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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Professor, University of Missouri (from Fall 2009 to present)
- Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Missouri (2012-2016)
- Associate Professor, University of Missouri (1999 to 2009)
- Assistant Professor, University of Missouri (1993 to 1999)

EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Philosophy, 1993, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
- B.S., Philosophy, 1984, M.A., Philosophy, 1986, University of Oregon

AREA OF SPECIALIZATION

- Ethics, Metaethics

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

- Kant, Political Philosophy, Metaphysics, Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Law

RESEARCH (+=invited, *=refereed, ~=in preparation**)**

Current projects:

- “The Anti-Deontological Revolt in Kantian Ethics”
- “Whewell on Differences Between Moral Theories”

Books:

- Co-editor, with Michael Smith, *Passions & Projections: Critical Essays on the Philosophy of Simon Blackburn* (Oxford U. Press, 2015)
- Co-editor, with Mark Timmons, *Kantian Reflections on Morality, Law and Society: Critical Essays on the Philosophy of Thomas E. Hill Jr.* (Oxford U. Press, 2015)
- *Self Improvement: An Essay in Kantian Ethics* (Oxford U. Press, Oct. 2011)

Articles:

- “Duties to Self”, in *Cambridge Kant Lexicon*. J. Wuerth, ed. (Cambridge U. P., 2017)
- “Courage”, in *Cambridge Kant Lexicon*. J. Wuerth, ed. (Cambridge U. P., 2017)
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- “The Methodology of Pure Practical Reason” in *The Kantian Mind*. M. Timmons, S. Baiasu, eds., (Routledge, 2017).
- "Kant's Moral Philosophy" (substantial revision), with Adam Cureton, *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Winter 2016)*, Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL URL = <<http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2016/entries/kant-moral/>>.*
- “Introduction”, with Mark Timmons, in *Passions & Projections: Reason, Value and Respect: Kantian Themes from Philosophy of Thomas E. Hill, Jr.* (Oxford U. Press, 2015)
- “Introduction”, with Michael Smith, in *Critical Essays on the Philosophy of Simon Blackburn*, R.N. Johnson, M. Smith, eds., (Oxford U. Press, 2015)
- “Virtue and Right Revisited”, blogpost, *Pea Soup*, 2015
- "Duties to Others", *Kant's Metaphysics of Morals: A Critical Guide*, L. Denis, ed., New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010.+~
- Entries in the *Kant-Lexicon*, (Berlin: de Gruyter, 2015) G. Mohr, J. Stolzenberg & M. Willaschek, eds. +
 - Ideal (moralisches)
 - Anlage, (moralische, ursprüngliche)
 - Eudämonismus
 - Gebot
 - Depositum
- “The Moral Law as Causal Law” in *Kant’s Groundwork: A Critical Guide*, J. Timmerman, ed., New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010.+
- "Prichard, Falk and the End of Deliberation " in *Reasons to be Moral Revisited*, special edition of the *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, S. Black and E. Tiffany, eds., 2010. +~
- "Good Will and the Moral Worth of Acting from Duty", T. E. Hill, ed., *Blackwell Companion to Kant's Ethics*. NY: Blackwell, 2009. +

- "Self-development as an Imperfect Duty," in *Moral Cultivation*, P. J. Ivanhoe and B. Wilburn, eds, Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2008. +
- "Value and Autonomy in Kantian Ethics" in *Oxford Studies in Metaethics* Vol. 2, R. Shafer-Landau, ed., Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007; pp. 133-148.*
- "Was Kant a Virtue Ethicist?" in Monika Betzler, ed., *Kant's Virtue Ethics*, Berlin, De Gruyter Verlag, 2007. +
- "Practical Reason", *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2nd edition, D. Borchert, ed., Macmillan Reference, January, 2006.+
- "Relativism", in the *New Dictionary of the History of Ideas*. Scribner & Sons, 2005; pp. 2035-2039.+
- "Obligation", in the *New Dictionary of the History of Ideas*. Scribner & Sons, 2005; pp. 1658-1663.+
- "Internal Reasons: Reply to Brady, Gert and van Roojen," *The Philosophical Quarterly* 53 no. 213, October 2003; pp. 573-580.*
- "Virtue and Right," *Ethics* 113, no. 4, July 2003; pp. 810-834.*

