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1 Positions

- ◇ [Washington University–St. Louis](#)
Professor of Philosophy, 2016-present
- ◇ [University of Edinburgh, Eidynd Centre](#)
Regular Distinguished Visiting Professor, 2013-present
- ◇ [Baylor University](#)
Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, 2006-2016
- ◇ [University of Missouri](#)
Professor, 2001-2006; Department Chair, 2002-2006
- ◇ [Texas A& M University](#)
Assistant Professor 1983-1988; Associate Professor 1988-1993; Professor 1993-2001
- ◇ [University of Notre Dame](#)
Adjunct Assistant Professor, 1982-1983
- ◇ Editor, *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion*, 2004–2017

- ◇ Administrator, [Marc Sanders Prize in Philosophy of Religion](#), 2011–2016
- ◇ Nominating Editor, [The Philosopher's Annual](#), 2010–2015
- ◇ Organizer, Annual Philosophy of Religion Conferences, 2004–2016
- ◇ Advisory Editor, [Oxford Bibliographies Online](#), Philosophy Section
- ◇ Editorial Boards: [American Philosophical Quarterly](#); [Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews](#); [Faith and Philosophy](#); [Palgrave Frontiers in the Philosophy of Religion](#); [Continuum Critical Introductions to Contemporary Epistemology](#); [Bloomsbury Critical Introductions to Contemporary Epistemology](#)
- ◇ Advisory Boards: [Episteme](#); [Epistemology](#), [Philosophy Compass](#); [European Journal for Philosophy of Religion](#); [Logos & Episteme: An International Journal of Epistemology](#)

2 Education

B.A., [Evangel College](#), 1977

M.A., [University of Missouri](#), 1979

Ph.D., [University of Notre Dame](#), 1982

Subjectivity in Justification, Richard F. Foley, Director

3 Specializations and Competencies

- ◇ Metaphysics & Epistemology, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Logic & Language
- ◇ Logic, Ethics, Applied Ethics, Philosophy of Science, History of Analytic Philosophy, Philosophy of Law

4 Publications

Authored Books

1. [Faith and Humility](#), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018.
2. [Rationality and Reflection](#), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014. [Paperback Edition 2017.]
3. [Destiny and Deliberation: Essays in Philosophical Theology](#), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011. [Paperback Edition 2013.]
4. [The Knowability Paradox](#), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006. [Paperback Edition 2008.]
5. [The Value of Knowledge and the Pursuit of Understanding](#), New York: Cambridge University Press, 2003. [Paperback Edition 2007.]
6. [The Problem of Hell](#), New York: Oxford University Press, 1993.
7. [The Intellectual Virtues and the Life of the Mind: On the Place of the Virtues in Contemporary Epistemology](#), Savage, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 1992.
8. [The Possibility of an All-Knowing God](#), London: Macmillan Press Ltd. and New York: St. Martin's Press, 1986.

Edited Volumes

9. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 8*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017.
10. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 7*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016.
11. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 6*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015.
12. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 5*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014.
13. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 4*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012.
14. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 3*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.
15. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 2*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010.
16. *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion, Volume 1*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008.
17. *Warrant in Contemporary Epistemology: Essays in Honor of Plantinga's Theory of Knowledge*, Savage, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 1996.

Epistemology Articles (*=refereed)

18. "McCain on Propositionalism," *New Essays on Evidentialism*, edited by Kevin McCain, *Synthese Library*, (New York: Springer Publications, forthcoming 2018).
19. "Virtue Epistemology, Two Kinds of Internalism, and the Intelligibility Problem," *New Essays on Virtue Epistemology*, edited by Christoph Kelp, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2018).*
20. "Theoretical Unity in Epistemology," edited by Branden Fitelson, Cherie Braden, and Rodrigo Borges, *Festschrift for Peter Klein, Synthese Library*, (New York: Springer Publications, forthcoming 2018).
21. "Knowledge, Understanding, and Reasons for Belief," *The Oxford Handbook of Reasons and Normativity*, edited by Daniel Starr, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2017).*
22. "Lessons from Gettier," *Explaining Knowledge: New Essays on the Gettier Problem*, edited by Rodrigo Borges, Claudio de Almeida, and Peter Klein, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017), pp. 152–169.*
23. "Understanding," *Oxford Handbook on the Epistemology of Theology*, edited by Frederick D. Aquino and William J. Abraham, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017), pp. 175–190.*
24. "Reply to Simion," *Logos & Episteme*, VIII, 1 (2017): pp. 113–116.
25. "Intellectual Humility: Lessons from the Preface Paradox," *Res Philosophica* 93 (3) (2016), pp. 509–532.*
26. "Epistemic Normativity," *Epistemic Norms: New Essays on Action, Belief, and Assertion*, edited by John Turri and Clayton Littlejohn, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014), pp. 115–135.*
27. "Infinitist Justification and Proper Basing," *Ad Infinitum: New Essays on Epistemo-*

