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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Professor, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA (Spring 2017–), Department Chair (Fall 2020–Spring 2023), Associate Professor (Fall 2011–Spring 2017), Assistant Professor (Fall 2008–Spring 2011)
Assistant Professor, Ohio University, Athens, OH (Fall 2005–Spring 2008)
Visiting Assistant Professor, Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD (Fall 2004–Spring 2005)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Georgetown University (Spring 2004)
M.A. in Philosophy, Tufts University (Spring 1999)
B.A. in History, *summa cum laude*, Brandeis University (Spring 1996)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology, Kant, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

American Pragmatism, Ancient Greek Philosophy, Modern European Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of Science

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

Revising Reality: How Sequels, Remakes, Retcons, and Rejects Explain the World, with Chris Gavaler (Bloomsbury forthcoming)

Revising Fiction, Fact, and Faith: A Philosophical Account, with Chris Gavaler (Routledge 2021, paperback 2022), <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003051602>

- Interview on [New Books Network](#) (planned for 2023)
- Superhero Thought Experiments*, with Chris Gavaler (Iowa 2019)
- Presentation for the National Humanities Center [Humanities in Class Webinar Series](#) (5 January 2022)
 - Reviews in [Daily Philosophy](#) (16 December 2022), [popcultureshelf.com](#) (23 January 2020), [Shomeret: Masked Reviewer](#) (18 November 2019), [Diane Reviews Books](#) and [Joelendil's Kingdom of Books](#) (15 September 2019), and [Goodreads](#) (multiple)
 - Reviews in [Journal of Graphic Novels and Comics 20](#), *Teaching Philosophy* 43 (2020): 98–102, and *Inks: The Journal of the Comics Studies Society* 4 (2020): 239–43
 - Interview on [Vox Populorum](#) podcast (19 April 2021), [Philosophy Talk](#) radio program syndicated by Public Radio International ([teaser](#)) (12 April 2020), [WBDJZ, the Roanoke, VA, CBS-affiliate](#) television station (22 October 2019), and [Creativity in Progress](#) podcast (10 October 2019)
- Kantian Conceptual Geography* (Oxford 2015), <https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780190215385.001.0001>; at [Oxford Scholarship Online](#)
- Symposium at *Critique: Discussing New Books on Kant and German Idealism* with [critique by Paul Franco \(University of Washington\)](#) and [reply by me](#) (24–25 August 2016)
 - Reviews in *Kant-Studien* 109 (2018): 185–88; *Philosophical Forum* 47 (2016): 79–82; and [Notre Dame Philosophical Review](#) (27 August 2015)

