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### EDUCATION

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Ph.D. University of Texas at Austin (*Philosophy, Joint Program in Ancient Philosophy and Classics*)

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### EMPLOYMENT

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2016 - Professor, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, GA

2010 - 2016 Associate Professor / 2006 - 2010 Assistant Professor, Agnes Scott College

2002 - 2006 Assistant Professor, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM

2000 - 2002 Visiting Assistant Professor, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

1999 - 2000 Lecturer, University of Texas at Austin

### PUBLICATIONS

#### BOOK

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2019 "Sextus Empiricus on the Siren Song of Reason and the Skeptical Defense of Ordinary Life," *Logos and Episteme* 10.1 (2019): 15-29, special issue Ed. Scott Aikin.

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- 2015 “Aristotle’s Dichotomous Anthropology: What is Most Human in the *Nicomachean Ethics*?” *Apeiron* 48.3 (2015): 346-67.
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- 2012 “Radical and Mitigated Skepticism in Cicero’s *Academica*.” *Cicero’s Practical Philosophy: Nine Essays in Interpretation*, Ed. Walter Nicgorski, Notre Dame: Notre Dame University Press, 2012. 168-192.
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- 2006 “Cicero’s Academic Skepticism.” *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. Eds. James Fieser and Bradley Dowden. Web.
- 2004 “Voldemort's Agents, Malfoy's Cronies, and Hagrid's Chums: Friendship in *Harry Potter*.” *Harry Potter and Philosophy*, Eds. David Bagget and Sean Klein, Chicago: Open Court (Popular Culture and Philosophy Series), 2004. 38-48.
- 2003 “Aristotle's 'Cosmic Nose' Argument for the Uniqueness of the World,” (with Tim O’Keefe), *Apeiron* 36.4 (2003): 351-366.
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- 2002 “Cicero on His Academic Predecessors: the Fallibilism of Arcesilaus and Carneades,” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 40.1 (2002): 1-18.
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