- logical Informatism*, edited by John Turri and Peter Klein, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014), pp. 125-143.*
28. "Curiosity and the Response-Dependent Special Value of Understanding," *Knowledge, Virtue, and Action*, edited by Tim Henning and David Schweikard, (Boston: Routledge, 2013), pp. 151-175.
 29. "Perspectivalism and Reflective Ascent," *New Essays on Disagreement*, edited by Jennifer Lackey, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013), pp. 233-243.*
 30. "Coherentism and Justified Inconsistent Beliefs: A Solution," *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 50.1 (March 2012), pp. 21-41.*
 31. "Truth-Tracking and the Value of Knowledge," *The Sensitivity Principle in Epistemology*, edited by Kelly Becker and Tim Black, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), pp. 101-122.
 32. "Coherentism," *The Continuum Companion to Epistemology*, edited by Andrew Cullison, (New York: Continuum Press, forthcoming 2012), pp. 57-72.
 33. "Knowledge and Understanding," Chapter Eight of *The Value of Knowledge and the Pursuit of Understanding*, translated into Spanish and reprinted as "Conocimiento y Entendimiento," in Margarita Valdés and Dr. Miguel Ángel Fernández, eds., *Normas, Virtudes y Valores Epistémicos*, (Mexico City: Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, 2011), pp. 123-148.
 34. "Against Pragmatic Encroachment," *Logos & Episteme: An International Journal of Epistemology*, 2.1 (2011), pp. 77-85.*
 35. "Millar on the Value of Knowledge," *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society*, Volume 85, Issue 1 (2011), pp. 83-99.
 36. "The Rational Significance of Reflective Ascent," *Evidentialism and Its Critics*, Trent Dougherty, ed., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011), pp. 34-53.*
 37. "Virtue Epistemology," *Routledge Companion to Epistemology*, edited by Duncan Pritchard and Sven Bernecker, (New York: Routledge, 2010), pp. 199-207.
 38. "Epistemic Justification," *Routledge Companion to Epistemology*, edited by Duncan Pritchard and Sven Bernecker, (New York: Routledge, 2010), pp. 25-36.
 39. "Norms of Assertion," *Assertion: New Philosophical Essays*, edited by Jessica Brown and Herman Cappelen, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 233-251.*
 40. "Coherentism," *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010).
 41. "The Swamping Problem Redux: Pith and Gist," *Social Epistemology*, edited by Haddock, Millar, and Pritchard, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 89-112.*
 42. "Sosa on Virtue Epistemology," *Crítica* 42.125 (2010), pp. 47-62.
 43. "The Value of Understanding," *Epistemic Value*, edited by Pritchard, Haddock, and Millar, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009), pp. 95-112.*
 44. "Precis of The Value of Knowledge and the Pursuit of Understanding," *Epistemic Value*, edited by Pritchard, Haddock, and Millar, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009), pp. 309-313.*
 45. "Responses to Critics," *Epistemic Value*, edited by Pritchard, Haddock, and Millar, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009), pp. 339-353.*