Journal Articles

- “Kantian Views of Empirical Truth,” *Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai Philosophia* 68 (2023): 23–31, <https://doi.org/10.24193/subbphil.2023.1.02>
- “The Systematicity of Davidson’s Anti-Skeptical Arguments,” *Topoi* 42 (2023): 47–59, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11245-022-09829-7>
- “How Should Philosophers Approach the History of Philosophy?” *Journal of the Philosophy of History* 16 (2022): 139–158, <https://doi.org/10.1163/18722636-12341475>
- “A Dinosaur is a Story,” with Chris Gavaler, *Aeon* (21 October 2022): <https://aeon.co/essays/from-the-jurassic-to-star-wars-the-drama-of-revision-goes-on>
- “Perceiving Images and Styles,” with Chris Gavaler, *The Journal for the Philosophy of Language, Mind, and the Arts* (2021) 2: 131–46, <https://doi.org/10.30687/Jolma/2723-9640/2021/01/008>
- “Comico, Ergo Sum,” with Chris Gavaler, *Philosophy Now* 140 (Oct/Nov 2020): 34
- “There and Back Again: A Philosophy of Revision for Fictional Narrative,” with Chris Gavaler, *Narrative* (2020): 304–26, <https://doi.org/10.1353/nar.2020.0015>
- “Political Myths in Plato and Asimov,” *Journal of Science Fiction and Philosophy* 2 (2019): <https://jsfphil.org/article/view/19078>
- “Big-Boy Philosophy,” with Chris Gavaler, [BleedingCool.com](https://bleedingcool.com) (22 September 2019)
- “History of Philosophy and Conceptual Cartography,” *Analytic Philosophy* 58 (2017): 119–38, <https://doi.org/10.1111/phib.12097>
- “Kant on Demarcation and Discovery,” *Kant Yearbook* 9 (2017): 43–62, <https://doi.org/10.1515/kantyb-2017-0003>
- “Alan Moore, Donald Davidson, and the Mind of Swampmen,” with Chris Gavaler, *Journal of Popular Culture* 50 (2017): 239–58, <https://doi.org/10.1111/jpcu.12544>
- “Beyond Bullshit,” with Chris Gavaler, *Philosophy Now* 121 (August/September 2017): 22–3
- “Dr. Doom’s Philosophy of Time,” with Chris Gavaler, *Journal of Graphic Novels and Comics* (2017): 321–40, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/21504857.2016.1270220>
- “Marvels of Scepticism: René Descartes and Comic Book Sceptics,” with Chris Gavaler, *Foundation: The International Review of Science Fiction* 126 (2017): 21–34; republished in French as “Les merveilles du scepticisme” in *ReS Futurae: revue d’études sur la science-fiction* 14 (2019), <https://doi.org/10.4000/resf.4040>
- “Economy of the Comic Book Author’s Soul,” with Chris Gavaler, *International Journal of Comic Art* 18 (2016): 331–54
- “Davidson, Dualism, and Truth,” *Journal for the History of Analytic Philosophy* 1:7 (2012): 0–19, <https://doi.org/10.4148/jhap.v1i7.1590>
- “Interpreting Thomas Kuhn as a Response-Dependence Theorist,” *International Journal of Philosophical Studies* 19 (2011): 729–52, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/09672559.2011.629369>
- “Historicism, Entrenchment, and Conventionalism,” *Journal for General Philosophy of Science* 40 (2009): 259–76, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10838-009-9097-x>
- “Triangulation, Untranslatability, and Reconciliation,” *Philosophia* 37 (2009): 261–80, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11406-008-9171-3>
- “Universal and Relative Rationality,” *Principia* 13 (2009): 67–84
- “Response-Dependence, Noumenalism, and Ontological Mystery,” *European Journal of Philosophy* 17 (2008): 469–88, <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-0378.2007.00280.x>
- “Tension within Triangulation,” *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 46 (2008): 367–83, <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.2041-6962.2008.tb00124.x>
- “Incommensurability, Relativism, Scepticism: Reflections on Acquiring a Concept,” with Matthew Rellihan, *Ratio: An International Journal of Analytic Philosophy* 21 (2008): 147–67, <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9329.2008.00392.x>
- “Do Principles of Reason Have ‘Objective but Indeterminate Validity’?,” *Kant-Studien* 95 (2004): 405–25, <https://doi.org/10.1515/kant.2004.025>
- “E Pluribus Unum: Arguments against Conceptual Schemes and Empirical Content,” *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 42 (2004): 411–38, <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.2041-6962.2004.tb01001.x>

Journal Articles (continued)

- “Is Aristotle’s Philosophy of Mind Functionalist?,” *Philosophical Writings* 26 (2004): 47–69
- “McTaggart on Time,” *Logic and Logical Philosophy* 13 (2004): 71–6
- “The Principle of Charity,” *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review* 43 (2004): 671–83, <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.2041-6962.2004.tb01001.x>
- “Possibly v. Actually the Case: On Davidson’s Omniscient Interpreter,” *Acta Analytica* 18 (2003): 143–60

