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## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

#### Administrative Position

**Inaugural Associate Dean for Inclusive Excellence in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.** Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI (June 1, 2022 – present)

#### Teaching Positions

**Professor of Philosophy.** Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI

- Department of Philosophy (Fall 2021 – present)

**Associate Professor of Philosophy.** Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI

- Department of Philosophy (2/3 appointment: Fall 2014 – Winter 2015; full appointment: Spring 2015 – Summer 2021)
- African and African American Studies (1/3 appointment: Fall 2014 – Winter 2015)

**Assistant Professor of Philosophy.** Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI

- Department of Philosophy (Full appointment: Fall 2008 – Summer 2012; 2/3 appointment: Fall 2012 – Summer 2014)
- African and African American Studies (1/3 appointment: Fall 2012 – Summer 2014)

**Visiting Assistant Professor.** Department of Philosophy, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI (Fall 2007 – Summer 2008)

**Lecturer (part-time).** City Colleges of Chicago, Chicago, IL (Summer 2007)

**Lecturer (part-time).** Department of Philosophy, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Edwardsville, IL (Spring 2007)

**Lecturer (part-time).** Kaskaskia College, Centralia, IL (Spring 2006 – Fall 2006)

**Teaching Assistant.** Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, IL (Fall 2002 – Spring 2003)

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:** American Philosophy (especially African American Philosophy and Josiah Royce) and Existentialism (especially 20<sup>th</sup> century European and African traditions)

**AREAS OF COMPETENCE:** Moral Philosophy, Philosophy of Race, Philosophy of Religion

## EDUCATION

**Southern Illinois University Carbondale**, Carbondale, IL 2004–2007

Ph.D. in Philosophy, August 2007

Dissertation: “Being Persons in a Depersonalizing World: Marcel and Gordon on the Human Condition in Late Western Modernity”

Committee members: Randall E. Auxier (director), Kenneth W. Stickers, Anthony J. Steinbock, Stephen Tyman, and Lenore Langsdorf

**Southern Illinois University Carbondale**, Carbondale, IL 2002–2004

M.A. in Philosophy, May 2004

Master’s thesis: “Josiah Royce’s Personalism”

Thesis director: Randall E. Auxier. Other committee members: Kenneth W. Stickers and Stephen Tyman

**Christopher Newport University**, Newport News, VA 2000–2002

B.A. in Philosophy with departmental honors

Concentration: Values and the Professions, *summa cum laude*, May 2002

Senior thesis: “Beyond Modern Moral Rationality: Clearing a Space for Moral Imagination and Ethical Discourse in Moral Philosophy”

Director: Richard Beauchamp. Other committee members for oral defense: George A. Teschner and Deborah Carter Campbell

**Rappahannock Community College**, Warsaw, VA 1997–2000

A.A.S. in General Studies, *summa cum laude*, May 2000

## PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

### Books – Monographs:

*Doing Philosophy Personally: Thinking about Metaphysics, Theism, and Antiracist Racism*. New York: Fordham University Press, 2013.

*Yes, But Not Quite: Encountering Josiah Royce’s Ethico-Religious Insight*. New York: Fordham University Press. Hardcover, 2009. Paperback, 2014.

### Books – Edited volume(s):

*Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 366: Orientalist Writers*, co-edited with Coeli Fitzpatrick. Detroit: The Gale Group, 2012.

### Articles and Book Chapters:

1. “Martin Delany and José Martí: Two Thinkers, Two Cubas,” in *Philosophizing the Americas: An Inter-American Discourse*, edited by Jacoby Carter and Hernando A. Estévez (Fordham University Press, forthcoming).

2. “An Essentialist in Critical Religion Land, Or, How Fitzgerald’s Deconstructive Genealogy of Religion Is Compatible with an Essentialist Concept of Religion” in *Philosophy of Religion after Religion*, edited by Michael Ch. Rodgers and Richard Amesbury (Tübingen, Germany: Mohr Siebeck, 2022), forthcoming.
3. “Constituting Personal Objects, Constituting Persons.” *The Cultural Power of Personal Objects: Traditional Accounts and New Perspectives*, edited by Jared Kemling (SUNY Press, 2021), 185–196.
4. “Royce’s Ethical Insight and Inevitable Moral Failure,” *The Routledge Handbook of Idealism and Immaterialism*, edited by Joshua R. Farris and Benedikt Paul Göcke (Routledge, 2021), 286–299.\*
5. “We Are Destined to Be Moral Failures: Royce’s Ethical Insights and His Acknowledgment of Our Inevitable Moral Failure,” in *Josiah Royce: Pragmatist, Ethicist, Philosopher of Religion*, edited by Christoph Seibert and Christian Polke (Mohr Siebeck, 2021), 93–108.†
6. “Ward’s Teleological Suspension of Philosophy in *Peirce and Religion*,” *The Pluralist* vol. 16, no. 2 (Summer 2021): 114–117.
7. “The Good Royce and the Bad Royce, Or, Is Saving Royce from Himself Worth It?,” *The Pluralist* vol. 16, no. 2 (Summer 2021): 22–29.
8. “Believing in Deweyan Democracy During Troubled Times,” *Dewey Studies*, vol. 4, no. 1 (2020): 197–203. Special Issue: Creative Democracy in the Age of Pandemic and Police Violence. Available online at [http://www.johndeweyociety.org/dewey-studies/files/2020/10/DS\\_4.1\\_21\\_TUNSTALL.pdf](http://www.johndeweyociety.org/dewey-studies/files/2020/10/DS_4.1_21_TUNSTALL.pdf) .
9. “The Spiritual Significance of Curry’s *The Man-Not* by Critic Tunstall,” in “Subjects of Vulnerability – Author Meets Critics: Tommy Curry, Author of *The Man-Not*, Meets Critics Anthony Neal and Dwayne Tunstall,” *The Acorn: Philosophical Studies in Pacifism and Nonviolence* 18, nos. 1–2 (2018): 65–69.
10. “Politicizing Aesthetics May Not Be Enough: On Alfred Frankowski’s *The Post-Racial Limits of Memorialization*,” *APA Newsletter on Philosophy and the Black Experience* 18, no. 1 (Fall 2018): 9–11. Available online at <https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.apaonline.org/resource/collection/950518C1-3421-484C-8153-CDA6ED737182/BlackV18n1.pdf> .
11. “Oppenheim’s Legacy,” *The Pluralist* 13, no. 3 (Fall 2018): 109–128.
12. “More than Just ‘Diversity’ at Colleges and Universities,” in *Contemporary Philosophical Proposals for the University: Toward a Philosophy of Higher Education*, edited by Aaron Stoller and Eli Kramer (Palgrave Macmillan, 2018), 67–77.

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\* This article is a revision of the lecture I delivered at the Royce: Pragmatist, Philosopher of Religion, Ethicist conference at the Universität Hamburg on October 2, 2015.

† This book chapter is a revision and expansion of the lecture I delivered at the Royce: Pragmatist, Philosopher of Religion, Ethicist conference at the Universität Hamburg on October 2, 2015.

