## Brie Gertler

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### Positions

University of Virginia:

Vice Provost for Academic Affairs (July 2021-present)

Commonwealth Professor (2014-present)

Acting Dean of Arts & Sciences (July-December 2019)

Interim Associate Dean for Arts & Humanities (August 2018-June 2019)

Chair, Philosophy Department (2017-18); Interim Chair, Fall 2016 and Fall 2014.

Professor (2013-14); Associate Professor (2004-13)

University of Wisconsin - Madison:

Associate Professor (2004-05, leave of absence); Assistant Professor (2001-04)

College of William & Mary:

Assistant Professor (1997-2001)

### Education

Brown University, Ph.D. Philosophy, 1997

University of Pennsylvania, M.A. Philosophy, 1992

Swarthmore College, B.A. with High Honors, Philosophy, 1989

**Departmental and University Service at UVa** (selected)

Co-Director, J-term signature courses project. With Maïté Brandt-Pearce. Fall 2020.

Member, University Contingency Planning Group, Sept-Nov 2020.

Member, University Fall 2020 Planning Committee, Spring 2020.

Chair, search committee, A&S Senior Associate Dean for Administration and Planning, 2019.

Member, Dean’s Promotion and Tenure Committee (A&S), 2014-16.

Director of Graduate Studies, Philosophy Department. 2005-13.

Philosophy Department representative, Faculty Senate. 2005-11.

Member, Faculty Senate Grievance Committee. 2005-09.

**Professional Service** (selected)

Editor, *Noûs*. 2017-21. One of six editors for this highly competitive (top-5) journal, with full editorial responsibility for approx. 40 submissions per year.

Mentor for early-career women in philosophy: workshops at Duke University (June 2015), and at UMass-Amherst (June 2013).

Book Symposia Editor, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*. 2009-2014.

Editor for Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science, *Philosophy Compass*, 2005-2008.

Member, APA Committee on Lectures, Publications, and Research, 2004-7.

### Publications

Books

*Self-Knowledge* (2011). Routledge. New Problems in Philosophy series.

*Arguing About the Mind* (2007), co-edited with Lawrence Shapiro. Routledge.

*Privileged Access: Philosophical Accounts of Self-Knowledge* (2003), edited. Ashgate, Epistemology & Mind series.

Articles

* “Rational Agency and the Struggle to Believe What Your Reasons Dictate” (forthcoming) in Borgoni, Kindermann, and Onofri, eds., *The Fragmented Mind* (Oxford).
* “Agency and Self-Knowledge” (forthcoming) in L. Ferrero, ed., *The Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Agency*.
* “Dualism: how epistemic issues drive debates about the ontology of consciousness” (2020) in U. Kriegel, ed.,*The Oxford Handbook of the Philosophy of Consciousness*.
* “Acquaintance, Parsimony, and Epiphenomenalism” (2019) in S. Coleman, ed., *The Knowledge Argument* (Cambridge), pp. 62-86.
* “Self-Knowledge and Rational Agency: a defense of empiricism” (2018) *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 96: 91-109.
* Critical notice of Quassim Cassam, *Self-Knowledge for Humans*. (2016) *Mind* 125: 269-280.
* “Internalism, Externalism, and Accessibilism” (2015), in S. Goldberg, ed., *Externalism and Skepticism* (Cambridge), pp. 119-141.
* “Self-Knowledge” (2015), in *The* *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Major revision. Earlier versions appeared in 2008 and 2003.)
* “Understanding the Internalism-Externalism Debate: What is the Boundary of the Thinker?” (2012) *Philosophical Perspectives* pp. 51-75.
* “Renewed Acquaintance” (2012), in Smithies and Stoljar, eds., *Introspection and Consciousness* (Oxford), pp. 89-123.
* “Conscious States as Objects of Awareness” (2012) *Philosophical Studies* 159: 447-53. (On Uriah Kriegel’s *Subjective Consciousness: a self-representational theory*.)
* “Self-Knowledge and the Transparency of Belief” (2011), in Hatzimoysis, ed., *Self-Knowledge* (Oxford), pp. 125-45.
* “The Role of Ignorance in the Problem of Consciousness” (2009), Critical notice of Daniel Stoljar, *Ignorance and Imagination: the epistemic origin of the problem of consciousness*. *Noûs* 43: 378-93.
* “Content Externalism and the Epistemic Conception of the Self”. (2007) *Philosophical Issues* 17: 37-56.
* “Overextending the Mind?” (2007), in Gertler and Shapiro, eds., [*Arguing about the Mind.*](http://tinyurl.com/2ehvhh) (Routledge)
* “In Defense of Mind-Body Dualism” (2007), in Feinberg and Shafer-Landau, eds., [*Reason and Responsibility*](http://www.amazon.com/Reason-Responsibility-Readings-Philosophy-Advantage/dp/0495094927/ref%3Dpd_bbs_sr_1/002-0862539-3372058?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1181059150&sr=8-1), 13th edition. (Wadsworth)
	+ Reprinted (2014) in Timmons and Shoemaker, eds., *Knowledge, Nature, and Norms*, 2nd edition*.* (Wadsworth).
	+ Reprinted (2011) in Alter and Howell, eds., *Consciousness and the Mind-Body Problem: A Reader* (Oxford).
* “Tienson’s Challenge to Content Externalism”. (2007) *The Southern Journal of Philosophy* (Spindel Conference 2006) 45: 60-65.
* “Consciousness and Qualia Cannot Be Reduced” (2006), in R. Stainton, ed., *Contemporary Debates in Cognitive Science* (Blackwell), pp. 202-216.
* “We can’t know *a priori* that H2O exists. But can we know that water does?” (2004) *Analysis* 64: 44-7.
* “Simulation Theory on Conceptual Grounds”. (2004) *Protosociology* 20: 261-84.
* “How to Draw Ontological Conclusions from Introspective Data” (2003), in B. Gertler, ed., *Privileged Access: Philosophical Accounts of Self-Knowledge* (Ashgate), pp. 233-51.
* “Explanatory Reduction, Conceptual Analysis, and Conceivability Arguments about the Mind”. (2002) *Noûs* 36: 22-49.
* “Can Feminists be Cartesians?” (2002) *Dialogue* 41: 91-112*.*
* “The Mechanics of Self-Knowledge”. (2002) *Philosophical Topics* 28: 125-46.
* “Introspecting Phenomenal States”. (2001) *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 63: 305-28.
* “The Relationship between Phenomenality and Intentionality”. (2001) Commentary on Charles Siewert, *The Significance of Consciousness* (Princeton)*. Psyche* 7 (17).
* “The Explanatory Gap is Not an Illusion” (reply to Michael Tye). (2001) *Mind* 110: 689-94.
* “Functionalism’s Methodological Predicament”. (2000) *The Southern Journal of Philosophy* 38: 77-94.
* “A Defense of the Knowledge Argument”. (1999) *Philosophical Studies* 93: 317-36.