46. "Assertion, Knowledge, and Lotteries," *Williamson on Knowledge*, edited by Duncan Pritchard and Patrick Greenough, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009), pp. 140-160.*
47. "Pointless Truth," *Midwest Studies in Philosophy* Volume XXXII (2008), pp. 199-212.
48. "Five Questions about Epistemology," *Epistemology: 5 Questions*, D. Pritchard and V. Hendricks, eds., (London: Automatic Press/VIP, 2008).
49. "Critical Notice of Pritchard's Epistemic Luck," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 77 (July 2008), pp. 272-81.
50. "Contrastivism and Closure," *Social Epistemology* 22.3 (2008), pp. 247-56.*
51. "Closure and Alternative Possibilities," *Oxford Handbook of Skepticism*, John Greco, ed., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), pp. 456-84.*
52. "Why Should Inquiring Minds Want to Know?" in Sosa, Kim, Fantl, and McGrath, eds., *Epistemology: An Anthology*, 2nd edition, (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 2008), pp. 201-19 (originally published in *The Monist* 81.3 (1998), pp. 426-451).
53. "The Value of Knowledge is External to It," Chapter One of *The Value of Knowledge and the Pursuit of Understanding*, reprinted in Duncan Pritchard and Ram Neta, eds., *Arguing About Knowledge*, (London: Routledge, 2008).
54. "Propositionalism and the Metaphysics of Experience," *Philosophical Issues* 17 (2007), edited by Sosa and Villanueva, pp. 165-78.
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56. "Two Approaches to Epistemic Defeat," *Alvin Plantinga: Contemporary Philosophy in Focus*, Deane-Peter Baker, ed., (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 107-24.
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58. "Epistemic Closure Principles," Brian Weatherson, editor, *Philosophy Compass* 1/3 (2006): 256-267, 10.1111/j.1747-9991.2006.00027.x.
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60. "Truth and the Epistemic Goal," *Contemporary Debates in Epistemology*, M. Steup and E. Sosa, eds., (Malden, Mass.: Blackwell Publishing, 2005), pp. 285-95.
61. "On Denying a Presupposition of Sellars' Problem: A Defense of Propositionalism," *Veritas* 50 (2005), edited by Claudio de Almeida, pp. 173-90.
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63. "Nozickian Epistemology and the Question of Closure," *Croatian Journal of Philosophy* 3, special issue edited by Carla Bagnoli, 2004, pp. 351-364.
64. "Coherentist Theories of Epistemic Justification," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2003.
65. "Scientific Naturalism and the Value of Knowledge," in *Knowledge and Reality: Essays in Honor of Alvin Plantinga*, Thomas F. Crisp, ed., (Dordrecht: Kluwer Publishing Co., 2003).
66. "Justification and Proper Basing," *The Epistemology of Keith Lehrer*, Erik Olsson, ed.,

- (Dordrecht: Kluwer Publishing Co., 2003), pp. 43-62.
67. "Simple Reliabilism and Agent Reliabilism," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 66.2 (2003), pp. 451-457.
 68. "Propositionalism and the Perspectival Character of Justification," *American Philosophical Quarterly* 40.1 (2003), pp. 3-18.*
 69. "Externalism and Epistemology Worth Doing," *The Role of the Empirical (and of the A Priori) in Epistemology*, David Henderson and Terry Horgan, eds., *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 38 Supplement (2000), pp. 27-42.
 70. "Zagzebski on Justification," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 60 (2000), pp. 191-196.
 71. "Why Should Inquiring Minds Want to Know?" *The Monist* 81.3 (1998), pp. 426-451 (Reprinted in Sosa, Kim, Fantl, and McGrath, eds., *Epistemology: An Anthology*, 2nd edition, (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 2008).*
 72. "The Epistemic Paradoxes," *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 1998.
 73. "In Defense of Coherentism," *Journal of Philosophical Research* 22 (1997), pp. 299-306.*
 74. "Plantinga's Proper Function Theory of Warrant," *Warrant and Contemporary Epistemology*, J.L. Kvanvig, ed., (Savage, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 1996).
 75. "Coherentists' Distractions," *Philosophical Topics* 23 (1995), pp. 257-75.
 76. "Coherentism: Misconstrual and Misapprehension," *Southwest Philosophy Review* 11 (1995), pp. 159-68.*
 77. "Subjective Justification," in Ernest Sosa, ed., *Knowledge and Justification Volume II*, (Dartmouth Publishing Co., 1995 (reprinted from *Mind* 93 (January 1984), pp. 71-84).
 78. "A Critique of Van Fraassen's Voluntaristic Epistemology," *Synthese* 98 (1994), pp. 325-348.*
 79. "Can a Coherence Theory Appeal to Appearance States?" Wayne D. Riggs, co-author, *Philosophical Studies* 67 (1992), pp. 197-217.*
 80. "The Basic Notion of Justification," Christopher Menzel, co-author, *Philosophical Studies* 59 (1990), pp. 235-261.*
 81. "Conservatism and Its Virtues," *Synthese* 79 (1989), pp. 143-163.*
 82. "On Lemke's Defense of A Causal Basing Requirement," *Analysis* 47.3 (June 1987), pp. 162-167.*
 83. "The Confusion Over Foundationalism," *Philosophia* 16.3-4 (December 1986), pp. 345-355.*
 84. "How to Be a Reliabilist," *American Philosophical Quarterly* 23.2 (April 1986), pp. 189-198.*
 85. "Swain on the Basing Relation," *Analysis* 45.3 (June 1985), pp. 153-158.*
 86. "Is There an 'Us' in 'Justification'?", *Synthese* 62.1 (January 1985), pp. 63-74.*
 87. "Credulism," *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 16.2 (1984), pp. 101-110.*
 88. "What is Wrong With Minimal Foundationalism?" *Erkenntnis* 21 (1984), pp. 175-184.*
 89. "Subjective Justification," *Mind* (January 1984), pp. 71-84.*