13. "Commentary by Critic Dwayne A. Tunstall," in "(R)evolutions of Consciousness in Thurman and Newton: Anthony Neal, Author of *Common Ground*, Meets Critics Dwayne A. Tunstall and Felipe Hinojosa," *The Acorn: Philosophical Studies in Pacifism and Nonviolence* 17, no. 1 (Spring/Summer 2017): 62–69.
14. "Deweyean Idealism," *The Pluralist* 11, no. 3 (Fall 2016): 62–71.
15. "Yet Another Way to Interpret *The Problem of Christianity* Fruitfully," *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society: A Quarterly Journal in American Philosophy* 52, no. 1 (Winter 2016): 79–92.
16. "Affirming Personality, Criticizing Impersonalism, and Experiencing the Divine: The Schleiermacherian Themes that Influenced Boston Personalism," in *Schleiermacher's Influences on American Thought and Religious Life (1835–1920): Volume 2*, edited by Jeffrey A. Wilcox, Terrence N. Tice, and Catherine L. Kelsey (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2014), 94–110.
17. "Goodbye, Idealist Consensus; Hello, New Realism!," in *The Relevance of Royce*, edited by Kelly A. Parker and Jason Bell (New York: Fordham University Press, 2014), 34–46.
18. "William R. Jones's Philosophy of Religion," *American Philosophy Association Newsletter on Philosophy and the Black Experience* 13, no. 1 (Fall 2013): 11–15.
19. "A Personalistic Religious Humanism," in *Ethical Personalism*, edited by Cheikh Mbacké Gueye (Frankfurt, Germany: Ontos Verlag, 2011), 117–126.
20. "Dr. Seuss Meets Philosophical Aesthetics," in *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy – Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2011), 219–230.
21. "Prophetic Ethics: Rufus Burrow, Jr.'s Personalist Contribution to Religious Ethics," *The Pluralist* 6, no. 1 (Spring 2011): 14–29.
22. "Transcendental Pragmatism: Pihlström's Naturalism or Royce's Religious Existentialism?" *Idealistic Studies* 39, nos. 1-3 (Spring-Summer-Fall 2009): 149–159.
23. "Josiah Royce 'Enlightened' Anti-Black Racism?" *The Pluralist* 4, no. 3 (Fall 2009): 39–45.
24. "Struggling against the Specter of Dehumanization: The Experiential Origins of Marcel's Reflective Method," *Philosophy Today* 53, no. 2 (Summer 2009): 147–160.
25. "Cornel West, John Dewey, and the Tragicomic Undercurrents of Deweyan Creative Democracy," *Contemporary Pragmatism* 5, no. 2 (December 2008): 109–129.
26. "Taking Africana Existential Philosophy of Education Seriously," *Philosophical Studies in Education* 39 (2008): 46–55. Available online at <http://ovpes.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/tunstall2008.pdf> .

27. "Learning Metaphysical Humility with Lewis Gordon's Teleological Suspension of Philosophy," *CLR James Journal: A Publication of the Caribbean Philosophical Association* 14, no. 1 (Spring 2008): 157–168.
28. "Why Violence Can be Viewed as a Legitimate Means of Combating White Supremacy for Some African Americans," in *Radical Philosophy Today, Volume 5: Democracy, Racism, and Prisons*, edited by Harry van der Linden (Charlottesville, VA: Philosophy Documentation Center, 2007), 159–173.
29. "Concerning the God that is Only a Concept: A Marcellian Critique of Royce's God," *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society: A Quarterly Journal in American Philosophy* 42, no. 3 (Summer 2006): 394–416.
30. "Evaluating Rhetoric and Writing, Again: Analyzing Phaedrus 259e-279c," *Southwest Philosophical Studies* 26 (Spring 2004): 9–15.

#### **Translation:**

1. Co-translated with Randall E. Auxier. Gabriel Marcel, "The Dialectical Conditions of the Philosophy of Intuition," English translation of "Les conditions dialectiques de la philosophie de l'intuition," *Revue de Métaphysique et de Morale* 20, no. 5 (Sept. 1912): 638–652. *Marcel Studies* 2, no 1 (2017): 36–45. Available online at <https://explore.neumann.edu/hubfs/Website-PDFs/Home/Marcel%20Studies/Dwayne-Trans-2017.pdf?hsLang=en> .

#### **Introduction and Foreword:**

1. Foreword for Rufus Burrow, Jr., *Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Theology of Resistance* (Jefferson NC: McFarland, 2014), 1–3.
2. "Introduction" (co-authored with Coeli Fitzpatrick), in *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 366: Orientalist Writers*, ed. Coeli Fitzpatrick and Dwayne A. Tunstall (Detroit: The Gale Group, 2012), xix–xxi.

#### **Book Reviews and Review Essays**

1. Review of *African American Contributions to the Americas' Cultures: A Critical Edition of Lectures by Alain Locke* by Jacoby Adeshei Carter (New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016), *The Pluralist* 14, no. 2 (Summer 2019): 117–121.
2. Review of David W. Rodick. *Gabriel Marcel and American Philosophy* (Lexington Books, 2017), *American Journal of Theology of Philosophy*, 40, no. 1 (January 2019): 75–79.
3. Review of Erin McKenna and Scott L. Pratt, *American Philosophy: From Wounded Knee to the Present* (Bloomsbury Academic, 2015), *Teaching Philosophy* 39, no. 2 (June 2016): 259–262.
4. Review of Jeremy Pierce, *A Realist Metaphysics of Race* (Lexington Books, 2015), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*. Published online on May 26, 2015. Available online at <http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/58058-a-realist-metaphysics-race-a-context-sensitive-short-term-retentionist-long-term-revisionist-approach/> .

5. Review of G. Scott Davis, *Believing and Acting: The Pragmatic Turn in Comparative Religion and Ethics*, *Philosophy in Review* 34, nos. 3–4 (2014): 189-191. Available online at <http://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/pir/article/view/13173/4089> .
6. Review of J. Caleb Clanton, editor, *The Classical American Pragmatists and Religion: A Reader*, *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 80, no. 4 (December 2012): 1150-1153.
7. Review of Michael Lackey, *African American Atheists and Political Liberation: A Study of the Sociocultural Dynamics of Faith, Peace & Change: A Journal of Peace Research* 35, no. 1 (January 2010): 175-178.
8. “Review Essay: An Odd Black Solidarity, Indeed,” *Philosophy and Social Criticism* 36, no. 1 (January 2010): 111–122. (A review essay on Tommie Shelby’s *We Who Are Dark*)
9. Review of John R. Shook and Paulo Ghiraldelli, eds., *Contemporary Pragmatism, Special Issue on Cornel West* 4.1 (June 2007); *Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Newsletter*, No. 108 (November 2009):43–45.
10. Review of Jacquelyn Ann K. Kegley’s *Josiah Royce in Focus*, *The Pluralist* 4, no. 2 (Summer 2009): 127–134.
11. Review of Tommie Shelby, *We Who Are Dark: The Philosophical Foundations of Black Solidarity*, *Essays in Philosophy: A Biennial Journal* 9, no. 2 (June 2008): [n.p.] Available online at <https://commons.pacificu.edu/work/8d1d090f-f8db-466e-8435-c59e367820b2> .
12. Review of Gabriel Marcel’s *La Métaphysique de Royce, avec un appendice de texts, publiée et préfacée par Miklos Vetö*, *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society: A Quarterly Journal in American Philosophy* 42, no. 4 (Fall 2006): 582–585.
13. Review of Thomas O. Buford and Harold H. Oliver, editors, *Personalism Revisited: Its Proponents and Critics*, *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society: A Quarterly Journal in American Philosophy* 41, no. 2 (Spring 2005): 460–466.

#### Encyclopedia Entries:

1. Revision of Charles H. Kahn’s “Plato’s Theory of Forms,” *Key Themes and Figures in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy*, edited by Brendan Sweetman (Farmington Hills, MI.: Gale, 2016). Available online at *Gale Researcher*. Gale Document Number: GALE|ZXXKFIV384244409.
2. Revision of Charles H. Kahn’s “Plato’s Theory of Knowledge,” *Key Themes and Figures in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy*, edited by Brendan Sweetman (Farmington Hills, MI.: Gale, 2016). Available online at *Gale Researcher*. Gale Document Number: GALE|SOZKFN120537276.
3. “Nietzsche on the Death of God,” *Key Themes and Figures in Modern and Contemporary Philosophy*, edited by Brendan Sweetman (Farmington Hills, MI.: Gale, 2016). Available online at *Gale Researcher*. Gale Document Number: GALE|HHNMOX027773343.

