ Histories,” McGill University, November, 1991.

“Intentional Realism and Literary Theory,” McGill University, October, 1991.

“Tolerance and Integrity” (commentary), Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Atlanta, March, 1991.

“Self-Deception,” Rutgers University, March, 1991.

“Intentions, Reasons, and Beliefs: Morals of the Toxin Puzzle,” Rutgers University, February, 1991.

“Doing What One Wants,” Mark Overvold Memorial Conference, St. Olaf College, October, 1990.

“Intentional Action and the Causal Relevance of the Mental,” Brown University (guest presentation to J. Kim’s NEH Summer Seminar on Supervenience), August, 1990.

“On the Possibility of Self-Control” (commentary), Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Louisville, April, 1990.

“Intentional Action and the Causal Relevance of the Mental,” East Carolina University, April, 1990.

“Intentions by Default,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, New Orleans, March, 1989.

“Exciting Intentions” (Presidential Address), North Carolina Philosophical Society, Davidson College, February, 1989.

“Debunking the Intention/Volition Debate” (with F. Adams), International Wittgenstein Symposium, Kirchberg, Austria, August, 1989. (Presented by F. Adams.)

“Errant Self-Control and the Self-Controlled Person,” St. Andrews College, November, 1988.

“Irresistible Desires,” Bowling Green State University, October, 1988.

“Incorrigibility” (commentary), Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Chapel Hill, May, 1988.

“Exciting Intentions,” Central Michigan University, April, 1988.

“Irrationality,” contribution to symposium on my *Irrationality: An Essay on Akrasia, Self-Deception, and Self-Control* (Oxford University Press, 1987), Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Miami, March, 1988.

“Debunking the Intention/Volition Debate” (with F. Adams), Illinois Philosophical Association, Lisle, November, 1988. (Presented by F. Adams.)

“*Akrasia* and Plato’s *Protagoras*,” Virginia Commonwealth University, April, 1986.

“Self-Deception, Contradictory Beliefs, and Quattrone and Tversky’s Cold Water Experiment,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Knoxville, March, 1986.

“Strict Akrotic Action: A Paradox of Irrationality,” University of Michigan, January, 1986.

“Incontinent Believing,” Virginia Commonwealth University, April, 1985.

“Is Akrotic Action Unfree?” Randolph-Macon College, April, 1985.

“Is Akrotic Action Unfree?” North Carolina Philosophical Society, Raleigh, February, 1985.

“Self-Control, Action, and Belief,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Columbia,

SC, April, 1984.

“*Akrasia* and Defeated Intentions,” North Carolina Philosophical Society, Greensboro, April, 1983.

“*Akrasia* and Defeated Intentions,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Atlanta, April, 1983.

“Aristotle on the Justification of Ends,” American Catholic Philosophical Association, Houston, April, 1982.

“Aristotle on the Justification of Ends,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Fort Worth, April, 1982.

“Aristotle on Practical Wisdom: The Roles of *Phronesis* in Motivation,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Louisville, April, 1981.

“Audi’s ‘Self-Deception, Action, and Will’: Comments,” University of North Carolina-Greensboro’s Annual Symposium in Philosophy, Greensboro, March, 1981.

“Happiness, Goodness, and Desire in Book I of the *Nicomachean Ethics*,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Birmingham, April, 1980.

### Awards

American Philosophical Association’s 2013 Sanders Book Prize for *Effective Intentions* (Oxford University Press, 2009). “The Sanders Book Prize in the amount of \$7,000 is awarded to the best book in philosophy of mind, metaphysics, or epistemology that engages the analytic tradition published in English in the previous five year period.” [http://www.apaonline.org/?sanders\\_book](http://www.apaonline.org/?sanders_book)

Principal Investigator; The Philosophy and Science of Self-Control; funded by the John Templeton Foundation, September, 2014 – August, 2017; \$4.45 million.

Principal Investigator; Big Questions in Free Will; funded by the John Templeton Foundation, January, 2010 – December, 2013; \$4.4 million.

NEH Fellowship, 2007/08 academic year.

FSU Graduate Teaching Award, 2012-13, 2005-06.

Centenary Fellow of the Scots Philosophy Club, June 2003.

NEH Fellowship for College Teachers, 1999/2000 academic year.

Visiting Fellowship in Philosophy, Research School of the Social Sciences, Australian National University, June 1 - August 31, 1999.

NEH Summer Stipend, June 2 - August 1, 1997.

NEH Fellowship for College Teachers, 1992/93 academic year.

National Humanities Center Fellowship, 1992/93 academic year.

NEH Fellowship for Participation in NEH Summer Seminar, "Intention," June 21 - July 30, 1993.

NEH Summer Stipend, June 11 - August 10, 1989.

NEH Fellowship for College Teachers, 1985/86 academic year.

NEH Fellowship for Participation in NEH Summer Institute on Human Action, June 11 - July 20, 1984.

NEH Fellowship for Participation in NEH Summer Seminar, "Reasons, Justification, and Knowledge," June 15 - August 7, 1981.

NEH "Coherence in the Curriculum" Grant (administered by Davidson College), Spring Quarter, 1988.

Sloan Grant (administered by Davidson College), Summer, 1989 (one month).

Andrew W. Mellon "Fresh Departures" Grant (administered by Davidson College), Spring Quarter, 1987.

1982 Richard M. Griffith Memorial Award in Philosophy, for presentation of "Aristotle on the Justification of Ends" at 1982 Convention of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (Fort Worth, Texas, April 9, 1982).

### **Professional Activities**

Referee for Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft: 2016.

External reviewer: Philosophy Department, Colgate University, December, 2015.

Referee for SASPRO, Slovak Academy of Sciences: 2015.

Referee for Danish Council for Independent Research: 2015, 2014.

Referee for Swiss National Science Foundation: 2016, 2014.

Referee for the Council for the Humanities of the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): 2012.

Panelist for The Research Council of Norway: 2011.

Referee for Israel Science Foundation: 2010.

NEH Panelist: Fellowships for University Teachers Applications: 2013, 2007.

ACLS Panelist: Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships: 2007.

NEH Panelist: Summer Stipend Applications: 2017, 1998, 1997, 1990, 1989.

NEH Panelist: Fellowships for College Teachers Applications: 1994.

NEH Panelist: Exemplary Projects: 1985.

Assessor for National Humanities Center: 1999, 1998, 1997, 1992.

Referee for National Science Foundation: 2013, 1998, 1988.

Assessor for Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada: 2013, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1995, 1994, 1991.

Member: Editorial Board, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, 2006-.

Member: Advisory Board: *Cadernos de Filosofia*, 2005-.

Member: Editorial Board, *Philosophical Studies*, 2005-.

Member: Board of Editorial Consultants, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, 1998-2001, 2005-.

Member: Advisory Board, *Consciousness & Emotion*, 2000-.

Member: Editorial Committee: *Social Theory and Practice*, 2000-.

President, North Carolina Philosophical Society: 1987-89.

Secretary, North Carolina Philosophical Society: 1985-87.

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