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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2013-Present: Professor, University of Connecticut
2006-2013: Associate Professor, University of Connecticut
2000-2006: Assistant Professor, University of Connecticut
1998-2000: Visiting Assistant Professor (Special Category), McGill University
1995-1998: Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Arizona

EDUCATION

- 1995: Ph.D., Philosophy, Syracuse University
1984: B.A., Philosophy, Tufts University

BOOKS

Monographs

- The Virtues of Happiness: A Theory of the Good Life*, Oxford University Press, New York 2014, paperback 2016.
- Published in the series Oxford Moral Theory
 - Author-Meets-Critics, American Philosophical Association (Pac. Div.) 2016
- Moral Reality*, Oxford University Press, New York 2001, paperback 2004.
- Author-Meets-Critics, American Philosophical Association (Pac. Div.) 2004

Edited Volumes

- The Oxford Handbook of Moral Realism*, David Copp (co-editor), Oxford University Press, New York, June 2023.
- Morality and Self Interest*, Oxford University Press, New York 2008.

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

- "A Whiff of Morality?", in *William Lycan on Mind, Meaning, and Method*, M. Green and J. Michel (eds.), New York: Palgrave Macmillan (forthcoming).
- "Temperance, Continenence, Weakness, Indulgence, Compulsion", *Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics* vol 13, Mark Timmons (ed.), New York: Oxford University Press (forthcoming).

- "The Axiology of Pain and Pleasure", co-authored with Alycia LaGuardia-LoBianco, *Journal of Value Inquiry* (forthcoming).
- "Function, Fitness, Flourishing", in *The Oxford Handbook of Moral Realism*, P. Bloomfield and D. Copp (eds.), New York: Oxford University Press, June 2023.
- "Virtues are Excellences", *Ratio* vol. 35, no. 1: 49-60, 2022.
- "Naturalistic Moral Realism and Evolutionary Biology", *Philosophies* Special Volume on Moral Realism and Moral Epistemology, Philip Stratton-Lake (ed.), vol. 7, no. 2: 1-11, 2022.
- "Humility is Not a Virtue", in *The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy of Humility*, Mark Alfano, Michael Lynch, and Alessandra Tanesini (eds.), London: Routledge, 2021.
- "Skills of Justice", in *The Routledge Handbook of Skills and Expertise*, Ellen Fridland and Carlotta Pavase (eds.), London: Routledge, 2021.
- "Ethics and Insights on Courage", *CTX* vol. 10, no. 1: 54-65, 2020.
- "Epistemic Temperance", *American Philosophical Quarterly* vol. 56, no. 2: 109-24, 2019.
- "The Character of the Hypocrite", *Journal of Philosophical Research* vol. 44: 69-82, 2018.
- "Tracking Eudaimonia", *Philosophy, Theory, and Practice in Biology* vol. 10, no. 2: 1-24, 2018.
- "Morality is Necessary for Happiness", *Philosophical Studies* vol. 174, no. 10: 2613-2628, 2017.
- "Good to be Bad?", *Think* vol. 14, no. 40: 51-55, 2015.
- "Friendship on Facebook" in *Social Media and Living Well*, B. Beasley and M. Haney (eds.), Lanham: Lexington Books, 2015.
- "The Metaphysics and Semantics of Moral Relativism" (co-written with Daniel Massey), in *Daoism, Confucianism, and Moral Relativism: Wong and His Critics*, Y. Xiao and Y. Huang (eds.) Albany: SUNY Press, 2014.
- "Some Intellectual Aspects of the Moral Virtues", in *Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics* vol. 3, M. Timmons (ed), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014.
- "Error Theory and the Concept of Morality", *Metaphilosophy* vol. 44, no. 4: 451-69 (July 2013).
- "Social Media, Self-Deception, and Self-Respect", in *Social Media and the Value of Truth*, M. Haney and B. Beasley (eds.), Lanham: Lexington Books, 2013.
- "Eudaimonia and Practical Rationality", in *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*, supplementary volume, *Virtue and Happiness: Essays in Honor of Julia Annas*, R. Kamtekar (ed), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012.
- "Justice as a Self-Regarding Virtue", *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* vol. 82, no. 1:46-64 (Jan. 2011).