### Courses taught

University of Virginia

Graduate seminars: Consciousness & Physicalism; Free Will & Moral Responsibility; Mental Content; Philosophy of Mind; Self-Knowledge; Themes from Descartes (with A. LoLordo).

Undergraduate: Action Theory (majors seminar); Agency, Identity, & the Self; Epistemology; Free Will & Moral Responsibility; Knowledge & Reality; Introduction to Philosophy; Philosophy of Mind; Self-Knowledge (majors seminar).

University of Wisconsin - Madison

Graduate seminars: A Priori Knowledge; Self-Knowledge.

Undergraduate: Introduction to Philosophy; Metaphysics; Philosophy of Mind.

College of William and Mary (all undergraduate)

Introduction to Critical Thinking; Introduction to Philosophy; Metaphysics; Philosophy & Feminism; Philosophy of Language.

**Presentations** (selected):

* “Rational Agency and the Struggle to Believe What Your Reasons Dictate”. Ohio State University, February 2020.
* “Rational Agency and Responsibility for Attitudes”
	+ Summer Seminar in Neuroscience and Philosophy, Duke University, June 2018.
	+ University of Toronto, April 2018.
	+ University of Southern California, December 2017.
* “Self-Observation, Rationality, and Agency”. *Self-Knowledge and Agency* conference, Oxford University, May 2017.
* “Dualism *vs*. Physicalism: a fresh look at the debate”. Boise State University, February 2017.
* “Extended Minds and the Mark of the Mental”. *Minds, Selves, and 21st Century Technology* conference, Lisbon, Portugal. June 2016.
* “Conscious Attitudes and Intentional Action” (in various stages of development, and aka “Standing Attitudes and Agency”).
	+ (Keynote) University of Texas - Austin graduate philosophy conference. April 2016.
	+ *Moral Phenomenology* conference, in connection with “Illuminating Reasons” project. University of Arizona, October 2014.
	+ Stanford University, May 2014
	+ University of Wisconsin - Madison, September 2013
	+ Rice University, January 2013
	+ University of Massachusetts - Amherst, November 2012
	+ University of Vermont, March 2012
* “Self-Knowledge and the Demands of Rational Agency” (in various stages of development, and aka “Observational Self-Knowledge and the Demands of Rational Agency”)
	+ Rutgers Epistemology Conference, May 2015.
	+ University of Alabama - Tuscaloosa, April 2015.
	+ University of Miami, December 2013
	+ *Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology Conference*. Austin, Texas, February 2013
	+ (Keynote) 10th Annual *Philosophy of Mind, Language, and Cognitive Science* graduate conference, University of Western Ontario, May 2012
	+ 3rd Annual *Mind Knowledge!* workshop, Universität Graz (Austria), December 2011
	+ *Consciousness, Intentionality, and Phenomenality* conference, Rice University, October 2011
	+ VPA annual meeting, College of William & Mary, October 2011
	+ (Keynote) *Subjectivity and Self-Knowledge* conference, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, September 2011.
* “Do we have Privileged Access to our Dispositional Attitudes?” Philosophy of Mind conference, Virginia Tech, April 2015.
* “Does the Mind Extend beyond the Body?”
	+ Oxford Philosophical Society (undergraduate society), March 2021
	+ Public talk at Boise State University, February 2017
	+ Public talk for *Philosophy Today* series, University of Alabama - Tuscaloosa, April 2015
	+ Davidson College, April 2013
	+ University of Richmond, May 2007
	+ Wake Forest University, April 2007
* “Transparency Accounts of Self-Knowledge: a consumer’s guide”. APA Central Division meeting. St. Louis, February 2015.
