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Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale,
Fall 2003 – Present.

Faculty Fellow, University of California, Riverside, 2002-2003.

Education

University of California, Irvine
Ph.D. in Philosophy, 2002
Dissertation: *Descartes and Spinoza on Freedom and Virtue*

San Francisco State University
M.A. in Philosophy, 1997

University of California, Santa Barbara
B.A. in Philosophy, 1991

Areas of Specialization

Spinoza
Early Modern Philosophy
Modern Moral Philosophy

Areas of Competence

Contemporary Moral Philosophy
Applied Ethics

Metaphysics: Free Will
Ancient Philosophy

Publications: Articles

“Spinoza’s Model of Human Nature,” *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, forthcoming.

“Spinoza’s Theories of Value,” *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, forthcoming.

“Spinoza’s Theory of the Good,” In *A Critical Guide to Spinoza’s Ethics*, Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.

“Spinoza’s Theory of Motivation,” *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, volume 88, number 3, September 2007, 375-390.

“Rationalist Moral Philosophy,” in *A Companion to Rationalism*, Nelson, A. (ed.), Blackwell Publishing Co. 2005.

“Leibniz’s Ethics,” *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, August 2004.

“Spinozistic Self-Preservation,” *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, Fall 2003, Volume XLI, No. 3.

Publications: Reviews

Review of Franklin Perkins’ *Leibniz and China: A Commerce of Light*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, Volume XLIV, January 2006, Number 1.

Works in Progress

“Spinoza’s Ethical Theory: An Interpretation,” in progress (manuscript)

“Spinoza on the Will, Ideas, and Passions,” in progress

“Descartes on Virtue,” in progress

“Spinoza’s Moral Philosophy: Early and Late,” in progress

“Intelligibility and Self-Preservation in Spinoza’s *Ethics*,” in progress

Presentations: Papers

21. "Spinoza's Theories of Value"
Atlantic Canada Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Dalhousie University, July 2008.
20. "Spinoza's Theories of Value"
APA Pacific Division Meeting, Pasadena, March 2008.
19. "Spinoza on Individual Essence and Value"
APA Eastern Division Meeting, Group Session, Baltimore, December 28, 2007.
18. "Spinoza's Model of Human Nature"
South Central Seminar in the History of Early Modern Philosophy, University of Tulsa, November 17, 2007.
17. "Spinoza's Theories of Value"
California Conference in Early Modern Philosophy, California State University Long Beach, October 26, 2007.
16. "Spinoza's Model of Human Nature"
Oxford Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, October 20, 2007.
15. "Spinoza's Model Monism"
APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, April 21, 2007.
14. "Will, Intellect, and Cartesian Virtue"
APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, April 27, 2006.
13. "Spinoza's Theory of Motivation"
APA Eastern Division Meeting, New York, December 30, 2005.
12. "Spinoza's Theory of Motivation"
South Central Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Baylor University, November 19, 2005.
11. "Will, Intellect, and Cartesian Virtue"
Illinois Philosophical Association, Eastern Illinois University, November 5, 2005.
10. "Will, Intellect, and Cartesian Virtue"
Central Canada Seminar for the Study of Early Modern Philosophy, University of Guelph, October 15, 2005.
9. "Is Spinoza's God Good?"
U. C. Irvine Cartesian Circle Meeting, June 2005.

8. "Spinoza's Ethical Objectivism"
Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Philosophy Department colloquium,
October 28, 2004.
7. "Leibniz's Ethics"
U. C. Irvine Cartesian Circle Meeting, August 2004.
6. "Spinoza's Normative Intellectualism"
Midwest Seminar on Early Modern Philosophy, University of Illinois at
Chicago, March 21, 2004.
5. "Spinoza's Normative Intellectualism"
SIUC Philosophy Department Colloquium, November 20, 2003.
4. "Spinoza's Ethical Objectivism"
The History of Philosophy Roundtable, UCSD, March 2003.
3. "Spinozistic Self-Preservation"
2002 APA Eastern Division Meeting, Philadelphia. Winner of an APA Graduate
Student Travel Stipend.
2. "Spinozistic Self-Preservation"
U. C. Riverside Philosophy Department Colloquium, December 4, 2002.
1. "Spinozistic Self-Preservation"
The 2000 Intermountain Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Utah State
University.

Presentations: Comments

- Comments on Rico Vitz's "Descartes and the Question of Direct Doxastic Voluntarism,"
APA Pacific Division Meeting, San Francisco, April 2007.
- Comments on Edward Halper's "Spinoza on the Political Value of Freedom of
Religion," 2004 APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, April 25.
- Comments on Jonathan Weinberg and Stacey Swain's "An Empirical Critique of
Analytic Philosophers' Use of Intuitions," 2004 Philosophical Collaborations,
Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, April 2, 2004.
- Comments on Gideon Yaffe's *Liberty Worth The Name: Locke on Free Agency*. 2002
Southern California Philosophy Conference
- Comments on Don Garrett's "Spinoza's Conatus Argument." 2000 California Conference

in Early Modern Philosophy, U.C. Irvine

Comments on William Beardsley's "Love in the Ruins: Passion in Descartes' Meditations." 2000 APA Pacific Division Meeting, Albuquerque.