- "Egoism and Eudaimonism: Replies to Khawaja", in *Metaethics, Egoism, and Virtue; Studies in Ayn Rand's Normative Theory*, A. Gotthelf and J. Lennox (eds.), Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2010.
- "Archimedeanism and Why Metaethics Matters", in *Oxford Studies in Metaethics* vol. 4, R. Shafer-Landau (ed.), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.
- "Mini-Symposium on Program Explanation", with Alex Miller, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* vol. 87, no 2: 343-4 (June 2009).
- "The Harm of Immorality", *Ratio* vol. XXI, no. 3: 241-259 (September 2008).
- "Why It Is Bad To Be Bad", in *Morality and Self Interest*, P. Bloomfield (ed.), New York: Oxford University Press, 2008.
- "Disagreement About Disagreement", in *The Biology and Psychology of Morality*, W. Sinnott-Armstrong (ed.), Cambridge: MIT Press, 2007.
- "Two Dogmas of Metaethics", *Philosophical Studies* vol. 132: 439-466, 2007.
- "Opening Questions, Following Rules", in *Metaethics after Moore*, T. Horgan and M. Timmons (eds.), New York: Oxford University Press, 2006.
- "Let's Be Realistic About Serious Metaphysics", *Synthese* vol. 144: 69-90, 2005.
- "Is There Moral High Ground?", *Southern Journal of Philosophy* vol. XLI, no. 4: 511-26, 2003.
- "The Rules of 'Goodness': An Essay in Moral Semantics", *American Philosophical Quarterly* vol. 40, no. 3: 197-213, 2003.
- "A Partially Re-Humanized Ethics: Comments on Butchvarov", Supplemental Edition of *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, Spindel Conference Proceedings vol. XLI: 184-9, 2003.
- "Truth Or Power?", in *The Foundations of Ethics: Objectivity and Normativity*, P. Schaber and R. Huntelmann (eds.), Frankfurt Germany: German Library of Sciences, 2003.
- "Virtue Epistemology and the Epistemology of Virtue", *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* vol. LX, no. 1: 23-43, January 2000.
- "Prescriptions are Assertions: An Essay on Moral Syntax", *American Philosophical Quarterly* vol. 35, no. 1: 1-20, January 1998.
- "Dennett's Misrememberings", *Philosophia* vol. 26, nos. 1-2: 207-218, 1998.
- "Of Goodness and Healthiness: A Viable Moral Ontology", *Philosophical Studies* 87: 309-332, September 1997.

REVIEWS, ENTRIES, AND COMMENTARY

- "What 'Justice' Really Means", *New York Times*, 10 October 2018.
Reprinted in: *Question Everything*, edited by P. Catapano and S. Critchley,

New York: W. W. Norton, 2022.

"Comments on Michael Brady's Emotion: The Basics", *Journal of Philosophy of Emotion* vol. 3: no. 1: 49-61, 2021.

"Everyone Must Share the State's Fiscal Woes", *Hartford Courant*, 10 December 2017.

"Why Are Zygotes People?", 3QuarksDaily.com on 27 March 2017 at <http://www.3quarksdaily.com/3quarksdaily/2017/03/why-are-zygotes-people.html>.

"Arguing Against Racism", 3QuarksDaily.com on 10 Oct 2016, at <http://www.3quarksdaily.com/3quarksdaily/2016/10/arguing-against-racism.html>.

"Book Note on Neera Badhwar's Well-Being: Happiness in a Worthwhile Life", *The Review of Metaphysics* vol 69. no 3 (2016).

"Review of Timothy Chappell's Knowing What to Do", *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* DOI: 10.1080/00048402.2014.994012, published online 2015.

"The Moral Point of View", in *The International Encyclopedia of Ethics*, H. LaFollette (ed.), Hoboken, NJ: Wiley Blackwell, 2013.

"Review of Anita Superson's The Moral Skeptic", *Mind* vol. 120: 914-917, 2011.

"Review of John Lemos' Commonsense Darwinism", *The Review of Metaphysics* vol. 64, no. 4: 868-71, 2011.

"Review of James Griffin's On Human Rights" (co-written with BJ Strawser) *Analysis Reviews* vol. 70, no. 1: 195-197, 2010.

Invited comments on Brian Leiter's "Moral Skepticism and Moral Disagreement", on the National Humanities Center's *On The Human*, G. Comstock (ed.), at <http://onthehuman.org/>, March 2010.

"Review of Valerie Tiberius' The Reflective Life", *Mind* vol 119: 258-62, 2010.

"Review of Terence Cuneo's The Normative Web", *Social Philosophy and Policy* vol. 36, no. 1: 157-164, 2010

"Review of David Wong's Natural Moralities", *Mind* vol. 118: 225-230, 2009.

"Iraq: Beyond What's Best For Us", *Hartford Courant*, 3 August 2008.

"Review of Richard Joyce's The Evolution of Morality", *Mind*, vol. 116: 176-80, 2007.

"Justice and Tax Cuts", *Hartford Courant*, 12 March 2001.

