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EDUCATION

- 1984 to 1991 Princeton University, Department of Philosophy, Princeton, New Jersey.
M.A. received: Oct. 1988; Ph.D. received: Jan. 1993.
Dissertation Title: Ethical Relativism and Ethical Reasons.
Supervisor: Gilbert Harman.
- 1978 to 1981 Reed College, Portland, Oregon. B.A. received: 1981.
Thesis: On Aristotle's Ethics, May 1981. Advisor: C. D. C. Reeve
Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, 1981; Edwin Garlan Prize in Philosophy, 1981.

TEACHING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2006 to present Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Nebraska – Lincoln.
- 1999 to 2006 Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Nebraska–Lincoln.
- Spr. 2000 Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Arizona.
- 1993 to 94 Visiting Assistant Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, Brown University.
- 1991 to 1999 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Nebraska–Lincoln.
Member Graduate Faculty since 1995; Graduate Fellow since 1997.
- 1991 Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Princeton University.
- 1988 to 90 Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, Princeton University.
- 1981 to 84;
1986 to 87 Trial Assistant/Legal Investigator, John Henry Hingson III, Attorney at Law,
Oregon City, Oregon. Investigating and preparing criminal cases for trial.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles:

“Moral Rationalism and Rational Amoralism,” *Ethics*, forthcoming (2010).

“Some Advantages of One Form of Argument for the Maximin Principle,” *Acta Analytica*, Volume 23, No. 4 (2008) 319-335, also published online at <http://www.springerlink.com/content/e5n153g878777708/>.

“Knowing Enough To Disagree: A New Response to the Moral Twin Earth Argument,” in Russ Shafer-Landau (ed.) *Oxford Studies In Metaethics*, Volume 1 (Oxford University Press, 2006), 161-193.

“Rationalist Realism and Constructivist Accounts of Morality,” *Philosophical Studies*, 126 (2005), 285-95.

“Expressivism, Supervenience and Logic,” *Ratio* (new series), XVIII, 2 (2005), 190-205.

“Moral Cognitivism vs. Non-cognitivism,” *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, Edward N. Zalta, (ed.) (Spring 2004), (<http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2004/entries/moral-cognitivism/>), revised 2008.

“The Plausibility of Satisficing and the Role of Good in Ordinary Thought,” in Michael Byron (ed.) *Satisficing and Maximizing: Moral Theoretic Perspectives on Practical Reasoning*, (Cambridge University Press, 2004) 155-175.

“Should Motivational Humeans Be Humeans About Rationality?,” *Topoi*, 21, (2002) 209-215.

“Humean and Anti-Humean Internalism about Moral Judgements,” *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, LXV, No. 1 (July 2002) 26-49.

“Motivational Internalism: a Somewhat Less Idealized Account,” *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 50, No. 199 (April 2000) 233-241.

“Reflective Moral Equilibrium and Psychological Theory,” *Ethics* (July 1999) 846-857.

“Affirmative Action, Non-consequentialism, and Responsibility for the Effects of Past Discrimination,” *Public Affairs Quarterly*, Vol. 11, No. 3 (July 1997) 281-301.

“Expressivism and Irrationality,” *The Philosophical Review*, Vol. 105, No. 3 (July 1996) 322-335.

“Moral Functionalism and Moral Reductionism,” *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 46, No. 182 (January 1996) 77-81.

“Humean Motivation and Humean Rationality,” *Philosophical Studies*, Vol 79 (July 1995) 37-57.

Reviews:

“A Fork in the Road for Expressivism,” review essay on Mark Schroeder’s *Being For; Evaluating the Semantic Program of Expressivism*, in *Ethics* (Oct. 2009), forthcoming.

Review of Joshua Gert, *Brute Rationality* in *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, (forthcoming 2009).

Review of John Rawls, *The Law of Peoples*, in *The Journal of Value Enquiry*, 36 (2002) 555-562.

