

# DIMITRIA ELECTRA GATZIA

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Academic Employment

2015-present Associate Professor, The University of Akron Wayne College  
2013-present Honors Program Coordinator, UA Wayne College  
2009-present Philosophy Coordinator, The University of Akron Wayne College  
2009-2015 Assistant Professor, The University of Akron Wayne College  
2007-2009 Visiting Assistant Professor, The University of Akron  
2007-2007 Instructor, State College of Florida  
2005-2006 Instructor, Syracuse University

### Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Syracuse University (2000-2007)

Dissertation: *Color Fictionalism: Color Discourse Without Colors*

C. L. Hardin (Supervisor), Andr  Gallois, Robert Van Gulick, Mark Heller, Ishani Maitra, and Joseph Sturr (External Examiner)

M.A. in Philosophy, Syracuse University (2002)

B.A. in Philosophy, University of California Los Angeles (1999)

### Research Specialization & Teaching Competence

*Area of Specialization:* Philosophy of Mind, Cognitive Neuroscience, Philosophy of Psychology

*Area of Competence:* Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Science, Epistemology, Metaphysics, Political Philosophy, Ethics

### Publications

#### Articles & chapters in peer-reviewed journals and volumes

- "Enhancing student understanding of color perception: a teaching activity on intersubjective color variations" (co-authored with Richard Einsporn & Rex Ramsier), *The American Biology Teacher*, in press.

- “Color and Cognitive Penetrability”, (co-authored with B. Brogaard), in *Topics in Cognitive Science: Special Issue on Cortical Color*. New York: Willey Press, in press.
- “Introduction: Epistemic modals” (co-authored with B. Brogaard), *Modal Epistemology*, special issue of *Topoi: An International Review of Philosophy*, 2016 (10.1007/s11245-016-9374-3).
- “Psilocybin, Lysergic Acid Diethylamide, Mescaline, and Drug-induced Synesthesia” (co-authored with B. Brogaard), in Victor R. Preedy (ed.) *Neuropathology of Drug Addictions and Substance Misuse* (Vol. 2). Amsterdam: Academic Press-Elsevier (pp. 890-905), 2016.
- “Cognitive penetration of the auditory system”, (co-authored with B. Brogaard), *Frontiers in Psychology*, 2015.  
(<http://journal.frontiersin.org/article/10.3389/fpsyg.2015.01166/full>)
- “On Special Relativity and Temporal Illusions” (co-authored with R. Ramsier), *Erkenntnis* 80(2): 433-436, 2015.
- “Time and Time Perception” (co-authored with B. Brogaard), *Topoi: An International Review of Philosophy* 34(1): 257-263, 2015.
- “Progressive Taxation as a Means to Equality of Condition and Poverty Alleviation” (co-authored with D. Woods), *Economics, Management, and Financial Markets* 9(4): 29-43, 2014.
- “Fictional Truth and Make-Believe” (co-authored with Eric Sotnak), *Philosophia* 42(2): 349-361, 2014.
- “The Problem of Unemployment”, *Economics, Management, and Financial Markets* 7(2), 2012. Republished in *Journal of Self-Governance and Management Economics* 1(4), 2013.
- “Finding Consistency in Rousseau”, *Philosophy Study* 2(9): 650-663, 2012.
- “Towards a Caring Economy” in Maurice Hamington and Maureen Sander-Staudt (eds) *Applying Care Ethics to Business*. New York: Springer (pp. 73-89), 2011.
- “The Individual Variability Problem” *Philosophia* 38(3): 533-554, 2010. A shorter version of this article appears in Patricia Hanna (ed.) *An Anthology of Philosophical Studies*. Athens: Athens Institute for Education and Research (pp. 113-128), 2010.
- “Colour Fictionalism”, *Rivista Di Estetica* 1(43): 109-123, 2010.
- “Martian Colours”, *Philosophical Writings* 37: 3-16, 2008.
- “Fictional Colors”, *Sorites* 21: 37-51, 2008.

## Reviews

- Review of *Foundations of Mind*, *Philosophy in Review* 28(3): 176-180, 2008.

## Edited Volumes

- *Modal Epistemology*, special issue of *Topoi: An International Review of Philosophy* (co-edited with Berit Brogaard), forthcoming 2016.
- *The Epistemology of Non-visual perception* (co-edited with Berit Brogaard). Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2017.
- *The Rational Roles of Perceptual Experience* (co-edited with Berit Brogaard), *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy*, forthcoming.
- Synesthesia, Hallucinations and Mental Disorders (co-edited with Berit Brogaard), special issue in *Frontiers in Bioscience*, in progress.
- *Being of Two Minds* (co-edited with Berit Brogaard). Under review, OUP.