AWARDS & HONORS

2018: Invited by the MacArthur Foundation to nominate candidates for their "Fellows Program".

2008-09: UConn GEOC, Course Development Grant for "Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights".

2007-08: University of Connecticut Humanities Institute Fellowship for *A Theory of the Good Life*.

1996: Named "Most Influential Teacher" by Members of the U. of A. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Honor Society, Convocation Ceremony, Oct. 25.

1995: University of Arizona Mortar Board Senior Honor Society Teaching Award.

1994: Creighton Club New York State Philosophical Association Graduate Student Presentation Award.

1994: Syracuse University Teaching Certificate.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

"A Whiff of Morality?", The Lycanfest, University of Connecticut, March 2023.

"Temperance, Continenence, Weakness, Indulgence, Compulsion", Cornell Moral Psychology Reading Group, November 2022

"Justice as the Virtue of Respect", Cambridge University's Forum for Legal and Political Philosophy, Public Lecture, November 2021.

"Justice as the Virtue of Respect", Oxford University, November 2021.

"Honesty Is Not A Virtue", with the interdisciplinary *Honesty Project* led by Christian Miller, Wake Forest University, March 2021.

Comments on Olivia Schuman's, "Who's Your Daddy? Evolutionary Explanations for the Desire to Know a Gamete Donor", Colloquium, Central Division APA, February 2021.

Comments on Michael Brady's *Emotions*, Society for the Philosophy of Emotions: Author Meets Critics, Central Division APA, February 2020.

"Temperance, Continenence, Weakness, Compulsion", University of St. Andrews, September 2019.

"Temperance, Continenence, Weakness, Compulsion", University of Glasgow, September 2019.

"Courage: Scope, Epistemology, Moral Psychology", University of Stirling, September 2019.

"Courage: Scope, Epistemology, Moral Psychology", Inaugural Lober Lecture at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California, March 2019.

"Virtues as Excellences", University of Haifa, Israel, Colloquium, April 2018.

"Virtues as Excellences", University of Maryland at College Park, Colloquium, February 2018.

"Virtues as Excellences", Auburn University, Colloquium, October 2017.

"Morality is Necessary for Happiness", University of Missouri, Colloquium, October 2015.

"Morality is Necessary for Happiness", Moral Philosophy Seminar speaker series, Oxford University, May 2014.

"Epistemic Intemperance", University of Edinburgh Colloquium, May 2014.

"Immorality, Self-Respect, and Happiness", University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Colloquium, December 2011.

"Social Media, Self-Deception, and Self-Respect", UNF Blue Cross Blue Shield Center for Ethics, Public Policy, and the Professions' Symposium on Social Media and the Value of Truth, Jacksonville, October 2010.

Comments on C. Kurth's Symposium paper, "Moral Realism and Fashion Models", American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, Chicago, February 2010.

"Eudaimonism and Practical Rationality", The Fifteenth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy: The Work of Julia Annas, Tucson, February 2010.

"Eudaimonism and Practical Rationality", Union College Colloquium, January 2010.

Comments on I. Khwaja's "Foundations of Ethics", Annual Meeting of the Ayn Rand Society, Baltimore, December 2007.

"The Harm of Immorality", Colloquium, University of British Columbia, January 2006.

"Why It Is Bad To Be Bad", Colloquium, Bowling Green State University, April 2005.

"Why It Is Bad To Be Bad", Colloquium, University of Miami, March 2005.

Comments on Sharon Street's Symposium paper, "A Darwinian Dilemma for Realist Theories of Value", American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, San Francisco, March 2005.

"Rescuing Metaethics", International Conference on Truth and Judgement, University of Turin, Turin, Italy, June 2003.

"A Partially Re-Humanized Ethics: Comments on Butchvarov", 2002 Spindel Conference on The Legacy of G. E. Moore: 100 Years of Metaethics, University of Memphis, October 2002.

"Truth or Power?", Frankfurt Days on Philosophy: "The Foundations of Ethics: Objectivity and Normativity" Frankfurt, Germany, August 2002.

"Irrealism and Relativism", Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Nashville, February 2002.

- "Is There Moral High Ground?", Colloquium, Connecticut College, February 2002.
- "Two Dogmas of Metaethics", Colloquium, University of Cincinnati, October 2001.
- "Intuitions and the Limits of Analysis", Bled Philosophy Conference, Slovenia, June 2000.
- "Moral Internalism Meets Moral Realism", Colloquium, University of Connecticut, Storrs, December 1999.
- "A *Prima Facie* Case for Moral Realism", Colloquium, University of Rhode Island, October 1998.
- "A Successful Moral Semantics", Colloquium, University of Memphis, September 1997.
- "Virtue Epistemology and the Epistemology of Virtue", Colloquium, University of Mississippi, September 1997 (sponsored by GTE).
- "Of *Goodness* and *Healthiness*: A Viable Moral Ontology", Colloquium, University of Arizona, October 1995.

