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POSITIONS HELD

- ♦ Assistant Dean for Curriculum and Student Affairs, College of Letters and Sciences
The University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, August 2010 to present
- ♦ Chair, Department of Philosophy (Philosophy, Religious Studies, Anthropology)
The University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, Summer 2007 to August 2010
- ♦ Professor of Philosophy
The University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, August 2012 to present
- ♦ Associate Professor of Philosophy
The University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, August 2001 to August 2012
- ♦ Assistant Professor of Philosophy
The University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, August 1995 to August 2001

EDUCATION

- ♦ University of Minnesota, Ph.D. (philosophy), 1995. Dissertation: *Explaining Ourselves: Simulation Theory, Externalism and Causality*
- ♦ University of Minnesota, M.A. (philosophy), 1991
- ♦ Moorhead State University, B.S. summa cum laude (mathematics), 1987

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND COMPETENCE

- ♦ Specialization: Critical Thinking. Symbolic Logic.
- ♦ Competence: Epistemology. Philosophy of Religion.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- ♦ The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning
- ♦ Virtue Epistemology
- ♦ Epistemology of Disagreement
- ♦ Philosophy of Civility
- ♦ Philosophy and Psychotherapy

TEACHING

HONORS AND AWARDS

- ♦ Recipient of the Regents' Teaching Excellence Award, 2009-20010
- ♦ Nominated by UWSP for the Regents' Teaching Excellence Award, 2009-20010
- ♦ Nominated by the Department of Philosophy for the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award, 2008-2009
- ♦ Nominated by the student body for the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award in 2007-2008 and 2005-2006
- ♦ Nominated by UWSP for the Regents' Teaching Excellence Award, 2000-2001
- ♦ Received UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award, 1997-1998

ONLINE LESSONS AND TEXTBOOKS

All of my online lessons have been posted to MERLOT (the Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching) and at www.drddwarren.org. All of my online texts may be found www.drddwarren.org.

- ♦ *Philosophy and the University*
- ♦ *Critical Thinking, the Very Basics*
- ♦ *Argument Structure*
- ♦ *Direction of Support*
- ♦ *Thinking Well*
- ♦ *Decision Making and Problem Solving*
- ♦ *Benjamin Franklin's Advice for Thinking Well with Others*
- ♦ *What is Formal (Symbolic) Logic?*

- ♦ Critical Thinking Textbook (complete)
- ♦ Symbolic Logic Textbook (mostly complete)
- ♦ Introduction to Philosophy Textbook (partially complete)

COURSES TAUGHT

- ♦ Philosophy 100, Introduction to Philosophy
- ♦ Philosophy 121, Critical Thinking
- ♦ Philosophy 322, Symbolic Logic
- ♦ Philosophy 310, Metaphysics
- ♦ Philosophy 312, Epistemology
- ♦ Philosophy 318, Philosophy of Language
- ♦ Philosophy 320, Philosophy of Religion
- ♦ Philosophy 360, Philosophy and Psychotherapy
- ♦ Philosophy 490, Philosophical Problems of Religious Diversity

PROJECTS SUPERVISED

- ♦ Supervised student researcher on the topic of religious diversity, Fall 2005
- ♦ Supervised research project in which two students, paid with L&S Enhancement grant money, collected examples of arguments for inclusion in my critical thinking text, Summer 2005
- ♦ Supervised honors project in symbolic logic on Gödel's Theorem, Fall 2004

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- ♦ Attended LEAP (Liberal Education and America's Promise) Day at UW-Whitewater, February 29, 2012
- ♦ Attended Assessment Academy Workshops at UWSP, Feb 12, March 12, April 16, 2010
- ♦ Attended *Assessing Student Learning Outcomes: CLA in the Classroom*, a UW System Regional Workshop at the University of Wisconsin – Green Bay, March 6-7, 2009
- ♦ Attended *Liberal Education: A Unifying Mission for the 21st Century*, a University of Wisconsin System Conference held at University of Wisconsin, Madison, November 20-21, 2008
- ♦ Attended *Capturing Outcomes in Academic Programs: It's All About Learning* workshop at UWSP, February 2006
- ♦ Attended a lesson study workshop in LaCrosse, January 2006
- ♦ Participated in a UWSP seminar in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Summer 2005
- ♦ Participated in a UWSP summer curriculum development program, Summer 2004

