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Curriculum Vitae
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Education

PhD University of Massachusetts, Amherst, September 2000
BA University of Connecticut, 1993. Major in Philosophy, Minor in Linguistics

Area of Specialization

Early-Modern Philosophy¹

Areas of Competence

Metaphysics, Philosophy of Religion/Philosophical Theology Medieval Philosophy, ‘Counter-Reformation’ Scholastic Philosophy, History of Science (16th and 17th Centuries), Metaphysical Issues in Aesthetics

Edited Books

The Routledge Companion to Seventeenth-Century Philosophy
Routledge, 2017

Identity

Oxford University Press. In the new ‘Oxford Philosophical Concepts’ Series, under the general editorship of Christia Mercer. In Progress.

Publications

“Descartes on the Objective Reality of Materially False Ideas”
Pacific Philosophical Quarterly 81 (2000), 385-408

¹ Including so-called ‘non-canonical’ figures, such as early modern women philosophers, Cambridge Platonists, etc..

- “Descartes’ Creation Doctrine and Modality”
Australasian Journal of Philosophy 80 (2002), 24-41
- “*Infirmus Gradus Libertatis?* Descartes on Indifference and Divine Freedom”
Religious Studies 39 (2003), 391-406
- “Divine Simplicity and the Eternal Truths in Descartes”
British Journal for the History of Philosophy 11 (2003), 553-579
- “God’s Immutability and the Necessity of Descartes’ Eternal Truths”
Journal of the History of Philosophy 43 (2005), 1-19
- “Locks, Schlocks, and Poisoned Peas: Boyle on Actual and Dispositive Qualities”
Oxford Studies in Early Modern Philosophy 3 (2006), 153-198
- “Locke on Individuation and the Corpuscular Basis of Kinds”
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research 75 (2007), 499-534
 [Nominated for the APA Article Prize]
- “Descartes on Composites, Incomplete Substances, and Kinds of Unity”
Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie, (2008), 39-73
- “The Resurrection of the Same Body and the Ontological Status of Organisms: What Locke Should Have (and Could Have) Told Stillingfleet”
Contemporary Perspectives on Early Modern Philosophy, David Owen, Paul Hoffman, and Gideon Yaffe (eds.), Broadview Press, (2008), 191-214
- “Cartesian Substances, Individual Bodies, and Corruptibility”
Res Philosophica, Special Issue on Modern Philosophy (2014), 71-103.
- “Locke’s Theory of Identity”
A Companion to Locke, Matthew Stuart (ed.) Blackwell Publishing (2016), 236-259.
- “Hobbes and the Ship of Theseus”
 Forthcoming in *Identity*, me (ed.) Oxford University Press.

Works in Progress or Under Review

- The Unity and Identity of Material Substances in Seventeenth-Century Philosophy* [book manuscript]
- “Leibniz’s Theory of Modality.” Under contract for *Routledge Handbook of Modality*, Otavio Bueno and Scott Shalkowski (eds.)
- “What the Real Distinction *Really* Is (and Why it *Really* Matters)” [under review]
- “‘The Prince of the Nullibists’: Descartes, Location, and the Mind” [co-authored with Mary Krizan]
- “Hobbes’ Mereological Anti-Realism”

“Necessitarianism”
“Simplicity”

Tiny writings (\leq 3000 words)

“Atomism, Early Modern Theories of”
“Corpuscularianism”
“Hylomorphism, Early Modern Theories of”
All in progress for the *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy*

Book Reviews

Christopher Conn, *Locke on Essence and Identity*
British Journal for the History of Philosophy 13 (2005), 397-402.
Christopher Gaukroger (ed.), *The Blackwell Companion to Descartes’ Meditations*
Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (June 2006)
David Clemenson, *Descartes’ Theory of Ideas*
Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (March 2008)

Talks

Fairly-Recent and upcoming talks:²

Yale University, Society for Early Modern Philosophy (2016)
Harvard University, History of Philosophy Workshop (2016)
Margaret Wilson Conference, Flagstaff (2016) [unable to go for medical reasons]
University of Chicago (2015)
Locke Workshop, Lehman College-CUNY, NYC (2014)
St. Louis University Henle Conference on Descartes (2014) [unable to go for ‘medical reasons’]
UMass Amherst (2013)
Eastern APA, Invited Symposium on Early Modern Theories of Modality (2012)
University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2012)
Connecticut College (2011)
NYU Conference on History of Modern Philosophy (2011)
Pacific APA, [2 invited symposium talks: 1 on Paul Hoffman’s work; 1 on teaching the history of philosophy] (2011)
Oxford University (2010)
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (2010)
University of Western Ontario [2 talks] (2010)
University of British Columbia (2010)
Barnard Conference in Honor of Eileen O’Neill (2009)
University of Toronto (2009)
Margaret Wilson Conference, Cornell University (2008)
University of Chicago History Workshop (2008)
The Ohio State University (2008)

² Information about earlier talks available upon request.