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Temperance, Continenence, Weakness, Indulgence, Compulsion", Workshop in Normative Ethics, Tucson January 2023.
- "Humility is Not a Virtue", Colloquium presentation, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, February 2018.
- "Morality is Necessary for Happiness", Symposium presentation, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, April 2015.
- "Epistemic Intemperance", Conference on Epistemic Injustice, University of Bristol, June 2014.
- "Positive Psychology and Practical Wisdom", Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Austin, March 2013.
- "Some Intellectual Aspects of the Cardinal Virtues", The Third Annual Arizona Workshop in Normative Ethics", Tucson, January 2012.
- "Social Media, Self-Deception, and Self-Respect", Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, New Orleans, March 2011.
- "Archimedeanism and Why Metaethics Matters", Metaethics Workshop, Madison Wisconsin, September 2007.
- "Justice as a Self-Regarding Virtue", Colloquium presentation, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, April 2007.
- "Opening Questions and Following Rules", 31st Conference on Value Inquiry, University of North Dakota, April 2003.

"Is Normative Discourse Assertoric?", Colloquium presentation, American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, Chicago, March 2002.

"Let's Be Realistic About Serious Metaphysics", II Barcelona Conference on Reference, Barcelona Spain, June 2001.

"Why Even Physics Doesn't Reduce to Physics", Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, New Orleans, April 2001.

"Being Realistic About Kantian Internalism", Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis, February 2000.

"A Modest Transcendental Argument for Moral Realism" Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis, March 1999.

"A Realistic Moral Epistemology", Colloquium presentation, The American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, Seattle, April 1996.

"The Mistakes of Non-Cognitivism", Colloquium presentation, The American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Boston, December 1994.

"The Mistakes of Non-Cognitivism", The Joint Meeting of the Central States and Tennessee Philosophical Associations, Vanderbilt University, October 1994.

"Dennett's Misrememberings", The Creighton Club, Semi-Annual Meeting of the New York State Philosophical Association, Hobart and William Smith College, April 1993. Published in *Proceedings of the Creighton Club*, Spring Edition, 1993.

REFEREE FOR:

Social Science Research Council for Canada, Cambridge University Junior Fellowship, Oxford University Press, Basil Blackwell Publishers, *Analysis*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialogue*, *Erkenntnis*, *Inquiry*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, *Kennedy Institute for Ethics Journal*, *Mind*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Review*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Synthese*, *The Journal of Philosophy*.

CLASSROOM TEACHING EXPERIENCE (1995-2015)

21. *Seminar on Moral Philosophy* (UConn: Phil. 5302)
20. *Seminar on Epistemic Vice* (UConn: Phil. 5315)
19. *Seminar on Metaethics* (UConn: Phil. 5315).
18. *Seminar on Naturalist Realism, Expressivism, and Non-Naturalist Realism* (UConn: Phil. 5315).
17. *Seminar on Virtue Theory* (UConn: Phil. 5315).
16. *Seminar on Naturalism in Metaethics* (UConn: Phil. 5315).
15. *Seminar on Morality and Self-Interest* (UConn: Phil. 315).
14. *Seminar on Irrealism and Relativism* (UConn: Phil. 315).
13. *Seminar on Moral Reality* (UConn: Phil. 315).
12. *Seminar on Supervenience, Reduction, and Morality* (McGill: Phil. 534B).
11. *Seminar on Metaphysics: Varieties of Realism* (UA: Phil. 4/540).

10. *Seminar on 20th Century Analytic Metaethics* (UA, McGill: Phil. 434 & 4/530).
9. *Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights* (UConn: Phil 3220).
8. *Philosophy of Law* (UConn: Phil. 3226).
7. *American Philosophy: Pragmatism* (UConn: Phil 3228).
6. *Ethical Theory* (UConn: Phil. 2215).
5. *Metaphysics and Epistemology* (UConn: Phil. 2210).
4. *Ancient Moral Theory* (UConn, McGill: Phil. 297 & 434A).
3. *Problems of Philosophy* (UConn: Phil. 1101).
2. *Philosophy and Social Ethics* (UConn: Phil. 1104).
1. *Philosophical Foundations of Western Civilization: Social & Political Philosophy* (UA: Phil. 121).

REFERENCES: Available upon request