Book Chapters and Conference Proceedings

- “Socrates’s City and Seldon’s Galaxy,” *Isaac Asimov’s Foundation and Philosophy*, ed. Joshua Heter and Josef Thomas Simpson (Carus 2023), ch. 2 (5–24)
- “Men against Fire, MASS, and Morality” with Melina Bell, *Humanity in a Black Mirror*, ed. Zahi Zalloua and Jacob Blevins (McFarland 2023), 69–85
- “Sands of Time,” *Discovering Dune*, ed. Nathan Trevor Brierly and Dominic Nardi (McFarland 2022), 195–209
- “Paradigm Shifts: Eros, Epstein Drive, and Thomas Kuhn,” accepted for *The Expanse and Philosophy*, ed. Jeffrey Nicholas (Wiley 2021), but Nicholas forgot to include the chapter in the volume, so the series editor published it on *andPhilosophy.com*, ed. William Irwin, at <https://andphilosophy.com/2021/11/01/paradigm-shifts-epstein-drive-eros-and-thomas-kuhn/> (1 November 2021)
- “Watchmen as Philosophy: Illustrating Time and Free Will,” with Chris Gavaler, *Palgrave Handbook of Popular Culture as Philosophy*, ed. D. Kyle Johnson (Palgrave Macmillan 2021), https://link.springer.com/referenceworkentry/10.1007/978-3-319-97134-6_89-1
- “Yes, *Roya* as Philosophy: The Art of Submission,” with Maria Chavez and Chris Gavaler, *The Palgrave Handbook of Popular Culture as Philosophy* (Palgrave Macmillan 2021), https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-97134-6_106-1
- “Loving Lassos: Wonder Woman, Kink, and Care,” with Maria Chavez and Chris Gavaler, *Wonder Woman and Philosophy*, ed. Jacob Held (Wiley 2017), ch. 17 (188–97)
- “Wanting and Willing to Believe,” with Chris Gavaler, *X-Files and Philosophy*, ed. Robert Arp (Open Court 2017), ch. 25 (233–40)
- “Time to Choose,” with Chris Gavaler, *Batman, Superman, and Philosophy*, ed. Nicolas Michaud (Open Court 2016), ch. 13 (143–52)
- “Swampman, Response-Dependence, and Meaning,” *Donald Davidson on Truth, Meaning, and the Mental*, ed. Gerhard Preyer (Oxford 2012), ch. 6 (146–63); at [Oxford Scholarship Online](https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199697519.001.0001) (invited). <https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199697519.001.0001>.
- “Psychological Eudaimonism and Interpretation in Greek Ethics” with Mark LeBar, *Virtue and Happiness: Essays in Honor of Julia Annas*, ed. Rachana Kamtekar, *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*, ed. Brad Inwood, Supplementary Volume (Oxford 2012), 287–320; at [Oxford Scholarship Online](https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199646043.001.0001) (invited). <https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199646043.001.0001>.
- “Where Does Knowledge Come From? Quine, Davidson, and Traditional Epistemology,” *Fundamentals of Philosophy*, ed. David Stewart, H. Gene Blocker, and James Petrik (Prentice Hall 2012), 8th ed., ch. 18, and 7th ed. (Prentice Hall 2009) ch. 19 (210–18) (invited)
- “Practice Makes Perfect,” *Varieties of Pragmatism*, ed. Bogdan Dicher (Cluj-Napoca, Romania: Faculty of European Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University, 2009)
- “Tension within Triangulation,” *Proceedings of the Ohio Philosophical Association* 5 (2008)
- “Davidson, Triangulation, and a Suggestion from Peirce,” *Philosophy of Pragmatism (II): Salient Inquiries*, ed. Bogdan Dicher and Adrian Ludusan (Cluj-Napoca, Romania: Faculty of European Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University, 2008)
- “Response-Dependence, Ethnocentrism, and Incommensurability,” [Proceedings of the Ohio Philosophical Association 4 \(2007\)](https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199646043.001.0001) (retrieved 1 May 2007)
- “Davidson’s Return to Kant,” *Doscientos Años Después: Retornos y Relecturas de Kant (Two Hundred Years After: Returns and Re-Interpretations of Kant)*, ed. José María Torralba, Publication Services of University of Navarra, Spain, 2005, 33–48

Book Reviews and Notes

- Review of Gabriele Gava, *Kant's Critique of Pure Reason and the Method of Metaphysics* (Cambridge 2023), *Philosophy in Review* 43 (2023): 17–9, <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/21455>
- Review of Helen De Cruz, Johan De Smedt, and Eric Schwitzgebel, eds., *Philosophy through Science Fiction Stories: Exploring the Boundaries of the Possible* (Bloomsbury 2021), *Philosophy in Review* 42 (2022): 11–3, <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/21038>
- Review of Henry E. Allison, *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Spinoza* (Cambridge 2022), *Philosophy in Review* 42 (2022): 1–3, <https://doi.org/10.7202/1092039ar>
- Review of Huaping Lu-Adler, *Kant and the Science of Logic: A Historical and Philosophical Reconstruction* (Oxford 2018), *Philosophy in Review* 39 (November 2019): 191–93, <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/19123>
- Review of Lucy Allais, *Manifest Reality: Kant, Idealism and His Realism* (Oxford 2015), *Philosophy in Review* 36 (December 2016): 238–40, <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/16150>
- Review of Nicholas Rescher, *Concept Audits: A Philosophical Method* (Lexington Books 2016) in [Notre Dame Philosophical Review](#) (7 December 2016) (invited)
- Review of R. Lanier Anderson, *The Poverty of Conceptual Truth: Kant, Analytic/Synthetic Distinction and the Limits of Metaphysics* (Oxford University Press, 2015), *Kantian Review* 21 (2016): 146–51, <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1369415415000369> (invited)
- Review of Margaret Cameron and Robert J. Stainton, eds., *Linguistic Content: New Essays on the History of the Philosophy of Language* (Oxford 2015), *Philosophy in Review* 36 (2016): 154–56, <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/15921>
- Review of Albert Casullo, *Essays on A Priori Knowledge and Justification* (Oxford University Press, 2014), *Philosophy in Review* 35 (2015): 1–3, <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/13490>
- Review of David Braine, *Language and Human Understanding: The Roots of Creativity in Speech and Thought* (Catholic University Press, 2014), *The Review of Metaphysics* 68 (2014): 158–59 (invited)
- Review of Daniel Dennett, *Intuition Pumps and Other Tools for Thinking* (W. W. Norton & Company 2013), *Philosophy Now* 101 (March/April 2014): 39–40
- Review of Maria Cristina Amoretti and Gerhard Preyer, eds., *Triangulation: From an Epistemological Point of View* (Ontos 2011), [Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews \(14 October 2011\)](#) (invited)
- Review of Roger Gibson, ed., *The Cambridge Companion to Quine* (Cambridge 2004) and *Quintessence: Basic Readings from the Philosophy of W. V. Quine* (Harvard 2004), *The Review of Metaphysics* 58 (2005): 660–62
- Review of Predrag Cicovacki, *Between Truth and Illusion: Kant at the Crossroads of Modernity* (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2002), in *The Review of Metaphysics* 57 (2004): 832–33
- Review of Marc Lange, *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Physics* (Blackwell Publishing, 2002), in *The Review of Metaphysics* 57 (2004): 631–33
- Review of Meir Buzaglo, *Logic of Concept Expansion* (Cambridge 2002), in *The Review of Metaphysics* 57 (2003): 141–43
- Inaugural Editor, Note, *Eudaimonia: The Georgetown Philosophical Review* 1 (2004): 4

