

# SAMUEL F. MURRAY

Curriculum Vitae

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## Duke University

Department of Psychology & Neuroscience  
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## Employment

Postdoctoral Associate, Duke University (August 2019-Present)  
Mind At Large Lab  
Imagination and Modal Cognition Lab  
Supervisors: Felipe De Brigard and Paul Seli

## Area of Specialization

Philosophy of Neuroscience & Psychology, Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Mind.

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Ethics, Experimental Philosophy, Free Will, Early Modern

## Education

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Notre Dame  
Dissertation: *Vigilance: Self-Control for Planners*  
Directors: Robert Audi, Ted A. Warfield

Student in Ph.D. program, Philosophy, Saint Louis University (2012-2015, transferred)

B.A., Philosophy, *Cum laude*, Wake Forest University, 2012.

## Publications

(Forthcoming) "The Place of the Trace: Negligence and Responsibility," *The Review of Philosophy and Psychology*.

(Forthcoming) "Vigilance and Control" (with Manuel Vargas) *Philosophical Studies*.

(2019) "Responsibility for Forgetting" (with Elise Murray, Greg Stewart, Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, and Felipe De Brigard) *Philosophical Studies* 176:5, 1177-1201.

(2018) "Why Value Values?: Comment on John Doris' *Talking to Our Selves*" *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 41, e54.

(2017) "Reference, Fiction, and Omission" *Synthese* 195:1, 235-257.

(2017) "Responsibility and Vigilance" *Philosophical Studies* 174:2, 507-527.

(2016) "O'Connor's Argument for Indeterminism" *Philosophical Explorations* 19:3, 268-275.

(2015) "An Early Theory of Contingency in Leibniz" *Studia Leibnitiana* 47:2, 205-219.

## **Book Reviews**

(2018) *Oxford Studies in Agency and Responsibility*, vol. 3, ed. David Shoemaker (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015), *Journal of Moral Philosophy* 15:5, 611-14.

(2018) *Consciousness and Freedom: The Inseparability of Thinking and Doing*, by Donald Crosby (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2017), *Review of Metaphysics* 71:4, 796-98.

(2018) *Leibniz: Protestant Theologian*, by Irena Backus (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 6.

(2016) *Omissions: Agency, Metaphysics, and Responsibility* by Randolph Clarke (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014), *Faith and Philosophy* 33:1, 113-18.

(2014) *Leibniz, God and Necessity* by Michael V. Griffin (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), *Theological Studies* 75:1, 206-208.

## **Works in Progress**

"Conceptual and methodological considerations for investigations of the task-unrelated-thought (TUT) variety of mind wandering" (w/ Paul Seli, Jonathan Schooler, and Kristina Krasich)

"These Confabulations Will Improve Your Marriage!" (w/ Peter Finocchiaro)

“Causal Power and Perfection: Descartes’ Argument for the Divine Cause of the Idea of God in the Third Meditation” (Under review)

“Intellect in the Soul: Aristotle’s *De Anima* G5 (under review)

“Vigilance: Attention, Memory, and the Problem of Acting in Time” (w/ Santiago Amaya) (under review)

“Can the Mind Wander Intentionally?” (w/ Kristina Krasich) (under review)

“Blaming and Resenting: A case for a distinction” (under review)

“A Case for Conservatism about Other Minds” (under review)

“The Prospects of a Kantian Theory of Freedom” (under review)

#### *On Responsibility*

“Not Just Bad Luck: Responsibility For Inadvertent Mistakes” (w/ Santiago Amaya)

“Trust in Yourself: Fairness and Responsibility for Omissions”

#### *On Vigilance*

“Vigilance and Self-Control”

“Vigilance and Mind Wandering”

“Vigilance and Attention”

#### *On Mind Wandering*

“The Methodology of Mind Wandering” (w/ Zac Irving and Kristina Krasich)

“Stay on Target: The Impact of Mind Wandering on Prospective Memory Cue Detection” (w/ Kristina Krasich, Myrthe Faber, Emiliano Arellano, and James Brockmole)

“Control, Responsibility, and Theories of Mind Wandering” (w/ Kristina Krasich, Aaron Glasser, Emilio Arellano and Zac Irving)

#### *Experimental Philosophy*

“Self-Control Strategies” (w/ Juan Pablo Bermúdez and Sergio Barbosa)

