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Employment

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Saint Mary, 2011-present
Teaching Fellow, Fordham University, 2007-2011.

Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Fordham University 2011
“The Significance of Affect: On the Practical Functions of Emotion”
Chair: John Davenport
Readers: John Drummond and Christopher Gowans

Certificate in Health Care Ethics, Fordham University 2011
Masters of Arts in Philosophy, Fordham University 2008

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and History, Boston College 2005
Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA

Area of Specialization

Ethics (especially Moral Psychology, Value Theory and Philosophy of Emotions)

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Religion, Bioethics, Social and Political Philosophy, Virtue Epistemology

Publications and Grants

“Emotions and Religious Experience” with Amber Griffioen and Roderich Barth. *Analytic Theology/Philosophy Cluster Grant* sponsored by the University of Notre Dame Center for the Philosophy of Religion and the John Templeton Foundation (August 2013-July 2014)
“Emotion, Identification, and Evaluation,” *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (under final review)
“The role of emotion in Deliberative Democracy,” *Journal of Social Philosophy* (under ed. review)
Normativity and Culture, co-edited with Petra Van Brabant (University Press Antwerp, forthcoming)
“Reconsidering Authorial Intention: Perspectives from Continental and Analytic Tradition” *Balkan Journal of Philosophy* 3 no. 1 (January 2011): 111-122.
“Sin, Despair, and the Other: the Works of Søren Kierkegaard” in *Elements* (Spring 2005): 36-43.

Reviews

“A Review of *Phenomenology and Mysticism: The Verticality of Religious Experience* by Anthony Steinbock” *Plurilogue: Politics and Philosophy Reviews* (December 2012)
“Indispensable Emotionality: A Review of *Friendship, Love and the Self and Emotional Truth*,” *Plurilogue: Politics and Philosophy Reviews* (July 2012)
“A Review of *Practical Identity and Narrative Agency*” edited by Catriona MacKenzie in *Metapsychology Online* 15 no. 25 (June 2011)
“A Review of *Companion to Bioethics*” edited by Helga Kuhse and Peter Singer in *Metapsychology Online* 14 no. 47 (November 2010)
“A Review of Charles Larmore’s *The Autonomy of Morality*” in *Kinesis* 36 no. 1 (Spring 2009): 104-109.
“Book Notes: *Remastering Morals with Aristotle and Confucius, Philosophical Perspectives on Communalism and Morality, How it is: The Native American Philosophy of V.F. Cordova*” in *International Philosophical Quarterly* 48, n. 3 (September 2008): 415.

Conference Presentations

“Mystery or Wonder” panel presentation on “The Possibility of Atheistic Religious Experience” to be presented at the 2013 meeting of the *American Academy of Religion*. Baltimore, MD November 2013
“Seeing with the Heart: Empirical support for Virtuous Moral Knowledge,” 39th *Conference on Value Inquiry*, Bowling Green, KY April 2013.

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- “Why Passion is not Enough,” *Bled Ethics Conference*, Bled, Slovenia Jun. 2012 (invited)
- “Emotion, Evaluation, and Identification,” Joint Meeting of the *North Carolina and South Carolina Philosophical Society*, Elon, North Carolina, Feb. 2012
- “Emotion, Identification, and Evaluation,” *Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Division*, San Diego, California, Apr. 2011
- “Emotions and the Motivational Problem,” presented at the *Central Division of the American Philosophical Association*, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Mar. 2011
- “The Virtuous Circle of Emotion and Value,” *Bled Ethics Conference*, Bled, Slovenia Jun. 2010 (invited)
- “Emotional Appropriateness,” poster presentation at *Empathy and Ethics: The 29th Annual Spindel Conference*, Memphis, Tennessee Oct. 2010 (invited)
- “A Cognitivist Feeling Theory of Emotion,” *From Self to Polis*, Toronto, Canada, May 2010
- “Reasons to Feel,” *Fordham University Graduate Conference*, Bronx, New York, Mar. 2010
- “Emotion Revisited: Learning from the Emotions Debate,” *Western Michigan Graduate Conference*, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Dec. 2009
- “Christine Korsgaard’s *The Sources of Normativity*,” *Philosophical Red Star Line: Normativity and Culture*, Antwerp, Belgium, Mar. 2009
- “Reconsidering Authorial Intention: Action in Aid of Text,” *Society for Ricoeur Studies*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Oct. 2008
- “The Emotions: a sketch,” *Fordham Psychology Qualitative Research Methods*, Fordham University, New York, Mar. 2008
- “The Logic of Paul Ricoeur” *After Ricoeur*, Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma, Oct. 2006

