

CURRICULUM VITAE
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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

17th and 18th Century Philosophy
Analytic Metaphysics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

Philosophy of Mind/Cognitive Science
Social and Political Philosophy
Philosophy of Religion
Ancient Philosophy

EDUCATION:

University of Kentucky	2007—2013
Ph.D. Philosophy	
Cognitive Science Advanced Certification	2011
University of Kentucky	2009
M.A. Philosophy	
Morehead State University	2003-2007
B.A. Philosophy, Government (<i>Magna cum Laude</i>)	

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy	University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2019—Present
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy	University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2013—2019
Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy	University of Kentucky 2007—2013
Instructor, Department of Philosophy	Eastern Kentucky University 2009—2013
Instructor, Department of Philosophy	Morehead State University Fall 2009, Fall 2010

PUBLICATIONS:

Articles:

1. “God’s Love of Purely Possible Objects: Leibniz on Divine Benevolence and Creation”
Under Review
International Journal for Philosophy of Religion
2. “Leibniz’s Contemporary Modal Theodicy”
Quaestiones Disputatae, Vol. 7. No. 2
Catholic University of America Press, 2017

pp. 97—119

3. “Leibniz’s Ripples: The Continuing Relevance of the Last Great Polymath”
Quaestiones Disputatae, Vol. 7. No. 2
Catholic University of America Press, 2017 pp. 3—7
4. “Leibniz’s Stoic and Spinozistic Justification for Eternal Damnation” in *The Concept of Hell*,
Eds. Benjamin McCraw and Robert Arp
Palgrave Macmillan, 2015 pp. 99—112
5. “Identity Across Space and Time: Bioshock Infinite and Theories of Transworld
Individuality” in *Bioshock and Philosophy*, Ed. Luke Cuddy
Wiley Blackwell, 2015 pp. 76—85
6. “The Individual’s Place in Paradise: The Limits, Promise, and Role of Reason in Modern
Conceptions of Utopia” in *The Individual and Utopia: A Multidisciplinary Study of
Humanity and Perfection*, Eds. Clint Jones and Cameron Ellis
Ashgate Publishing, 2015 pp. 11—25
7. “Dreams and Possible Worlds: Inception and the Metaphysics of Modality”
Chapter 15 in *Inception and Philosophy*
Wiley Blackwell Publishing, 2011 pp. 215—230
8. “The Triforce and the Doctrine of the Mean”
Chapter 17 in *The Legend of Zelda and Philosophy*
Open Court Publishing, 2008 pp. 211—219

Proceedings and Reviews:

1. Review of Lloyd Strickland, *Proofs of God in Early Modern Europe: An Anthology*. Baylor
University Press.
International Journal for Philosophy of Religion
85:3 (June 2019) pp. 369—371
2. Review of Richard Arthur, *Monads, Composition, and Force: Ariadnean Threads through Leibniz’s
Labyrinth*. Oxford University Press.
Forthcoming, *Review of Metaphysics*
3. Review of Jill Graper Hernandez, *Early Modern Women and the Problem of Evil: Atrocity and
Theodicy*. Routledge.
International Journal for Philosophy of Religion
83:2 (April 2018) pp. 213—216
4. Review of Lloyd Strickland, *Leibniz on God and Religion: A Reader*. Bloomsbury Academic
Press.
International Journal for Philosophy of Religion
80:3 (December 2016) pp. 321—323

5. "Leibniz and Impossible Ideas in the Divine Intellect"
Vorträge des X. Internationalen Leibniz Kongresses, Ed. Wenchao Li
Hannover: Olms, 2016 Band IV, pp. 539—551
6. Review of Gonzalo Rodriguez-Pereyra, *Leibniz's Principle of Identity of Indiscernibles*. Oxford University Press.
Journal of the History of Philosophy
53:4 (October 2015) pp. 787—788
7. Review of Michael Shapiro, *War Crimes, Atrocity, and Justice*. Polity Press.
Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict
(2015) pp. 155—156
8. Review of Michael Griffin, *Leibniz, God, and Necessity*. Cambridge University Press.
Review of Metaphysics
66:4 (June 2013) pp. 836—837
9. "Rethinking the Goal of Philosophy: A Phenomenological Reading of Plato's Cave"
Proceedings of the Metaphysics World Congress pp. 1045—1053
10. "Leibniz: Naturalism and Eudaemonism" in Terence Irwin's *Development of Ethics*
Philosophical Forum
Wiley Blackwell Publishing 2011 42:3 p. 298
11. "Kant's Political Philosophy: An Evolution of Social Contract Theory"
Proceedings of the Southeast Philosophy Congress, Volume 2 pp. 95—103
Clayton State University Philosophy Department, 2009