“Beyond Good and Bad: Varieties of Moral Judgment” (with William Jimenez-Leal, Santiago Amaya, Juan Pablo Bermúdez, and Sergio Barbosa)

#### *Historical*

“Leibniz’s Moral Problem of Free Will”

#### **Teaching Experience**

Instructor of Record:

*University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN:*

PHIL 20646: Philosophy of Neuroscience, Fall 2018

*Westville Correctional Facility, Westville, IN:*

PHIL 100: Introduction to Philosophy, Fall 2018

PHIL 403: Metaphysics (Personal Identity), Fall 2018

*Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO:*

PHIL 105: Introduction to Philosophy, Fall 2013

PHIL 105: Introduction to Philosophy, Spring 2014

PHIL 205: Ethics, Spring 2015

Teaching and Research Assistant:

Teaching Assistant for Meghan Sullivan, "God and the Good Life"

Teaching Assistant for Sam Newlands, "History of Early Modern Philosophy",  
University of Notre Dame, Spring 2017

Teaching Assistant for Fritz Warfield, "Death and Dying" (PHIL 20240),  
University of Notre Dame, Fall 2016

Research Assistant, Neurobiology Department, Stanford University, Fall 2015

Graduate Assistant for Center for Philosophy of Religion, Fall 2014

Research Assistant for Susan Brower-Toland, Saint Louis University, 2012

Research Assistant for Gregory Beabout, Saint Louis University, 2012

### **Grants and Fellowships**

\$160,430 grant for "Getting Better at Simple Things" through the John Templeton Foundation and the Universidad de los Andes (Bogotá) for 2017-2019 to work on the philosophical, legal, psychological, and neurological dimensions of vigilance (with Santiago Amaya and Manuel R. Vargas).

- Competitively selected as an Early Career Fellow for the project; based in Bogotá for summer 2017 & summer 2018 for grant work.
- *Grant-related publications:* "The Place of the Trace"

\$30,450 grant (*Co-principal Investigator*) for "Stay on Target: Mind Wandering, Prospective Memory, and Responsibility" through Duke University for 2017-2018 to work on behavioral and neural studies of the relationship between mind wandering and prospective memory and whether this relationship sheds any light on culpability for certain kinds of omissions (with Kristina Krasich).

2017 Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy (SSNAP) Fellowship (with Kristina Krasich), Duke University.

- Competitively selected for participation in two week seminar on neurobiology and connections between neuroscience and philosophy; included instruction on NIH grant-writing

\$59,336 grant through Philosophy and Science of Self-Control Project at Florida State University for 2015-16 to do collaborative research at Stanford University and Duke University on “Self-Control, Vigilance, and Unintentional Omissions” project (with Robert Audi and Manuel R. Vargas).

- Co-applicant with Manuel Vargas and Robert Audi
- *Grant-related publications*: “Vigilance and Control”; “Responsibility and Vigilance”; “O’Connor’s Argument for Indeterminism”; “Reference, Fiction, and Omission”; “Responsibility for Forgetting”

### **Selected Presentations**

\*All presentations are refereed unless otherwise noted

“Vigilance”

Cognitive Control and Responsibility, Durham, NC, March 2019 (w/ Santiago Amaya)  
Franklin & Marshall Colloquium Series, Lancaster, PA, February 2019

“Beyond Good and Bad: Varieties of Moral Judgment”

Society for Personality and Social Psychology Meeting, Portland, OR, February 2019  
Moral Attitudes and Decisions Lab, Durham, NC, October 2018

“Two Problems with Arguments about Animal Consciousness”

APA Central Division, Denver, CO, February 2019

“Leibniz’s Moral Problem of Free Will”

Society for Christian Philosophers Meeting, Grand Rapids, MI, September 2018  
APA Central Division, Kansas City, MO, March 2017  
Southwest Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Reno, NV, February 2017  
The Continuing Relevance of Leibniz, Steubenville, OH, April 2016

“Vigilance and Ignorance”

Abrahamic Reflections on Science, Philosophy, and Religion, Istanbul, Turkey, March 2019  
Hamburg Summer School on Moral Responsibility, Hamburg, DE, July 2018

“Vigilance and Control”

Self-Control Through Accountability to Others, Arché Research Centre,  
University of St. Andrews, Scotland, May 2017