PRESENTATIONS

Invited

- “Ordering Comics,” with Chris Gavalier, Philosophy of Comics Conference (Phil ComiCon), Columbus, OH (18 August 2023)
- “Brains in a Vat (Revisited),” Philosophy Colloquium, Virginia Wesleyan College, Norfolk, VA (23 September 2016)
- “Why Should Philosophers (Who Aren’t Historians of Philosophy) Study the History of Philosophy?” Inaugural Phi Sigma Tau (International Philosophy Honor Society) Lecture, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA (5 March 2015); Philosophy Colloquium, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA (17 April 2015)
- “Induction and Circularity,” Logic and Reasoning Institute Colloquium, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA (15 March 2013)

Invited (continued)

- “Out-Huming David Hume,” Annual Phi Sigma Tau (International Philosophy Honor Society) Lecture, The College of Wooster, Wooster, OH (14 February 2013)
- “Three Attempts to Construct the World,” Philosophy Colloquium, Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA (15 November 2012)
- “Psychological Eudaimonism and Interpretation in Greek Ethics” with Mark LeBar, 15th Annual Arizona Ancient Philosophy Colloquium, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (5 February 2010)
- “Why We Are Not Brains in a Vat,” Philosophy of Language Class, Hollins University, Roanoke, VA (21 April 2009); Philosophy Club, Southern Virginia University, Buena Vista, VA (4 March 2009)
- “Practice Makes Perfect: Putnam and Davidson against the Skeptic,” Philosophy of Pragmatism (III): Varieties of Pragmatism, Faculty of European Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania (20 September 2008)
- “Meaningfulness as a Secondary Quality,” Philosophy Colloquium, Bloomsburg University, Bloomsburg, PA (28 March 2008); Philosophy Colloquium, Portland State University, Portland, OR (29 January 2008)
- “Response-Dependence, Noumenalism, and Ontological Mystery,” Philosophy Colloquium, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA (15 January 2008)
- “Davidson, Triangulation, and a Suggestion from Peirce,” Philosophy of Pragmatism (II): Salient Inquiries, Faculty of European Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania (27 September 2007)
- “Rationality across Revolutions,” Philosophy Colloquium, Haverford College, Haverford, PA (17 February 2005); Philosophy Colloquium, State University of New York College at New Paltz, New Paltz, NY (3 February 2005); Philosophy Colloquium, Union College, Schenectady, NY (31 January 2005); Philosophy Colloquium, Loyola University, New Orleans, LA (27 January 2005); Philosophy Colloquium, Ohio University, Athens, OH (18 January 2005)
- “Transcendentalism and the Philosophy of Language,” Humanities Colloquium, Michigan Tech, Houghton, MI (14 February 2005)
- “Descartes, Putnam, and Skepticism,” Philosophy Colloquium, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA (7 February 2005)
- “Brains in a Vat,” Philosophy Colloquium, California Polytechnic State University Colloquium, San Luis Obispo, CA (24 January 2004)