Reprinted in:

- *Philosopher's Annual 26*. P. Grim, P. Ludlow, G. Mar, eds., URL=<<http://www.philosophersannual.org/>>
- *Conduct and Character: Readings in Moral Theory*. M. Timmons. ed., (Wadsworth, 2006), pp. 187-194.
- *Principles of Moral Philosophy: Classical and Contemporary Sources*. S. Cahn, A. Forceheims, eds. (Oxford U. P., 2016).
- *Ethics: The Big Questions*. J. Sterba, ed. (Blackwell, 2009).
- "Happiness as a Natural End," in M. Timmons, ed., *Kant's Metaphysics of Morals: Interpretive Essays*, Oxford University Press, 2002; pp. 637-665. +
- "Internal Reasons and the Conditional Fallacy," *The Philosophical Quarterly* 49, no. 194, Jan. 1999: 53-71*
- "Weakness Incorporated" *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 15, No. 3, July 1998: 349-367*

- "Minding One's Manners: Revisiting Moral Explanations," *Philosophical Studies* 90, No. 2, May 1998: 181-203*
- "Reasons and Advice for the Practically Rational," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, LVII, No. 3, September 1997: 619-625*
- "Love in Vain," *Southern Journal of Philosophy XXXV Supplement: Spindel Conference on Kant's "Metaphysics of Morals"*, 1997: 45-50+
- "Kant's Conception of Merit," *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 77, Dec. 1996: 313-337*
- "Kant's Conception of Virtue," *Jarhbuch für Recht und Ethik/Annual Review of Law and Ethics* Vol. 5, December, 1996:365-387+
- "Expressing a Good Will: Kant on the Motive of Duty," *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, Summer, 1996, XXXIV, No. 2: 147-168*
- "Deontological Ethics," *Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Supplement*. (NY: Macmillan, 1996) +

Reviews

- Jean Hampton, *The Authority of Reason* (Cambridge, 1998), *Mind*, 111, Issue 443, July 2002; pp. 676-79.
- Svavarsdottir, Sigrun, "Moral Cognitivism and Motivation," BEARS Symposium, Aug., 2001
(<http://www.brown.edu/Departments/Philosophy/bears/0107john.html>)
- Paul Guyer, ed. *Kant's Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals: Critical Essays* (Rowman & Littlefield, 1998), *Ethics*, vol. 1998.
- "Hurka on Rational Regret," BEARS Symposium on Thomas Hurka's "Monism, Pluralism and Rational Regret," *Ethics*, Vol. 106 No. 3 April 1996
- Marcia Baron, *Kantian Ethics Almost Without Apology* (Cornell University Press, 1995), *The Philosophical Review*; 1995
- Victoria S. Wike, *Kant on Happiness in Ethics*. (SUNY Press, 1994), *Ethics*, October 1995
- Allen Rosen, *Kant's Theory of Justice*. (Cornell University Press, 1994), *Ethics*, April 1995

PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

Papers:

“Whewell on Differences Between Moral Theories”

- Workshop on Respect, UNC-Chapel Hill, May 20, 2017.
- Department Colloquium, U. of Missouri, March, 2017.

“Self-Respect and the Order of Practical Cognition in the ‘Transcendental Method’

- University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Nov. 2016

“Grenberg and Baxley on *Self-Improvement*”

- **Author-Meets-Critics** session on my *Self-Improvement: An Essay in Kantian Ethics*, **American Philosophical Association**, Central Division Meeting, 2014

“Can Virtue Ethics Be Saved?”

- Department Colloquium, University of Arkansas, Dec. 3, 2010

“Can There Be Duties to God?”