SCHOLARSHIP

PAPERS

- ♦ "Philosophy and Religious Disagreements in the College Classroom," *Encountering Faith in the Classroom*, edited by Miriam Rosalyn Diamond, Stylus Publishing, Sterling Virginia, 2008
- ♦ "If You Say that I'm Over-reacting, I'll Scream! – How the Concept of Over-reaction Undermines the Examined Life" *Practical Philosophy* 5:1, Spring 2002, Special Issue: The Examined Life: 33-38
- ♦ "Healing Thrasymachus: The Psychotherapeutic Use of Dialogue," in *Thinking Through Dialogue*, edited by Trevor Curnow, 2001, Practical Philosophy Press: 42-49
- ♦ "Externalism and Causality: Simulation and the Prospects for a Reconciliation." *Mind & Language*, 14:1, March 1999: 154-176
- ♦ "How Many Angels Can Dance on the Head of a Pin?: The Many Kinds of Questions in Philosophy." *Teaching Philosophy*, 21:3, September 1998: 257-273
- ♦ "Those Who Can, Do: A Response to Sidney Gendin's 'Am I Wicked?'" *Teaching Philosophy*, 19 (1996): 275-279
- ♦ "Surprising Results," with Richard A. Levins, *Methodus*, 4, 1 (1992): 58-64

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES AND OTHER UNIVERSITIES

- ♦ “Mindfulness and Virtue,” Panel Discussion at UW System OPID Conference, Spring 2014
- ♦ “Making the University Safe for Civility: Grounding Civility Initiatives in the Intellectual Virtues,” *Educating for Intellectual Virtues*, Loyola Marymount University, 2013
- ♦ “Civil Discourse and Civility as an Essential Learning Outcome: Help Us to Think About UW-Stevens Point’s Upcoming Civility Initiative,” presentation with Christopher Cirmo at *LEAP 2.0: Integrating Liberal Education into a Changing Landscape*, Madison, 2013
- ♦ “Civility and Philosophy,” presentation at the group meeting of the National Philosophical Counseling Association held in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, December 2012
- ♦ “Marco Polo, Moby Dick, and Teaching Critical Thinking: An Applied Approach,” invited keynote, UW-Whitewater, August 2012
- ♦ “What to do? What to do?: Decision Making, Problem Solving and Wellness,” presentation with James Sage at the National Wellness Conference, Summer of 2009
- ♦ “Participating in a critical thinking course: Is it related to performance on a standardized critical thinking test?” presentation with Shari Ellertson at *Creative and Critical Thinking*, UW-Green Bay Faculty Development Conference, January 2009
- ♦ “Thinking Well: Uncovering our Hidden Assumptions,” presentation at the National Wellness Conference, Summer 2008
- ♦ “Relativism (and Skepticism) Reconsidered: Exploring Some Consequences of Reasonable Disagreements,” presented at *The Christian Worldview: Analysis, Assessment & Development; A Conference in Honor of Keith Yandell*, Madison, WI, September 2005
- ♦ “Philosophical Counseling and the Halting Problem,” presented at the American Association for Philosophy, Counseling and Psychotherapy group meeting at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 2001
- ♦ “Healing Thrasymachus: Philosophy in Therapy,” revised version of “Healing Thrasymachus: The Psychotherapeutic Use of Dialogue,” presented at the American Association for Philosophy, Counseling and Psychotherapy group meeting at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 1999
- ♦ “Healing Thrasymachus: The Psychotherapeutic Use of Dialogue,” Fifth International Conference on Philosophy in Practice, Wadham College, Oxford, July 1999
- ♦ Commented on Karsten Stueber’s, “Simulation or Interpretation: Is the Simulation Theory Philosophically Tenable?” at the Central Division meeting of the APA, 1998

PRESENTATIONS AT UWSP CRITICAL THINKING CONFERENCES

- ♦ “Critical Thinking, Civility, and Virtue” presentation at *Critical Thinking and Civil Discourse*, a critical thinking conference hosted at UWSP, October 2011
- ♦ “Box and Arrow Diagramming” presentation at *Helping Students Reason Better: Using Argument Models in the Classroom*, a critical thinking conference hosted at UWSP, October 2010
- ♦ “Performance Tasks, a General Discussion” presentation at *Assessing Critical Thinking: Performance Tasks*, a critical thinking conference hosted at UWSP, October 2009

- ♦ “How to Grow Tall,” presentation at *Assessing Critical Thinking: From Course to Campus*, a critical thinking conference hosted at UWSP, September 2008
- ♦ “Critical Thinking and Backwards Course Design,” presentation at *Critical Thinking Across the Curriculum*, a critical thinking conference hosted at UWSP, September 2007