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90. "Religious Disagreement and Pluralism," *New Essays on Pluralism and Religious Disagreement*, Ted A. Warfield and Matthew Benton, eds., forthcoming 2018.
91. "The Cognitive Dimension of Heavenly Bliss," *Paradise Understood: New Philosophical Essays about Heaven*, T. Ryan Byerly and Eric Silverman, eds., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017), pp. 62–81.*
92. "The Idea of Faith as Trust: Lessons in NonCognitivist Approaches to Faith," *Reason and Faith: Themes from Richard Swinburne*, edited by Michael Bergmann and Jeffrey Brower, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016), pp. 4–26.*
93. "Affective Theism and People of Faith," *Midwest Studies in Philosophy*, Vol. 37, 2013, pp. 109-128.
94. "Theories of Providence and Creation," *Res Philosophica*, Vol. 90, No. 1, January 2013, pp. 51–69.
95. "Heaven and Hell," *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010).
96. "Philosophy of Religion," *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010).
97. "Resurrection, Heaven, and Hell," *A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, Charles Taliaferro, Paul Draper, and Philip Quinn, eds., (Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2010), pp. 630–639.
98. "Religious Pluralism and the Buridan's Ass Paradox," *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 1.1 (Spring 2009), pp. 1-26.*
99. "Conservation, Concurrence, and Counterfactuals of Freedom," *Metaphysics and God*, edited by Kevin Tempe, (Malden, Mass: Routledge, 2009), pp. 112-126.
100. "Hell," *The Oxford Handbook of Eschatology*, edited by Jerry L. Walls, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), pp. 413-27.*
101. "Heaven and Hell," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, revised entry 2007.
102. "Creation and Conservation," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2007.
103. "Heaven and Hell," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2003.
104. "Jonathan Edwards on Hell," *Jonathan Edwards: Philosophical Theologian*, P. Helm and O. Crisp, eds., (Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing Co., 2003), pp. 1-12.
105. "On Behalf of Maverick Molinism," *Faith and Philosophy* 19.3 (2002), pp. 348-357.*
106. "Omniscience and Eternity: A Reply to Craig," *Faith and Philosophy* 18 (2001), pp. 369-376.*
107. "Divine Hiddenness: What is the Problem?" *The Hiddenness of God*, Daniel Howard-Snyder and Paul Moser, eds., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001), pp. 149-163.*
108. "Omniscience, Divine" *The Oxford Companion to Christian Thought*, Adrian Hastings, Alistair Mason, and Hugh Pyper, eds., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000), pp. 498-499.*
109. "Heaven and Hell," *A Companion to the Philosophy of Religion*, edited by Philip L. Quinn and Charles Taliaferro, (Oxford: Blackwell, 1997), pp. 562-568.
110. "A Critical Notice of Alston's Perceiving God," *Faith and Philosophy* 11.2 (April, 1994), pp. 311-321.