4. Revision of Gregory Canning's "Nietzsche's Moral Theory," *Philosophy: Key Themes and Figures in Modern and Contemporary Philosophy*, edited by Brendan Sweetman (Farmington, MI: Gale, 2016). Available online at *Gale Researcher*. Gale Document Number: GALE|FAYQRD606021057.
5. "External/Internal Relations," in John Lachs and Robert Talisse, eds., *American Philosophy: An Encyclopedia* (New York: Routledge, 2008), 273–276.
6. "Liberation Theology," in John Lachs and Robert Talisse, eds., *American Philosophy: An Encyclopedia* (New York: Routledge, 2008), 461–463.

#### **Reports, Book Notes, and Abstracts:**

1. "Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute Report," *American Society for Aesthetics Newsletter* 31, no. 3 (Winter 2011): 10–11.
2. "Book Note: Thomas Jay Oord, ed., *The Many Facets of Love: Philosophical Explorations*," *Process Studies: A Journal of the Center for Process Studies* 37, no. 1 (2008): 208–209.
3. "A Prolegomenon to a Phenomenological Philosophy of History," *Southwest Philosophical Studies* 27 (Spring 2005): 97.

#### **Online Scholarly Writings (Blog posts, etc.):**

- Wrote an invited blog post answering the question, "What is Philosophy of Religion?," as part of the "Philosophers of Religion on Philosophy of Religion" series on Wesley J. Wildman's "Philosophy of Religion" blog (published on June 18, 2014). The post is available at <http://philosophyofreligion.org/?p=22234>.

#### **CONFERENCE & COLLOQUIA PRESENTATIONS**

1. "Curing Black Melancholia with Africana Philosophy," talk delivered as part of 5th Lewis E. Hahn Memorial Lecture event, sponsored by the American Institute for Philosophical & Cultural Thought and the Foundation for the Philosophy of Creativity (September 12, 2020). Available online at <https://youtu.be/owP3qumV06A>.
2. "Being Black, Then and Now;" 2020 Black History Month Lecture Series sponsored by the Department of History and Philosophy and the Office of Compliance and Inclusion; University of Virginia at Wise; Wise, VA (February 24, 2020).
3. "Idealism in Black: Reclaiming William H. Ferris's Idealism and Philosophy of History;" University of Oregon Philosophy Department Winter 2020 Colloquium presentation; Eugene, OR (February 6, 2020).
4. "Two Roads Taken but Nearly Forgotten: Royce, Harris, and Locke;" Douglas MacDonald Conference on the Life and Work of Josiah Royce, his Colleagues and Students; Vanderbilt University; Nashville, TN (October 19, 2019).

5. "Settler Colonialism and the Fate of Blackness, Part 2: African Americans Are Not Settlers in the United States;" Plenary session at 2019 Summer Institute in American Philosophy; University of Dayton; Dayton, OH (July 13, 2019).
6. "More Than Just Promoting 'Diversity': Wrestling with Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity;" Issues in the Public Square: Building Diverse & Inclusive Communities; Norbert O. Schedler Honors College at University of Central Arkansas; Conway, AR (March 11, 2017).
7. "More than Slaves and Protesters: Being Post-Black in the Early 21<sup>st</sup> Century;" invited talk at University of Central Arkansas co-sponsored by National Association of Black Men United, the African and African American Studies Program, and the Student Government Association; Conway, AR (April 7, 2016).
8. "Post-Black is the Newest New Negro: Alain Locke's Ethnic Race and the Prospects for a Post-Black Identity;" presentation for "A Session in Honor of the Centennial of Alain Locke's Address on 'Race Contacts and Interracial Relations'" at the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, hosted by University of Oregon and Portland State University; Portland, OR (March 4, 2016).
9. "William H. Ferris, An Unexpected Champion of Royce's Wise Provincialism;" presented at GVSU Philosophy Department Colloquium; Allendale, MI (February 12, 2016).
10. "An Unexpected Champion of Royce's Wise Provincialism;" Josiah Royce Society session at 2016 Eastern APA Division Meeting; Washington, DC (January 9, 2016).
11. "Royce's Ethical Insight: Its Relevance for Today;" presented at the Royce: Pragmatist, Philosopher of Religion, Ethicist conference held at the Waburg-Haus and organized by Christoph Seibert and Christian Polke of Universität Hamburg; Hamburg, Germany (October 2, 2015).
12. "The Cosmically Significant Negro: William H. Ferris's Philosophy of History;" Texas A&M University Colloquium Presentation; College Station, TX (October 9, 2014).
13. "A Lonely Lighthouse Keeper No Longer: The Legacy of Frank Oppenheim;" Inaugural Frank M. Oppenheim Lecture in American Philosophy; Xavier University; Cincinnati, Ohio (April 3, 2014).
14. "Royce, Christianity, and the Metaphysics of Community;" presented at Southern Illinois University Carbondale Philosophy Department Colloquia; Carbondale, IL (November 14, 2013).
15. "A Deweyan-Inspired Roycean Idealism;" presented at Royce, California, and the World Conference, sponsored by Josiah Royce Society; Grass Valley, CA (August 17, 2013).
16. "Are MacIntyre's Problems with Genealogy Really Problems for Genealogists?"; presented at 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Society for MacIntyrean Enquiry (ISME); Grand Rapids, MI (July 26, 2013).



17. "Philosophical Reflections on Racial Profiling and Its Violent Accumulation in the Death of Trayvon Martin;" presented at 19<sup>th</sup> annual Philosophy Born of Struggle conference; Texas A&M University; College Station, TX (October 27, 2012).
18. "Has African American Literature *Really* Ended?"; Presentation at African Diaspora Conversation Series, sponsored by Grand Valley State University African/African American Studies Program (February 22, 2012).
19. "Reimagining Aesthetic Experience and Beauty;" presented at 6<sup>th</sup> annual Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute (PIKSI); Pennsylvania State University; University Park, PA (August 4, 2011).
20. "Did Richard Rorty Give Up on Philosophy After All?"; presented at 38<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Spokane, WA (March 11, 2011).
21. "Goodbye, Idealist Consensus; Hello, New Realism!"; presentation for Hope College Philosophy Department's Speaker Series; Holland, MI (November 16, 2010).
22. "Responsibly Creating Personscapes;" Hocking-Cabot Seminar Presentation; Carbondale, IL (July 14, 2010).
23. "There are Prophets, and There are *Ethical* Prophets: David Walker's and Rufus Burrow, Jr.'s Contribution to Religious Ethics;" presented at Personalist Discussion Group Session at 2010 American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting; Chicago, IL (February 20, 2010).
24. "Derrida's Anti-Realism;" presented at GVSU Philosophy Department Colloquium; Allendale, MI (October 9, 2009).
25. "What We Can Learn from Richard Rorty's Philosophy;" presented at 2009 Rutgers Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy; New Brunswick, NJ (July 10, 2009).
26. "An Odd Black Solidarity, Indeed: Tommie Shelby's Pragmatic Black Solidarity;" presented at Texas A&M University Philosophy Department Colloquium; College Station, TX (February 3, 2009).
27. "Shelby's Pragmatic Black Solidarity, A Resource for African American Studies in a Post-Civil Rights Era?"; panel presentation at the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Philosophy Born of Struggle conference, hosted by Michigan State University's African and African American Studies Program; East Lansing, MI (October 24, 2008).
28. "Two Varieties of Transcendental Pragmatism: Acknowledging Pihlström's Transcendental Pragmatism, Remembering Royce's Absolute Pragmatism;" presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Midwest Pragmatist Study Group of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, held at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI); Indianapolis, IN (September 27, 2008).
29. "Living with the Tragicomedy of Deweyan Creative Democracy;" presented at the Society for the Philosophy of Creativity Group Session, 2007 American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting; Baltimore, MD (December 29, 2007).

