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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Berry College

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, August 2014 – present

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame

Ph.D. in Philosophy - September 2006 to August 2014

University of Oxford

M.Phil. in Philosophical Theology - October 2003 to June 2005

University of Texas at Austin

B.A. (Summa cum laude) Philosophy and Plan II Arts & Sciences Honors – September 1999 to
May 2003

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Introduction to Philosophy (Berry: Fa18, Sp18, Fa17, Sp17, Fa16, Sp16, Sp15; Notre Dame: Sp11)

Early Modern Philosophy (Berry: Fa18)

Ethics of Emerging Weapons Technologies (Berry: Sp 18; Notre Dame: Sp12)

HON 201: Perennial Questions – God & Evolution (Berry: Fa17)

Philosophy of C. S. Lewis (Berry: Sp19, Sp17, Sp16)

Symbolic Logic (Berry: Fa16)

Critical Thinking (Berry: Fa15, Sp15, Fa14)

Directed reading (co-led): *Later Modern Philosophy* (Berry: Fa15)

Courses Assisted

Medical Ethics (Notre Dame: Fa08)

Morality & Modernity (Notre Dame: Sp08)

Introduction to Philosophy (Notre Dame: Fa07)

PUBLICATIONS

“On Doubt.” *Philosophia*. Volume 46, Issue 1, March 2018, pp. 141-158.

“Credence & Correctness: In Defense of Credal Reductivism.” *Philosophical Papers*. Volume 46, Issue 2, July 2017, pp. 273-296.

“On the Arbitrariness Objection to the Threshold View.” *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review*. Volume 56, Issue 1, March 2017, pp. 143-158.

“Conciliationism without Uniqueness.” In *Grazer Philosophische Studien*, vol. 88 (2013). 161-88.

“The Role of the Uniqueness Thesis in the Epistemology of Disagreement.” In *Proceedings of the 34th International Wittgenstein Symposium: Epistemology: Contexts, Values, Disagreement*. 319-28. Edited by Christoph Jäger and Winfried Löffler. Frankfurt: Ontos Verlag, 2012.

“To Reign in Hell or to Serve in Heaven: C. S. Lewis on the Problem of Hell and Enjoyment of the Good.” In *C. S. Lewis as Philosopher: Truth, Goodness, and Beauty*. Edited by David Baggett, Gary Habermas, and Jerry Walls. 159-74. Downer’s Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2008.

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

“The Bayesian Challenge to Faith.”

American Philosophical Association – Eastern Division Meeting, Savannah (January 2018)

“Loopy Dispositionalism: A Problem for Schwitzgebel’s Account of Belief”

a) *American Philosophical Association* – Eastern Division Meeting, Baltimore (January 2017)

b) *North Carolina & South Carolina Philosophical Societies* – Joint Meeting (February 2016)

“Belief, Faith, and Borderline Cases”

a) *North Carolina Philosophical Society* (February 2015)

b) *Society of Christian Philosophers* – Midwest Region (March 2015) [accepted, unable to attend]

“Partiality, Doxastic Beneficence, and the Ethics of Belief”

a) *University of Washington Graduate Student Philosophy Conference* (January 2014)

b) *New Mexico-Texas Philosophical Society* (April 2014)

“On Epistemological Objections to the Threshold View”

American Philosophical Association – Eastern Division Meeting, Baltimore (December 2013)

“The Stuff that Dreams are Made Of: Ichikawa on Dream Beliefs”

64th Annual Conference of the *New Mexico-Texas Philosophical Society*, San Antonio (March 2013)

“Credence and Correctness: In Defense of the Threshold View”

a) *American Philosophical Association* – Central Division Meeting, New Orleans (February 2013)

b) 7th Biennial *Rochester Epistemology Graduate Conference* (October 2012)

“A Truly Hands-On Approach to Teaching Logic”

American Association of Philosophy Teachers, 19th International Workshop-Conference on Teaching Philosophy, St. Edward’s University (July 2012)

“Are Credences Reducible to Probabilistic Beliefs?”

Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference, University of Colorado at Boulder (April 2012)

“The Role of the Uniqueness Thesis in the Epistemology of Disagreement”

34th *International Wittgenstein Symposium*, Kirchberg am Wechsel, Austria (August 2011)

“Is the Conciliationist Committed to the Uniqueness Thesis?”