- Workshop in Philosophy of Religion, January, 2010

“Kantian Contractualism and Self-Improvement”,

- Arizona Workshop in Normative Ethics, January, 2010

"Value, Obligation, Autonomy"

- Departmental Colloquium, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Oct. 13, 2006

“Hill on Self-Regarding Duties”

- Conference in honor of Thomas E. Hill, jr., University of Minnesota, Nov. 4-6, 2005

“The Case for Kantian Irrealism”

- Departmental Speaker Series, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Oct. 10th 2005

“Irrealism, Intrinsic Value, Universality”

- *2nd Annual Metaethics Workshop*, University of Wisconsin, Sep. 16-18th 2005

"The Good Will and the Moral Worth of Actions from Duty"

- *Workshop on Kant's Ethics*, UNC-Chapel Hill, Nov. 19-21, 2004

"Reply to Valerie Tiberius on Virtue and Right"

- Colloquium, **American Philosophical Association** Central Division Meeting, April, 30 2004+

"How to be a Meta-Ethicist: Dreier and Fine on Moral Realism"

- Symposium, **American Philosophical Association** Pacific Division Meeting,

March, 2004 (Primary Speaker, Jamie Dreier)+

"The Good of Self-Development"

- Bowling Green State University, Colloquium, Feb. 6, 2004+
- University of Colorado, Boulder, *Rocky Mountain Virtue Ethics Summit*, April 3-5, 2004

"Hill on Autonomy, Personal Values and Hypothetical Consent"

- **Author-Meets-Critics** session on Thomas E. Hill, jr.'s *Human Welfare and Moral Worth*, North American Kant Society Meeting at **American Philosophical Association**, Eastern Division Meeting, Dec. 27-30, 2003

"Virtue and Right"

- +Simpson College Lecture Series, February 14, 2002
- +University of California, Davis, Colloquium, January 15, 2002
- **British Society for Ethical Theory* Conference University of Glasgow, Scotland, July 13-15, 2001
- **Royal Institute of Philosophy, Conference on the Emotions*, University of Manchester, Manchester, England, July 11-13, 2001
- +**Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**, Collegium Philosophicum, Institut für Philosophie, Berlin, Germany, Nov. 29, 2000
- +**Münster Universität**, Seminar für Philosophie, Münster, Germany, Nov. 27, 2000

"Freedom as Self-Conception"

- + **North American Kant Society, American Philosophical Association** Central Division Meeting, April 22, 2000

"Internal Reasons and the Conditional Fallacy,"

- *Symposium Paper, **American Philosophical Association** Eastern Division Meeting, December 29, 1998
- +Department of Philosophy, University of Missouri, St. Louis, February, 1998
- +Department of Philosophy, University of Minnesota, January, 1998

"Weakness Incorporated,"

- ***American Philosophical Association**, Eastern Division Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, December 27-30, 1997
- **Central States Philosophical Association*, October 17-18, 1997

"Kant's Conception of Virtue"

- +International Conference on *Kant's Metaphysics of Morals: A 200-Year Tradition in Distinguishing Law and Ethics*. Smith College, August, 1996

"Reasons and Advice for the Practically Rational"

- **American Philosophical Association**, Pacific Division Meeting, April, 1996
- *Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*, October 1995
- *Central States Philosophical Association*, October, 1995

"Kymlicka on Consequentialism,"

- **Society for Social and Political Philosophy*, April, 1996

+ "Deontology,"

- **Kansas City Philosophical Society*, University of Kansas, November 1995

"Kant on Merit,"

- ***American Philosophical Association**, Central Division Meeting, May 1994

"Kant's 'No Accident' Criterion of Moral Worth,"

- ***American Philosophical Association**, Eastern Division Meeting, December, 1993

"The Failure of Explanationism in Moral Theory,"

- ***American Philosophical Association**, Eastern Division Meeting, December, 1992
- +Dept. of Philosophy, University of Kansas, February, 1992 (job talk)
- +Dept. of Philosophy, University of Missouri, January, 1993 (job talk)

Comments:

“Manne & Paese on Humanism, **American Philosophical Association**, Central Division, 2018.

