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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION [LISTED ALPHABETICALLY]

Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Mind/Cognitive Science

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE [LISTED ALPHABETICALLY]

Aesthetics, Applied Ethics, Feminist Philosophy, Logic, Metaphysics of Death, Philosophy of Race, Philosophy of Religion, Social and Political Philosophy, Theoretical Ethics

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy

University of Memphis, degree earned 2015

Dissertation: “Empathy’s Significance for the Moral Status of Nonhuman Animals”

Committee: Stephan Blatti (co-director), Shaun Gallagher (co-director), Remy Debes, Somogy Varga, and Mark Rowlands (external reader)

M.A., Philosophy

University of Memphis, degree earned 2012

M.T.S., Theological Studies

Vanderbilt University, degree earned 2008

B.A., Religion and Philosophy (*summa cum laude*)

Christian Brothers University, degree earned 2006

## EMPLOYMENT

The State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY), Dept. of Philosophy

Clinical Associate Professor, Fall 2023-present

Clinical Assistant Professor, Fall 2021-Summer 2023

Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL), Dept. of Philosophy

Teaching Faculty II, promotion granted for Fall 2021

Teaching Faculty I, Fall 2018-Summer 2021

Adjunct Instructor, Summer 2018

University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL), Dept. of Philosophy and Religious Studies

Adjunct Instructor, Summer 2018

Florida Blue Center for Ethics Post-Doctoral Fellow, Fall 2016-Spring 2018

York University [Toronto, Ontario (Canada)], Dept. of Philosophy

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Fall 2015-Spring 2016

University of Memphis (Memphis, TN), Dept. of Philosophy  
Adjunct Instructor, Summer 2015  
Graduate Instructor, Fall 2012-Spring 2015

Mid-South Community College (West Memphis, AR), Humanities Program  
Adjunct Instructor, Spring 2014

University of Memphis (Memphis, TN), Helen Hardin Honors Program  
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Fall 2010-Spring 2012

Christian Brothers University (Memphis, TN), Dept. of Religion and Philosophy  
Adjunct Instructor, Fall 2009-Summer 2014

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Liquid Syllabus: Worth the Effort or Should We Pour It Down the Drain?” with Jessica S. Kruger, David Emmanuel Gray, Adam Graczyk, and Jacob Chambers, *The Journal of Interactive Technology and Pedagogy* (2024) [refereed]

“The Life and Death of Freya the Walrus: Human and Wild Animal Interactions in the Anthropocene Era” with Abigail Levin, *Animals* 13(17) (Sept. 2023) [invited, refereed]

“Commentary on Catriona Mackenzie’s ‘Autonomous Agency, We-Agency, and Social Oppression,’” *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 61 (Aug. 2023) [invited]

“Normative Practices of Other Animals” with Rebecca Ring and Kristin Andrews, *The Routledge Handbook of Moral Epistemology*, edited by Mark Timmons, Karen Jones, and Aaron Zimmerman (Routledge: 2018) [invited]

“Are Chimpanzees Socially Enactive?: From False Beliefs to True Interactions” with Shaun Gallagher, *The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy of Animals Minds*, edited by Kristin Andrews and Jacob Beck (Routledge: 2017) [invited]

“Interspecies Intersubjectivity: On its Possibilities and Limitations,” *The Southwest Philosophy Review* 31(1) (Jan. 2015) [refereed]

“The Myth of the Mental (Illness),” *Dimensions of Moral Agency*, edited by David Boersema (Cambridge Scholars Press: 2014)

## **OTHER MANUSCRIPTS**

“A Comparative Perspective on Social Cognition from the 4-E Approach” invited to be in *Mind-Reading Brains*, edited by Frank Grasso, José Burgos, Oscar García-Leal, and Romana Akram

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“The Real World: Philosophy” with Tracie Mahaffey, Abigail Levin, and David Gray, American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Otterbein University (Westerville, OH): July 2024

“Enhancing Learning Environments: Streamlining D2L for Improved Student Access and Faculty Efficiency” with Jessica Kruger, Conference on Instruction & Technology, The State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY): May 2024

