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About

Stephen Neale is Distinguished Professor of Philosophy and Linguistics and holder of the John H. Kornblith Family Chair in the Philosophy of Science and Values at the Graduate Centre, City University New York (CUNY). His main research interests are in Philosophy of Language and the interface between Philosophy of Language and Linguistics, but he has also written on philosophy of mind, cognitive science, logic and truth.

Qualifications

- PhD. in Philosophy, Stanford University, 1988.
- B.A., University College London.

Biography

Before joining CUNY in 2007, Professor Neale held positions at Rutgers, University of California, Berkeley, Birkbeck College, London and Princeton. He has also held visiting positions at Stanford, Oxford, London, Stockholm, Oslo, and Island. He has been awarded Fellowships by the Guggenheim Foundation, the Rockefeller foundation and the National Endowment for Humanities and he has served as an advisor for the Department of Justice.

Postgraduate supervision

Professor Neale will co-supervise PhD students at Birmingham with other members of staff.

Research

In Philosophy of Language, Professor Neale is famous for his work on Russell's theory of descriptions, the slingshot argument, Gricean accounts of meaning, Donald Davidson, quantification, pronouns, demonstratives, anaphora, and many other linguistic phenomena. He has also investigated philosophical problems to do with interpretation, context, content, structure, and representation. In addition to Philosophy of Language, he has research interests in Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind, Logic, History of Analytic Philosophy, and Philosophy of Law.

Publications

Books:

- *Facing Facts* (OUP, 2002)
- *Descriptions* (MIT Press, 1993)
- *Special Issue: 100 Years of 'On Denoting'*, ed. by Stephen Neale, *Mind* 114, 2005.

Selected Articles:

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