## Monographs

- *Colour Fictionalism* (under review, OUP)
- *Monogamy* (in preparation, co-authored with Berit Brogaard)

## Presentations

### “Dynamic systems approaches and Colour Perception”

- Primitive Colours and Non-Reductive Minds Conference (funded by New Directions in the Study of Mind Project. Organizer: Derek Brown), invited paper, 2017.

### “Cognitive Penetration and Top-down Modulation”

- Minds Online Conference, referred paper, September 2016.

### “I think it’s going to hurt: the effects of cognition on pain perception” (with Bennett Schwartz)

- *Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology Conference*, referred paper, March 2016.
- *Ohio Philosophical Association Conference*, Otterbein University, referred paper, April 2016.

### “Cognitive penetration in visual perception”

- *Virginia Philosophical Association Conference*, Virginia Commonwealth University, referred paper, October 2015.

### “When Colour Contrast fails: the blue/black dress”

- *College of Wooster*, invited speaker, September 2015.

### “What can schizophrenia teach us about the cognitive penetration of visual experience?”

- *Cognitio 2015: The Cognitive Science of Difference and Potentialities*, Université du Québec, Montréal, referred paper, June 2015.

### “Color penetration and top-down processing in visual perception”

- *Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology Conference: Symposium on color perception and cognitive penetration*, invited paper, April 2015.

“Time and Time Perception (co-authored with Berit Brogaard)

- *Philosophy of Time Society Conference*, University of Milan, Gargnano, Italy, referred paper, May 2014.
- *Ohio Philosophical Association, Kenyon College*, referred paper, April 2014.

“Cognitive Penetration and the Nature of Experience”

- *American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division*, referred paper, referred paper, December 2013.
- *Ohio Philosophical Association, Denison University*, referred paper, March 2013.
- *North Carolina Philosophical Association, East Carolina University*, referred paper, February 2013.

“Fact, Fiction, and Pretense” (co-authored with Eric Sotnak)

- *The European Society for Aesthetics*, University of Minho, Braga & Guimarães, Portugal, referred paper, June 2012.
- *Athens Institute for Education and Research International Conference on Philosophy*, referred paper, May 2012.
- *Ohio Philosophical Association*, Cleveland State University, referred paper, March 2012.
- *North Carolina Philosophical Society*, Appalachian State University, referred paper, February 2011.
- *Ohio Philosophical Association Conference*, Ohio University, referred paper, April 2009.

“Finding Consistency in Rousseau”

- *West Virginia Philosophical Society*, University of Pittsburgh, referred paper, October 2010.

“The Individual Variability Problem”

- *Athens Institute for Education and Research International Conference on Philosophy*, referred paper, May 2009.
- *American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division*, referred paper, April 2008.
- *Case Western Reserve University*, Cognitive Science Colloquium, invited paper, October 2008.

“Martian Colors”

- *American Philosophical Association, Central Division*, referred paper, February 2008.
- *Australian National University*, Centre for Consciousness, invited paper, December 2008.
- *Australasian Association of Philosophy*, The University of Canterbury, New Zealand, referred paper, December 2008.

"What's Wrong with Color Realism?"

- *Northern Ohio Conference, The University of Akron, invited paper, October 2008.*

"Fictional Colors"

- *Graduate Philosophy Conference, The University of Florida, referred paper, November 2006.*

"Finding Consistency in Rousseau"

- *Graduate Philosophy Conference, DePaul University, referred paper, October 2005.*

## Presented Comments

- Commented on Scott Simmons and Mark Wells, "The Easy Defense of the Feathered Apes (and the Hard Problems it Raises)," *Ohio Philosophical Association, Baldwin Wallace University, April 2015.*
- Commented on Daniel F. Hartner, "Toward a (Neuro)Science of Morality," *Ohio Philosophical Association, University of Dayton, April 2011.*
- Commented on Jamin Asay: Troubles about Truthmakers, *Ohio Philosophical Association, Ohio Northern University, April 2010.*
- Commented on Derek Brown, "Learning that we see the light: colour constancy and illumination-dependent colour," *Western Canadian Philosophical Association, 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, University of Alberta, October 2008.*
- Commented on M. J. Mulnix, "Understanding Mill on Self-Regarding Conduct," *Graduate Philosophy Conference, Kent University, 2005.*
- Commented on Roald Nashi, "Nozick's Principles," *Graduate Philosophy Conference, Syracuse University, 2004.*
- Commented on Benjamin Sachs, "Health Resources Allocation in a Rawlsian Framework," *Graduate Philosophy Conference, Syracuse University, 2003.*