PRESENTATIONS AT UWSP’S ANNUAL TEACHING CONFERENCE

- ♦ “Weird Like Me,” presentation at the Annual Teaching Conference at UWSP, January 2013
- ♦ “Intellectual Virtues in the Classroom,” presentation at the Annual Teaching Conference at UWSP, January 2012
- ♦ Participated in a panel discussion on learning outcomes at the Annual Teaching Conference at UWSP, Enhancing Student Learning with Outcomes Based Assessment, January 2010
- ♦ Poster presentation on assessing critical thinking at the Annual Teaching Conference at UWSP, Enhancing Student Learning with Outcomes Based Assessment, January 2010
- ♦ “Student Perceptions of Disagreement,” poster presentation at the Annual Teaching Conference at UWSP, January 2006
- ♦ Chaired plenary session, *Handling Conflict and Diversity in the Classroom*, at the Annual Teaching Conference at UWSP, January 2006
- ♦ “Handling Conflict in the Classroom,” part of a panel discussion at the annual UWSP teaching seminar, January 2005

OTHER PRESENTATIONS AT UWSP

- ♦ “One Image, Many Images,” UW-Stevens Point Convocation Keynote Address, August 2014
- ♦ “Doing Philosophy, Telling Stories, and,” presentation for the Perception Project at UW-Stevens Point, Spring 2013-14
- ♦ “Being Disagreeable,” presentation at the SHINE Conference at UW-Stevens Point, Spring 2013-14
- ♦ “Academic Freedom and Political Activity: Ethical and Legal Issues in Educating Citizens,” part of a panel discussion sponsored by UWSP, August 2005
- ♦ “The Academic Culture of Diverse Viewpoints: Student and Faculty Rights and Responsibilities,” part of a panel discussion on controversial topics in the classroom, sponsored by UWSP, April 2005
- ♦ “Philosophical Counseling,” part of a panel discussion sponsored by the UWSP Psychology Club, February 2005
- ♦ “How to be Confused,” with Tara Hofkens to the UWSP L&S Forum and to UWSP Phi Kappa Phi, 1998

PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY

- ♦ “To Err is Human: An Introduction to Logical Fallacies and Other Ways Thinking Goes Wrong,” presentation for Learning Is For Ever (LIFE) at UWSP, December 2014
- ♦ “Critical Thinking and Civil Discourse,” presentation for Learning Is For Ever (LIFE) at UWSP, November 2011

- ♦ “Thinking Well: Exploring the Intersection between Critical Thinking and Cognitive Therapy,” presentation for Learning Is For Ever (LIFE) at UW-SP, September 2009
- ♦ “Thinking Well: Exploring the Intersection between Critical Thinking and Cognitive Therapy,” presentation for the UW-SP College of Letters and Science Community / Campus Lecture Series, March 2009
- ♦ Invited talk on informal logic to a group from the Lincoln Center, 2002

SERVICE

HONORS AND AWARDS

- ♦ Served as Grand Marshal for the first UWSP New Student Convocation, August 2013
- ♦ Nominated by the Department of Philosophy for the UWSP University Service Award, 2012-13

SERVICE TO DISCIPLINE

Critical Thinking Conferences Hosted

- ♦ Hosted *Critical Thinking and Civil Discourse*, a critical thinking conference hosted at UWSP, October 2011
- ♦ Hosted *Helping Students Reason Better: Using Argument Models in the Classroom* conference at UWSP, 2010
- ♦ Hosted *Assessing Critical Thinking: Performance Tasks* conference at UWSP, October 2009
- ♦ Hosted *Assessing Critical Thinking: From Course to Campus* conference at UWSP, 2008
- ♦ Hosted *Critical Thinking Across the Curriculum* conference at UWSP, 2007

Other Service to Discipline

- ♦ Facilitated a Luncheon Table, *Incorporating Critical Thinking in the Classroom*, at the CCAS (Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences) meeting in Montreal, Canada, November 2011
- ♦ Reviewed the CEU-Lopez Critical Thinking Test for validity, 2010-2011
- ♦ Served as a consultant to an education professor at UW-Stout who was working on a critical thinking project, 2009-2010
- ♦ Served as a consultant to an interdisciplinary group of professors at UW-Stout working on an OPID grant to study critical thinking pedagogy, 2009-2010
- ♦ Coordinated Wisconsin Philosophical Association conference, held at UWSP 2009-20010
- ♦ Coordinated Wisconsin Philosophical Association conference, held at UWSP 2002-2003

SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY

Service Supporting the Making Our Point Civil Discourse Initiative at UWSP

- ♦ Facilitated the public forum, “A Civil Discourse on Public Vaccination Policy and the First Amendment,” September 2013
- ♦ Received (with Dean Cirmo) an Association of American Colleges and Universities Grant to support *Making Our Point: A Civility Initiative*, October 2012

Service Supporting Critical Thinking Instruction at UWSP

- ♦ Received OPID Argument Mapping Grant
- ♦ Gave presentation and led discussion about teaching critical thinking across the General Education Program, 2013
- ♦ Gave presentation and led discussion about teaching critical thinking at a First Year Seminar Workshops at UWSP, 2011, 2012, 2013
- ♦ Facilitated the Faculty Learning Community *Critical Thinking: What is it? How can we teach it? And how can we assess it?* at UWSP, 2011-2012
- ♦ Founded the Wisconsin Association for Critical Thinking (WACT), 2006

University Search Committees

- ♦ Served on the Search and Screen Committee for the Dean of Students, 2013-2014
- ♦ Served on the Search and Screen Committee for the Vice Chancellor for University Advancement, 2012-2013
- ♦ Served on the Search and Screen Committee for the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, 2010-2011
- ♦ Served on Search and Screen Committee for Associate Institutional Planner at UWSP, 2009-2010

Other University Committees

- ♦ Chair of UWSP’s Essay Review Committee for the UW-System Advisory Group for the Liberal Arts Essay Competition, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015
- ♦ Served as a judge for the UW-System Advisory Group for the Liberal Arts Essay Competition, 2012-2013, 2013-2014
- ♦ Served on UW-Stevens Point Suspension Appeals Committee, 2014-2015
- ♦ Served on UW-Stevens Point Advising Council, 2013-2014, 2014-2015
- ♦ Served on the Convocation Planning Committee, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-2015
- ♦ Served on advisory group for the Bachelor of Applied Studies Degree, 2013-2014
- ♦ Chaired an *ad hoc* group convened by the Chancellor to discuss veterans’ credit, 2013
- ♦ Served as a member of the Advising Task Force, 2013
- ♦ Served on UWSP Retention Task Force, 2011-2013
- ♦ Serve on an *ad hoc* committee to select, fund, and institute a campus-wide voluntary gatekeeper training program for suicide prevention, 2011-12

- ♦ Member of UWSP's Enrollment Capacity *ad hoc* committee, at request of the provost, 2010
- ♦ Served on Summer 2007 Curricular Redesign Program Committee
- ♦ Served on the UWSP Teaching Center Organizing Committee, 2004-2005
- ♦ Served on the UWSP Committee to Assess the Assessment of Reading and Writing, 2003-2004
- ♦ Served on the UWSP Chancellor's Leadership Award Committee, 2000-2001
- ♦ Served on the UWSP Computer Implementation Working Group, 1999-2000

SERVICE TO COLLEGE

College Search Committees

- ♦ Served on the Search and Screen Committee for the Assistant to the Dean for Planning, Media, and Events, 2013-14.
- ♦ Served on the Search and Screen Committee for the Associate Dean of the College of Letters and Science, 2012-13
- ♦ Served on the Search and Screen Committee for the Assistant to the Dean of the College of Letters and Science for Advancement and Marketing, 2010-2011
- ♦ Served on the UWSP Search and Screen Committee for the Associate Dean of the College of Letters and Sciences, 1998

Other College Committees

- ♦ Chair of the College of Letters and Science Undergraduate Research Symposium Organizing Committee, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015
- ♦ Served on the College of Letters and Science Undergraduate Research Symposium Organizing Committee, 2000-2006.
- ♦ Served on the UWSP College of Letters and Sciences Dean's Advisory Committee, 1995-1997

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT

- ♦ Chaired Department Assessment Committee, 2014-2015
- ♦ Served on Department Assessment Committee, 2013-2014
- ♦ Chaired Philosophy Department Bylaws Committee, 2012-2013
- ♦ Department Chair, 2007-2010
- ♦ Acting Chair of the Philosophy Department, Summer 2005 and Summer 2006
- ♦ Philosophy Coordinator, 1999 - 2007
- ♦ Served on numerous Department Search Committees (Chaired three searches)

OTHER SERVICE

- ♦ Conducted LSAT Prep Session with Student Legal Society, November 2014

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- ♦ American Philosophical Association
- ♦ American Association of Philosophy Teachers
- ♦ Association for Informal Logic and Critical Thinking
- ♦ National Philosophical Counseling Association
- ♦ Society of Christian Philosophers