Second Annual *Notre Dame-Northwestern Graduate Epistemology Conference* (April 2011)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

“Doing without Certainty: Running Risks in Religious & Moral Life”

A&M United Methodist Church, College Station (July 2018)

“The Good (Enough) Life”

Honors Convocation, Berry College (April 2018)

“The Bayesian Challenge to Faith”

a) *Religion & Philosophy Capstone Seminar, Berry College* (September 2017)

b) *Investigation Mastication Lecture, Berry College* (February 2017)

“Belief, Faith, and Borderline Cases”

Evans InProgress Lecture, Berry College (March 2015)

“Just War Theory: From Cicero to Walzer in 60 Minutes”

University Temple United Methodist Church, Seattle (June 2013)

“The Problem of Evil and the Doctrine of Double Effect”

a) *University of Texas at San Antonio* (March 2013)

b) *Texas State University* (March 2013)

c) *Taylor University* (April 2012)

“From Belief to Credence: Some Options for an Account of Partial Belief”

Northwestern University, Epistemology Brown Bag Series (October 2011)

WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

“Virtuous Faith Beyond the Evidence”

Templeton Summer Seminar on the Virtue of Faith, Bellingham, WA (July 2016)

AWARDS/GRANTS/FELLOWSHIPS

Society of Christian Philosophers Reading Group Grant (January-April 2018)

Funded five-session student reading group on Alvin Plantinga’s *Where the Conflict Really Lies*

Summer Research Award from the Templeton Religion Trust (June-July 2016)

Four-week summer research seminar on the Virtue of Faith in Bellingham, WA

Travel, room, and board, plus \$4,000 stipend

Society of Christian Philosophers Small Departments Grant (July 2015)

Funded organization of speaker-event with Dr. Justin McBrayer

Werner and Elisabeth Leinfellner Award for best paper by a graduate student (August 2011)

34th International Wittgenstein Symposium

€500 and inclusion with invited speakers’ papers in *Proceedings* volume

Notebaert Professional Development Grant (July 2011)

\$1,500 travel grant

Eli Lilly Presidential Fellowship (August 2006-July 2011)

Full tuition and fees at Notre Dame, plus \$22,000/yr stipend

Richard M. Weaver Fellowship (October 2004-June 2005)

Full tuition and fees at Oxford, plus \$5,000 stipend

Oriel College Graduate Scholarship (October 2004-June 2005)

£1,760 and dining rights

SERVICE ROLES

Leadership Roles

Co-chair for Berry College Writing Across the Curriculum Committee (August 2016 to present)

Faculty Advisor to the Philosophy Society (August 2015 to May 2017)

Faculty Advisor for Rhodes Scholarships (August 2015 to present)

Faculty Advisor to Club Soccer (August 2017 to present)

Coordinator for Notre Dame Natural Theology and Atheology Reading Group (August 2010 to May 2011)

Treasurer of Oxford University Graduate Theological Society (July 2004 to June 2005)

President of Oxford University Graduate Theological Society (July 2003 to June 2004)

Committee Participation

Writing Across the Curriculum Committee (August 2015-present)

IT Committee (August 2018-present)

Center for Teaching Excellence Committee (August 2017-present)

Ad Hoc Committee on the Honors Program (2017-18)

Ad Hoc Evans Sandbox Committee (2015-16, 2016-17)

Ad Hoc Committee on Curriculum (2014-15)

Event Organization

RHW 102: What They Do (and What They Don't Do): A Panel Discussion on First-Year Composition, joint event presented by the Center for Teaching Excellence and the Writing Across the Curriculum, Berry College (September 2018)

Matthew Lee, Thomas Kennedy, and Jonathan Parker, *Faith & Risk*, Berry College (March 2017)

Justin McBrayer, *Are Religion & Morality Tricks Evolution has Played on Us?*, Berry College (March 2016)

Vince Vitale, *If God, Why Suffering?*, Berry College Lumen Lecture (November 2015)
Provided organizational support to the Chaplain

Matthew Lee & Michael Papazian, *Philosophical Themes in Groundhog Day*, Berry College (April 2015)

First Annual Logos Workshop in Philosophical Theology, University of Notre Dame (May 2009)
Co-organizer with Prof. Michael Rea and Ms. Joyce Zurawski

Reverence Across Religions, University of Texas (April 2002)
Inter-religious panel on Paul Woodruff's *Reverence: Renewing a Forgotten Virtue*

Refereeing, Chairing, & Commenting Roles

Referee for *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (August 2018), *Synthese* (October 2017), *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review* (February 2017), *Synthese* (December 2016, September 2016), *Philosophical Studies* (October 2016), *Faith and Philosophy* (January 2016, June 2015), *Erkenntnis* (July 2015), *American Philosophical Quarterly* (April 2015), *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (May 2015, December 2014), *Grazer Philosophische Studien* (February 2013), *Philosophical Studies* (January 2013)

Referee for Daniel Howard-Snyder and Justin McBrayer (eds.), *The Blackwell Companion to the Problem of Evil*
(Malden, MA: John Wiley & Sons, 2013)

Referee for First, Second, and Third Annual Northwestern-Notre Dame Graduate Epistemology Conferences (April 2012, April 2011, March 2010)

Chair for Kevin Dorst, "An Epistemic Utility Argument for the Threshold View of Outright Belief" American Philosophical Association – Central Division (February 2015)

Commentator for Matthew Lutz, "Moral Skepticism: An Innocent Companion" Eighth Annual Intermountain West Graduate Philosophy Conference (April 2011)

Memberships

American Philosophical Association – <http://www.apaonline.org/>

Society of Christian Philosophers - <http://www.societyofchristianphilosophers.com/>