* “Subjectivity and Agency: What Makes My Attitudes *Mine*?”
	+ *Subjectivity and Experience* conference, University of Barcelona, September 2014.
	+ *Subjective Structure of Consciousness* conference. University of Manchester, June 2014.
* “Vehicle Externalism and Intentional Action”. Varieties of Externalism Workshop. Eidyn Research Center, University of Edinburgh. October 2013.
* “The Narrow Self”. *Consciousness and the Self* workshop, SMU, April 2012.
* “Defending Introspectionism”. *Introspective Self-Knowledge* workshop. University of Luxembourg, June 2011.
* “Introspective Knowledge by Acquaintance”. *Acquaintance: A Conference on the Centenary of Bertrand Russell’s “Knowledge by Acquaintance and Knowledge by Description”*. University of Texas - Austin, March 2011.
* “The Extended Mind and the Status of Standing Attitudes”.
	+ University of Rochester, February 2011
	+ University of Iowa, January 2011
	+ University of Sydney, February 2010
	+ University of Wollongong (Australia), February 2010
* Philosophy TV Dialogue with Alex Byrne (MIT), discussing knowledge of one’s own beliefs. November 22, 2010. http://www.philostv.com/alex-byrne-and-brie-gertler/
* Philosophy TV Dialogue with Eric Schwitzgebel (UC-Riverside), discussing introspection. September 30, 2010. http://www.philostv.com/eric-schwitzgebel-and-brie-gertler/
* “Internalism, Externalism, and the Delineation of the Subject”. (aka “What We Talk About When We Talk About Externalism”)
	+ *Externalism Challenged? Internalism vs. Externalism Today*. University of Stockholm, May 2010.
	+ The Australian National University, Canberra, January 2010.
	+ Society for Philosophy and Psychology annual meeting (Toronto), June 2008.
* “Self-Knowledge and the Transparency of Belief”. Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology annual meeting (New Orleans), March 2008.
* “Am I Embodied and Embedded? Externalism and the Self”. *Tucson 2006: Towards a Science of Consciousness*, Tucson, AZ, April 2006.
* “Phenomenal Character, Representational Content, and Intrinsicness”. Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network, July 2005.
* “The Narrow Mind”.
	+ California State University - Northridge, March 2005
	+ Virginia Commonwealth University, October 2004
	+ NEH Institute on Consciousness and Intentionality (Santa Cruz, CA), July 2002
* “A Fregean Argument Against Externalism”.
	+ University of Virginia, March 2004
	+ Harvard University, November 2003
	+ Northern Illinois University, September 2003
* “Consciousness and Self-Consciousness: what introspection can tell us about the mind”. Lafayette College, October 2001.
* “Explanatory Reduction, Conceptual Analysis, and Conceivability Arguments about the Mind”.
	+ University of Colorado - Boulder, February 2001
	+ UC - Santa Cruz, February 2001
	+ University of Wisconsin - Madison, September 2000.
* “Can Feminists Accept Cartesian Introspectivism?” APA Pacific Division meeting (Albuquerque), April 2000.
* “The One and Only Water: How a Conceptual Account of Explanatory Reduction Can Ensure Uniqueness”, APA Central Division meeting (Chicago), April 2000.
* “Linguistic Labor and the Explanatory Gap”. Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology annual meeting (New Orleans), April 1998.
* “Introspecting Phenomenal States”.
	+ Brandeis University, October 1998
	+ Society for Philosophy and Psychology annual meeting (New York City), June 1997
	+ College of William and Mary, February 1997
	+ University of Delaware, February 1997
	+ University of Coventry (England), January 1997.