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## Areas of Specialization:

Cognitive Science, Action, Visual Search

## Areas of Competence:

Mind & Perception, Epistemology, Existentialism, Early Chinese Philosophy, Logic, Ethics

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EDUCATION	<b>PhD</b>	<b>University of Utah, Philosophy, <i>in progress</i></b> <i>Dissertation:</i> “Getting Creative with Style in the Flow of Expert Action” <i>Committee:</i> Dustin Stokes (chair), Natalia Washington, Carlos Santana, Thi Nguyen, Carlotta Pavese (external examiner).
	<b>BS</b>	<b>University of Oklahoma, Philosophy, <i>December 2016</i></b>

### Academic Publications

RESEARCH	<b>Visual expertise is more than meets the eye: An examination of holistic visual processing in radiologists and architects.</b> Spencer Ivy, Taren Rohovit, Jeanine Stefanucci, Dustin Stokes, Megan Mills, Trafton Drew. <i>Journal of Medical Imaging</i> . (2023) <i>Forthcoming</i> .
	<b>Unconscious Intelligence in the Skilled Control of Expert Action.</b> Spencer Ivy. <i>Journal of Consciousness Studies</i> . (2023). <i>Forthcoming</i> .
	<b>Getting Sophisticated: In favor of hybrid views of skilled action in expertise.</b> Spencer Ivy. <i>Southwest Philosophy Review</i> . (2023). <i>Forthcoming</i> .
	<b>On the role of creativity in expertise and skilled action.</b> Spencer Ivy. <i>Synthese</i> . 200, 456. (2022).
	<b>Through the eyes of the expert: Evaluating holistic processing in architects using gaze-contingent viewing.</b> Spencer Ivy, Taren Rohovit, Mark Lavelle, Lace Padilla, Jeanine Stefanucci, Dustin Stokes, Trafton Drew. <i>Psychonomic Bulletin &amp; Review</i> . 28, 870-878. (2021).

### Public Philosophy Publications

- The Free Syllabus System: A new course paradigm for theory-based philosophy classes.** Spencer Ivy. *The Blog of the APA*. (2022).
- Chile’s new constitution offers unique opportunity to rethink worker’s rights in the digital age.** Spencer Ivy, Claudio Gutierrez. *Global Voices*. (2021).
- Trabajo Digital Justo y Digno en la Nueva Constitucion (Just and Dignified Digital Work in the New Constitution).** Spencer Ivy, Claudio Gutierrez. *CIPER Academico*. 2021. *Rpt. In AAU Universidad de Chile*, (2021).
- Comment on ‘Kandinsky & Loss.’** Spencer Ivy & S.Y. Her. *The Philosopher’s Meme*. (2017).

PRESENTATIONS  
AND INVITED  
LECTURES

***Invited Commentary: “Approaching the Wu-Wei Paradox Through the Lens of Cognitive Science: A Possible Interpretation of the Daodejing”***  
*Central APA Meeting, Denver Colorado (2023)*

**“The Role of Creativity in Expertise and Skilled Action”**

*Uehiro Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Hawaii, (2022);  
Gateway Graduate Conference, University of Missouri Saint Louis (2022)*

**“Getting Sophisticated: In Favor of Hybrid Views of Skilled Action in Expertise”**

*Southwest Society of Philosophy Conference, Las Vegas (2022);  
Southern Society for Philosophy & Psychology, Mobile Alabama (2022);  
Enactivism & Phenomenology: State of the Dialog, Palacky University Olomouc (2021)*

**“The Limits and Future of Holistic Visual Processing in Visual Expertise”**

*Virtual Vision Futures, VISTA – Center of Vision Research, York University (2021)*

***Invited Lecture: “Perceptual Expertise & Creative Diversity in Design”***

*MHTN Architecture attitude/design Lecture Series, Keynote (2021)*

**“Responsible Automation in the Digital Age”**

*The Social Moral & Political Impact of Virtual Technology, University of Chile, Santiago (2021)*

**“Procedural Automaticity & Holistic Cognition in Expert Activity”**

*Intermountain Philosophy Conference, University of Utah (2020)*

**“Through the Eyes of the Experts”**

*Vision Sciences Society, St. Petersburg Florida (2020).*

**“Nietzsche: Artist, Creator, Educator”**

*Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy, University of Utah (2019)*

**“Nature’s Way (Or the Way of the Sage): A resolution to the pragmatic contradiction of the Daodejing”**

*Intermountain Philosophy Conference, Utah Valley University (2019)*

**“Attentively”**

*Intermountain Philosophy Conference, University of Utah (2018)*

**“Leibniz: A Compatibilist Account of Contingency”**

*University of San Diego (2016); University of Central Oklahoma (2016); University of Oklahoma (2016); Marist College (2015); University of Southern Illinois, Edwardsville (2015)*

Primary Course Instructor

**TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE**

*At the University of Utah – 8 Semesters*

**Existentialism (3810, Online):** *Summer 2021, 2022*

**Introduction to Philosophy (1000, Online):** *Fall 2021, Spring 2022*

**Introduction to Philosophy (1000):** *Fall 2020*

**Theories of Knowledge (3300):** *Spring 2020*

**Reason & Rational Decision Making (1250, Online):** *Summer 2019, 2020*

Co-Teaching & Teaching Assistantship

*At the University of Utah – 4 Semesters*

**Cognitive Science (3440):** *Spring 2021*

**Mind, Language, & Reality (3400):** *Spring 2019*

**Introduction to Philosophy (1000):** *Fall 2018*

**Reason & Rational Decision Making (1250):** *Spring 2018*

*At the University of Oklahoma – 3 Semesters*

**Introduction to Logic (1100):** *Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2016*

**HONORS,  
AWARDS,  
AND GRANTS**

**Tanner Humanities Research Fellowship, 2022 - 2023**

Provides tuition, fees, & a monthly stipend for research and participation in the Tanner Center's community of scholars from across the humanities & around Utah.

