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Education

Ph.D: Philosophy, Florida State University, Fall 2015-Spring 2022
Dissertation: The Most General Rightive Activity: Moral Worth as the Formal Excellence of Practical Reason.
Graduate Certificate in Bioethics, Spring 2018
MA: Philosophy, Florida State University, Spring 2018
M.A. Examination: Ethics and Natural Teleology
BA: Philosophy, Wheaton College IL, Fall 2014
Departmental Honors

Research Areas

AOS | Ethics, Philosophy of Action, Epistemology
AOC | Philosophy of Religion, Applied Ethics

Academic Publications

"And All Shall Be Changed: Virtue in the New Creation"
Winner of the Marc Sanders Prize in Philosophy of Religion
Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion Vol. 10, 2022
"What is the Bearing of Thinking on Doing?"
The Anscombean Mind, ed. R. Wiseman and A. Haddock, Routledge, 2021
Co-authored with John Schwenkler
"Famine, Affluence, and Aquinas"
Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, forthcoming
Co-authored with Tucker Sigourney
"Understanding Anscombe's Absolutism"
Invited for the annual volume of Penn's Program for Research on Religion and Urban Civil Society (PRRUCS), forthcoming

Conference Presentations

"Where are Constraints? an In-Form(ative) answer"
Describing Human Action Conference, Florida State University, 2021
"An Explanatory Isomorphism Between Knowledge and Moral Worth"
Winner of the Graduate Student Essay Prize
Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Conference, 2021
"Moral Worth, Kant, and the Basing Relation"
Winner of the Graduate Student Essay Prize
Florida Philosophical Association Meeting, 2021

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- “Moral Worth, Kant, and the Basing Relation”
American Philosophical Association Central Meeting, 2021
- “Happiness, Virtue, and a Non-Retributive God”
Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Conference, 2020
- “Embodied Virtue and Recalcitrant Desire”
Society of Christian Philosophers Midwest Conference, 2019
- “USA vs. Narnia: A Base-Rate Problem for Fine-Tuning”
Florida Philosophical Association Annual Conference, 2017
- “Why Grownups are Boring: Human Life And Immortality”
Florida Philosophical Association Annual Conference, 2016

Teaching Experience

- Catholic University of America
 - The Classical Mind, PHIL 211
 - Biomedical Ethics, PHIL 303
- Florida State University
 - Ethical Theory, PHI 3670
 - Reasoning and Critical Thinking, PHI 2100
 - Bioethics, PHI 2635
 - Introduction to Philosophy, PHI 2010 (x3)
- Further Teaching Experience
 - Director of Instructional Design and Curriculum, Victory Briefs Institute, 2018-Present
 - Director of Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Victory Briefs Institute, 2016-2018
 - Instructor & Philosophy Director, Victory Briefs Institute, 2011-2016

Awards and Fellowships

- Marc Sanders Prize in Philosophy of Religion
Marc Sanders Foundation, Spring 2019
- Summer Seminars in Neuroscience and Philosophy
Duke University, Summer 2022
- Graduate Student Essay Prize
Florida Philosophical Association 2021, Spring 2021
- Graduate Student Essay Prize
Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Division, Spring 2021
- Teaching Evaluation Grant
Leverage Debate, Spring 2019
- Supplementary Departmental Fellowship
Florida State University Werkmeister Fund, Fall 2018-Spring 2022
- Graduate Fellows Society
Florida State University, Fall 2019

Professional Service

- Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Mentor
FSU Center for Undergraduate Research and Academic Engagement, Fall 2021-Spring 2022

Prospective Graduate Student Coordinator
FSU Philosophy Department, 2018-2022

Philosophy Graduate Student Association Placement Committee Chair
FSU Philosophy Graduate Student Association, Fall 2020-Spring 2022

Minorities and Philosophy Mentor
FSU MAP Chapter, Fall 2020-Spring 2022

Departmental Mentor
FSU Philosophy Department, Fall 2019-Spring 2021

Disabilities and Accessibility in Graduate School Panelist
FSU Office of Accessibility Services, Spring 2020

Philosophy Graduate Student Association Writing Committee Chair
FSU Philosophy Graduate Student Association, Fall 2019-Spring 2020

President of the Philosophy Graduate Student Association
FSU Philosophy Graduate Student Association, Fall 2017-Spring 2018

Vice-President of the Philosophy Graduate Student Association
FSU Philosophy Graduate Student Association, Fall 2016-Spring 2017

FSU Coordinator for the Joint UF/FSU Graduate Student Conferences
FSU Philosophy Graduate Student Association, 2017 & 2018

Public Philosophy

News Analyst, Prindle Institute, Summer 2020-Spring 2022
Sample Pieces out of [42 articles](#):
“[Stereotyping and Statistical Generalizations](#)”
“[Judgment, Condemnation, and Historical Context](#)”
“[The Politics of Imponderables](#)”
“[The Knowledge Norms of Emotions](#)”
“[A Strange Moral Disgruntlement with Giving](#)”
“[Principles, Pragmatics, and Pragmatic Principles](#)”

References

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