



ABOUT

I am a graduate student in Philosophy at the University of Arizona who is passionate about teaching philosophy. My research consists primarily in philosophy of cognitive science, with significant interest in epistemology, philosophy of religion, and neuroethics.

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COURSES I'VE TAUGHT

MIND, MATTER, GOD

MEDICAL ETHICS

NEUROETHICS

MINDS, BRAINS, CPUS

PHIL OF PSYCHIATRY

BUSINESS ETHICS

ISSUES IN SOCIETY

(& MORE)

AWARDS

OUTSTANDING OVERALL
Graduate Student Award
2013-2014, UMSL

2011 WEDDLE
Essay Contest Winner
Sacramento State

MATT DESTEFANO

PHILOSOPHY EDUCATOR

EDUCATION

PHD UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

2014 - PRESENT

Minor in Cognitive Science, dissertation supervised by Sara Aronowitz (co-chair), Jonathan Weinberg (co-chair), Terry Horgan, and Mary Peterson.

MA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS

2012- 2014

Thesis "The Reliability and Nature of Philosophical Intuitions", advisors Berit Brogaard, Eric Wiland, Elizabeth Schechter.

BA, SACRAMENTO STATE UNIVERSITY

2010-2012

Philosophy of science track.

SAMPLE PAPERS/TALKS

"Phenomenal Contrast Arguments and the Causal/Constitutive Distinction" (in progress, linked on site)

(book review) 'The Making of an Atheist', *Philosophy Now* 115, (p 46)

"Alteration in the color experience of grapheme-color synesthetes in response to grapheme contrast and brightness variance" with Rice K, Marlow K, and Brogaard B

"God Started in 1983", *Louis CK and Philosophy*. (p 177-186)

Commenting on Chad Marxen's "Empiricism and the Argument from Queerness" Coastal Ethics Conference online (Spring 2013)

"Why is God Hiding? In Search of Evidence for a Perfect God." UMSL Big Question Series, hosted by the Philosophers Forum (Fall 2012)

"Peer Disagreement: The Philosopher Problem" *California State University, Sacramento* (Nov. 2012)

AFFILIATIONS

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