Simon Fraser University (2008)
Invited Symposium on 'Descartes' Metaphysics of Substance', Pacific APA (2007)
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (2007)
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (2006)
University of Virginia (2006)
Davidson College (2006)
Margaret Wilson Conference, University of California-San Diego (2006)
University of Arizona (2006)
University of California-Davis (2006)

Employment³

Associate Professor of Philosophy⁴
University of Colorado, Boulder, 2009 – present
Visiting Professor
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Spring 2008
Assistant Professor of Philosophy
University of Colorado, Boulder, 2004 – 2009
Assistant Professor of Philosophy
University of Florida, 2001 – 2004
Visiting Scholar*
Yale University, Fall 2016

Teaching

Graduate Seminars:

Soul v. Mind (co-taught with Robert Pasnau)
Individuation and Identity in Early Modern Philosophy
Early-Modern Metaphysics: Substance, Identity, and Modality
Descartes' Metaphysics
Descartes, Leibniz, Malebranche
Locke's Metaphysics

Graduate/Undergraduate:

Early-Modern Metaphysics: Identity and Persistence
Locke's Metaphysics
Hobbes
Descartes, Spinoza, Malebranche, Leibniz
Early-Modern Theories of Matter

Undergraduate:

Senior Seminar: The Metaphysics of Fiction
History of Modern Philosophy
Leibniz

³ Does not include temporary jobs I had during grad school, etc. Information about those available upon request.

⁴ Also Affiliate Faculty in Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Center for Western Civilization, and the Committee on the History and Philosophy of Science.

Locke
Philosophy of Religion
Descartes, Spinoza, Malebranche, Leibniz
Introduction to Philosophy
Honors Introduction to Philosophy
Ethical Issues in Complex Organizations
Existentialism
Political Philosophy
Medical Ethics

Thesis Committee Work

Member, Ph.D. Dissertation Committee, Joseph Stenberg, Jonathan Peeters, Bryan Hall, Philip Choi
Member, MA Thesis, Brandon Bogardus, David Ivy, Brian Hood (Florida), Eugene Zaldivar (Florida)
Outside Reader, MA Thesis on Spinoza, Robert Williams, Department of Philosophy, University of Wyoming, Spring 2007
Outside Advisor, Thesis on Hobbes, Zeb Norman, Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan, Fall 2008

Miscellaneous Teaching Stuff

Lecture on personal identity in *Heaven Can Wait* for undergraduate 'Philosophy and Film Series', CU-Boulder, Spring 2009(?)
Colorado Summer Undergraduate Philosophy Seminar, July 2005, July 2008, July 2012, July 2013, July 2016
"Why God cannot create a dollar bill." Talk to Undergrad Retreat
"Why non-transitivity has a pretty good silver lining in Locke's theory of personal identity." Talk to Undergrad retreat.
"Omnipotence and Moral Perfection: an Anselmian Response to Morrision." Talk to Undergrad Philosophy Club.

Service

Director, CU Theology Forum (2015 – present)
Graduate Admissions Committee, 2005-06, 2008-09, 2016
Graduate Placement Committee member (2015-)
Colloquium Chair/Organizer (2005-2007, 2013-present)
History of Philosophy Reading Group Organizer (every now and then)
Reinhardt Lecture in Philosophy of Mathematics, Organizer (2013)
Undergrad Retreat Faculty participant (2005, 2013)
CU Philosophy Outreach Program (2007-2008)
Boulder Faculty Assembly (2012-2013)
Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association Committee (2012-2013)
New course development x 5
Central Division APA Program Committee, 2008

Referee for *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Noûs*, *Mind*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Religious Studies*, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *Res Philosophica*, Oxford University Press, Routledge, Broadview, University of Chicago Press, Cambridge University Press, Blackwell

Emerson-Lowe Fellowship Committee, 2005, 2006

Search Committees in History of Philosophy, CU, 2004 - 2007

Jentzsch Prize Committee, x 3

Chair of Third Semester Paper Committees x 3

Several Fifth Semester Paper Committees, 2004 - present

Graduate Curriculum Committee, 2004 - 2007

Salary Committee, 2005-2007

Executive Committee, 2007 - 2013

Chair, Session on metaphysics, Florida Philosophical Association Conference, 2002

Chair, Session on Descartes, Central Division APA, Chicago, 2002

Chair, Session on Descartes, Pacific Division APA, Seattle, 2002

Chair, Sessions on Early Modern Philosophy, FPA Conference, Stetson University, 2001

Undergraduate Committee, Department of Philosophy, University of Florida, 2002 – 2004

Faculty Advisor to the University of Florida Undergraduate Philosophical Society, 2002-2004

Miscellaneous

Evaluator for the 2009, 2012, 2014 *Philosophical Gourmet Report* (“The Leiter Report”): Overall Rank, and Rankings in 17th-Century Philosophy, Metaphysics, and Medieval Philosophy⁵

External Examiner for Early Modern Philosophy and for the Analytic Tradition, Honors

Program in Philosophy, Swarthmore College, May 2003

Co-organizer (with Bob Pasnau), 2006 Morris Colloquium on Human Beings and Human Nature in the History of Philosophy, CU-Boulder, March 2006

Organizer, 2010 Margaret Dauler Wilson Memorial Conference

Organizer, 2004 Southeast Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy

Organizer, Conference on “Early Modern Women Philosophers,” 2003, University of Florida

⁵ Did not evaluate Medieval in 2014.

References

Lilli Alanen, Uppsala University (*emerita*)
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Edwin Curley, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (*emeritus*)
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[sjolley@uci.edu]

Louis Loeb, University of Michigan
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Edwin McCann, University of Southern California
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Alan Nelson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
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Eileen O'Neill, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
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