111. "The Occasionalist Proselytizer: A Modified Catechism," Hugh J. McCann, co-author, *Philosophical Perspectives 5: Philosophy of Religion*, James E. Tomberlin, ed. (Atascadero, CA: Ridgeview Press, 1991), pp. 587-616.
112. "Theism, Reliabilism and the Cognitive Ideal," Michael J. Beaty, ed., *Philosophy and the Christian Faith*, (Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1990), pp. 71-91.
113. "Unknowable Truths and the Doctrine of Omniscience," *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 57.3 (Fall 1989), pp. 485-507.*
114. "The Analogy Argument for a Limited Account of Omniscience," *International Philosophical Quarterly* 29.2 (June 1989), pp. 129-137.*
115. "Divine Conservation and the Persistence of the World," Hugh J. McCann, co-author, *Divine and Human Action: Essays in the Metaphysics of Theism*, Thomas V. Morris, ed., (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1988), pp. 13-49.
116. "The Evidentialist Objection," *American Philosophical Quarterly* 20.1 (January 1983), pp. 47-57.*

Metaphysics/Philosophy of Language Articles (*=refereed)

117. "Norms of Assertion," *Assertion: New Philosophical Essays*, edited by Jessica Brown and Herman Cappelen, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011), pp. 233-251.*
118. "Causation," Trent Dougherty, co-author, *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010).
119. "The Incarnation and the Knowability Paradox," *Synthese*, 173.1 (2010), pp. 89-105.*
120. "Restriction Strategies for Knowability: Lessons in False Hope," *New Essays on Knowability*, Joseph Salerno, ed., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009), pp. 205-222.*
121. "Tennant on Knowability," Michael Hand, co-author, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 77 (1999), pp. 422-428.*
122. "Lewis on Finkish Dispositions," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 59 (1999), pp. 703-710.*
123. "Truth and Superassertibility," *Philosophical Studies* 93 (1999), pp. 1-19.*
124. "The Knowability Paradox and the Prospects for Anti-Realism," *Noûs* 29 (1996), pp. 481-500.*
125. "He Who Lapse Last Lapse Best: Plantinga on Leibniz' Lapse," *Southwest Philosophy Review* 10 (January, 1994), pp. 137-146.*
126. "Hasker on Fatalism," *Philosophical Studies* 65 (1992), pp. 91-101.*
127. "Adams on Actualism and Presentism," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 50.2 (December 1989), pp. 289-298.*
128. "The Haecceity Theory and Perspectival Limitation," *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 67.3 (September 1989), pp. 295-305.*
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132. "[Perszyk's Molinism: The Contemporary Debate](#)," *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, 2012.11.30.
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134. "[Greco, ed., Sosa and His Critics](#)," *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, 2004.12.5.
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5 Presentations

1. "TBD," 2019 Rutgers Epistemology Conference, New Brunswick, NJ, May 3-4, 2019.
2. "TBD," University of Missouri-St. Louis, Fall 2018.
3. "Personal and Impersonal Conceptions of God," Conference on Personal and A-Personal Concepts of God, University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria, August 6-8, 2018.
4. "Faith and Humility," Evangel University, March 1, 2018.
5. "[How Skeptics Can Earn Their Keep](#)," Central States Philosophical Association, Presidential Address, October 29, 2017.
6. "[Theoretical Unity in Epistemology](#)," Midwest Epistemology Workshop, St. Louis, MO, September 15, 2017.
7. "[The Complementary Traits of Faith and Humility](#)," Faithful Attitudes Conference, University of Manchester, May 15, 2017.
8. *Wilde Lectures*, Oxford University, April 27–May 11, 2017, "Faith and Humility"
 - (a) Lecture 1:
"[Faith and Humility: Not What you Think: Methodological Reflections and Their Implications](#)"
 - (b) Lecture 2:
"[Mundane Faith: A Functional Account and Its Alternatives](#)"
 - (c) Lecture 3:
"[Religious Faith: An Application of the Functional Account](#)"
 - (d) Lecture 4:
"[Faith, Humility, and The Complementarity Thesis: Atomism and Holism in the Theory of Virtues](#)"
9. "[How Skeptics Earn Their Keep](#)," Keynote Address, St. Louis University Graduate Student Conference, February 16–17, 2017.
10. "[The Complementary Traits of Faith and Humility](#)," Biola University, September 9, 2016.
11. "[McCain on Propositionalism](#)," Author-Meets-Critics session, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, March 31-April 4, 2016.
12. "[From Fundamental Faith to Classical Theism](#)," Social Epistemology of Religious Belief Conference, University of Indiana, October 8, 2015.
13. "[The Epistemology of Heavenly Bliss](#)," The Philosophy of Paradise Conference, Newport News, VA, April 25, 2015.
14. "[Knowing the Future](#)," Washington University–St. Louis, December 11, 2014.
15. "[Commentary](#)," Randomness and Foreknowledge Conference, Dallas, TX, October 23-25, 2014.
16. "[The Idea of Faith as Trust: Lessons in NonCognitivist Approaches to Faith](#)," Swinburne Conference, Purdue University, September 25-27, 2014.
17. "[Lessons from Gettier](#)," St. Louis University, September 12, 2014.
18. "[The Idea of Faith as Trust: Lessons in NonCognitivist Approaches to Faith](#)," Conference on Fideism, Faith, and Rationality, University of Texas-San Antonio, February 20-22, 2014.