Moral Attitudes and Decisions Lab, Durham, NC, January 2016 (\*invited)  
The Philosophy and Science of Self-Control, Tallahassee, FL, December 2015  
(with Manuel Vargas)  
Stanford Graduate Student Workshop, Palo Alto, CA, November 2015 (\*invited)

“The Mechanisms of Responsibility”

Morality, Moral Philosophy, and the Humanities in the Age of  
Neuroscience, Akron, OH, November 2016  
Neuroscience of Cognitive Control Lab, Princeton, NJ, March 2016 (\*invited)

“The Psychological and Normative Profile of Vigilance”

Illinois Philosophical Association, Peoria, IL, November 2016  
Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, September 2016 (\*invited)  
Beacon Project Working Paper Group, Winston-Salem, NC, April 2016 (\*invited)

“Responsibility and Vigilance”

Free Will, Moral Responsibility, and Agency Conference, Tallahassee, FL, September  
2015  
Tennessee Value and Agency Conference, Knoxville, TN, September 2015  
Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Moral Responsibility, Orem, UT, March 2015

“Causal Power and Perfection: Descartes’ Second *a posteriori* Argument for God’s Existence”

South Central Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Austin, TX, October 2015

“O’Connor’s Argument for Indeterminism”

APA Pacific Division, Vancouver, BC, April 2015

“Leibniz’s Moral Psychology”

10<sup>th</sup> Leibniz Congress, Hannover, Germany, July 2016  
Spinoza-Leibniz Workshop, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, January 2015

“On God and the *Malin Génie*: Descartes’ First Meditation”

APA Pacific Division, San Diego, CA, April 2014

“An early theory of contingency in Leibniz”

Southeast Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Tampa Bay, FL, March 2014

“Intellect in the Soul: Aristotle’s *De anima* III.5”

Society of Ancient Greek Philosophy, Chicago, IL, February 2014

American Catholic Philosophical Association, Indianapolis, IN, November 2013

### **Invited Lectures and Laboratory Presentations**

“Mind Wandering and Responsibility”

META Lab, Santa Barbara, CA, April 2018 (with Kristina Krasich)

“Folk Assessments of Responsibility for Negligence”

Moral Attitudes and Decisions Lab, Durham, NC, June 2016

Imagination and Modal Cognition Lab, Durham, NC, February 2016

### **Invited Comments**

Comments on Bickle’s “Laser Lights and Designer Drugs: The New Face of Ruthlessly Reductive Neuroscience,” APA Eastern Division, Savannah, GA, January 2018

Comments on Clarke’s “Absence Causation for Dispositionalists,” Florida Philosophical Association, Savannah, GA, January 2018

Comments on Underkuffler’s “Locating the Soul: Origins of Leibniz’s Doctrine of Monads,” APA Eastern Division, Baltimore, MD, January 2017

### **Workshops Attended**

Competitively selected and partially funded for participation in Hamburg Summer School on Moral Responsibility (Universität Hamburg, Hamburg, DE, Jul. 23-27, 2018), directed by Gideon Rosen.

Competitively selected and fully funded for participation in Philosophy and Science of Self-Control Summer School (Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Jun. 5-9, 2017), led by Roy Baumeister, Al Mele, Chandra Sripada, and Kentaro Fujita.

Competitively selected for participation in Spinoza-Leibniz Workshop, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, Jan. 9-10, 2015.

Competitively selected and fully funded for participation in Young Scholars Program in Jewish Philosophical Theology, "Philosophical Investigation of the Hebrew Bible, Talmud, and Midrash," Herzl Institute, Jerusalem, Jul. 27-Aug. 1, 2014.

#### **REFEREE WORK**

*Philosophical Quarterly, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Social Theory and Practice, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*

Referee for 2018 Society for Philosophy and Psychology Conference

Referee for 2017 Northwestern/Notre Dame Epistemology Conference

#### **SERVICE**

Helped organized the Getting Better at Simple Things conference on vigilance and self-control, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Mar. 15-17, 2018.

Built index for *Oxford Studies in Agency and Responsibility*, vol. 4, ed. David Shoemaker (Oxford: Oxford University Press), 2017

Organized 'Food for Thought' lecture event at the University of Notre Dame, Fall 2014

Organized Metaphilosophy Graduate Conference at Saint Louis University, Oct. 2013

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Philosophical Association, Leibniz Society of North America, Cognitive Neuroscience Society, Society for the Philosophy of Agency, Eta Sigma Phi (Classics Honors Society)