Review of Mark Timmons, *Morality Without Foundations*, in *The Philosophical Review*, Vol 110, No. 2, (April 2001) 283-286.

Review of Baron, Pettit & Slote, *Three Methods of Ethics*, in *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, (May 2001) 721-723.

Review of David Schmidtz and Robert Goodin, *Social Welfare and Individual Responsibility*, in *Philosophical Books* (2000).

Review of Henry Richardson, *Practical Reasoning About Final Ends*, in *The Philosophical Quarterly*, (1998).

Symposium paper on "Value Based on Preferences," by W. Rabinowicz and J. Österberg, (*Economics and Philosophy*, April 1996), *Brown Electronic Article Review Service*, Dreier and Estlund, eds. (www.brown.edu/Departments/Philosophy/bears/homepage.html) (posted 1996).

Review of Lawrence Blum, *Moral Perception and Particularity*, in *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 45, No. 181, (October 1995) 543-545.

Review of Jackson & Pettit, "Moral Functionalism and Moral Motivation," for the *Brown Electronic Article Review Service*, Dreier & Estlund (eds.) (www.brown.edu/Departments/Philosophy/bears/homepage.html), posted March 10th 1995.

Review of Jonathan Dancy, *Moral Reasons*, in *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 45, No. 179, (January 1995) 118-120.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Refereed:

"Moral Intuitionism, Experiments and Skeptical Arguments," at the Second Annual Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress at the University of Colorado, Boulder Colorado, August 2009.

"Consequents of True Practical Conditionals Detach," at the First Annual Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, at the University of Colorado, Boulder Colorado, August 2008.

"A Somewhat New Response to the Moral Twin Earth Argument," at the First Annual Metaethics Workshop at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 2004.

"Affirmative Action, Non-consequentialism and Responsibility for the Effects of Past Discrimination," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Seattle, Washington, April 1996.

"Outline of an Argument for the Maximin Principle of Social Justice," presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings in Chicago, April 1996.

"A Problem with Blackburn's Approach to Geach's Problem," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in San Francisco, March 1995.

Invited:

"Moral Rationalism and Rational Amoralism," at the Metaethics, etc. International Conference, The Institute for Advanced Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Jerusalem Israel, June 2008.

"Some Advantages of One Form of Argument for the Maximin Principle," at the Bled Philosophy Conference on Social and Political Philosophy in Bled, Slovenia in June of 2008.

Comments on Danielle Bromwich's "Belief and Motivation," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Pasadena California in March of 2008.

Paper on rational amoralism at Wyoming Metaethics Mini-Conference, University of Wyoming, Laramie

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Wyoming, September 2008.

Comments on Patricia Marino's "Why Unification?," presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings in Chicago Illinois in April of 2007.

Symposium Comments on Kevin Brosnan's "The Dissolution of a Dilemma: Why Darwinian Considerations Don't Confront Moral Realism with Hard Choices," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in San Francisco in April of 2007.

Comments on Joseph Simpson's "Intuitions and Moral Philosophy," presented at the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division meetings in Washington, D.C., December 2006.

Symposium Comments on Sharon Street's, "Evolution and the Schizophrenia of Quasi-Realism About Normativity," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Portland, Oregon, March 2006.

"Moral Rationalism and Rational Amoralism," University of Iowa, Department of Philosophy, October 2002; University of Missouri, Columbia, Department of Philosophy, March 2003; Bowling Green State University, February 2006.

Comments on Christopher Heathwood's, "Desire-Based Theories of Welfare and the Possibility of Self-Sacrifice," presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings in Chicago, Illinois, April 2004.

Comments on Dan Boisvert's, "Expressivist Assertivism," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Pasadena, California, March 2004.

Comments on Chrisoula Andreou's "The Thesis Behind the Thesis that All Reasons are Non-Relative," presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings in Chicago, May 2002.