19. "[Knowledge, Reasons, and Understanding](#)," University of Missouri, November 15, 2013.
20. "[The Idea of Faith as Trust: Lessons in NonCognitivist Approaches to Faith](#)," BGND Conference, University of Notre Dame, October 3-5, 2013.
21. "[Knowledge, Understanding, and Reasons for Belief](#)," St. Louis University, September 20, 2013.
22. "Types of Skeptical Arguments: Regress, Closure, and Underdetermination," St. Louis University, September 19, 2013.
23. "[Bell's Hell: What Should Christians Think and Hope?](#)" Evangel University, September 20, 2012.
24. "[Providence, Creation, and Divine Risk-Taking](#)," Southwest Baptist University, September 19, 2012.
25. "[Epistemic Normativity](#)," University of Kansas, April 27, 2012.
26. "[Are There Obligations to Believe? Answer: "No!"](#)," University of Arkansas, April 25, 2012.
27. "[Epistemic Optionalism](#)," Wake Forest University, April 20, 2012.
28. "[Bell's Hell: What Should Christians Think and Hope?](#)" Wake Forest University, April 19, 2012.
29. "[A New Theory of Providence](#)," Keynote Address, Annual Graduate Student Conference, Gonzaga University, April 14, 2012.
30. "[Perspectivalism and Reflective Ascent](#)," University of Arkansas, September 24, 2011.
31. "[Philosophy and Vain Deceit](#)," John Brown University, September 22, 2011.
32. "[Bell's Hell: Further Thoughts about Hell](#)," Southwest Baptist University, September 21, 2011.
33. "[Philosophy and Vain Deceit](#)," Evangel University, September 20, 2011.
34. "[A Game-Theoretic Approach to the Value of Knowledge](#)," 3rd Annual USA Philosophy Workshop, Orange Beach, Alabama, May 16-17, 2011.
35. "[Fundamental Normativity](#)," University of South Alabama, May 14, 2011.
36. "[An Epistemic Theory of Creation](#)," Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, CA, April 24, 2011.
37. "[Fundamental Normativity](#)," University of Tennessee, March 25-26, 2011.
38. "[An Epistemic Theory of Creation](#)," University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR November 20-21, 2010.
39. "[The New Atheists](#)," Evangel University, November 18, 2010.
40. "[An Epistemic Theory of Creation](#)," UT/Baylor Philosophy of Religion Conference, Austin, TX, November 6, 2010.
41. "[Intellectualism](#)," 2nd Annual USA Philosophy Workshop, May 11-12, 2010, Orange Beach, Alabama.
42. "[An Epistemic Theory of Creation](#)," University of South Alabama, May 7, 2010.
43. "Curiosity and the Response-Dependent Value of Understanding," Pacific Division, APA, session on The Epistemology of Understanding, San Francisco, CA, March 31-April 4, 2010.
44. "SSI and Norms of Assertion," APA, Chicago, IL, February 25-27, 2010.
45. "Philosophical Theology and Value-Driven Epistemology," Abilene Christian University, March 11, 2010.

