

# Grace Helton

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## EDUCATION

New York University

Ph.D. in Philosophy

May 2015

Advisor: Ned Block

*Two Worlds, One Mind: The Divide Between Perception and Belief*

*Abstract.* I argue that perception and belief can be distinguished by whether they have a certain capacity to be revised in response to evidence. All beliefs have this capacity, whereas at least some perceptual experiences lack it. Relying on this view, I further argue that we sometimes visually perceive the intentions of others. Just as we can see something as blue or as moving to the right, so too can we see someone as intending to evade detection or as aiming to traverse a physical obstacle.

Institut Jean Nicod (Paris)

Visiting Student

2010 — 2011

University of Nebraska, Lincoln

B.A. in Philosophy, with honors

2006

## EMPLOYMENT

Postdoctoral Fellow

2016 — present

Princeton University, Society of Fellows

Postdoctoral Fellow

2015 — 2016

University of Antwerp, Centre for Philosophical Psychology

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Cognitive Science, Epistemology

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Ethics, Metaphysics, Social & Political Philosophy

## PUBLICATIONS

“Recent Issues in High-Level Perception,” forthcoming, *Philosophy Compass*

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“The Revisability View of Belief,” under review

“Visually Perceiving the Intentions of Others,” under review

## PRESENTATIONS († indicates refereed)

Title TBA

Southern Soc. for Philosophy & Psychology, Perception Session	Mar. 2017 (planned)
University of Rutgers at Newark, Cognitive Science Series	Nov. 2017 (planned)

“Implicit Bias & Emotion”

University of Tennessee, Value & Agency Conference †	Sep. 2016 (planned)
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“Skepticism & Solipsism”

Eastern APA, Society for Skeptical Studies †	Jan. 2017 (planned)
University of Lisbon, Minds, Selves, & Technology Conference †	July 2016
University of Cambridge, New Directions in Mind Seminar	June 2016

“Doxastic Theories of Perception”

University of Antwerp, Conference on Belief & Intuition	May 2016
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“The Revisability View of Belief”

The Brains Blog, Minds Online Conference †	Sep. 2015
Consciousness Discussion Group, NYC faculty & student group	April 2015

“Visually Perceiving the Intentions of Others”

Cognitive Science Speaker Series, CUNY Graduate Center	Feb. 2015
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“Veridicality Judgments and High-Level Perception”

APA Pacific Division Meeting, Colloquium Session †	April 2013
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“Introspection and High-Level Perceptual Disputes”

Consciousness Discussion Group, NYC faculty & student group	Nov. 2012
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“Dual-Processing Theory and High-Level Perception” (poster)

Université du Québec à Montréal, Summer School in Cognitive Science †	July 2012
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## COMMENTS

Comments on Jake Quilty-Dunn’s “Perceptual Belief”

Columbia-NYU Graduate Conference	April 2014
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Comments on Japa Pallikkathayil’s “The Truth about Deception”

Edinburgh Mid-Summer Philosophy Conference	July 2013
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Comments on Ross Colebrook's "A Smaller Self"  
Columbia-NYU Graduate Conference April 2013

Comments on Christine Vitrano's "Is Unhappiness Irrational?"  
New Jersey Regional Association Philosophy Conference Nov. 2012

#### AWARDS & GRANTS

Mellon Dissertation Fellowship 2013 — 2014

Summer Fellowship, NYU Global Research Institute in London Summer 2013

Travel Stipend, APA Pacific Division April 2013

MacCracken Fellowship, NYU Graduate School of Arts & Sciences 2006 — 2011

#### TEACHING — AS LECTURER

##### *At Princeton*

The Psychology, Epistemology, & Ethics of Stereotypes Spr. 2017 (planned)

Philosophy of Cognitive Science Fall 2016

##### *At NYU*

Logic 2012 — 2013

Philosophy of Mind Summer 2011

Metaphysics Summer 2010

#### TEACHING — AS ASSISTANT (at NYU)

Minds and Machines Fall 2011  
instructor: Ned Block

Political Philosophy Spring 2010  
instructor: Japa Pallikkathayil

Conversations of the West Fall 2008  
instructor: Phillip Mitsis

Introduction to Ethics Fall 2007  
instructor: David Velleman

SERVICE

Organizer, NYC Philosophy of Perception Grad Working Group	2014 — 2015
Co-organizer, “Surviving Philosophy Grad School,” NYU workshop	Fall 2013
Co-organizer, Modularity of Perception Conference, NYU	Fall 2012
Guest Lecturer, Facing History High School, New York City	Fall 2008

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David Velleman (teaching) New York University dv26 at nyu dot edu	