Refereed

- “Kantian Views of Empirical Truth,” Perspectives about Truth, online (20 June 2022)
- “Referentialism, Fiction, and Incorrect Science,” International Colloquium on Metaphysics and Semantics of Fiction, online (17 June 2022)
- “How to Define Your ‘Dragon’,” with Elizabeth Teaff, Mythmoot VI, Leesburg, VA (30 June 2019); on Signum University’s YouTube channel
- “Tolkien’s Crossing of Revisionary Boundaries,” with Chris Gavaler, Mythmoot V, Leesburg, VA (22 June 2018); [on Signum University’s YouTube channel](#)
- “A Diegetic Take on Demarcation,” with Chris Gavaler, Virginia Philosophical Association Conference, Longwood University, Farmville, VA (28 October 2017; chosen as dinner keynote address)
- “19th-Century Truth,” with Ken Lambert, 19th Century Philosophy: 1781–1905 Conference, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA (27 October 2016)
- “The Mind of Swamp Creatures,” with Chris Gavaler, International Pop Culture Association Meeting, Reykjavik, Iceland (23 July 2015)
- “Kant on Demarcation and Discovery,” Philosophy Unbound Conference, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA (23 October 2014)
- “Three Attempts at Constructing the World,” North Carolina Philosophical Society Conference, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC (21–22 February 2014, declined)

Refereed (continued)

- “Why We Should All Be Kantian Dualists,” Virginia Philosophical Association Conference, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA (19 October 2012)
- “Out-Huming David Hume,” Atlantic Canada Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS, Canada (10 July 2011)
- “Psychological Eudaimonism and Radical Interpretation” with Mark LeBar, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference, Boston, MA (29 December 2010)
- “Respect and Moral Motivation,” 11th International Kant Congress, Pisa, Italy (22–26 May 2010, declined)
- “A Classical Pragmatist Solution to Logical Pragmatist Problem,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, University of North Carolina Charlotte, Charlotte, NC (11–13 March 2010, declined)
- “Tension within Triangulation,” Ohio Philosophical Association Conference, Denison College, Granville, OH (12 April 2008), printed in [Proceedings of the Ohio Philosophical Association 5 \(2008\)](#)
- “Meaningfulness as a Secondary Quality,” Virginia Philosophical Association Conference, Roanoke College, Salem, VA (26 October 2008); American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, Vancouver, BC, Canada (9 April 2008)
- “Historicism, Informalism, and the Constitutive–Empirical Distinction,” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, Pasadena, CA (22 March 2008)
- “Response-Dependence, Noumenalism, and Ontological Mystery,” American Philosophical Association, Central Division Conference, Chicago, IL (19 April 2007)
- “Response-Dependence, Ethnocentrism, and Incommensurability,” Ohio Philosophical Association Conference, College of Wooster, Wooster, OH (14 April 2007)
- “Quine on Analyticity, Quine on Naturalism,” Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis, TN (25 February 2006)
- “Incommensurability and Concept Acquisition,” with Matthew Rellihan, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, San Francisco, CA (23 March 2005); Alabama Philosophical Society, Mobile, AL (17 October 2004)
- “Why Kant Cannot Offer a ‘Logic of Discovery’,” Southeastern Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Hampden-Sydney College, Hampden-Sydney, VA (20 November 2004)
- “Davidson’s Return to Kant,” Doscientos Años Después: Retornos y Relecturas de Kant (Two Hundred Years After: Returns and Re-Interpretations of Kant), University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain (9 March 2004)
- “Actually v. Possibly the Case,” Society for Skeptical Studies, meeting conjointly with American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Conference, Washington, DC (27 December 2003); American Philosophy Association, Central Division Conference, Cleveland, OH (26 April 2003)
- “Is Aristotle a Functionalist?,” Spring Philosophy Colloquium, Towson State University, Towson, MD (14 March 2001)

Invited Comments

- On “G.E. Moore’s Epistemological Legacy” by Jeremy Kirby (Albion College), American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, San Francisco, CA (1 April 2010)
- On “Promises, Preferences and Liars” by Matthew McCall (Virginia Tech), Virginia Philosophical Association Conference, Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, VA (24 October 2009)
- On “Kant and the Logic of Aristotle” by Kurt Mosser (University of Dayton), Ohio Philosophical Association Conference, Columbus, OH (1 April 2006), in [Proceedings of the Ohio Philosophical Association 3 \(2006\)](#)
- On “Norms of Assertion” by Jennifer Lackey (Northern Illinois University), American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, Portland, OR (26 March 2006)
- On “Approximation and Relation” by Charles Kurtz (Thiel College), Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis, TN (24 February 2006)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

Washington and Lee University

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| American Pragmatism | Kant |
| Ancient Greek Philosophy | Metaphysics: Existence & Reality |
| Modern European Philosophy | Philosophy and Science Fiction |
| Epistemology: Knowledge & Doubt | Philosophy of Language |
| Honors/Senior Thesis Seminar | Philosophy of Time Travel |
| Intermediate Logic | Quine and Davidson (independent study) |
| Introduction to Logic | |