**Dee Foundation Grant, 2022 - 2023**

*"Mind the Body: Creativity, Improvisation, and Play in Philosophy & Dance"*  
(With support from Eric Handman & Thi Nguyen) Grant awarded for teaching development and excellence; used to host an interdisciplinary philosophy & dance conference.

**Tanner Faculty Research Supplemental Support Grant, 2022 - 2023**

Campus-Wide Grant Awarded to faculty to advance humanities research, collaboration, and conversation.

**MHTN attitude|design Keynote Speaker Honorarium**

**Tanner Excellence Fund for Events & Service, 2021 - 2022**

Departmental micro-grant to host & run Graduate Student led events.

**Graduate Term Afield Research Fellowship, 2019 - 2020**

Provides tuition, fees, & a monthly stipend for research and participation as an embedded philosophy within a lab on campus. Lab: Applied Visual Attention Lab, Trafton Drew.

**Doctoral Research Fellowship, University of Utah, 2017 - Present**

Provides tuition, fees, & a monthly stipend for doctoral research & teaching.

**PROFFESIONAL  
SERVICE**

**Referee & Review Work**

Phenomenology & the Cognitive Sciences

**Lead Conference Organizer**

*Action & Ethics: How, Why, Ought.* Salt Lake City UT, University of Utah. 2019.

*Mind the Body: Creativity, Improvisation, and Play in Philosophy & Dance.* Salt Lake City UT, University of Utah. 2023

**Founder, President: Utah Graduate Student Committee, 2022 - 2023**

Elected to advocate for Graduate Students at faculty meetings & on campus

**Utah MAP Chapter Events Officer & Web Developer, 2021 - Present**

**Graduate Student Reading Group Organizer**

Simone Weil's Gravity & Grace, Summer 2022

Kant's Critique of Practical Judgement, Summer 2021

McDowell's Mind & World, Summer 2020

Heidegger's Being & Time Div. I, Summer 2020

Thompson's Life and Action, Spring 2019

Invited Speaker Seminar: Sarah Buss, Spring 2019

Sellar's Empiricism & the Philosophy of Mind, Fall 2019

Kant's Critique of Pure Reason, Summer 2019

**Graduate Student Works in Progress Talks Host, Organizer**

2017 – Present + 2021 co-invitational with MSU's Graduate Students

**Graduate Student Committee for Tenure Review**

2017 – Present

**Applying to Graduate School in Philosophy Workshop for Undergrads**

Summer 2021, 2022

**PROFFESIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS**

**American Philosophical Association, 2020 – Present**

**Southwestern Philosophical Society, 2022 – Present**

**Global Voices Author & Community Contributor, 2021 – Present**

**Southern Society for Philosophy & Psychology, 2021 – Present**

**Vision Science Society, 2020 – 2021**

**McAllister & Quinn, Grant Writer, Reviewer, Editor, 2022 – Present**

**Liberty Mountain Sports, Network & Systems Administrator, 2017 – 2021**

**GRADUATE  
COURSEWORK**

**At The University of Utah (\*Audits)**

*Philosophy of the Daodejing	Hutton	– Fall 2020
*John Locke	Newman	– Spring 2020
*Pragmatism	Millgram	– Fall 2019
*Free Will	Lehrer	– Fall 2019
*Inductive Logic	Schupbach	– Spring 2019
Early Modern Rationalists	Newman	– Spring 2019
Classical Chinese Philosophy	Hutton	– Spring 2019
Bioethics	Battin & Friedman	– Spring 2019
Perception	Stokes	– Fall 2018
Nietzsche	Millgram	– Fall 2018
Metaphysics & Logic	Peterson & Schupbach	– Fall 2018
Writing the Philosophy Book	Battin	– Spring 2018
Attention: Art & Aesthetics	Stokes	– Spring 2018
Advanced Deductive Logic	Schupbach	– Spring 2018
Practical Reasoning	Andreou	– Fall 2017
Personal Identity	Millgram	– Fall 2017
Aristotle	Peterson	– Fall 2017

**At The University of Oklahoma**

Early Chinese Philosophy	Olberding	– Fall 2016
Ethics	Zagzebski	– Spring 2016
Formal Systems & Logic	Hawthorne	– Spring 2016
Philosophy of Physics	Hawthorne	– Fall 2015
Aristotle	Benson	– Fall 2015
Plato	Benson	– Spring 2015
Philosophy of Religion	Judisch	– Fall 2014
Epistemology	Priselać	– Spring 2014

**REFERENCES  
AVAILABLE TO  
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<b>Carlos Santana</b>	U. of Utah Philosophy   Email: <a href="mailto:C.Santana@utah.edu">C.Santana@utah.edu</a>
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