## Lucas Thompson

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#### **EDUCATION**

### The University of Sydney

Ph.D. Awarded February, 2015; submitted July, 2014

· Dissertation: "Global Quotations: David Foster Wallace and World Literature"

· Supervisor: Paul Giles

(Associate Supervisor: Sarah Gleeson-White)

The University of New South Wales

First Class Honours in Arts (English), 2010 Bachelor of Science (Psychology), 2009 Bachelor of Arts (English), 2009

### **PUBLICATIONS**

### Journal Articles:

- · "The rare white at the window': A Reappraisal of Mark Costello & David Foster Wallace's Signifying Rappers." Journal of American Studies 49.1 (2015): 77-97.
- · "Programming Literary Influence: David Foster Wallace's 'B.I. #59." *Texas Studies in Language and Literature* 56.2 (2014): 113-134.
- · "Books are Made out of Books': David Foster Wallace and Cormac McCarthy." *The Cormac McCarthy Journal* 13.1 (2015). Accepted November, 2014. Forthcoming, 2015.

### Book Chapters:

· "Wallace and World Literature." In *MLA Approaches to Teaching: David Foster Wallace*, edited by Stephen J. Burn and Mary Holland.

Accepted October, 2014. Forthcoming, 2015.

#### Book Reviews:

· "Literary Hijinks: Lorrie Moore's Bark: Stories." Philament 20.1 (2015).

## PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

· "'Sincerity with a Motive': Literary Manipulation in David Foster Wallace's *Infinite Jest*." Submitted to *New Literary History* February, 2015.

## WORKING PAPERS

- · "David Foster Wallace's film treatment for The Broom of the System."
- · "Winning Hearts and Minds: Phil Klay's *Redeployment* and the Manipulations of Contemporary Warfare"

## SELECTED AWARDS

- · University of Sydney Beauchamp Literary Prize, 2014
- Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Dean's Citation for Excellence in Teaching Award, 2013
- · University of Sydney Postgraduate Travel Grant Award, 2012
- Australia and New Zealand American Association (ANZASA)/US Embassy Conference Scholarship, 2012
- · Postgraduate Support Scheme (PRSS) Funding
- · Australian Postgraduate Award, February 2011–July 2014
- · The University of NSW English Association Prize—Highest Honours Score, 2010
- The University of NSW Denis Balson Award for Chinese Philosophy—Best Undergraduate Essay, 2009
- · The University of NSW Bundilla Rural Science Scholarship, 2006–2009

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- · Tutor, "Reading English Texts," University of Sydney, Semester 1, 2013
- · ESL Tutor, Executive Language Training (Sydney Branch), May, 2014– Present

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- · Research Assistant, Professor Paul Giles, Sydney University, March 2012–Present
- · Research Assistant, Dr Sarah Gleeson-White, Sydney University, August 2014– Present

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- · "The Stuff of Spirit and Human Feeling': David Foster Wallace and the Eastern European Literary Tradition." *The Second Annual David Foster Wallace Conference*. Illinois State University, May 28–29, 2015.
- · "Pre-Existing Forms'? David Foster Wallace's *The Pale King* as Abandoned Text." *The Australian and New Zealand American Studies Association Biennial Conference*. Monash University, June 30–July 3, 2015.
- "David Foster Wallace's film treatment for *The Broom of the System*." *Camero-Stylo: Intersection of Film and Literature Conference*. Sydney University. April 8–10, 2015.
- · "'Sincerity with a Motive': David Foster Wallace and Literary Manipulation." US Studies Centre Conference. The University of Sydney, December 10, 2014.

- · "Dont even ask...': David Foster Wallace and Cormac McCarthy." *Borders and Landscapes in the work of Cormac McCarthy*. University of Western Sydney, July 23 –25, 2014
- · "Called to Account': David Foster Wallace and the Dostoevskian Redemption Narrative." *The Australian and New Zealand American Studies Association Biennial Conference*. University of Queensland, July 3–6, 2012
- · "David Foster Wallace and the American Existential Tradition." University of Sydney Graduate Seminar Presentation, July 5, 2011

#### **OTHER**

- · Editor for *Philament*, a postgraduate-run literary and cultural studies journal, June 2011–May 2013
- · Ongoing evaluative journal reader for *Twentieth-Century Literature*, August 2014–Present

# PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- · Modern Language Association (MLA)
- · Australian and New Zealand American Studies Association (ANZASA)

### **REFEREES**

- Paul Giles
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   University of Sydney (Room S356 John Woolley Building, USYD 2541)
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