- “Helping Students Rise from the Ashes of Burnout” with Tracie Mahaffey, American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Otterbein University (Westerville, OH): July 2022
- “Liquid Syllabus: Worth the Effort or Should We Pour It Down the Drain?” with Jessica Kruger, Conference on Instruction & Technology, The State University of New York at Oswego (Oswego, NY): May-June 2022
- “Getting CCOMFE in Times of Crisis” with Tracie Mahaffey and Marcela Herdova, DIRECTO’s Symposium on Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching, Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL): Sept. 2020
- “The Van Gogh Problem: On the Limits of Authenticity” (Keynote), Northeast Florida Student Philosophy Conference, University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL): April 2019
- “The Animal Sciences Meet Animal Ethics” with Kristin Andrews and Rebecca Ring, Canadian Philosophical Association Conference, Ryerson University [Toronto, Ontario (Canada)]: May 2017
- “Are Chimpanzees Socially Enactive?,” International Conference on Comparative Cognition, Melbourne, FL: April 2017
- “On the Moral Actions and Moral Communities of Nonhuman Animals,” Florida Philosophical Association Conference, Melbourne, FL: Nov. 2016
- “Interspecies Intersubjectivity: On its Possibilities and Limitations,” Southwestern Philosophical Society’s Meeting, Lawrence, KS: Nov. 2014
- “On the Myth of the Mental (Illness),” Northwest Philosophy Conference, Pacific University (Portland, OR): Oct. 2013
- “Zoo Hermeneutics and Non-Human Animals,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College (Memphis, TN): Feb. 2013

## **CONFERENCE COMMENTARIES**

- “We-Agency, Autonomous Agency, and Social Oppression” by Catriona Mackenzie (Keynote), Spindel Conference, University of Memphis (Memphis, TN): Oct. 2022
- “A Phenomenological Approach to Moral Agency for Humans and Chimpanzees” by Dennis Vasilis Papadopoulos, Canadian Philosophical Association Conference, Ryerson University [Toronto, Ontario (Canada)]: May 2017
- “Enactivist Interventions in Philosophy of Mind” by Shaun Gallagher, Philosophy Department Colloquium, University of Memphis (Memphis, TN): Jan. 2015

## **LECTURES & TALKS**

- “Evidence of Cognitive Empathy in Non-Human Animals (and Why a Philosopher Cares),” Cognitive Science Colloquium, The State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY): May 2022
- “What is Art?,” The State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY): May 2021

“Neurodiversity and Neurocosmopolitanism,” Neuro Speaker Series, University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL): April 2018

“Diversity and Leadership,” NRHH/RHA Banquet, University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL): April 2018

“Is Death Bad for You?,” Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL): Feb. 2018

“Is Death Bad for You?,” North Florida Philosophy Slams (Jacksonville, FL): Sept. 2017

“Species of Normativity: Normative Practices of Other Animals,” University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL): March 2017

“Death’s Harm and the Subject’s Life,” York University [Toronto, Ontario (Canada)]: June 2016

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### University at Buffalo

PHI 499: Independent Study (Spring 2024)

PHI 347: Gender and Philosophy (Spring 2023, Spring 2024)

PHI 345: Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Art (Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024)

PHI 320: Philosophy of Mind (Fall 2023)

PHI 250: The Meaning of Life (Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024)

PHI 237: Medical Ethics (Fall 2021 online, Summer 2022 online)

PHI 199: UB Seminar on Morality, Reality, & Meaning (Fall 2021, Fall 2022 honors section)

PHI 107: Introduction to Ethics (Spring 2022)

PHI 105: Contemporary Moral Problems (Fall 2022)

PHI 101: Introduction to Philosophy (Fall 2023)

### Florida State University

PHI 6935: Graduate Seminar in Bioethics/Topic: Neurodiversity (Fall 2018)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Philosophy of Psychology (Summer 2021, graduate level)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Philosophy of Psychiatry (Spring 2021, graduate level)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Pedagogy (Fall 2020, graduate level)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Applied Ethics (Spring 2020, graduate level)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Science, Ethics, and Othered Minds (Spring 2020, graduate level)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Normativity (Spring 2019, graduate level)

PHI 5908: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Metaphysics of Death (Spring 2019, graduate level)

PHI 4938: Seminar for Majors/Topic: Animal Cognition (Spring 2021)

PHI 4938: Seminar for Majors/Topic: Science, Ethics, and Othered Minds (Spring 2020)  
PHI 3800: Philosophy of the Arts (Fall 2020)  
PHI 2630: Ethical Issues and Life Choices [Summer 2021, Fall 2020, Fall 2019 (2 sections), Summer 2019, Spring 2019 (3 sections), Fall 2018 (2 sections), Summer 2018 (3 sections)]  
PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy [Spring 2021 (2 sections), Fall 2020, Summer 2020, Spring 2020 (2 sections)]

