

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- PhD (Philosophy) State University of New York Buffalo. 2009.
 - Dissertation: “Not by Experience Alone: Toward A Theory of A Priori Justification.”
 - Committee: James R. Beebe (Chair), Randall R. Dipert, Michael W. McGlone.
- MA (Philosophy) State University of New York. 2005.
- BA (Philosophy) University of Wisconsin Green Bay. 2002.

Academic Position

- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Grand Valley State University. August 11, 2008—Present

AOS

- Epistemology, Metaphysics/Ontology

AOC

- Logic, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language, Husserl, Phenomenology, Walter Kaufmann, History of Philosophy

Publications

- (Forthcoming) “ “That Authoritarian”, “That Individual”: Walter Kaufmann on Søren Kierkegaard.” In Volume 11: *Kierkegaard’s Influence on Philosophy*, Tome III: Anglophone Philosophy, ed. By Jon Stewart, as part of the series *Kierkegaard Research: Sources, Reception and Resources*, an official publication of the Søren Kierkegaard Research Center: Ashgate Press, UK.
- Mathias Brochhausen, Andrew D. Spear, Cristian Cocos, Gabriele Weiler, Luis Martín, Alberto Anguita, Holger Stenzhorn, Evangelia Daskalaki, Fatima Schera, Stelios Sfakianakis, Stephan Kiefer, Martin Dörr, Norbert Graf, Manolis Tsiknakis. “The ACGT Master Ontology and its Applications – Towards an Ontology-Driven Cancer Research and Management System.” *The Journal of Biomedical Informatics*. Available on-line May 2010.
- “The Limits of Phenomenology? Edmund Husserl and Thomas Kuhn on the Philosophy of Science” in *Being Amongst Others: Phenomenological Reflections on the Life-World*, edited by Eric Chelstrom. Newcastle-upon-Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2006, pp. 226—43.
- “Dale Maurice Riepe” in *The Dictionary of Modern American Philosophers*, edited by John Shook. Bristol: Thoemes Press, 2004, Volume 4, pp. 2051—3.

Reviews

- “Review of Tommaso Piazza, *A Priori Knowledge: Toward a Phenomenological Account*.” *Philosophy in Review*. Volume XXIX, No. 2, April 2009, pp. 127—9.

Under Review

- (Contract with MIT Press) with Robert Arp and Barry Smith. *Ontology for the Twenty First Century: An Introduction with Recommendations*.