30. "Taking Africana Existential Philosophy of Education Seriously;" presented at the Creolizing Philosophy of Education I: Dialoguing through Africana Thought on Disciplines, Pedagogy, and Maturation Panel; Ohio Valley Philosophy of Education Society Annual Conference; Dayton, OH (September 28, 2007).
31. "Is African American Christianity, as Traditionally Understood, Spiritually Detrimental to African Americans?"; presented at 7<sup>th</sup> annual Phenomenology Roundtable Meeting, hosted by Marquette University; Milwaukee, WI (June 15, 2007).
32. "Cornel West's Non-Deweyan Prophetic Pragmatism;" presented at 34<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, hosted by University of South Carolina; Columbia, SC (March 10, 2007).
33. "Why Violence Can be Viewed as a Legitimate Means of Combating White Supremacy for Some African Americans;" Critical Race Theory Panel Presentation, Seventh Biennial Radical Philosophy Association International/National Conference, held at Creighton University; Omaha, NE (November 4, 2006).
34. "Temporality in an Ethical Register: Coupling Royce's Temporalism with Levinasian Insights;" presented at 33<sup>rd</sup> annual conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; San Antonio, TX (March 10, 2006).
35. "*Erdboden* and Transcendental Intersubjectivity in Husserl's Phenomenology;" presentation for "The Crisis Afoot in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Husserlian Contributions" panel at the 44<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy; Salt Lake City, UT (October 20, 2005).
36. "Royce and King on *Agape* and the Beloved Community;" presented at the Joint Group Session of the Society for the Philosophy of Creativity, the Personalist Discussion Group, and the Society for the Study of Process Philosophy at the 2005 American Philosophical Association Meeting, Central Division; Chicago, IL (April 29, 2005).
37. "Josiah Royce and the New Realists: Seeing Their Metaphysical Differences Up-Close;" presented at The Relevance of Royce: A Conference (Josiah Royce Sesquicentennial Celebration), sponsored by the Josiah Royce Society and held at Vanderbilt University; Nashville, TN (April 10, 2005).
38. "Du Bois's Ethical Personalism;" presented at 32<sup>nd</sup> annual conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Bakersfield, CA (March 4, 2005).
39. "Royce's Temporalism;" presented at 29<sup>th</sup> annual Midsouth Philosophy Conference, held at University of Memphis; Memphis, TN (February 19, 2005).
40. "A Prolegomenon to a Phenomenological Philosophy of History;" presented at 55<sup>th</sup> Annual New Mexico/West Texas Philosophical Society Conference; San Antonio, TX (March 28, 2004).
41. "Evaluating Rhetoric & Writing Again: Analyzing *Phaedrus* 259e-279c;" presented at 54<sup>th</sup> Annual New Mexico/West Texas Philosophical Society Conference; Santa Fe, NM (April 12, 2003).

42. “The Case for Green Biotechnology: Attempting to Reach a Tentative Consensus;” presented at Morality in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Conference, co-sponsored by the American Philosophical Association/University of Delaware’s Department of Philosophy; Newark, Delaware (October 2001).
43. “In Defense of Property Dualism;” presented at 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Northwest Conference on Philosophy, hosted by Washington State University; Pullman, Washington (October 2001).
44. “Was Descartes Right in Establishing Epistemology on Subjective Rationalism? A Critique of *Meditations on First Philosophy*,” presented at Southeastern Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, hosted by Old Dominion University (April 21, 2001).

**AUTHORS MEETS CRITICS SESSIONS, PANEL PRESENTATIONS, & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS OUTSIDE OF GVSU:**

1. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on *A Philosophy Born of Struggle: The Leonard Harris Reader*, edited by Lee A. McBride III (Bloomsbury, 2020); 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; online (March 12, 2021).
2. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Roger Ward’s *Peirce and Religion Knowledge, Transformation, and the Reality of God* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2018); 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; San Miguel de Allende, Mexico (March 5, 2020).
3. Co-Facilitator for “Settler Colonialism and the Fate of Blackness: Reading Session” (with Scott Pratt); 2019 Summer Institute in American Philosophy; University of Dayton; Dayton, OH (July 12, 2019).
4. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Tommy Curry’s *Another white Man’s Burden: Josiah Royce’s Quest for a Philosophy of white Racial Empire* (SUNY Press, 2018); 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Columbus, OH (March 16, 2019).
5. “Books-in-Progress: *Blackness as Pan-ethnicity*,” 2018 Summer Institute in American Philosophy at University of Dayton; Dayton, OH (July 13, 2018).
6. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Tommy Curry’s *The Man-Not: Race, Class, Genre, and the Dilemmas of Black Manhood* (Temple University Press, 2017); 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Indianapolis, IN (March 8, 2018).
7. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Alfred Frankowski’s *The Post-Racial Limits of Memorialization: Toward a Political Sense of Mourning* (Lexington Books, 2015); 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of American Society for Aesthetics; New Orleans, LA (November 17, 2017).
8. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Jacoby Adeshei Carter’s edited volume, *African American Contributions to the Americas’ Cultures: A Critical Edition of Lectures*

- by *Alain Locke* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016); 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Birmingham, AL (March 16, 2017).
9. “Reaching Out to Students Beyond Standard Written English;” Diversity Presentation & Workshop for University of Central Arkansas School of Communication and University College Faculty; Conway, AR (March 10, 2017).
  10. Facilitator for “Diversity in Writing” workshop session, School of Communication, University of Central Arkansas (March 10, 2017).
  11. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Anthony Neal’s *Common Ground: A Comparison of the Ideas of Consciousness in the Writings of Howard Thurman and Huey Newton* (2015); Philosophy Born of Struggle 2016: Theorizing Within Revolt: Black Power, Black Life, & Black Thought – The Role of Africana Philosophy in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Struggles; College Station, TX (November 3, 2016).
  12. Author participant in Closing Session: PBOS Book Roundtable on James Haile, ed., *Philosophical Meditations on Richard Wright* (2013) and Dwayne Tunstall, *Doing Philosophy Personally: Thinking about Metaphysics, Theism, and Antiracism* (2013);” Philosophy Born of Struggle 2015: Embodied Philosophy & Epistemologies of Liberation; Storrs, CT (November 7, 2015).
  13. Critic for Author Meets Critics session on Christopher D. Tirres’ *The Aesthetics and Ethics of Faith: A Dialogue Between Liberationist and Pragmatic Thought*, 42<sup>nd</sup> annual conference for the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Grand Rapids, MI (March 7, 2015).
  14. Panelist for session, “W. E. B. Du Bois UnCut: Anti-Coloniality, Race Conscious and his Aversion to the American Empire,” 18th annual Philosophy Born of Struggle Conference; East Lansing, MI (October 28, 2011).
  15. Co-discussion facilitator (with Tommy Curry) for Key Text Session; led discussion of W. E. B. Du Bois’ “Of the Passing of the First-Born,” Thirteenth Midwest Pragmatist Study Group Meeting, Indianapolis, IN (September 24, 2011).
  16. Discussion facilitator, Key Text Session on chapters 1-3 of Cornel West’s *Democracy Matters*, 11<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Pragmatist Study Group of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, hosted by Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), Indianapolis, IN (September 26, 2009).