Ohio University

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| Classical Pragmatism | Kant's <i>Critique of Pure Reason</i> |
| Lepore and Ludwig's <i>Donald Davidson</i> | Philosophy of Mind |
| Fundamentals of Philosophy | Quine and Davidson |

Mount St. Mary's University

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| Ancient & Medieval Philosophy | Modern & Contemporary Philosophy |
| Ethical Theory | |

Theses Supervised

Washington and Lee University Theses (honors unless noted otherwise)

- Advisor, Carter Chandler, "Language and Convention" (Fall 2022–Winter 2023)
- Advisor, John Henry Stearns II, "Epistemic Injustice" (Fall 2022–Winter 2023)
- Advisor, J.C. Ward, "Baptizing Water" (Fall 2022–Winter 2023; winner, Edward Dodd Award for Best Honors Thesis)
- Advisor, Maximilian Gebauer, "On the Viability of Taxonomic Incommensurability" (Fall 2021–Winter 2022; winner, Edward Dodd Award for Best Honors Thesis)
- Advisor, Tiffani Thomasson, "An Analysis of Lying" (Fall 2021–Winter 2022; winner, The Young Scholarship)
- Advisor, MacKenzie Van Meter, "Existentialism and Art" (Fall 2021, non-honors)
- Advisor, McKenzie Koch, "Locke on Personal Identity" (Fall 2020–Winter 2021; winner, The Young Scholarship)
- Advisor, Chad Thomas, "The Metaethics of Washington and Lee's Honor System" (Fall 2020–Winter 2021)
- Co-Advisor, Albert Mikey Barrow, "Corporate Responsibility" (Winter 2019)
- Advisor, Anne Walker, "Syntax and Semantics" (Fall 2017; converted to independent study Winter 2018)
- Advisor, Zoe Stein, "Defending Religious Pluralism" (Fall 2016–Winter 2017)
- Advisor, Jorge Javier Estrada, "Hannah Arendt on the Will" (Fall 2015–Winter 2016)
- Advisor, Daniel Baley, "Defending the Analytic/Synthetic Distinction" (Winter 2015; non-honors)
- Advisor, Austin Pierce, "On Universals" (Fall 2014–Winter 2015)
- Advisor, Ellen Phillips, "Philosophy of Time" (Fall 2014; converted to independent study Winter 2015)
- Co-Advisor, Emily Comer, "Vocabulary Pedagogy: A Wittgensteinian Approach" (Fall 2013–Winter 2014; winner, Charles Thomas Boggs Prize in Philosophy)
- Advisor, Kristin M. Adams, "The Reality of Fiction: An Inquiry into the Ontology and Logic of Fiction" (Fall 2010–Spring 2011)
- Advisor, Shea S. Musgrave, "Transcendental Idealism: An Original Interpretation" (Fall 2010–Spring 2011; winner, Edward Dodd Award for Best Honors Thesis)

Washington and Lee University Theses (honors unless noted otherwise) (continued)

Advisor, Lauren E. Skerrett, "The Compatibility of Human Free Will and Divine Sovereignty" (Fall 2010–Spring 2011)

Co-Advisor, Lisa N. Dutton, "Aspiration and the Absurd: A Critical Perspective of Camus' Existential Ethics" (Fall 2009–Winter 2010)

Co-Advisor, Robin Zheng, "Praising Virtue and Continenence: The Role of Emotion in Moral Appraisal" (Fall 2008–Winter 2009; winner, Edward Dodd Award for Best Honors Thesis)

Ohio University Honors Theses

Reader, Daniel Layman, "Natural Normativity and the Good" (Fall 2007–Spring 2008)

Reader, Jerry Green, "On Virtue Naturalism" (Fall 2007–Spring 2008)

Ohio University Masters Theses

Director, Ben Allen, "Searle and Dretske on Intentionality" (Fall 2007–Spring 2008)

Director, Sarah McCulley, "Logical Form" (Fall 2007–Spring 2008)

Reader, Christopher Sunami, "A Posteriori Metaphysics" (Fall 2007–Spring 2008)

Reader, Trevor Hoag, "A Critique of Things in Themselves" (Fall 2006–Spring 2007)

Director, Sara Ghaffari, "Korsgaard and Mead on Self-Consciousness" (Fall 2006–Spring 2008)

Reader, C. Daniel Dolson, "Toward a Lean Ontology" (Fall 2005–Spring 2006)