Presentations

- “Metajustification, Skepticism and the A Priori.” The 2010 Central States Philosophical Association, Wayne State University in Detroit, MI. September 24th and 25th, 2010.
- “A Priori Justification and the Challenge of the Necessary A Posteriori.” GVSU Philosophy Department Colloquium, Allendale, MI. Friday November 6, 2009; Philosophy Institute of the University of the Saarland, Saarbrücken, Germany. Wednesday July 22, 2009.
- “Epistemic Internalism, Conditions of Cognitive Sanity, and the Internalist Credo.” GVSU Philosophy Colloquium Series. Friday October 3, 2008.
- “Resurrecting Internalism: Conditions of Cognitive Sanity and the Death of Internalism.” *First Annual Conference of the University at Albany Philosophical Association: Epistemology.* SUNY Albany, April 2008.
- “Metajustification, Skepticism and the A Priori.” *Western New York-Western Pennsylvania Regional Meeting of The American Catholic Philosophical Association.* Canisius College, November 2007.
- “The Relationship of Philosophy to Science in the Information Age: a proposal for understanding Information Ontology.” *Graduate Student Conference on the Philosophy of Science.* University at Buffalo. April 14, 2007.
- “Ontology and Applied Ontology: An Introductory Survey.” University at Buffalo, March 2007.
- “Metajustification, Skepticism and the A Priori.” *Society for Student Philosophers Annual Conference.* Austin, TX, January 2007.
- “Husserl’s Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences.” *Mind2006: Graduate Conference in Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science.* University of Sussex. Sussex, England. June, 2006.
- “The Coherence of Rationalism.” *Meeting of the Central Division American Philosophical Association.* Chicago, IL, April 2006.
- “The Coherence of Rationalism.” *University at Buffalo Philosophy Colloquium.* Buffalo, NY, April 2006.
- “Information Ontology: Towards an Organon for the Twenty First Century.” *The Institute for Philosophical Studies.* Green Bay, WI, April 2006.
- “Metajustification, Skepticism and the A Priori.” *The Institute for Philosophical Studies.* Green Bay, WI. December 2005.
- “The Limits of Phenomenology?: Edmund Husserl and Thomas Kuhn on the Philosophy of Science.” *Marquette University PGSA Conference.* Milwaukee, WI, October 2005.
- “‘What it’s like’ to be a Person of Practical Wisdom: An Analysis of the Phenomenology of Practical Experience in Aristotle’s Ethics and Psychology.” *Society for Student Philosophers Annual Conference.* Grand Rapids, MI, October 2005.
- “The Quest for Honesty: an Introduction to the Life and Work of Walter Kaufmann” *UB Philosophy Club:* SUNY Buffalo, February 2005.
- “Charting Ethical Space: Intermediate Ethical Theories and their Underlying Rationales” *Institute for Philosophical Studies:* Green Bay, WI, May 2004.
- “Origins of Life: History, Metaphysics & Epistemology” with Daniel D. Novotny. Third General Meeting of the *SUNY Buffalo Undergraduate Biology Club* “Life: Where did it come from?”; SUNY Buffalo, November 2003.
- “Logic, Semantics and Mind: Some Implications of Husserl’s Phenomenology for Cognitive Science”. *Fifth Annual MUPGSA Conference: On Intentionality;* Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, April 2003.
- “Foregrounding: Relevance and Granularity” *Institute for Philosophical Studies;* Green Bay, WI, November 2002.

- “Freedom, Responsibility and Existential Authenticity: A Critique” *Wisconsin Philosophical Association Conference*, Oshkosh, WI, April 2002.

Commenting and Moderating

- Michael Tamir “Virtues, Rules, and Compulsion.” *American Philosophy in the 21st Century: Classic Foundations and Contemporary Solutions*. April 22, 2006, SUNY Buffalo.
- Leonard A. Flier “A Priori and A Posteriori Metaphysical Necessity.” *Metaphysics Without Apology: Themes from the Work of E. J. Lowe*. April 7, 2006. SUNY Buffalo.
- Gerol Petruzella “A Unified Account of Change in Aristotle’s Metaphysics H and θ ” Graduate Student Conference: *Aristotle*, April 9, 2005, SUNY Buffalo.
- Russell Pryba “Akrasia and the Practical Syllogism” Graduate Student Conference: *Aristotle*, April 9, 2005, SUNY Buffalo.
- Jessie Dern, “Husserl’s Phenomenology of the Body: the Creation of Meaning from the Lived-Body and the Decomposition of Mind-Body Effacement” Graduate Student Conference: *Continental Philosophy: Examining the Margins*, March 5, 2005, SUNY Buffalo.
- Eric Chelstrom, “How are we to Understand the Relation Between Music and Language?” Graduate Student Conference: *Aesthetic Theory: Origins, Trends and New Directions*, April 1, 2004 SUNY at Buffalo.
- Mandrick, B. & Miettinen, K., “Design Theory: the Systems Engineering Perspective”, Graduate Student Conference: *Interdisciplinary Movements in Philosophy*, March 6, 2004, SUNY at Buffalo.

Editorial Work

- *The Baltic International Yearbook of Cognition, Logic and Communication*. <http://cognition.lu.lv/> (Assistant Editor, summer 2007—present).