Comments on Michael Ridge's "Noncognitivism and Agent-Centered Value," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Seattle, Washington, April 2002.

Comments on Peter Ross's, "Explaining Motivated Desires," presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings in Minneapolis, April 2001.

"Motivational Internalism as a Reason to Reject the Humean Theory of Motivation," University of Arizona Philosophy Department Colloquium, April 2000.

Comments on Cian Dorr's "Objection to Expressivism," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 2000.

Comments on Ralph Wedgewood's "Practical Reason and Desire," Central States Philosophy Association meetings in Norman, Oklahoma, October of 1999.

Comments on Andrew Mills' "Deflationism and Non-cognitivism," presented at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division meetings in Berkeley, California, April 1999.

"A New Argument for the Maximin Principle," University of Maryland, Baltimore County, February 1999 and Kansas State University, January 1997.

Reply to James Dreier's "A Defense of Expressivism (Against an Illuminating Objection)," presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meetings in Chicago, Illinois, May 1998.

"The Humean Theory of Motivation," Princeton Philosophy Department Colloquium, December 1990.

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Invited Visiting Scholar, Research Group in Moral Psychology, Moral Motivation and Moral Realism, Institute for Advanced Study at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Jerusalem Israel, May - June 2008.

University of Nebraska–Lincoln Humanities Center Faculty Summer Support for Research and Creative Activity grant for research on cognitivism and noncognitivism awarded for Summer 2002.

University of Nebraska–Lincoln Faculty Summer Research Fellowship for research project on *Consequentialism and the Theory of Justice*, awarded for Summer 1995.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & MEMBERSHIPS

Ethics Area Editor, *The Philosophy Compass*.

Member Review Board, Wiley-Blackwell *International Encyclopedia of Ethics*.

Occasional referee for the following Journals: *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Economics and Philosophy*, *Erkenntnis*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *Ethics*, *Hume Studies*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, *Metaphilosophy*, *Mind*, *Nous*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosopher's Imprint*, *Philosophia*, *Philosophical Papers*, *The Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Synthese*.

Reviewer for book manuscripts and proposals for Cambridge University Press (metaethics), Oxford University Press (political philosophy; normative ethics, metaethics), Penn State University Press (metaethics), University of Nebraska Press (ethics and political philosophy), Wadsworth Press (ethics textbook).

Tenure and/or Promotion Referee for Franklin and Marshall College, Kent State University, Reed College, University of Southern California, and the University of Waterloo.

Promotion Referee, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY.

Nominating Editor, *Philosopher's Annual*, 2008.

External assessor for the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2007.

Referee for Central States Philosophy Association Annual Meeting, 1999, 2005; British Society for Ethical Theory Annual Conference, 2006; Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, 2006.

Referee for the Young Ethicist Prize at the First Annual Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress in Boulder Colorado, August 2008, and at the Second Annual Congress in August 2009.

Member, American Philosophical Association, Central Division.

Overseas Associate, British Society for Ethical Theory.

COURSES TAUGHT

- 1991/92 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (900 level graduate research seminar)
- 1992/93 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Medical Ethics (200 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Social and Political Philosophy (900 level graduate seminar)
- 1993/94 On leave from UNL teaching at Brown University.
Place of Persons (introductory level undergraduate class)
Political Philosophy (upper level undergraduate class)
Moral Philosophy (upper level undergraduate class)
The Nature of Morality (mixed graduate and undergraduate seminar)
- 1994/95 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Undergraduate Seminar (400 level undergraduate seminar on justice.)
Social and Political Philosophy (900 level graduate seminar)
- 1995/96 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Political Philosophy (300 level undergraduate class)
Social and Political Philosophy (graduate seminar in Democratic Theory)
- 1996/97 Philosophy and Current Issues honors course (100 level undergraduate class)
Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Ethics (400/800 level undergraduate/graduate class)
- 1997/98 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Social Political Philosophy (300 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (900 level graduate research seminar - metaphysics of ethics)
- 1998/99 Philosophy and Current Issues honors course (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Undergraduate Seminar (400 level seminar in democratic theory)
Ethical Theory (900 level graduate seminar - consequentialism)
- 1999/00 On Leave from UNL teaching at the University of Arizona in the Spring.
INDV102 (a large undergraduate class in current issues.)
PHIL596a (Graduate seminar in metaethics)