INVITED LECTURES (Including Future Commitments)

1. "Ethics and Conscious Machines"—Community Lecture Series
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point December 2018
2. "What's Love Got to do with It? Leibniz on God and Creation"—Faculty Forum
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point October 2018
3. "Virtual Virtue: Cultivating Morals Through Video Games"—LIFE Presentation
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point October 2016
4. Leibniz on Possible Worlds and Divine Freedom"—Faculty Forum
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point November 2016
5. "Virtual Virtue: Cultivating Morals Through Video Games"—University Evening Address
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point October 2016
6. "Mythos and Logos: The Role of Mythology in Antiquity"
Arbor Vitae-Woodruff School February 2014

7. "Leibniz's Theory of Compossibility: Escaping from Spinoza's Precipice"
Georgetown College September 2012
8. "The Possibility of Possible Worlds: A Story of Radical Philosophers"
Morehead State University February 2012
9. "Locke's *Second Treatise*"
Morehead State University October 2009

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS: (Including Future Commitments)

1. "Free Will and Moral Responsibility in Video Games"
Science Fiction, Popular Cultures
Kona, Hawaii September 2018
2. "Can Leibniz's God Love Purely Possible Objects?"
Society for Philosophy of Religion
New Orleans, Louisiana March 2018
3. "Leibniz and Impossible Ideas in the Divine Intellect"
X International Leibniz Congress
Hanover, Germany July 2016
4. "Leibniz's Contemporary Modal Theodicy"
Continuing Relevance of Leibniz, Franciscan University
Steubenville, Ohio April 2016
5. "Know Your Role: A Defense of Joel's Abandonment of Humanity in *The Last of Us*"
Popular Culture Association
Seattle, Washington March 2016
6. "Leibniz's Stoic and Spinozistic Justification for Eternal Damnation"
Society for Philosophy of Religion
San Antonio, Texas February 2016
7. "Leibniz's Stoic and Spinozistic Justification for Eternal Damnation"
Wisconsin Philosophical Association
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point April 2015
8. "The Ontological Interpretation of Compossibility"
Spinoza-Leibniz Workshop
Michigan State University January 2015
9. "Skills Over Content"
AAPT Session of the Eastern Meeting of the American Philosophical Association
Baltimore, Maryland December 2013

10. "Hope for Economic Liberation: Social Media and the New Capitalist Revolution"
Fifth Biennial International Herbert Marcuse Society
Lexington, Kentucky November 2013
11. "Theodicean Solutions to Leibniz's Problem of Contingency"
Metaphysics 2012 World Congress
Rome, Italy November 2012
12. "Rethinking the Goal of Philosophy: A Phenomenological Reading of Plato's Cave"
Metaphysics 2012 World Congress
Rome, Italy November 2012
13. "The Necessity of Freedom and the Possibility for the Good Life"
Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association
Seattle, Washington April 2012
14. "The Passions of the Soulless: What Spinoza Can Tell Us About *True Blood*"
Far West Popular Culture and American Culture Association
Las Vegas, Nevada February 2012
15. "Leibniz, Lewis, and the Metaphysics of Modality"
Alabama Philosophical Society
Pensacola Beach, Florida September 2011
16. "Leibniz and the Possibility of Worlds: Commensurability and the Principle of the Best"
Florida Philosophical Association
Daytona Beach, Florida November 2010
17. "Optimization and Maximization: A Leibnizian Response to
Rowe's 'No Best World' Thesis"
Alabama Philosophical Society
Pensacola Beach, Florida September 2010
18. "The Aristotelian Roots of Leibnizian Panorganicism"
Kentucky Philosophical Association
Eastern Kentucky University April 2010
19. "The Cause for Rejecting Causation"
Gonzaga University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference
Spokane, Washington April 2009
20. "A New Theory of Belief: Constitution and Consciousness"
Louisiana State University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference
Baton Rouge, Louisiana April 2009
21. Kant's Political Philosophy: An Evolution of Social Contract Theory
Southeast Philosophy Congress at Clayton State University

Morrow, Georgia

February 2009

INVITED COMMENTARY:

1. Invited Commentary on “Can a Thomist Accept the Possibility for an Afterlife for Non-Human Animals?”
Michael Potts, Methodist University
Society for Philosophy of Religion
March 2017
2. Invited Commentary on “A Leibnizian Paradox: Expressing the Universe Through and Individual Substance”
Wisconsin Philosophical Association
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
April 2015
3. Invited Commentary on “Relief Philosophy: To Sacrifice or Not to Sacrifice”
Julian Gonzalez, St. Edwards University
University of Kentucky Graduate Conference
April 2008
4. Invited Commentary on “Basic Rights and Autonomy: Thinking About Global Poverty”
Timothy Weidel, Loyola University
University of Kentucky Graduate Conference
April 2008

CLASSES TAUGHT:

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point (Including Future Commitments)

Lower Division Courses:

Introduction to Philosophy
Contemporary Moral Problems
American Politics (In Political Science Department)

Upper Division Courses:

Metaphysics
Philosophy of Religion
Social and Political Philosophy
Symbolic Logic
Ancient Greek Philosophy
17th and 18th Century Philosophy
Ethics and Medicine
Philosophy in a Popular Mode: Science Fiction
Philosophy of Law
Special Topics: Philosophy of Death
Special Topics: Leibniz
Special Topics: Free Speech and the First Amendment
Politics of Terrorism (In Political Science Department)
Philosophy Capstone: Paradoxes and the Limits of Reason

Independent Studies:

Divine Freedom
Politics and German Idealism
Spinoza and the Pantheism Controversy
Logic and Law
Philosophy of Terrorism
Metaphysical Determinism and Legal Responsibility

Leibniz's Metaphysics

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Institute for the History of Philosophy, "Leibniz's Philosophy of Law"
Emory University 2019

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY:

Merit Evaluation Committee 2013—2014
Student Awards Committee 2013—2018
Philosophical Society Adviser 2013—2018
Search and Screen Committee 2013—2014,
2014—2015,
2016
Chair, COLS Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee 2014—2015
COLS Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee 2013—2014
Philosophy Camp Organizer 2016, 2017

UNIVERSITY:

Department Review Subcommittee 2014—2016

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY:

Guest Editor, *Quaestiones Disputatae* 2017
Peer Review, Cogent Humanities 2015—2016
Panel Chair, "Leibniz and the Nature of God" Leibniz *Gesellschaft*
X International Leibniz Congress 2016
Peer Review, Polity Press 2015
Organizer of the 2015 Wisconsin Philosophical Association
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2015
(Worked with students to develop their philosophy presentations, wrote and received grants, refereed papers, organized the event for UW faculty and students.)
Referee for the Central States Philosophical Association 2013—2014
Chair of the Leibniz Colloquium at the Eastern meeting of the
American Philosophical Association 2012
Teaching Workshop
Sponsored by the American Philosophical Association 2011
(Led a workshop teaching other philosophy instructors how to prioritize developing critical thinking and oral and written communication skills over content mastery.)

AWARDS AND HONORS:

University Excellence in Teaching Award Nomination
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2017-2018

University Scholar Award Nomination
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2016-2017

University Service Award Nomination
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2015-2016

Undergraduate Education Initiative Grant
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

2015 & 2014 (\$3045)—Awarded to develop and institute a “Philosophy Summer Camp” for Stevens Point Area junior and high school students. The camp was designed to introduce students to philosophy through popular culture. The theme of the camp in 2015 was slated to be on “Video Games and Philosophy”. In 2014, the theme was slated to be on “Star Wars and Philosophy.”

2013 (\$315)—Awarded to travel with students to Madison for the meeting of the Wisconsin Philosophical Association. Several of our students presented their work at the conference.

College of Arts and Sciences Certificate of Outstanding Teaching
University of Kentucky

2013 (\$500)—To recognize excellence in undergraduate instruction by Teaching Assistants, the College of Arts & Sciences established the Certificate for Outstanding Teaching award. Fifteen Teaching Assistants, five per area (Math/Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities), receive the certificate and monetary award.

Department of Philosophy Annual Essay Prize
University of Kentucky

2012 (\$500)—Awarded for my essay “The Ontological Interpretation of Compossibility”

Distinguished Teaching Award
University of Kentucky

2012 (\$500)—Awarded to the best graduate student teacher in the department of philosophy. One award is given per year out of approximately 25 graduate students.

Faculty All Star Award
Eastern Kentucky University

2012—Award nominated and chosen by students for overall teaching excellence.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY:

French
Latin

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Philosophical Association
Leibniz Society of North America
Society for the Philosophy of Religion

REFERENCES:

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