Summer Mentoring at Washington and Lee University

Carter Chandler (2021), Maximillian Gebauer (2021), Chad Thomas (2020), Hanxiao Li (2019), Ian R. Sturdy (2010), Blake M. Grady (2010), Kristin M. Adams (2009), Andrew W. Gillmore (2009)

GRANTS AND HONORS

Recipient, Lenfest Summer Grant, Washington and Lee University (2009–)

Recipient, Teacher-Scholar Development Cohort Grant, Washington and Lee University (Fall 2014, 2015, 2019)

Recipient, Lenfest Sabbatical Grant, Washington and Lee University (Fall 2012–Spring 2013; Fall 2017–Spring 2018, declined)

Recipient, Spring Term Course Enhancement Grant, Washington and Lee University (Spring 2011, 2013, 2015)

Invited Speaker, Phi Sigma Tau (International Philosophy Honor Society) Lecture, The College of Wooster (14 February 2013)

Recipient, College Mini Grant, Washington and Lee University (Winter 2010, Fall 2011, Winter 2012, Fall 2013)

Honorary Member, Phi Sigma Tau (International Philosophy Honor Society), Virginia Mu Chapter (Winter 2014–)

Invitee, Pi Beta Phi's Professor Dinner, Washington and Lee University (20 October 2008, 30 November 2009)

Invitee, Hillel's Very Interesting Professor Lunch, Washington and Lee University (29 October 2008)

Recipient, Academic Life Course Development Grant, Washington and Lee University (Winter 2009)

Nominee, Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award, Ohio University (14 April 2008)

Honored Faculty, Ohio University Sorority Dinner, Ohio University (31 May 2007)

Member, Phi Beta Kappa, Mu Chapter of Massachusetts ((Spring 1996)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Washington and Lee University

Participant, Online Reading Group, Robert Brandom's *A Spirit of Trust* (Oxford 2019), organized by Mark LeBar (May 2021–April 2023)

Participant, Faculty Academy, all sessions on online pedagogy (Summer 2020)

Participant, Faculty Academy, refresher sessions on student advising (Fall 2013, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020)

Participant, Online Reading Group, Robert Brandom's *Between Saying and Doing: Towards an Analytic Pragmatism* (Oxford 2010), organized by Mark LeBar (November 2014–April 2015)

Washington and Lee University (continued)

Participant, Logic and Reasoning Institute, hosted by James Madison University (12–16 May 2014)
Participant, occasional meetings with teaching mentor (Fall 2008–Winter 2011)
Participant, Best Practices: Teaching in Our New 4-Week Spring Term (Winter 2009)
Participant, Spring Term Course Development Workshop (Winter 2009)
Participant, Faculty Academy, all sessions on student advising (Fall 2009)
Participant, Faculty Academy, all sessions for new faculty (Fall 2008)

Ohio University

Participant, Workshop on Advising Arts & Sciences Undergraduates (Spring 2006)
Participant, Teaching Workshop (Fall 2005)

Mount St. Mary's University

Participant, Workshop on Teaching Enlightenment Texts (Spring 2005)
Participant, Biweekly Workshop on Pedagogy (Fall 2004–Spring 2005)
Participant, Semester Teaching Retreats (Fall 2004–Spring 2005)

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Washington and Lee University

Founding and Continuing Faculty Advisor, Phi Sigma Tau (International Philosophy Honor Society), Virginia Mu Chapter (Winter 2014–)
Participant, Fall Academic Fair (Fall 2008–)
Advisor, First-Year Students, Philosophy Majors, Philosophy Minors (Fall 2009–Spring 2012, Fall 2013–)
Member, Humanities Advisory Group (Winter 2022–Spring 2023)
Chair, Philosophy Department (Winter 2021–Spring 2023)
Member, Academic Calendar, Schedule, and Registration Committee (Fall 2018–Spring 2023)
Member, University Assurance of Learning Committee (Winter 2020–Spring 2023)
Chair, Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee (Winter 2022)
Chair, Assistant Professor Search Committees (Fall 2020–Winter 2021, Fall 2021–Winter 2022)
Presenter, Winter Academy, What Does Meaningful Assessment Look Like? (December 2021)
Chair, Ted DeLaney Postdoctoral Fellow Search Committee (Winter 2021)
Chair, Erin Taylor's Tenure and Promotion Committee (Fall 2020–Winter 2021)
Coordinator, Philosophy Thesis Program (Fall 2014–Winter 2016, Fall 2020–Winter 2021)
Chair, Li Kang's first pre-tenure review (Fall 2020)
Member, University Courses and Degrees Committee (Fall 2016–Spring 2020)
Coordinator, Philosophy and Interdisciplinary Programs Teacher-Scholar Cohort (Fall 2019–Summer 2020)
Member, Assistant Professor of Philosophy Search Committee (Fall 2018–Winter 2019)
Chair, Paul Gregory's Promotion Committee (Spring 2018–Winter 2019)
Member, Florentien Verhage's Department Tenure and Promotion Committee (Fall 2015–Winter 2016)
Organizer, Philosophy Teacher-Scholar Development Cohort to discuss pedagogy (Fall 2014–Winter 2015)
Organizer, Philosophy Teacher-Scholar Development Cohort to plan Phi Sigma Tau induction and Virginia Philosophical Association meeting (Fall 2014–Winter 2015)
Member, University Committee to Consider Faculty Handbook Revisions for Undergraduate Tenure and Promotion (Winter 2013–Fall 2015)
Member, Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy Search Committee (Winter 2012, 2015)