- 2000/01 Philosophy and Current Issues honors course (100 level undergraduate class)
Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Ethics (400/800 level undergraduate/graduate class)
- 2001/02 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Political Philosophy (900 level graduate seminar on Rawls)
- 2002/03 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Social Political Philosophy (300 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Ethics (400/800 level undergraduate/graduate class)
Ethical Theory (900 level graduate seminar - noncognitivism)
- 2003/04 Philosophy and Current Issues(100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Social Political Philosophy (300 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (900 level graduate seminar - new books in ethics)
- 2004/05 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Undergraduate Seminar (400 level seminar in democratic theory)
Advanced Ethics (400/800 level undergraduate/graduate class)
- 2005/6 Philosophy and Current issues (100 level undergraduate class - twice)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (900 level graduate seminar on particularism and intuitionism)
- 2006/7 On leave in Fall
Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Ethics (400/800 level undergraduate/graduate class)
- 2007/8 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Topics in Applied Ethics (300 level undergraduate class)
Advanced Social Political Philosophy (300 level undergraduate class)
Political Philosophy (900 level Seminar on Theories of Justice)
- 2008/9 Philosophy and Current Issues (100 level undergraduate class)
Ethical Theory (300 level undergraduate class)
Undergraduate Seminar (400 level seminar on debunking explanations)
Advanced Ethics (400/800 level undergraduate/graduate class)

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

(All at UNL)

- 2003 to Graduate Committee Chair (sometimes but not always including graduate advisor),
Present Philosophy Department.
- 1991 to Member Ethics Area Committee, Philosophy Department.

- present (Coordinator since whenever the department introduced them.)
- 1994/95 & 2000 to present Member Curriculum Committee, Philosophy Department.
- 2001 to present Acting Chair (for the Summer), Philosophy Department.
- 1996 to present Member Speakers Committee, Philosophy Department.
- 2002-present Steering Committee Member, Human Rights Initiative, College of Arts and Sciences.
- 2003 to 2009 Graduate Job Placement Coordinator, Philosophy Department, Responsible for helping our graduate students find jobs in the field.
- 2008-09 Committee Member (and Chair in Spring), Department of Philosophy Ethics Search Committee.
- 2003-2006 Member Assessment Committee, College of Arts and Sciences.
- 2004-2006 Faculty Mentor, Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences (UCARE) Program, worked with 2 advanced students doing philosophy projects.
- 2004/5 Member Faculty Instructional Development Committee, College of Arts and Sciences.
- 2004 Search Committee Chair, Philosophy Department position in philosophical logic.
- 1994 to 2003 Undergraduate Advisor, Philosophy Department.
- 2002-03 Member Search Committee, for senior position in Philosophy Department.
- 1992 to 2002 Member Academic Senate, representing Philosophy Department.
- 1997 to 1999 Steering Committee Member, Area of Strength in Public Discourse and Human Values, College of Arts and Sciences.
- 1996/97 Academic Senate Representative, to University Grading and Examinations Committee.
- 1996 Member Ad Hoc Outcomes Assessment Committee, Philosophy Department.
- 1996 Member Search Committee, to fill Ethics position in Philosophy Department.
- 1995/96 Member Grade Appeals Committee, Philosophy Department.

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1994/95 Member Ad Hoc Committee on Budget Cuts, Philosophy Department.

1994/95 Member Library Committee, Philosophy Department.

1993/94 Member Interview Team, Philosophy Department position in Modern Philosophy.