"*Akrasia* and Huck Finn: a comment on Rishi Joshi", **Central States Philosophical Association**, 2016

- “Self-Respect, Happiness and Morality”, Author-Meets-Critics on Paul Bloomfield’s *The Virtues of Happiness*, **American Philosophical Association**, Pacific Division, 2016

- “Plunkett on Full Information Theories of Reasons”, **American Philosophical Association**, Central Division, 2016

“Comments on Lemos Against Value Holism”, Florence G. Kline Workshop on Value Holism, Spring 2014.

- "*Cross Road Blues*", comment on Robert Kraut and Robert Stolorow. **American Philosophical Association**, Pacific Division, 2013

“Hurka on Sidgwick”, Florence G. Kline Workshop on Topics in Moral and Political Philosophy, Fall 2013.

· "Wyckoff on the Problem of Timing in Maxims", **American Philosophical Association**, Pacific Division Meeting, April, 2007

- "Brink on Normative Perfectionism", Florence G. Kline Colloquium on Intrinsic Value, UM-Columbia, April, 2007
- "Vilhauer on Differential Distribution Without Responsibility", **American Philosophical Association**, Eastern Division Meeting, December, 2006
- "Sayre-McCord on Rational Agency and Normative Concepts", Florence G. Kline Colloquium on Normativity in Ethics and Epistemology, Sept. 2006
- "Sverdlik on Motive, Maxims and Deontic Relevance" **American Philosophical Association**, Pacific Division Meeting, March 2006
- "David Copp on Collective Agents", Florence G. Kline Colloquium on Collective Rationality, Oct. 2005.
- "Comment on Mathias Risse's "Do We Live in an Unjust World?", Florence G. Kline Colloquium on Poverty and Global Justice, April 9, 2004.
- "Stephen Sverdlik on Acting From Duty", *Central States Philosophical Association*, Chicago, IL, Oct. 17-18, 2003
- "Colin P. Bird on Reciprocity and Mutual Respect", **American Philosophical Association** Pacific Division Meeting, April 24, 2003
- "Kahn on Non-Cognitivism and Disagreement", **American Philosophical Association** Pacific Division Meeting, April 30, 2002
- "Wiland on Psychologism, practical reason, and the possibility of error", Central States Philosophical Association, Washington University, St. Louis, October 2001
- "Stark on Sympathy and Moral Worth," **American Philosophical Association** Pacific Division Meeting, April 6, 2000
- "Gowans on Practical Identities and Autonomy," Comment, **American Philosophical Association** Pacific Division Meeting, April 4, 1999
- "Baron on Love and Respect in Kant's *Tugendlehre*," *Spindel Conference on Kant's "Metaphysics of Morals*," Memphis, TN, October 2-4, 1997
- "Shafer-Landau's Reliabilist Ethical Intuitionism," *Central States Philosophical Association*, October, 1996
- "Inflating Impartiality: Lawrence Blum's "Deflating Particularity," *Colloquium on Impartiality in Ethics*, University of Utah, May
- "Latham on 'Acting Solely from the Motive of Duty'" Comment, *Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference*, October

TEACHING

Graduate Seminars:

- Phil. 8100 Proseminar in Philosophy (FS 2004)
- Recent Work in Metaethics (FS 2004)
 - ***Naming and Necessity*** (FS 2007)
 - ***Naming and Necessity*** (FS 2011)
- Phil. 8210 Teaching Philosophy
- Phil. 9901 Recent work on the ***Groundwork*** (WS 1993)
- Phil. 9901 Korsgaard's ***Sources of Normativity*** (FS 1997)
- Phil. 9520 Ethical Theory:
- Moral Realism (FS1994)
 - Internalism(FS 1996)
 - Non-cognitivism (FS 1998)
 - Particularism and Intuitionism (FS 2001)
 - Reason and Virtue (FS 2003)
 - Recent work on Intrinsic Value (FS2006)
- Phil. 9120 British Empiricism (FS 1995, FS 1999, WS 2005, WS 2008)
- Phil. 9130 Kant (F 2002)
- BPA 300 Business Ethics (for the College of Business)

