Philosophy of Psychology Minor List

The purpose of this list is to inform a graduate student contemplating taking philosophy of psychology as a minor area for his or her comprehensive examinations of some basic reading relevant to the subject. A student may use this information for one or more of three purposes:

1. To decide whether to take a comprehensive examination in this area.
2. To get started early on reading central texts in preparation for a comprehensive examination in this area.
3. To provide an initial template in constructing his or her own specific reading list.

N.B. While this list may serve as a student's actual reading list for the philosophy of psychology minor, a student is encouraged to offer creative alternatives. For example, a student may wish to focus more narrowly on Moral Psychology, or on Naturalized Epistemology. The final list is to be agreed upon by the student and his or her committee.

Books:


Articles/Chapters
Noam Chomsky, “Recent contributions to the theory of innate ideas” (in C&C)
Hilary Putnam, “The ‘innateness hypothesis’ and the explanatory models in linguistics” (in C&C)
Noam Chomsky, “Linguistics and philosophy” (in C&C)