46. "The Epistemology of Understanding," Abilene Christian University, March 11, 2010.
47. "Open Theism and the Value of Philosophy," Evangel University, September 28, 2009.
48. "Norms of Assertion," Department of Philosophy, University of Arkansas, September 24, 2009.
49. "The New Atheists," John Brown University, September 23, 2009.
50. "Norms of Assertion," Department of Philosophy, University of Texas, September 11, 2009.
51. "Curiosity: Not a Desire to Know and Probably not a Desire," Epistemic Emotions Conference, University of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland, July 14, 2009.
52. "Justified Inconsistent Beliefs," Keynote Address, 1st Annual USA Philosophy Workshop, New (and Old) Perspectives on Coherentism, May 11-14, Orange Beach, Alabama.
53. "Leite on Skepticism," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Vancouver, B.C., April 9-11, 2009.
54. "Religious Pluralism and the Buridan's Ass Paradox," Plenary Speaker, Central Region Meeting of the SCP, Oklahoma Baptist University, April 23-25, 2009.
55. "Recent Attempts to Evade the Problem of the Value of Knowledge," University of Tennessee, May 5, 2008.
56. "Pritchard on Epistemic Luck," APA Central Division Author-Meets-Critics Session on Epistemic Luck, April 18-20, 2007.
57. "Lackey on Testimony," APA Pacific Division Author-Meets-Critics Session, March 18-23, 2007.
58. "Philosophy of Religion: 2008," First Annual Philosophy Alumni Lecture, University of Alabama, February 26, 2008.
59. "Rationality and Disagreement," University of Alabama, February 26, 2008.
60. "Opening Remarks," 3rd Annual Philosophy of Religion Conference, San Antonio, February 6-10, 2008.
61. "Open Theism and the Future," 3rd Annual Philosophy of Religion Conference, San Antonio, February 6, 2008.
62. "Open Theism's Asymmetry Thesis," UTSA, February 1-3, 2008.
63. "Coffman on Norms of Assertion," Southwest Philosophical Society, San Antonio, November 8-10, 2007.
64. "Restrictivism and Disagreement," Social Epistemology Conference, University of Stirling, August 31, 2007.
65. "Internalism and the Swamping Problem," The Value of Knowledge Conference, VU University Amsterdam, August 27-29, 2007.
66. "Further Thoughts on the Swamping Problem," APA Central Division Invited Session, April 28, 2007.
67. "Connections between Formal and Traditional Epistemology," University of Oklahoma, April 21, 2007.
68. "The Value of Understanding," APA Pacific Division Invited Session, March 25, 2007.
69. "Finality, Autonomy, and the Choice Model of Hell," UTSA Philosophy Symposium, February 2-3, 2007.
70. "Evidence and Rationality," Texas Tech University, November 10, 2006.
71. "Religious Pluralism and the Buridan's Ass Paradox," Texas Tech University, November

- ber 9, 2006.
72. "Knowledge, Assertion, and Lotteries," Fordham University, October 24, 2006.
 73. "Response to Critics," Author Meets Critics session on The Value of Knowledge and the Pursuit of Understanding, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Portland, OR, March 22-26, 2006.
 74. "Blogging as a Tool for Philosophical Discourse," APA, Pacific Division, Philosophy and Computing Session, March 22-26, 2006.
 75. "Further Defense of Maverick Molinism," Philosophy Symposium, University of Texas–San Antonio, February 3-4, 2006.
 76. "Two Concepts of Defeat," Brown University, November 1, 2005.
 77. "Knowledge and Its Value," Brown University, October 31, 2005.
 78. "Hell, Finality, and the Value of Autonomy," Wheaton College, October 20, 2005.
 79. "Coherentism and Justified Inconsistent Beliefs," University of Arkansas, September 16, 2005.
 80. "Knowledge, Assertion, and Lotteries," Northern Illinois University, September 9, 2005.
 81. "Assertion and Lotteries," St. Louis University, April 14, 2004.
 82. "Counterfactuals, Closure, and the Value of Knowledge," Modalism and Mentalism in Modern Epistemology Conference, The Carlsburg Academy, Copenhagen, Denmark, January 29, 2004.
 83. "Safety, Sensitivity, Closure, and the Value of Knowledge," North Carolina State University, September 18, 2003.
 84. "Counterfactual Epistemology and the Value of Knowledge," St. Louis University, September 12, 2003.
 85. "Lawlor on Contextualism," APA, Pacific Division Meeting, March 30, 2003.
 86. "Nozickian Epistemology and the Value of Knowledge," University of Arkansas, March 7, 2003.
 87. Returning Participant, Rutgers Epistemology Conference, Rutgers University, April 23-25, 2002.
 88. "The Gettier Problem and the Value of Knowledge," Texas Tech University, February 27, 2002.
 89. "Foreknowledge and the Open View of God," Texas Tech University, February 27, 2002.
 90. "The Nature and Value of Knowledge: On the Need for a Theoretically Unified Theory of Knowledge," St. Louis University, November 16, 2001.
 91. Discussant, Rutgers Epistemology Conference, Rutgers University, April 25-27, 2000.
 92. "Propositionalism and the Perspectival Character of Justification," University of Missouri, December 21, 1999.
 93. "Externalism and Epistemology Worth Doing," Spindel Conference, University of Memphis, October 1, 1999.
 94. "The Problem of Divine Hiddenness," BAPT, New Orleans, LA, September 1998.
 95. "Knowledge and Understanding," World Congress of Philosophy, Boston, MA, August 15-18, 1998.
 96. "Divine Hiddenness: What is the Problem?," Society of Christian Philosophers, Los Angeles, CA, January 1998.
 97. "Montmarquet on Justification," State University of New York at Buffalo, September