Graduate Tutorials:

- Kant's ***Critique of Practical Reason***
- Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau
- Ethical Theory (Moral Realism)

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

- Phil. 1100 Introduction to Ethics
- Phil. 2005 Topics: The Meaning of Life
- Phil. 2010 Philosophy of Film
- Phil. 2440 Medical Ethics
- Phil. 3200 History of Modern Philosophy
- Phil. 4600 Political and Social Philosophy
- Phil. 3800 Rawls
- Phil. 4200 Metaphysics
- Phil. 4610 Philosophy of Law
- Phil. 4500 Theories of Ethics
- Phil. 4950 Senior Seminar for Majors (Metaphysics)

M.A. Theses directed or co-directed:

- “Does the Principle of Organic Unities Have a Paradoxical Implication?” Xiaofe Liu, Spring 2008
- “Geach and Good as Predicative”, Phillip Swenson, Fall 2007

- "Is Hard Positivism Too Hard to Swallow?" Jason Glahn, Fall 2004
- "Consent", Aaron Wright, Winter 2005
- "The Morality of Affirmative Action," Christopher Ballard, 1995
- "Locke's Anti-essentialism and Natural Kinds," Brian Casey, 1999
- "What Would it Take to Keep Us Regular?," Omar Moad, 2000
- "Kim on Weak Supervenience," Brian Lang, 2000
- "Swineburn's Modal Argument for Dualism", Troy Nunley, 2001

Ph.D. Committees:

- Director, "Internalism and Externalism", Jason Berntsen, Fall, 2007, (Xavier New Orleans, tenure track)
- Director, "Legal Positivism", Brian Casey, Fall, 2007 (Assistant US Attorney, Kansas City)
- 2nd Reader, "Self-determination as a Goal of Correctional Counseling," Frances Gill, 2001
- 2nd Reader, "Kant on Truth," Lori Underwood, 1999
- 2nd Reader, "A Justification of Morality within the Rational Choice Framework," Young Ran Kim, 1997
- "A Defense of Negative Causation", Michael Hartsock, in progress
- Member, "An Analysis of the State", Alan Tomhave, Spring 2008
- Member, "Using and Coming to Own", Eric Roark, Spring 2008
- Member, "A Defense of Moral Perception", Justin McBrayer, Spring 2008
- Member, "Intellectual Property Rights and the Type/Token Distinction, Fall 2007
- Member, "Critical Pluralism: Religious Models and Approximate Truth", Matthew Konieczka, Fall 2007
- Member, "Alvin Plantinga's Argument Against Evolutionary Naturalism" , Troy Nunley, 2003
- Member, "Prolegomena to an Occasionalist Metaphysics" Omar Moad, 2002
- Member, "Cartesian Simplicity", Brian Lang, 2001
- Member, "The Problem of Ad-Hocness in Epistemology," Jamie Phillips, 1999
- Member, "Language, Logic, Knowledge and Reality: The Logical Atomisms of Russell and Wittgenstein," Jordan J. Lindberg, 1998
- Member, "The Moral Pathology of Modern Character : a Parallel Account to MacIntyre's Critique of Modernity," Laurence Buckley-Rohrer, 1995

B.A. Honors Theses Directed:

- "Moral Uncertainty and the Justice of Killing in War", William C. Herbert, Fall 2009
- "Film Evaluation", Greg Doty, Fall 2009
- "Pornography", Mary Beth Finch, Spring 2002
- "Utilitarianism and rights", Tony Baker, Fall 2002
- "Justice as Fairness and Self-Ownership: Cohen's Critique of Rawls," Todd Kennedy, Spring 2000
- "Liberalism and the Problem of Congruence," Marc Shelley, Spring 2000

