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Curriculum Vitae

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Areas of Specialization

- Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language, Value Theory

Areas of Competence

- Metaphysics, Epistemology, Ethics, Logic, History of Philosophy

Education

- Ph.D. (Philosophy), University of Massachusetts, 1996
- B.A. (Philosophy, *magna cum laude*), Columbia University, 1988

Positions Held

- Professor of Philosophy, SUNY Fredonia, 2009-present
- Chair, Department of Philosophy, SUNY Fredonia, 2007-present
- Associate Professor of Philosophy, SUNY Fredonia, 2004-2009
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, SUNY Fredonia, 1999-2004
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Western Washington University, 1997-1999
- Visiting Lecturer, Western Washington University, Spring 1995, Spring 1997
- Adjunct Lecturer (Logic Program), Smith College, Fall 1995, Fall 1996
- Visiting Lecturer, North Adams State College (Massachusetts), Fall 1994
- Instructor, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, 1993-1994
- Teaching Assistant, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, 1990-1993

Courses Taught

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| • Introductory Philosophy | • Metaphysics |
| • Introductory Ethics | • Theory of Knowledge |
| • Critical Thinking | • Philosophy of Science |
| • Introductory Logic | • Philosophy of Mind |
| • Intermediate Logic | • Philosophy of Language |
| • Current Moral Issues | • 20 th Century Analytic
Philosophy |
| • Life and Death | • Honors Seminar on the
Mind-Body Problem |
| • Values in a Technological
Society | |

Books

- [1] *Belief about the Self: A Defense of the Property Theory of Content* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2008).

Articles

- [14] "Selfless Desires and the Property Theory of Content," *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).
- [13] "Naming and Nonexistence," *Southern Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).
- [12] "The Doctrine of Propositions, Internalism, and Global Supervenience," *Philosophical Studies*, **131:2** (2006) 447-457.
- [11] "Explaining the Geometry of Desert," (with Stephen Kershner) *Public Affairs Quarterly*, **18:4** (2004) 273-298.
- [10] "Does Superstition Help Performance? NO," in E. Bronson ed., *Baseball and Philosophy: Thinking Outside the Batter's Box* (Chicago: Open Court, 2004) 308-310.
- [9] "Russellianism and Referential Uses of Descriptions," *Philosophical Studies* **115:2** (2003) 99-122.
- [8] "Infallibilism and Gettier's Legacy," (with Daniel and Frances Howard-Snyder) *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* **66:2** (2003) 304-327.
- [7] "The Time of Death's Misfortune," *Nous* **36:3** (2002) 359-383.
- [6] "The Most Valuable Player" (with Stephen Kershner), *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* **28:2** (2001) 193-206.
- [5] "Rationality and Puzzling Beliefs," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* **63:1** (2001) 29-55.
- [4] "The Structure of Higher Goods," *Southern Journal of Philosophy* **39:1** (2001) 47-57. Reprinted in *Recent Work on Intrinsic Value*, Michael Zimmerman and Toni Ronnow-Rasmussen, eds., (Springer Verlag, 2005). This paper also appears in the *Proceedings of the Creighton Club*, November 2000.
- [3] "Self-Ascription and Belief *De Re*," *Philosophical Studies* **98:1** (2000) 37-51.
- [2] "More on Brute Facts," *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* **76:4** (1998) 625-630.
- [1] "On a Famous Counterexample to Leibniz's Law," *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society* **96:3** (1996) 381-386.

Work in Progress

- “False Grounds and the Path to Knowledge” (in preparation).
- “Fictional Entities: A Problem for a New Realist Account” (in preparation).

Selected Presentations and Conference Participation

- “Selfless Desires and the Property Theory of the Attitudes,” The Creighton Club (New York State Philosophical Association) Fall 2006 Meeting, November 4, 2006.
- “Individualism, Physicalism, and Belief about the Self,” University at Buffalo (SUNY), Center for Cognitive Science, October 4, 2006.
- Invited Participant, Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network (SPAWN 2006: Value), July 16-18, 2006.
- “Does Time Flow, and Are the Past and Future Real?” November 2005, a debate on the philosophy of time with Dale Tuggy, SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- “Dualism, Materialism, and Surviving Death,” February 2005, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- “Some Questions about the Harm of Death,” September 2004, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- Invited Participant, Syracuse Workshop on the *A Priori*, Syracuse University, August 20-22, 2004.
- “When is death bad for the one who dies?” February 2004, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- “Death, Evil, and Time,” November 2003, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Fall 2003 Arts and Humanities Symposium.
- Colloquium Chair, Metaphysics Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, April 2003.
- “The Raven Paradox: A Paradox of Confirmation,” February 2003, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- “Fictional Characters and Real Characters,” November 2002, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- “The Geometry of Desert,” April 2002, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.

- “Overpopulation and Intrinsic Value,” October 2001, a presentation to the SUNY Fredonia Philosophical Society.
- “The Structure of Higher Goods,” The Creighton Club, November 4, 2000.
- “Comments on ‘Justice with Compassion: An Argument against Capital Punishment’” (by Bradley Wilson), Tri-State Philosophical Association, Fall 1999.
- “Comments on ‘Time and Temporal Parts’” (by Theodore Sider), Fifth Biennial UMass Philosophy Homecoming, 1999.
- “Rationality and Puzzling Beliefs,” Western Washington University, 1999.
- “Self-Ascription and Belief *De Re*,” Northwest Conference on Philosophy, 1997.
- “On a Famous Counterexample to Leibniz’s Law,” Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, 1995.

Awards

- William T. Hagan Young Scholar/Artist Award, SUNY Fredonia, 2009
- Honorary Member, Golden Key International Honour Society, SUNY Fredonia Golden Key chapter, Fall 2005
- SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2005
- Release Time Award, SUNY Fredonia, Fall 2002
- Puryear Fellow, Department of Philosophy, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, 1989-1993
- Phi Beta Kappa, Columbia College Chapter, 1988
- Philip A. Yacos Scholar, Columbia University, 1986-1988
- New York State Regents Scholar, 1984-1988

Professional Service and Memberships

- Referee: *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Erkenntnis*, *Ethics*, *Noûs*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Synthese*, *Theoria*, *Inquiry*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*
- Member: American Philosophical Association, New York State Philosophical Association

University Service

- Chair, Department of Philosophy
- Faculty Co-Advisor, SUNY Fredonia Undergraduate Philosophical Society