Professional Experience

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| 2011-present | Philosophy Program Director, The University of Saint Mary, Leavenworth and Overland Park, KS |
| 2007-2008 | President of the Fordham Philosophical Society |
| 2006-2007 | Research Assistant to Dr. John Davenport, Fordham University, Bronx, NY |
| 2006-2007 | Chief Editor for <i>Will as Commitment and Resolve</i> , Fordham University, Bronx, NY |
| 2005-2006 | Research & Teaching Assistant to Dr. John van Buren, Fordham University, Bronx, NY |
| 2004-2005 | Northeast Regional Director of the Soapbox Coalition |
| 2004 | Midwest Regional Director of the Soapbox Coalition |

Classes Taught

Logic. An introduction to informal and formal logic, emphasizing the use of logic in ordinary language focusing on logical fallacies, propositional and categorical logic.

Introduction to Philosophy. A thematic survey of classical and contemporary problems in philosophy including the existence of God, our knowledge of the world, the problem of consciousness, personal identity, and the meaning of life.

Philosophy of Human Nature. Focused on theories of human nature in Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, Descartes, Rousseau, and Freud. The course explored issues such as the relationship between the individual and society, rationality and irrationality, God’s existence and human happiness.

Philosophical Ethics. Theoretical introduction to the three traditions of utilitarianism, Kantian deontology, and Aristotelian virtue ethics, with discussions of ethics of care, the question of value, issues in bioethics, and poverty, capital punishment, and euthanasia.

Philosophy of Religion. A philosophical examination of religious belief, arguments for and against the existence of God, the problem of evil, and religious experience (including religious emotions).

Contemporary Moral Problems. A topics based course focus on contemporary issues in bioethics, environmental ethics, race and gender issues, free speech, and immigration.

Bioethics. An overview of contemporary ethical issues that arise in the study and practice of biology

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and modern medicine, which focuses on real life and imaginary case studies through the application and analysis of major ethical principles, theories, as well as seminal articles and historical cases.

Ethics and Literature: Dilemmas and Narrative. A team-taught course focusing on the use of moral dilemmas in literature as a moral training ground for future moral decision-making.

Responsibility and Punishment: A focus on contemporary theories of free will, moral responsibility, justification of punishment and the moral luck problem.

Awards

2012	Prof. Development Award to attend Lily Conference on Evidence-Based Learning & Teaching
2012	Program Development Award used for interactive technology in the classroom grant
2011	Professional Development Award for travel to Bled Slovenia
2010	Spindel Emerging Scholar Prize Competition Finalist
2010	GSAS Travel Grant – Competitive travel grant for presentations at conferences
2010	GSAS Special Fellowship – Competitive grant from dean’s office for research funding.
2010-2011	Alumni Dissertation Fellowship
2007-2009	Teaching Fellowship: Graduate Faculty of Fordham University
2009	GSAS Travel Grant – Competitive travel grant for presentations at conferences
2008	<i>Contemporary Theories in Applied Ethics</i> Research Grant
2005-2010	Tuition Scholarship: Graduate Faculty of Fordham University

Languages

German and French (reading); Spanish and Italian (proficient)

Professional Associations

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy	Alpha Sigma Nu
American Catholic Philosophical Association	Society for Ricoeur Studies
American Philosophical Association	Delta Epsilon Sigma

Service

2008-2009	Impact Initiative Member to End Global Poverty at the United Nations
2008-2010	Society for Ricoeur Studies Organizational Committee Member
2007-2008	Fordham University Graduate Student Senate Philosophy Representative
2006-2007	Fordham Philosophical Society Treasurer
Oct 2005	Philosophy Representative at <i>Secularity in the 21st Century</i> at Calvin College

Other Employment/Teaching and Non-Academic Talks

200 Level Certified Yoga Instructor- Studied under Kelly Gough at the Leavenworth Yoga Coop, and trained in teaching Power, and Yin Yoga, Yoga Basics, and Intro to Ashtanga.

“Christ and Kielbasa: What would Jesus Eat” Talk to be presented as part of a series on *Controversies of the Church* at Guardian Angels Parish, Kansas City, MO (Nov 2013)

“Feeling Rational: The Surprising Connections between Emotion and Cognition” presented at the *Delta Epsilon Sigma Annual Meeting* Leavenworth, KS April 2013.

“Thought Experiments in Ethics” talk given to Sisters of Charity at the Leavenworth, KS March 2012.

References

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