## Teaching Experience

- *Theories of Knowledge and Reality* (Honors & Distance Learning Section, University of Akron Wayne College)
- *Normative Ethics* (Honors, Distance Learning Sections, & Online sections, University of Akron Wayne College, University of Akron)
- *Environmental Ethics* (University of Akron)
- *Social and Political Philosophy* (University of Akron, University of Akron Wayne College)
- *Philosophy of Language* (University of Akron)
- *Symbolic Logic* (University of Akron, University of Akron Wayne College)
- *History of Ancient Philosophy* (State College of Florida)

- *Applied Ethics* (State College of Florida)
- *Theories of Knowledge & Reality* (Syracuse University, Instructor)
- *Ethics and Value Theory* (Syracuse University, Instructor)
- *Critical Thinking* (Syracuse University, Instructor)
- *Normative Ethics* (Syracuse University, Teaching Associate)
- *Human Nature* (Syracuse University, Teaching Associate)
- *Ethical Aspects of Engineering and Computer Science* (Syracuse University, Teaching Assistant)

## **Administrative and Professional Experience**

### **Awards and Scholarships**

- Nominated for the 2016 Outstanding Researcher Award, The University of Akron, 2016.
- Certificate in Best Practices in Teaching Online, December 2015.
- Philosophy Club Adviser Award, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2012.
- Outstanding and Distinguished Faculty Award, Richard Hansford Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary, The University of Akron, 2008.
- Visiting Research Fellow, Centre of Consciousness, Australian National University, December 2008.
- Certificate in University Teaching, Syracuse University, 2007.
- Travel Award, Syracuse University, Graduate School 2005 and 2006.
- Teaching Associate Award, Syracuse University, 2003-2005.
- Summer Fellowship, Syracuse University, 2003.
- Teaching Assistant Award, Syracuse University, 2001-2003.
- Academic Scholarship, Syracuse University, 2000-2005.

### **Thesis Committees**

- Honors Thesis Committee Member: Nevin Johnson, UA Honors Student, 2010.
- Honors Thesis Committee Member: Stephanie Kiba, UA Honors Student, 2009.
- Honors Thesis Committee Member: Charlyn Bohland, UA Honors Student, 2008.
- Distinguished Student Advisor: Jane Stauffer, Colleen Cox, Kaitlin Cox, 2016.

### **Grants**

- Colour Fictionalism. National Endowment for the Humanities, submitted April 2016 (\$25,200).
- Can cognition influence visual perception? The University of Akron, Summer Research Fellowship, January 2016 (\$10,000 NF).

- Cognitive Influences on Perception. Horizon 2020: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship, European Commission, September 2015 (€159,460 NF).
- The Personality/Character Distinction (180,000) Co-PI: Dr. Gatzia; Co-PI: Dr. Brogaard, University of Miami; Co-PI: Dr. Schwartz, Florida International University; Co-PI: Dr. Frazier, Department of Psychology, Florida International University. *The Self Motivation & Virtue Project*, 2015 (NF).
- Growth, Resilience and Optimism in the Aging Population. Co-PI: Dr. Gatzia; Co-PI: Dr. Brogaard, University of Miami; Co-PI: Dr. Schwartz, Florida International University; Co-PI: Dr. Frazier, Department of Psychology, Florida International University. NEH Collaborative Grant, 2015 (NF).
- Looking on the Bright Side or Wishful Thinking? The Relationship between Optimism and Irrational Behavior (429,000) Co-PI: Dr. Gatzia; Co-PI: Dr. Brogaard, University of Miami; Co-PI: Dr. Schwartz, Florida International University. *The Science of Hope and Optimism, Hope and Science Conceptual and Empirical Investigations*, 2015 (NF).
- American Philosophical Association “Is Color Experience Cognitively Penetrable?” 2014 (\$5,000 NF).
- The University of Akron Faculty Research Grants and Fellowships “Is Color Experience Cognitively Penetrable?” 2014 (10,000 NF).
- The University of Akron Faculty Research Grants and Fellowships “The Philosophy of Jean-Jacques Rousseau” (\$10,000 NF), 2011. Revised and resubmitted 2012 (10,000 NF).
- Workshop & Conference: *Varieties of Cortical Colour Vision*, Vancouver, Canada, August 4-7, 2011 (\$1000)
- The University of Akron Faculty Research Grants and Fellowships “Advanced Ethics for the Sciences” 2010 (\$5,000 NF).
- National Science Foundation “Ethical Reasoning for STEM Graduate Students: An Integrative Learning Community Model” (\$289,272 NF), 2009: Revised and resubmitted 2010 and 2011 (\$289,272 NF).
- The University of Akron Faculty Research Grants and Fellowships “Specifying Formal Standards for the Use of Fictional Discourse”, 2008 (\$10,000 NF).