#### University of North Florida

PHI 4905: Directed Individual Study/Topic: Animals, Empathy, and Ethics (Spring 2018, undergraduate level)  
PHI 3934: Science, Ethics, and Othered Minds (Spring 2017)  
PHI 3601: Ethics (Fall 2017)  
PHI 3453: Philosophy of Psychology (Spring 2018)  
PHM 3050: Death and Dying (Fall 2016)  
PHI 2630: Critical Thinking about Ethical Issues [Fall 2017 (2 sections), Spring 2017, Fall 2016 (2 sections)]  
PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy [Summer 2018, Spring 2018, Summer 2017 (2 sections), Fall 2016]

#### York University

PHIL 3260: Philosophy of Psychology (Fall 2015)  
PHIL 2090: Philosophy of Religion (Winter 2016)

#### University of Memphis

PHIL 3514: Biomedical Ethics (Spring 2013 online, Fall 2012 online)  
PHIL 1611: Elementary Logic (Spring 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014)  
PHIL 1102: Values in the Modern World (Summer 2015 online)  
PHIL 1101: Fundamental Issues in Philosophy (Fall 2013)

#### Christian Brothers University

PHIL 220: Contemporary Moral Issues [Spring 2014 (2 sections), Fall 2013 (2 sections)]  
PHIL 219: Social and Political Philosophy (Summer 2014, Spring 2014)  
RS 200: Understanding Religion [Spring 2012 (2 sections), Fall 2011 (2 sections), Summer 2011, Spring 2011 (2 sections), Fall 2010 (2 sections), Summer 2010, Spring 2010 (2 sections), Fall 2009]

#### Mid-South Community College

PHIL 2013: Introduction to Philosophy (Spring 2014)

## **TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE**

#### University of Memphis

UNHP 1101: Honors Forum on the Good Life (Spring 2012, Fall 2011)  
UNHP 1101: Honors Global Challenge (Spring 2011, Fall 2010)

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

### Regarding Pedagogy & Instructional Technologies

- Talking/Teaching Participant, American Association of Philosophy Teachers, online meetings, 2022-present
- UB TaLCK (Teaching and Learning Community of Knowledge) Participant, University at Buffalo, 2021-present
- Getting Started with Brightspace Training Participant, organized by the Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Teaching Transformation (CATT), University at Buffalo, 2023
- ABCs of Content in Brightspace Training Participant, organized by the Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Teaching Transformation (CATT), University at Buffalo, 2023
- Fall into Teaching Participant, organized by the Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Teaching Transformation (CATT), University at Buffalo, 2022
- Pedagogy Summer Book Club Organizer, Topic: *Identifying and Combatting Burnout in Ourselves and in Our Students*, Books: Malesic's *The End of Burnout* and Gannon's *Pedagogy of Hope*, University at Buffalo, 2022
- Pedagogy Summer Book Club Participant, Topic: *From Online to Offline: Applying What We Have Learned*, Books: Darby & Lang's *Small Teaching Online* and Lang's *Small Teaching*, University at Buffalo, 2021
- Designing and Building Online Courses Academy Participant, organized by the Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Teaching Transformation (CATT), University at Buffalo, 2021
- Quality Remote Teaching Workshop Participant, organized by the Office of Distance Learning, Florida State University, 2020
- Engage Learners with Online Activities Workshop Participant, organized by the Office of Distance Learning, Florida State University, 2020
- Organize Your Course for Student Success Workshop Participant, organized by the Office of Distance Learning, Florida State University, 2020
- Create Asynchronous Videos with Kaltura Workshop Participant, organized by the Office of Distance Learning, Florida State University, 2020
- Course Design Institute for New (to FSU) Faculty Participant, organized by the Center for the Advancement of Teaching (CAT), Florida State University, 2018

### Regarding Diversity & Inclusion

- Safe Space Training Participant, organized by the LGBTQ Center, University of North Florida, 2017

## **AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS**

- Bryan Hall Community Teaching Excellence Award Recipient, Florida State University, 2020
- University Excellence in Teaching Award Nominee, Florida State University, 2018
- Presidential Diversity Award Nominee, University of North Florida, 2017