**MISCELLANEOUS PRESENTATIONS, PANEL DISCUSSIONS, & WORKSHOPS AT GVSU AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS:**

1. Panelist for “Political and Cultural Isms” session at 2021 Progressive/Conservative Summit: What’s Now and What’s Next?; co-sponsored by The Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies at GVSU, Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, and Progressive Women’s Alliance; Grand Rapids, MI (October 2, 2021).
2. “Thinking of Idealism Differently: William H. Ferris on God, History, and the Negrosaxon,” Cosmopolitan Philosophy at University of California, Berkeley (April 27, 2021).

3. Conducted a two-hour workshop for School of Communication and University College (UC) faculty attending a day-long presentation and workshop on diversity and student retention in gateway courses, particularly in UC and in the First Year Writing Program, at University of Central Arkansas (March 10, 2017).
4. “Exploring the Philosophical Foundation of Process Education,” Workshop session at the 2016 Process Education Conference, held at Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI (June 23, 2016).
5. Co-discussion leader (with John Uglietta) for a discussion session on Cornel West and Robert George organized by Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies at GVSU. In this session, I introduced the audience to Cornel West’s thought and social activism; then, I answered questions about West’s thought and activism. Allendale, MI (March 24, 2015).
6. Respondent to Kelly Parker’s paper, “Peirce Schooling Royce: Methodology, Metaphysics, and Absolute Truth,” “The Actual Absolute and the Ideal Community of Inquirers: Peirce and Royce 100 Years Later,” Winter 2014 GVSU Philosophy Department Colloquium, Allendale, MI (April 11, 2014).
7. Invited faculty presenter for “Unacknowledged Greatness,” an event celebrating the contributions of black inventors to American society, National Society of Black Engineers, GVSU Chapter (February 25, 2014).
8. Panelist, Philosophy Department Colloquium Panel on Liberal Education, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI (September 10, 2010).

### **PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE COMMENTARIES & CONFERENCE SESSIONS**

#### **CHAired:**

1. Commentator on Mariana Alessandri’s “Mister Rogers, American Philosopher” and Nicholas Charles’ “Experimentation and the Community of Inquiry” in the Children and Philosophy session at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Rollins College, Winter Park, FL (March 11, 2022).
2. Commentator on Kristian Cantens’s “Mysticism in Luis Villoro’s *La Mezquita Azul*” and Richard Gilmore’s “The Evolutionary Existentialism of Emerson and Paz,” 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Hacendia Santa Clara near San Miguel de Allende, Mexico (March 5, 2020).
3. Commentator on Alain Beauclair’s “Beneath the Ordinary: Toward an Aesthetics of Place” and Aaron Shephard’s “Loyalty, Betrayal, and Atonement: A Philosophy of Moral Inquiry” in the Tragedy & Remediation: Moral & Aesthetic Dimensions section at the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Columbus, OH (March 14, 2019).
4. Chair for a colloquium session on Elvira Basevich’s paper, “W. E. B. Du Bois on Democracy and Dissent in the Jim Crow Era,” 115<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Philosophical Association Central Division; Chicago, IL (February 23, 2018).

5. Chair for a session featuring Richard P. Mullin's paper, "Reverence for the Relations of Life as a Source of Royce's Ethical Insight," and Bette Manter's paper, "Sources of Reproductive Insight;" Royce's Legacy: A Conference in Honor of Rev. Frank Oppenheim, S. J.; Cincinnati, OH (April 4, 2014).
6. Commentator for Tommy J. Curry's "In the Fiat of Dreams," Session on Philosophy and Race sponsored by APA Committee on the Status of Black Philosophers, 2013 American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, Baltimore, MD (December 28, 2013).
7. Commentator for Jenn Roche's "Josiah Royce on Imagination" and Myron Jackson's "How Provincial is Wise Provincialism and How Wise?" at the Royce, California, and the World Conference, sponsored by Josiah Royce Society, Grass Valley, CA (August 16, 2013).
8. Session Chair for "Radical Cosmopolitanism" session. Presenters were Joshua Houston and Judith Green, 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Conference (March 7, 2013).
9. Session Chair, "Royce on Communities, Corporate Persons, and Lost Causes" session. Presenters were Randall E. Auxier and Vincent Colapietro, 2011 Josiah Royce Society Conference, IUPUI, Indianapolis, IN (September 23, 2011).
10. Respondent on three papers about my book *Yes, But Not Quite*, Joint Personalist Discussion Group and Josiah Royce Society Group Session, 2010 American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, Boston, MA (December 28, 2010).
11. Commentator on Lee McBride's "Pragmatist Feminism and Pro-Women Politics" and Kara Barnette's "Necessary Error: Josiah Royce, Communal Inquiry, and Feminist Epistemology," 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Charlotte, NC (March 11, 2010).
12. Session Organizer, Josiah Royce Society Session on "Roycean Egoism and Social Hope," at the 2009 American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting; Chicago, IL (February 19, 2009).
13. Commentator on Jacquelyn Kegley's and Tommy Curry's presentations on Josiah Royce and racism, Joint Session of the Josiah Royce Society and the Personalist Discussion Group at the 2008 American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting; Chicago, IL (April 19, 2008).
14. Commentary on Tommy Curry's presentation, "Please Don't Make Me Touch 'Em: Towards a Critical Race Fanonianism as a Possible Justification for Violence against Whiteness," *Agora* Graduate Student Colloquium, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (May 4, 2007).
15. "Where is Brightman's Phenomenological Method? A Critique of Seth Vannatta's 'Radical Empiricism in Brightman's Personalism and Husserl's Phenomenology,'" *Agora* Graduate Student Colloquium, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (February 2, 2007).

16. Commentary on Sean Lipham's presentation, "The Universe as Thou: William James's Religious Personalism," Agora Graduate Student Colloquium, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (October 6, 2006).
17. Commentator on Daniel Kruidenier's presentation, "Is Prophetic Pragmatism Pragmatist?" 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Midsouth Philosophy Conference, held at University of Memphis, Memphis, TN (February 18, 2005).
18. Commentary on Matthew Sanderson's presentation, "Bergson and Dewey on Creative Religion;" Agora Graduate Student Colloquium, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (December 3, 2004).
19. Commentator, "Doing the Undoable," Commentary on Raymond Anderson's presentation, "Can Moral Leadership 'Make Love Its Goal?'" 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Persons, held at University of Memphis, Memphis, TN (August 7, 2003).

#### **PUBLIC & OTHER KINDS OF LECTURES**

1. "Racial Equity and Food Systems" (with Crystal Scott-Tunstall), Kids' Food Basket, Grand Rapids, Michigan (October 28, 2019).
2. Guest speaker, "Not All African Americans Are Alike: African American Diversity in the Workforce," Padnos Diversity Series talk held at the Crossroads Conference Center, Cutlerville, Michigan (February 26, 2015).
3. Public lecture on Josiah Royce's biography and philosophy to promote Royce, California and the World conference at the Rotary Club of Nevada City, California (August 15, 2013).

#### **WORKS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLICATION CONSIDERATION**

- "The Significance of Dignity in Harris's Philosophy."