### **General Professional Activities**

- Vice President of the American Association for Economic Research, 2015-present.
- Program Chair, Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology, 2016-2017.
- Research Affiliate, Brogaard Lab for Multisensory Research, University of Miami, 2010-present.
- Guest Editor, *Journal of Cleaner Production: Technological Progress, Environmental Pollution*, 2016-present.
- Guest Editor, *Economic Growth in Post-transitional Economies Water: Advances in*

- Water Resources Management and Regional Economic Growth, 2016-present.
- Guest Editor (with Berit Brogaard), *Frontiers in Psychology*, 2016-present.
- Guest Editor (with Berit Brogaard), *Topoi: International Review of Philosophy*, 2015.
- Regional Economic Growth
- Review Editor, *Frontiers in Consciousness Research*, 2016-present.
- Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Psychosociological Issues in Human Resource Management*, 2016-present.
- Co-Editor of the *Economics, Management, and Financial Markets*, 2015-present.
- Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Journal of Self-Governance and Management Economics*, 2012-present.
- Elected member of the Ohio Board of Regents Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) Review, 2010-present.
- Completed a course on the Best Practices for Teaching Online, 2015.
- At-Risk for University and College Faculty Certification, 2014.
- Quality Matters Online Course Design Certification, 2013.
- Synchronous Distance Learning Certification, 2013.
- Referee for Journals: *Erkenntnis*, *Synthese*, *Ergo*, *Philosopher's Imprint*, *Philosophical Psychology*, *Thought: A Journal of Philosophy*, *TopiCS in Cognitive Science*, *Topoi: An International Review of Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Philosophical Writings*, *Journal of Self-Governance and Management Economics*, *Philosophical Papers: An International Journal of Philosophy*, *Psychosociological Issues in Human Resource Management*, *Journal of Agriculture, Sustainability*.
- Referee for Books: *Oxford University Press*, *W. W. Norton & Company*, *Cengage Learning*.
- Referee for Grants: Israel Science Foundation.

### **Department and University Service**

- Member, Philosophy General Education Plan Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, The University of Akron, 2015-2016.
- Member, Philosophy Search Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, The University of Akron, 2016.
- Adviser, Secular Student Alliance, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2014-present.
- Adviser, Undergraduate Philosophy Club, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2010-present.
- Adviser, Distinguished Student Program, 2016.
- Member, Honors Advisory Council, The University of Akron, 2012-2015.
- Philosophy Coordinator, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2009-present.



- Member, Distance Learning Review Committee, The University of Akron, 2012-present.
- Faculty Senator, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2011-present.
- Chair, Philosophy and Law Committee, The University of Akron, Philosophy Department, 2012-present (Member, 2009-12).
- Chair, Ad Hoc Scheduling Committee, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2015-2016.
- Member, Ad Hoc Vote of No Confidence Committee, The University of Akron, 2015-2016.
- Member, General Education Implementation Committee, 2014-2015.
- Member, Vice Provost and Dean of the Honors College Search Committee, The University of Akron, 2014-2015.
- Chair, Faculty Committee, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2013-2014. (Member 2010-2013)
- Co-chair, Communication Search Committee, Wayne College, 2012-2013.
- Member, College Council Committee, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2010-2011.
- Member, Curriculum Work Group, The University of Akron Wayne College, 2009-2011.

### **Membership in Professional Organizations**

- Ohio Philosophical Association
- American Philosophical Association
- Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology
- American Association for Economic Research (serving as VP)

### **References**

- Berit Brogaard, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Miami.  
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- Bence Nanay, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Antwerp.  
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## **Citizenship**

American, Greek

## **Languages**

English (fluent), Greek (modern, fluent), French (intermediate)