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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

M.A., Philosophy, University of Memphis, degree earned 2012

M.T.S., Theological Studies, Vanderbilt University, degree earned 2008

B.A., Religion & 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) [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) [invited]

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

“Introducing Innovations in Learning: A New SUNY-Focused Teaching Journal” with Jessica Kruger, Conference on Instruction & Technology, The State University of New York at Oneonta (Oneonta, NY): May 2025

“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

TALKS & PANELS

- “The Teaching-Track Job Market,” Teatime with a Professor Series, organized by the Dept. of Philosophy’s Graduate Philosophy Association (GPA), The State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY): Feb. 2025
- "Minorities in Academia Panel,” organized jointly by the Dept. of Philosophy’s Philosophy, Politics, & Economics (PPE) Club and its Minorities & Philosophy (MAP) Chapter, The State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY): Nov. 2023

“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 Skills Panel," University of Memphis (Memphis, TN): Feb. 2014

GRANTS & RESEARCH FUNDING

Innovative Instruction Technology Grant Recipient (with Jessica Kruger), University at Buffalo,
2024, Grant Amount: \$28,000 [For more information, click [here.](#)]

Visiting Scholar Fellowship at Ruhr-Universität Bochum (Bochum, Germany), supported by the
Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, 2013 [For more information, click [here.](#)]

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University at Buffalo

PHI 499: Independent Study (Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Spring 2025)

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, Fall 2024, sch. Fall 2025)

PHI 326: Philosophy of Psychology (sch. Fall 2025)

PHI 320: Philosophy of Mind (Fall 2023, Fall 2024)

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,
Fall 2024)

PHI 107: Introduction to Ethics (Spring 2022)

PHI 105: Contemporary Moral Problems (Fall 2022, sch. Fall 2025)

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)
- 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

Talking/Teaching Participant, American Association of Philosophy Teachers, online meetings, 2022-present

UB TaLCK (Teaching and Learning Community of Knowledge) Participant, online meetings, 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

UB TaLCK 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

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

AWARDS & NOMINATIONS

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

SERVICE

To the Profession

Co-Editor-in-Chief, *Innovations in Learning: A SUNY-Focused Teaching Journal*, 2024-present
Advisory Board Member, *Social Theory and Practice*, 2019-present
Dissertation Committee Member: Nicholas Cisneros's "What is 'Veganism'? Making Progress on Vegan-Vegan Disagreements," University of Miami, 2025
Referee, *Topoi: An International Review of Philosophy*, 2024
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 21st 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

PHI Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2024-present
PHI Executive Committee Member, 2024-present
PHI Scheduling Committee Member, 2024-present
UB Undergraduate Society of Bioethics and Medicine Faculty Advisor, 2023-present
UB Women's Awareness Alliance Faculty Advisor, 2023-present
Faculty Senate IT Committee Member, 2022-present
PHI Department Representative at each of the following:
CAS Open Houses for Accepted Students, Spring 2024 & 2025(x2)
EPAC "March into Your Major" Event, Spring 2025

CAS Open Houses for Prospective Students, Fall 2023 & 2024

PPE Community Deliberative Forum, Fall 2024

PHI Pizza Social, Fall 2024

CAS Academics Day, Fall 2024

PHI Undergraduate Affairs Committee Chair, 2022-2024

CATT Peer Observation and Peer Shadowing Pilot Program Mentor, 2023

PHI 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

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

Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior Group

Society for Philosophy and Psychology