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- Designated Hometown Champion for bringing 2019 Philosophy Born of Struggle conference to Grand Rapids by Experience Grand Rapids and the City of Grand Rapids (2019).
- Designated Hometown Champion for bringing 2015 SAAP annual meeting to downtown Grand Rapids by Experience Grand Rapids and the City of Grand Rapids (April 16, 2014).
- Recipient (on behalf of the Josiah Royce Society) of the City Council of Grass Valley, California's "Proclamation in Remembrance and Commemoration of Josiah Royce" plaque commemorating the centennial anniversary of the publication of Royce's *The Problem of Christianity* (proclamation dated August 16, 2013; plaque given during a ceremony at the Grass Valley Library – Royce Branch on August 17, 2013).
- Commencement Marshal, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Grand Valley State University – College of Arts and Liberal Sciences, College (CLAS), April 27, 2013. One of the two faculty members responsible for holding the CLAS flag and leading candidates

- for baccalaureate degrees in CLAS to their seats during the processional at the graduation ceremony.
- Nominated for GVSU Distinguished Early-Career Scholar Award by College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (November 5, 2012).
  - Nominated for GVSU Distinguished Early-Career Scholar Award by Philosophy Department (October 2012).
  - Nominated for GVSU Distinguished Early-Career Scholar Award by College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (November 1, 2011).
  - Nominated for GVSU Distinguished Early-Career Scholar Award by Philosophy Department (October 2011).
  - Hocking-Cabot Fellow (2010).
  - Co-recipient of the Josiah Royce Society's first Harry Todd Costello Prize for Excellence in Philosophy for the best paper presented by a graduate student or recent PhD at its semi-annual conference (April 10, 2005; awarded at the sesquicentennial celebration of Royce's birth).
  - Nominated for Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC) University Outstanding Master's Thesis Award by SIUC Philosophy Department (2005).
  - Recipient of Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Fellowship (formerly ICEOP/IMGIP) (2004-2007).
  - Recipient of SIUC's Graduate Dean's Fellowship (2003-2004).
  - Recipient of New Mexico/West Texas Philosophical Society's Hubert Griggs Alexander Memorial Award (2003).
  - Phi Sigma Tau International Honor Society in Philosophy (inducted December 2001; National Alumni Chapter member, 2003-2005)
  - SIUC Graduate School Tuition Scholarship Award (Fall 2002 semester) – declined award offer
  - Departmental Honors – Christopher Newport University Philosophy Department (May 11, 2011)
  - Distinction on the Philosophy Senior Thesis – Christopher Newport University (May 11, 2002)
  - Distinction on the Philosophy Comprehensive Exam – Christopher Newport University (May 11, 2002)
  - Distinction on the Oral Defense of Senior Thesis – Christopher Newport University (Spring 2002)
  - Phi Sigma Tau International Honor Society (inducted December 14, 2000; National Alumni Chapter member since 2003)
  - Alpha Chi Honor Society (inducted February 2001)
  - National Dean's List (1999-2000, 2001-02)
  - Representative of class of 2000; introducer of commencement speaker for 28<sup>th</sup> commencement ceremony – Rappahannock Community College (May 2000)
  - Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society (inducted November 28, 1999; Alumni member since 2000)
  - Who's Who Among American Junior College Students (1999-2000)
  - Virginia Community College Association 1999 Showcase Student Award – Rappahannock Community College (October 1999)
  - Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society's Outstanding History Student Award – Rappahannock Community College (May 1998)

#### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE IN PHILOSOPHY**

- Advisory Board member, Royce Critical Edition (February 2020 – present)



- Executive Director, Philosophy Born of Struggle (2018 – present).
- Member, American Philosophical Association Committee on the Status of Black Philosophers (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018); *ex-officio* member (July 1, 2018 – present).
- Editorial Board member, *Dewey Studies* (2017 – present).
- Editorial Board member, *The Acorn: Philosophical Studies in Pacifism and Nonviolence* (December 15, 2016 – present).
- Co-editor, *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Philosophy and the Black Experience* (2016 – 2020); editor (2020 – present).
- Secretary, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy (March 8, 2015 – present).
- Fellow (Past President), Josiah Royce Society (March 6, 2015 – present).
- Editorial Board member, *Marcel Studies* (February 17, 2014 – present).
- Member, Executive Board, Philosophy Born of Struggle (October 2013 – present).
- Non-Peirce manuscript editor, *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society* (October 2017 – December 2021).
- Local host for 25<sup>th</sup> Philosophy Born of Struggle Conference: Neglected Philosophers of Struggle; sponsored by GVSU; Embassy Suites by Hilton, Grand Rapids, MI (November 1–2, 2019).
- Nominating committee member, Josiah Royce Society (2007, 2017, 2019).
- Local host for 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Meeting, sponsored by GVSU and SAAP; Courtyard by Marriott, downtown Grand Rapids, MI (March 5–7, 2015).
- External assessor for an Insight Grant application, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (January – February 2015).
- Referee, 2015 meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association (January 17, 2015).
- Member (*ex officio*), Royce Critical Edition Board (April 7, 2014 – March 6, 2015)
- President, Josiah Royce Society (March 2013 – March 6, 2015).
- Grant reviewer for Partnership Grant competition, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (November – December 2013).
- Member, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Grant Committee (March 2013 – March 2014).
- Grant reviewer for Research Foundation Flanders (Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek – Vlaanderen, FWO) (March 2012).
- Program Committee Co-Chair, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy (March 2012 – March 2013).
- At-large Director, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Board of Directors (March 2011 – March 2014).
- American Society for Aesthetics Visiting Lecturer for Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute (August 2011).
- Program Committee Member – Midwest Pragmatist Study Group (September 2009 – September 2011).
- Organizer for 2011 Josiah Royce Society conference at Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis (September 23–24, 2011).
- Vice President, Josiah Royce Society (April 2010 – March 2013).
- Consulting Scholar for *The Collected Works of Josiah Royce* (2010 – present).
- Invited faculty speaker, 2009 Rutgers Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy (July 10, 2009).
- At-large representative, Executive Board of the Josiah Royce Society (March 2009 – March 2010).
- Organizer for the Josiah Royce Society Session, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting (2008 – 2010).

- Manuscript referee for the following journals, presses, and publishers:
  - Academic presses and publishers: Bloomsbury Academic, Fordham University Press, Palgrave Macmillan, Rowman and Littlefield International, State University of New York Press.
  - Academic journals: *Contemporary Pragmatism*, *Continental Philosophy Review*, *Eidos: A Journal for Philosophy of Culture*, *Human Affairs: Postdisciplinary Humanities & Social Sciences Quarterly*, *Hypatia*, *Journal of Language and Discrimination*, *Journal for Peace and Justice Studies*, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Journal of Speculative Philosophy*, *Marcel Studies*, *Peace and Change: A Journal of Peace Research*, *Philosophy East and West*, *Radical Philosophy Review*, *Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Southwest Philosophy Review*, *The Pluralist*, and *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society*.