Bornblum Travel Award Recipient, University of Memphis, 2014

Visiting Ph.D. Student, Ruhr-Universität Bochum (Bochum, Germany), supported by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, 2013

Graduate Assistantship, Philosophy Department, University of Memphis, 2012-2015

Graduate Assistantship, Helen Hardin Honors Program, University of Memphis, 2010-2012

## **SERVICE**

### To the Profession

Advisory Board Member, *Social Theory and Practice*, 2019-present

Referee, *Studies in Pedagogy*, 2024

Referee, Florida Philosophical Association Conference, 2016-2024

Judge, First Coast Ethics Bowl, 2021-2022

Referee, *Southwest Philosophy Review*, 2020

Reviewer, Jonathan Wolff's *An Introduction to Moral Philosophy* (1e), 2019-2020

Reviewer, Lewis Vaughn's *Doing Ethics* (5e), 2019

Reviewer, Alya Khan & Jonathan Wolff's *Bioethics for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (1e), 2019

Referee, *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 2017

Referee, Canadian Philosophical Association Conference, 2017

Session Chair, Florida Philosophical Association Conference, 2016

Referee, *The Journal of Philosophical Research*, 2015

Referee, *Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences*, 2014

### To University at Buffalo

Undergraduate Affairs Committee Chair, 2022-present

Faculty Senate IT Committee Member, 2022-present

UB Undergraduate Society of Bioethics and Medicine Faculty Advisor, 2023-present

UB Women's Awareness Alliance Faculty Advisor, 2023-present

Panel Participant: "Minorities in Academia," organized jointly by the Dept. of Philosophy's PPE Club and its Minorities and Philosophy Chapter, Nov. 2023

CATT Peer Observation and Peer Shadowing Pilot Program Mentor, 2023

Undergraduate Affairs Committee Member, 2021-2022

### To Florida State University

Public Philosophy Series Creator and Organizer: "Brain Freeze," 2020-2021

Honors Liaison, 2020-2021

Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2019-2021

Philosophy Graduate Student Association Faculty Advisor, 2019-2021

VEG FSU Faculty Advisor, 2019-2021

Course Designer for Interdisciplinary Data Science Master's Degree Program, 2019

Course Supervisor for the following:

- PHI 2630: Ethical Issues & Life Choices, Emmanuel Smith, Summer 2021
- PHI 2630: Ethical Issues & Life Choices, Paul Martin, Summer 2021
- PHI 3320: Philosophy of Mind, Paul Rezkalla, Fall 2020
- PHI 3320: Philosophy of Mind, Andrew Christman, Summer 2020
- PHI 2630: Ethical Issues & Life Choices, Georgia Rae Rainer, Summer 2020
- PHI 2100: Reasoning and Critical Thinking, Jeannine Bailey, Summer 2020
- PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy, Ben Hause, Spring 2020
- PHI 3670: Ethical Theory, Matthew Taylor, Summer 2019
- PHH 3140: Aristotle to Augustine, Sam Sims, Summer 2019
- PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy, Kyle Boerstler, Summer 2019
- PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy, Andrew Christman, Summer 2019
- PHI 2010: Introduction to Philosophy, Georgia Rae Rainer, Summer 2019

To University of North Florida

- Ethics Bowl Assistant Coach, 2017-2018
- Undergraduate Honors Thesis Supervisor: Vaughn Sayer's "Speciesism," 2019
- Undergraduate Thesis Committee Member: Georgia Barfield's "Gloom's Taxonomy: A Critique of the Medical Model of Depression," 2018
- Faculty Sponsor, UNF Student Drive for the Clara White Mission, Dec. 2016

To York University

- Workshop Coordinator: "Origins of Logical Reasoning," May 2016

To University of Memphis

- Panel Participant: "Teaching Skills Workshop," organized by the Dept. of Philosophy, Feb. 2014
- Conference Assistant, Spindel Conference: "Alternative Models of the Mind," Oct. 2014
- Conference Assistant, Spindel Conference: "The Lives of Human Animals," Sept. 2013
- Conference Assistant, Spindel Conference: "Derrida and the Theologico-Political," Sept./Oct. 2011
- Conference Assistant, Spindel Conference: "Empathy and Ethics," Oct. 2010
- Philosophy Graduate Student Representative (elected), 2011-2012

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- American Association of Philosophy Teachers
- American Philosophical Association
- Canadian Philosophical Association
- Society for Philosophy and Psychology