Service

- Colloquia Organizer for the GVSU Philosophy Department, fall 2009—present.
- Faculty advisor for the Philosophical Society of GVSU, the undergraduate philosophy club at Grand Valley State University, fall 2009—present.
- Member of Philosophy Department sub-committee to develop a proposal for a philosophy majors and minors *Writing and Methods* course. Grand Valley State University, fall 2008.
- *Reason, Intuition, Objects: The Epistemology and Ontology of Logic*. Graduate Student Philosophy Conference organized in collaboration with Amanda Hicks. University at Buffalo. October 13, 2007.
- *Metaphysics Without Apology: Themes from the Work of E. J. Lowe*. Graduate Student Philosophy Conference organized in collaboration with Amanda Hicks and Kristl Laux. University at Buffalo. April 7, 2006.
- *SUNY Buffalo Undergraduate Philosophy Club*. Fall 2002 to fall 2005. Graduate Student Coordinator.
- Graduate Affairs Committee. Student member 2004-2005 academic year. Philosophy Department. SUNY Buffalo.
- Departmental Placement Committee. Student Member 2004-2005 academic year. Philosophy Department. SUNY Buffalo.
- New Students Committee 2004-2005. Graduate Philosophical Association. SUNY Buffalo.

- Election Returns Officer 2004-2005. Graduate Philosophical Association. SUNY Buffalo.

Teaching

- Intermediate Logic. PHI 203. Fall 2010, GVSU.
- Epistemology. PHI 440. Winter 2010, GVSU.
- The Impact of Science and Technology on Europe. Honors 280. Fall and winter, GVSU.
- Recent Great Philosophers: Analytic Philosopher, PHI 315. Winter 2009 GVSU.
- Introduction to Philosophy, PHI 101. Fall 2008 GVSU.
- Introduction to Logic, PHI 103. Regular Sections, GVSU.
- Knowledge and Reality, PHI 108. Fall 2007 SUNY Buffalo.
- Critical Thinking, PHI 115. Spring 2007 SUNY Buffalo.
- Introduction to Philosophy, PHI 101. Fall 2005 SUNY Buffalo.
- Introduction to Ethics, PHI 206. Fall 2005 Niagara University.
- Knowledge and Reality, PHI 108. Summer 2005 SUNY Buffalo.
- Introduction to Ethics, PHI 107. Spring 2005 SUNY Buffalo.
- Introduction to Ethics, PHI 107. Fall 2004 SUNY Buffalo.
- Deductive Logic, PHI 215. Spring 2004 SUNY Buffalo.
- Critical Thinking, PHI 115 S. Fall 2003 SUNY Buffalo.

As Teaching and Grading Assistant

- For Randall Dipert: Metaphysics, PHI 329. Spring 2004 SUNY Buffalo.
- For Randall Dipert: Philosophy 101, Fall 2002 SUNY Buffalo.

Awards and Honors

- Research Fellowship. Institute for Formal Ontology and Medical Information Science. Saarland University, Saarbrücken Germany, January to December 2006.
- *Excellence in Teaching Award*. State University of New York at Buffalo, Spring 2006.
- *American Philosophical Association Graduate Student Travel Stipend*. Central Division Meeting, April 2006.
- University of Wisconsin Green Bay *Humanities Essay Prize* 2002.
- *Albert Einstein Mahatma Gandhi Award for Excellence in Research* 2001.

Memberships

- *American Philosophical Association*. Fall 2004 to present.
- *The Institute for Philosophical Studies*. Green Bay, WI. Fall 1998 to present.
- *Institute for Formal Ontology and Medical Information Science*. Researcher during calendar year 2006.
- University of Wisconsin, Green Bay *Student Philosophy Forum*. Member from fall 1998 to spring 2002. (President during the 2000/2001 academic year).

Projects

- “Ontology for the Twenty First Century: An Introduction with Recommendations.”
<http://www.ifomis.uni-saarland.de/bfo/manual/manual.pdf>
- *The Walter Kaufmann Website Project*.
<http://www.acsu.buffalo.edu/~adspear/Kaufmann%20entrance.htm>
Fall 2002 to present.

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