### **SELECTED DEPARTMENT/COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- Inclusion Advocate, GVSU (December 2014 – present).
- Instructor, Oliver Wilson Scholars Student Summer Success Program (Summer 2021).
- Group Member, Summer 2021 CLAS Strategic and Innovative Group Sub-Group (May 26, 2021 – June 28, 2021).
- Group Member, Winter 2021 CLAS Strategy and Innovation Group (February 5, 2021 – April 30, 2021).
- Faculty mentor/facilitator for ED 180: Academic Success Strategies (May 2–6, 2016; May 1–5, 2017; April 30 – May 4, 2018; April 29 – May 3, 2019).
- Chair, GVSU Philosophy Department committee on David Vessey Personnel Action for Promotion to Full Professor (October 6, 2017 – October 20, 2017).
- Faculty coach, 2017 Academic Success Institute for Oliver Wilson Freshman Academy (August 16–21, 2017).
- Co-coordinator for ED 180: Academic Success Strategies (December 2016 – May 2017).
- Member, McNair Scholars Program selection committee (October 2016 – November 2016).
- Faculty representative for Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies on the GVSU University Assessment Committee (August 2012 – December 2014; resigned from position on December 20, 2014, due to scheduling conflicts for winter 2015 semester).
- Faculty Advisor, GVSU Freshman Orientation. Served as a faculty advisor during Freshman Orientation for eight days between May 16, 2013 and August 1, 2013.
- Author of proposal for changing AAA 340: African American Culture and Social Thought into an Issues course in the GVSU General Education Program (May 2013 – June 2013).
- Author of proposal for changing PHI 300: Theories of Human Nature into an Issues course in the GVSU General Education Program (May 2012 – August 20, 2012).
- Philosophy Department Assessment Committee (January 2010 – present).
- College of Interdisciplinary Studies representative, Undergraduate Research Council (August 2009 – May 2011).
- CLAS Associate, GVSU Faculty Teaching and Learning Center’s Liberal Education Academy (2009-2010).
- Faculty Associate and Advisory committee, GVSU African and African American Studies Program (December 2008 – present).
- Member, Ad hoc committee on the creation of a writing-intensive philosophy course (GVSU Department of Philosophy, Fall 2008).

- Research and course development for GVSU's Philosophy Department (Summer 2007). Created syllabi for three upper-level undergraduate courses in the field of Africana philosophy: (1) African American Philosophy, (2) Cornel West's Prophetic Pragmatism, and (3) Africana Phenomenology.

### **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

- Wrote and submitted Liberal Education Academy study report entitled "Implementing a Three-Phased Blended Learning Pedagogy in Aesthetics (PHI 220): Facilitating and Developing Writing Skills" to GVSU Faculty Teaching and Learning Center (October 2010).
- Attended Hocking-Cabot Seminar on Systematic Philosophy, hosted by Southern Illinois University Carbondale and sponsored by Hocking-Cabot Fund for Systematic Philosophy (July 12 – 16, 2010).
- Attended GVSU Pew Teaching and Learning Center Liberal Education Academy Retreat (August 10, 2009).
- Second Workshop in Social and Political Thought at Michigan State University (MSU), sponsored by the MSU Philosophy Department, East Lansing, MI (March 28-29, 2009).
- Attended the Fifth Biennial Personalist Seminar on William James and Emmanuel Levinas at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina (July 12-16, 2004).
- Attended the 2001 Rutgers University Summer Institute for Diversity in Philosophy (formerly known as Summer Institute in Philosophy for Minority Students) (July 8-15, 2001).

### **GRANTS (Internal)**

- GVSU Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence Faculty Research Grant-in-Aid. Amount: \$2,832. Grant funds used to project entitled "Searching for the Origins of Josiah Royce's Concept of Wise Provincialism and William H. Ferris's Romantic Black Nationalism." Dates of funding: April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015.
- GVSU Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence Mini-Grant. Amount: \$400. Grant funds were used to pay for permission and license fees associated with using Jacob Lawrence's painting, *Self-Portrait* (1977), as cover art for my second monograph, *Doing Philosophy Personally*. Dates of funding: October 3, 2012 – April 1, 2013.

### **INTERVIEWS & OTHER MEDIA**

- Interviewed for Phillip McReynolds' film, *American Philosopher*, as a doctoral student at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Excerpts of that interview appear in Part 2: Transformations of the eight-part film. Available on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R4PebVHvDjk>. Film features stories of Americans becoming philosophers (e.g., John Lysaker, Erin McKenna, Lucius T. Outlaw, John Lachs, and Richard Rorty).
- "WGVU Morning Show's CLAS Third Thursdays," radio interview about philosophy and my book *Yes, But Not Quite*, Grand Rapids, MI, October 15, 2009.
- Interviewed by Xie Lan; interview published in *Shanghai Morning Post*, section B, pp. 8-9, July 4, 2010 (in Chinese).

- Featured on the GVSU Campus Authors section of the Grand Valley Magazine website (April 11, 2013) in an article entitled “Depersonalization and making sense of the world through philosophy” (April 11, 2013).
- Profile on my second monograph, *Doing Philosophy Personally*, featured in Volume 6, issue 11 (June 2013) of the *CLAS Acts: College of Liberal Arts & Sciences E-newsletter*. The short profile article is entitled “Dwayne Tunstall and the Philosophy of Personal Commitments.” Available online at <http://gvsu.edu/clas/clas-acts-june-2013-463.htm> . Article also printed in *Scholarly and Creative Achievements of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences AY 2012-2013*, 31.
- Interviewed by Christopher Rosacker, a staff writer for *The Union* (a newspaper serving western Nevada County, CA), on July 26, 2013 about the importance of Josiah Royce for article, “Remembering Grass Valley native son philosopher Josiah Royce,” *The Union* (Saturday, July 27, 2013) <https://www.theunion.com/news/remembering-grass-valley-native-son-philosopher-josiah-royce/#:~:text=%E2%80%9COne%20of%20our%20native%20sons,exactly%20what%20is%20called%20for>; article explains Royce’s importance to local Grass Valley residents and announces the Royce, California, and the World conference at Grass Valley, California on August 16-18, 2013.
- “Interview with Professor Dwayne Tunstall,” *Journal on African Philosophy*, issue no. 16 (African and Africana Philosophers in Conversation) (2017): 85–99; interviewed by Azuka Nzegwu. Available online at <http://www.africaknowledgeproject.org/index.php/jap/index> .

## COURSES TAUGHT AT GVSU

### Lower-level undergraduate courses:

- **Aesthetics** (13 sections: Winter 2008, Winter 2009, Winter 2010, Winter 2012, Winter 2013, Winter 2014, Winter 2015, Winter 2018)
- **Alliance and Conflict: World Construction in Religion and Society** (first semester of a GVSU Foundational Interdisciplinary Honors sequence, taught 2 semesters: Fall 2020, Fall 2021; second semester of a GVSU Foundational Interdisciplinary Honors sequence, taught 9 semesters: Winter 2012, Winter 2013, Winter 2014, Winter 2016, Winter 2017, Winter 2019, Winter 2020, Winter 2021, Winter 2022)
- **American Philosophy** (6 sections: Fall 2017, Winter 2019, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Fall 2021, Winter 2022)
- **Diversity in the United States** (Liberal Studies course; introduction to diversity studies; taught 2 sections: Fall 2012, Fall 2015)
- **Ethics** (21 sections: Summer 2008, Winter 2010, Winter 2011, Summer 2011, Fall 2011, Summer 2012, Summer 2013, Summer 2014, Winter 2015, Winter 2016, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Winter 2018, Fall 2019, Winter 2020, Fall 2020)
- **Existentialism** (3 sections: Fall 2011, Fall 2018, Winter 2022)
- **Introduction to Philosophy** (22 sections: Fall 2007, Winter 2008, Fall 2008, Winter 2009, Summer 2009, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2015, Winter 2016, Fall 2016, Winter 2017, Fall 2018, Summer 2021)
- **Introduction to African American Studies** (2 sections: Fall 2013, Fall 2021)

