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**areas of competence** Game Theory, Inductive Logic, Philosophy of Mind

**education** Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Cincinnati, 2007  
*DISSERTATION On the Relationship between Psychology and Neurobiology: Levels in the Cognitive and Biological Sciences*

M.A. program, Economics (27 graduate credits completed), Temple University

B.A., Psychology, Georgetown University, 1995

**publications** *Book*

Johnson, G. (2016). *Argument and Inference: An Introduction to Inductive Logic*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

### *Journal Articles*

Johnson, G. (2016). Methodological functionalism and the description of natural systems. *Philosophical Psychology*, 29, 374–389.

Johnson, G. (2012). The relationship between psychological capacities and neurobiological activities. *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 2, 453–480.

Johnson, G. (2009). Mechanisms and functional brain areas. *Minds and Machines*, 19, 255–271.

Johnson, G. (2008). LeDoux's fear circuit and the status of emotion as a non-cognitive process. *Philosophical Psychology*, 21, 739–757.

### *Encyclopedia Article*

Johnson, G. (2009). [Theories of emotion](#). In *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. J. Fieser and B. Dowden (Eds.).

## presentations

- Confirmation and Psychological Explanation. Annual Meeting of the Alabama Philosophical Society. Pensacola, FL, September 29, 2017.
- Some Comments on the Doctrine of Multiple Realization. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, April 1, 2017.
- Psychology and Explanatory Extinction. Annual Meeting of the Alabama Philosophical Society. Pensacola, FL, September 30, 2016.
- Psychology and Explanatory Extinction. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 20, 2016.
- A Short Argument for the Reduction of Cognitive Psychology to Neurobiology. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, March 2015.
- The Nature and Scope of Methodological Functionalism. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 2014.
- A New Argument for the Reduction of Psychology. Department of Philosophy and Religion, Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS, September 13, 2013.
- Methodological Functionalism and the Reduction of Psychology. Society for Philosophy and Psychology and European Society for Philosophy and Psychology Joint Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada (Université du Québec à Montréal), July 2011.
- Levels and the Relationship between Psychology and Neurobiology (POSTER). Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA, June 2008.
- Levels and Cognitive Psychology. Philosophy Department, University of Cincinnati. Cincinnati, OH, December 12, 2006.
- Some Criticisms of Lycan's Account of a Hierarchy of Levels. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 2006.
- Comments on Affect Programs (POSTER). Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting. Winston-Salem, NC, June 2005.
- Some Criticisms of Affect Programs, Primitive Emotions, and LeDoux's Fear Circuit. Indiana University Cog-X (cognitive science group) meeting. Bloomington, IN, April 2005.
- Comments on Affect Programs. Midsouth Philosophy Conference. Memphis, TN, February 2005.
- A Social Constructionist Model for the Emotions Based on a Theory of Language Acquisition (POSTER). International Society for Research on the Emotions Annual Conference. New York City, July 2004.
- What to do with Buridan's Theory of Common Supposition. International Congress on Medieval Studies. Kalamazoo, MI, May 2004.

**courses taught**      *Course number in parentheses*

**Mississippi State University**

Decisions, Games, and Rational Choice (4990)  
 Consciousness (4990), co-taught with Rodney Wilson (psychology)  
 Happiness and Well-being (4990)  
 Medical Ethics (3323)  
 Philosophy of Religion (3123)  
 Business Ethics (3013)  
 Introduction to Ethics (1123)  
 Introduction to Logic (1113)  
 Introduction to Philosophy (1103)

**Drexel University**

Critical Reasoning (105)  
 Introduction to Philosophy (101)

**University of Cincinnati**

Aesthetics (423)  
 Issues of the Information Age (345)  
 Philosophy of Mind (307)  
 Love, Anger, Fear and Other Emotions (280)  
 Critical Thinking (121)  
 Introduction to Philosophy: Ethics (106)  
 Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge (104)  
 Moral and Political Ideas (103)

**professional service**      Institutional Review Board Member, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, 2011–2013  
 Journal referee: *Philosophical Psychology*, *Kairos: Journal of Philosophy & Science*, *Behavioral Sciences*  
 Conference referee: Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology; Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society

**memberships & activities**      American Philosophical Association  
 Society for Philosophy and Psychology  
 American Economic Association  
 McDonnell Project in Neurophilosophy Workshop participant (June 2005, Pasadena, CA)