

## Epistemology Reading List

### I. Books

Majors and Minors Read:

1. Lehrer, *Theory of Knowledge*
2. Pollock, *Contemporary Theories of Knowledge*

Majors Only Read:

3. Harman, *Thought*
4. Foley, *Theory of Epistemic Rationality*

### II. Articles

*Starred readings are for majors and minors, unstarred readings in this section are for majors only.*

#### Overview

\*Pryor, J. 2001. "Highlights of Recent Epistemology," *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, 52: 95-124

#### Justification

\*Alston, William P. 1985. "Concepts of Epistemic Justification," *Monist* 68

\*Goldman, Alvin. 1979. "What is Justified Belief?" In *Justification and Knowledge*, ed. G.S. Pappas, 1-23. Dordrecht: D. Reidel.

Steup, M. 1988. "The Deontic Conception of Epistemic Justification," *Philosophical Studies* 53: 65-84.

Feldman & Conee. 1985. "Evidentialism," *Philosophical Studies* 48: 15-34.

#### Foundationalism & Coherentism

BonJour, L. 1978. "Can Empirical Knowledge Have a Foundation?" *American Philosophical Quarterly*, 15.1:1-13.

\* BonJour, L. 1999. "The Dialectic of Foundationalism and Coherentism," in *Blackwell Guide to Epistemology*, ed. Greco & Sosa, 117-142.

\* Klein, P. 2004. "Infinitism is the Solution to the Regress Problem," in *Contemporary Debates in Epistemology*, ed. Sosa, E. and Steup, M. Blackwell.

(Ian Evans has written a long expositional paper on Klein's views, so contact him if you'd like a copy.)

### **Epistemic Circularity**

\*Van Cleve, James. 1979. "Foundationalism, Epistemic Principles, and the Cartesian Circle," *Philosophical Review* 88: 55-91.

### **Knowledge & Warrant**

\*Gettier, E. 1963. "Is Justified True Belief Knowledge?" *Analysis* 23: 121-123.

Goldman, A. 1967. "Causal Theory of Knowledge," *Journal of Philosophy* 64: 357-372.

\*Lehrer & Paxson. 1969. "Knowledge: Undefeated, Justified, True Belief," *Journal of Philosophy*, 66: 225-237.

Nozick, R. 1981. *Philosophical Explanations*. (Chapter 3, §1).

### **Skepticism**

Nozick, R. 1981. *Philosophical Explanations*. (Chapter 3, §2).

\*Unger, P. 2006 "An Argument for Skepticism," *Philosophical Papers, vol. I*, pp. 37-68.

### **Contextualism**

\*Cohen, S. 1998. "How to be a Fallibilist". *Philosophical Perspectives* 2: 91-123.

DeRose, K. 1995, "Solving the Skeptical Problem," *Philosophical Review* 104: 1-52.

### **Externalism**

Alston, W. 1995. "How to Think About Reliability," *Philosophical Topics* 23: 1-29.

\* Plantinga, A. 1988. "Positive Epistemic Status and Proper Function," *Philosophical Perspectives*

Dretske, F. *Knowledge and the Flow of Information* (Chapters 4 & 5)

### **Internalism vs. Externalism**

Bergmann, M. "Internalism, Externalism and the No-Defeater Condition,"

\*BonJour, L. 1980. "Externalist Theories of Empirical Knowledge," *Midwest Studies* 5:

53-74.

\*Goldman, A. 1999. "Internalism Exposed," *Journal of Philosophy* 96.6: 271-293.

### **Naturalism**

\*Quine, W.V.O. 1969. "Epistemology Naturalized" in *Ontological Relativity*

Kornblith, H. 1988. *Naturalizing Epistemology*. Cambridge: MIT Press. (Introduction only)

### **III. Topics in Epistemology**

*Majors pick two of the following topics, minors pick one.*

#### 1. Disagreement:

Feldman, Richard. 2006. "Some Epistemological Puzzles about Disagreement" in *Epistemology Futures*, ed. S. Heatherington OUP, 216-236.

Kelly, Thomas. 2005. "The Epistemic Status of Disagreement," *Oxford Studies in Epistemology*, eds. J. Hawthorne & T. Gendler OUP, 167-196.

#### 2. Testimony:

Lackey, J. 1999. "Testimonial Knowledge and Transmission". *Philosophical Quarterly*, 49: 197, pg. 471-490.

Graham, P. 2000. "Transferring Knowledge". *Nous*, 34:1, pg. 131-152.

#### 3. Doxastic Voluntarism:

J. Heil. 1983. "Doxastic Agency," *Philosophical Studies* 43.3: 355.

M. Clarke. 1986. "Doxastic Voluntarism and Forced Belief," *Philosophical Studies* 50.1: 39.

#### 4. Virtue Epistemology

Sosa, E. 1985. "Knowledge and Intellectual Virtue," *Monist*. 68.2:226-245.

Greco, J. 2002. "Virtues in Epistemology," in *The Oxford Handbook of Epistemology*, ed. Paul Moser

#### 5. A Priori Knowledge

Bonjour, L. 2004. "In Defense of the A Priori," in *Contemporary Debates in*

*Epistemology*, ed. Sosa, E. and Steup, M. Blackwell.

Devitt, M. 2004. "There Is no A Priori," in *Contemporary Debates in Epistemology*, ed. Sosa, E. and Steup, M. Blackwell.

*(optional: Devitt and Bonjour replies in same collection)*