Washington and Lee University (continued)

Member, University Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (Fall 2011–Spring 2015)
Representative, Philosophy Department Prospective Johnson Scholars Open House (Winter 2011–)
Faculty Co-Advisor, Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges Ethics Bowl (Fall 2011–Winter 2012)
Participant, Philosophy Department Course Revision, Major Redesign, Minor Creation (Spring 2010–Winter 2011)
Member, University Historic Preservation and Archaeological Conservation Board (Fall 2010–Spring 2012)
Participant, Junior Faculty Brown Bag Lunch Series with President Kenneth P. Ruscio (Fall 2010–Spring 2011)
Presenter, Experimental Pedagogies in the Spring Term, Faculty Academy (Winter 2010)
.Founder, Organizer, and Presenter, Washington and Lee, and later Greater Lexington, Philosophy Faculty Works-in-Progress Colloquium (Fall 2009–2012)
Member, Public Functions Committee (Fall 2009–Spring 2010)
Interviewer, University Scholars (Winter 2009)

Ohio University

Organizer, 14th Annual Philosophy Forum (Spring 2008)
Organizer, Reading Group on Robert Pippin's *Hegel's Idealism* (Summer 2008)
Philosophy Representative, Majors Festival (Winter 2008)
Organizer, Philosophy Department Faculty Works-in-Progress Colloquium (Fall 2006–Spring 2008)
Presenter, Philosophy Department Senior Seminar (Spring 2006–2008)
Presenter, Philosophy Department Faculty Works-in-Progress Colloquium (Fall 2005–Spring 2008)
Presenter, Philosophy Department Graduate Student Seminar (Fall 2005–2008)
Advisor, Majors and First-Year Students (Fall 2007–Spring 2008)
Advisor, Masters Students (Fall 2005–Spring 2008)
Member, Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy Search Committee (Fall 2006–Spring 2007)

Mount St. Mary's University

Organizer, Reading Group on Immanuel Kant's *Metaphysical Foundations of Natural Science* (Summer 2005)
Participant, Planning Sessions for Environmental Studies Program (Fall 2004–Spring 2005)
Participant, Planning Sessions for Service-Learning Course Modules (Fall 2004–Spring 2005)
Organizer, Reading Group on Scott Soames' *Beyond Rigidity* (Summer 2004)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External Tenure and Promotion Evaluator, Dickinson College, Grinnell College, Ohio University Zanesville (twice), Virginia Wesleyan College, Wooster College (dates redacted for confidentiality)
Grant Application Reviewer, Austrian Science Foundation, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Public Scholar Program Grants, NEH Summer Grants (dates redacted for confidentiality)
Journal Referee, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialogue*, *European Journal of Philosophy*, *History of Political Thought*, *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*, *Journal for the History of Analytic Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophy and Science Fiction*, *Kantian Review*, *Logique et Analyse*, *Philosophical Frontiers*, *Philosophia*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Polish Journal of Philosophy*, *Principia*, *Ratio*, *Res Philosophica*, *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Synthese*, *Topoi* (various and often multiple)
Manuscript Reader, Catholic University of America Press, Cengage, Oxford University Press, Routledge, Wiley Publishing (various and often multiple)
Virginia Philosophical Association
President *Emeritus* and Conference Advisor (Fall 2016) President (Fall 2014–Fall 2015)
Secretary (Fall 2012–Fall 2013) Conference Organizer (Fall 2014, 2015)

Virginia Philosophical Association (continued)

Vice President & Acting President (Fall 2013–Fall 2014)

Mock Interviewer for Academic Job Candidates, Department of Philosophy, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA (December 2014, 2016, 2018)

Paper Referee, Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Conference (Summer 2012, 2013)

Founding Editor-in-Chief, *Eudaimonia: The Georgetown Philosophical Review*, Georgetown University (Fall 2003–Spring 2004)