External Committees

- Outside member, Fergus Moore, MFA in Pottery, 2006

SERVICE

Profession

- Member, APA Central Division Program Committee, 2001-2
- Referee for:
 - *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*
 - *Ethics*
 - *Nous*
 - *Journal of the History of Philosophy*
 - *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*
 - *The Journal of Ethics*
 - *Philosopher's Imprint*
 - *Philosophical Review*
 - *Philosophical Papers*
 - *Philosophical Studies*
 - *The Philosophical Quarterly*
 - *Oxford University Press*
 - *Routledge Press*
 - *Broadview Press*
 - Wisconsin Meta-Ethics Conference

Department:

- Chair, Sara Chant's Tenure and Promotion Committee (Fall 2011)
- Chair, Zac Ernst's Tenure Review Committee (Fall 2007)
- Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on the Status of Women in the Department
- Chair, Ad Hoc Committee for Non-Regular Faculty Policy (Spring-Fall 2006-7)
- Member, Matt McGrath's Tenure Review Committee (2004)
- Director of Graduate Studies (Fall 1995, 2001-2005)
- Chair, Ethics Search Committee (Fall 2002)
- Chair, Committee on Philosophy Graduate Curriculum (Fall 2001-Spring 2002)
- Member, Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum (Fall 2001-Spring 2002)
- Chair, Hiring Committee, Ethics (Spring 2000)
- Hiring Committee, Philosophy of language (1999-2000)
- Director of Undergraduate Studies (1997-2000)
- Chair, Speaker's Committee (1994-5)
- Graduate Recruitment Committee (1994-98)

College

- Member, NEH grants committee (1998)
- Member (alt.) Campus Computer Policy Committee (1998-9)
- Member, Arts and Sciences Academic Advisory Committee (1994-6)

University

- Member, Chancellor's Award for Outstanding Research and Creative Activity (Fall 2009, 2011, 2013)
- Member, Campus Writing Board (Fall 2008 —Spring 2011)
- Member, Campus Grievance Committee (Fall 2004 – Spring 2005)
- Chair, Graduate Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee (Fall 2002-Spring 2003)
- Graduate Faculty Senate (Fall 2001 to Spring 2004)
- Member, Faculty Council (1999-2000)

HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS

- Chancellor's Award for Outstanding Research and Creative Activity in the Performing Arts and Humanities, 2007. (\$1000, plus \$2000 research)
- Provost's Research Leave program, 2005-6
- Gold Chalk Award for Outstanding Graduate Teaching and Advising, 2003
- University of Missouri System Research Board Grant, 2000-1, \$22,942
- Fellow, Wakonse Conference on College Teaching, 1996
- Panhellenic/Interfraternity Council Outstanding Teaching Achievement Award, 1996
- University of Missouri Research Council Summer Research Fellow, 1994, \$2,000
- University Dissertation Fellow, University of North Carolina, 1992-3, \$10,000/yr.+tuition & fees
- Henry Horace Williams Fellow, University of North Carolina, 1987-9 \$9,000/yr. + tuition & fees
- Research Assistant for Prof. William G. Lycan, Winter 1992
- Research Assistant for Prof. Simon Blackburn, Fall 1991
- Phi Beta Kappa, Oregon 1984
- Honors in philosophy, Oregon 1984

LANGUAGES

- German

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member of *American Philosophical Association*
- Panelist, "Philosophy, Culture and the Black Experience," Black Culture Center Symposium, University of Missouri, Nov. 1995
- Panelist, "Religion and Violence," *Speak Your Mind*, (Teen Talk Show, Hickman High School), sponsored by the University Hospital and Clinics, Sept. 1994

REFERENCES

- Stephen Darwall, Andrew Downey Orrick Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Yale University
- Thomas E. Hill, jr., Kenan Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
- Rosalind Hursthouse, Department of Philosophy, University of Auckland, New Zealand
- Michael Smith, McCosh Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Princeton University
- Mark Timmons, Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Arizona
- J. David Velleman, Professor, Department of Philosophy, NYU