### Upper-level undergraduate courses:

- **African American Culture and Social Thought** (2 sections: Winter 2013, Winter 2014)
- **Capitalism, Secularism, Nationalism: 19<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy** (1 section: Winter 2021)
- **Independent Study** (10 sections)
  - African American Philosophy (Winter 2010)
  - Biomedical Research Ethics (Spring 2012)
  - Exploring the Legitimacy of Civil Disobedience (Fall 2017)
  - Gabriel Marcel's Philosophy (Spring/Summer 2010)
  - Husserlian Origins of Jacques Derrida's Deconstruction (Summer 2009)
  - Malcolm X's Social and Political Thought (Winter 2012)
  - Philosophical Nihilism and Faith (Winter 2014)
  - Recent Trends in Continental Philosophy (Winter 2012)
  - Religious Existentialism & Charles Mills's Racial Contract Theory – Preparation for Darwin Perry's McNair Scholars Research Project (Winter 2016)
  - Independent Readings: Exploring the Legitimacy of Civil Disobedience (Fall 2017)
- **Philosophy of Death and Dying** (1 section: Fall 2007)
- **Philosophy of Religion** (3 sections: Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2011)
- **Philosophical Writing and Methods** (2 sections: Fall 2009, Winter 2011)
- **Recent Great Philosophers** (4 sections)
  - Emmanuel Levinas and Frantz Fanon (Fall 2008)
  - Introduction to Poststructuralism: Jacques Derrida and Michel Foucault (Winter 2012)
  - From Dewey and Du Bois to Cornel West (Fall 2015)
  - Richard Rorty (Fall 2019)
- **Reality, Knowledge, and Value (Capstone)** (1 section: Fall 2021)
- **Theories of Human Nature** (13 sections: Fall 2010, Winter 2010, Fall 2013, Fall 2015, Summer 2016, Summer 2017, Winter 2018, Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Winter 2019, Summer 2019, Fall 2020, Summer 2021)
- **Visionary Thinkers in the American Mosaic: W. E. B. Du Bois** (1 section: Winter 2011)

#### **DIRECTED STUDENT LEARNING AT GVSU**

- Honors Senior Project, "Anxiety: How Existential Humanistic Ideas Can Help," Honors College. (August 2017 – December 2017).
- Advised: Christian J. Miller
  
- McNair Scholars Program Mentor, "Mass Incarceration and White Fear," Philosophy. (May 9, 2016 – August 2016).  
Advised: Darwin Perry
  
- GVSU Student Scholars Day Mentor for "The Inconvenience of Innocence for Traditional Answers to the Problem of Evil," Philosophy. (April 13, 2016).  
Advised: Brandon Wright
  
- McNair Scholars Program Mentor, "No Soft Doctrine: Royce on the Problem of Evil," Philosophy. (May 4, 2015 – August 2015).  
Advised: Brandon Wright
  
- Supervised Teaching Activity

- PHI 101: Introduction to Philosophy (August 2012 - December 2012).  
Advised: Hillary Uldricks
- PHI 343: Philosophy of Religion (August 2009 - December 2009).  
Advised: Patrick Anderson
- GVSU Student Scholars Day Mentor for “‘May all your thrash be progressive’:  
Resistance and the Evolving Punk Aesthetic,” Philosophy. (April 11, 2012).  
Advised: Patrick Anderson

#### **DISSERTATIONS, MASTER’S THESIS, ETC. OUTSIDE OF GVSU – COMMITTEE MEMBER**

- Dissertation Committee Member for Jared Kemling, “*Creative Fidelity as a Personalized Symbolic Form of Culture*,” Philosophy Department, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (September 2016 – November 20, 2017; defended November 20, 2017).

#### **COURSE TAUGHT AT CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO**

- Ethics (online course) for the Center for Distance Learning (1 section: Summer 2007)

#### **COURSES TAUGHT AT SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE**

- **Critical Thinking** (2 sections: Spring 2007)

#### **COURSES TAUGHT AT KASKASKIA COLLEGE**

- **Ethics** (2 sections)
  - At Nashville Education Center (Fall 2006)
  - At Trenton Education Center as an Independent Study Course (Fall 2006)
- **Introductory Logic** (2 sections)
  - At Nashville Education Center as an Independent Study Course (Fall 2006)
  - At Nashville and Salem Education Centers as a distance learning course (Spring 2006)

#### **EXPERIENCE AS GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT AT SIUC:**

- Dr. Kevin Thompson’s “Modern Philosophy” course (Spring 2003). Graded student papers, served as a tutor, and proctored exams.
- Dr. Robert Hahn’s “Introduction to Ethics” course (Fall 2002). Conducted four discussion sections and graded student papers and exams.

#### **EXPERIENCE AS UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT AT CNU:**

- Dr. Deborah Carter Campbell’s online Medical Ethics course (Spring 2001). Facilitated online discussions and monitored group projects.
- Dr. John Hoaglund’s Critical Thinking/Informal Logic course (Spring 2001). Graded student papers, served as a tutor.

#### **ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

- Guest lecture for Erin McKenna's American Philosophy proseminar at the University of Oregon (February 6, 2020). Lecture was on Alain Locke's philosophy of race and cultural pluralism.
- Guest lecture for Crystal Scott-Tunstall's ENS 201: Introduction to Environmental and Sustainability Studies at GVSU (January 27, 2020). Lecture was on the history of western environmental ethics and its relation to issues in sustainability studies.
- Guest lecture for Jennifer Stewart's IDS 180/ENG 180/SOC 180: We Gon' Be Alright: Social Justice in the Age of Re-Segregation at GVSU (October 2, 2017). Lecture was on the "Vanilla Cities and Their Chocolate Suburbs" chapter in Jeff Chang's *We Gon' Be Alright* and Elizabeth Anderson's imperative of integration as an alternative to resegregation.
- Guest lecturer for Jacoby Carter's Africana Philosophy course at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City on October 27, 2015. I discussed my contribution to Carter's unpublished edited volume, *Philosophizing the Americas*, in which I compare Martin Delany's view of Cuba in the 1850s and early 1860s with José Martí's view of Cuba in the latter decades of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.
- Guest lecturer in two sections of Myron Jackson's PHI 101: Introduction to Philosophy at GVSU (April 5, 2017). Lecture was on William H. Ferris's philosophy of history and his concept of Negrosaxon.
- Guest lecturer for Melba Hoffer's COM 438: Communication Ethics course (March 19, 2015). I gave a 45-minute talk on Cornel West's philosophy and explained its relevance to understanding his 2008 book, *Hope on a Tightrope*.
- Guest lecturer in Kenneth Stickers's and Tommy Curry's PHIL 340: Philosophy of Race/BAS 499: Critical Race Theory course at SIUC (February 16, 2007). Lecture was on Lewis Gordon's Africana phenomenology and his philosophy of religion.
- Discussion facilitator for Leadership Ethics Conference, conducted by Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Ethics and Everyday Life program for interested secondary school students and their teachers throughout the state of Illinois and southeastern Missouri. The topics of conversation included: the ethics of cheating, student/teacher power dynamics, substance abuse, and high school security issues. (September 22-24, 2004; September 21-23, 2005)
- Writing consultant and assistant student director at CNU's *Alice F. Randall Writing Center* (August 2001-May 2002).
- Student Support Services Developmental Mathematics Tutor, Rappahannock Community College (Spring 2000).

#### **LANGUAGE COMPETENCE:**

English: proficient in speaking, reading, and writing.

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**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

Academy of Process Educators (2016)  
American Philosophical Association (2000–2007, 2009–2010, 2014 – present)  
American Society for Aesthetics (2011–2012, 2017)  
Association for Political Theory (2009–2011)  
Gabriel Marcel Society (2014 – present)  
Josiah Royce Society (2004–2018)  
Midwest Pragmatist Study Group of SAAP (2008–2011, 2014)  
New Mexico/West Texas Philosophical Society (2003–2004)  
Phenomenology Roundtable (2006–2007)  
Philosophy Born of Struggle (2008, 2011, 2013 – present)  
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy (2004 – present)  
Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (2004–2007)

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