- 1996.
98. "Fales on Religious Experience," APA, Central Division Meeting, April 1996.
 99. "Webb on Fallibilism," SWPS, Austin, TX, November 11, 1995.
 100. "Why Should Inquiring Minds Want to Know?," Wheaton College Philosophy Conference, October 27, 1995.
 101. "Casullo on A Priori Justification," APA, Central Division Meeting, April 1995.
 102. "Coherentism: Misconstrual and Misapprehension," Southwestern Philosophical Society, November 6, 1994; and American Philosophical Association, March 30, 1995.
 103. "Hardcastle on Epistemic Sensitivity," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, March 24, 1994.
 104. "Evaluating Cognition," Illinois Wesleyan University, January 14, 1994.
 105. "He Who Lapse Last Lapse Best: Plantinga on Leibniz's Lapse," Southwestern Philosophical Society, November 12, 1993 and APA, Central Division Meeting, April 24, 1992.
 106. "Where to Begin Constructing a Theory of Justification," Southern Methodist University, October 24, 1991.
 107. "Hasker on Fatalism," APA, Pacific Division meeting, March 27-30, 1991.
 108. "The Basic Notion of Justification," Illinois State University, February 15, 1990.
 109. "Caraway on Reliabilism and Social Epistemology," APA, Central Division Meeting, April 27, 1989.
 110. "The Intrinsic Belief Fixing Character of Evidence," University of Oklahoma, April 10, 1989, and University of Minnesota-Morris, April 12, 1989.
 111. "Creation or Evolution: What is at Stake?," 13th Annual Humanities Colloquium, University of Minnesota-Morris, April 13, 1989.
 112. "Frankel on the Lockean View of Causation," APA, Eastern Division Meeting, December 1988.
 113. "Jacobson on Reasons and Causes," APA, Pacific Division Meeting, March 1988.
 114. "God's Certainty and Human Freedom," University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, September 13, 1986.
 115. "Traditional and Limited Doctrines of Omniscience," APA, Eastern Division Meeting, December 27-30, 1985.
 116. "The Confusion Over Foundationalism," APA, Pacific Division Meeting, March 23-25, 1985.
 117. "Brown on Problems for Descriptive Theories of Meaning," Southwestern Philosophical Society, November 17, 1984.
 118. "McInerny on Aquinas, Analogy and Foundationalism," at the Research Conference in the Philosophy of Religion, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska, April 13, 1984.
 119. "God's Certainty and Man's Freedom," at the Eastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, March 12, 1984.
 120. "The Basing Relation," APA, Western Division Meeting, April 28, 1983.
 121. "Lehrer on Rational Consensus," APA, Eastern Division Meeting, December 28, 1982.
 122. "The Evidentialist Objection," Evangel College, April, 1981.
 123. "An Objection to Religious Belief," Society for Christian Philosophers, Southeastern Re-

gional Meeting, April 10, 1981.

124. "The Evidentialist Objection," Indiana Philosophical Association, April 4, 1981.
125. "The Evidentialist Objection," Graduate Student Philosophical Conference, University of Illinois, April 5, 1981.
126. "Rawls' Egalitarian Conception of Justice," Society for Social and Political Philosophy, Spring 1978.

6 Teaching

Undergraduate Courses

1. Introduction to Ethics
2. Introduction to Philosophy
3. Informal Logic
4. Introduction to Logic
5. [Introduction to Scientific Reasoning](#)
6. Philosophy of Law
7. Ethics and Business
8. [Intermediate Logic](#)
9. [Metaphysics](#)
10. [Epistemology \(Theory of Knowledge\)](#)
11. [Philosophy of Science](#)
12. [Philosophy of Religion](#)
13. [History of Analytic Philosophy](#)
14. [Philosophy of Language](#)
15. [Philosophy of Science](#)
16. [Advanced Epistemology](#)

Graduate Courses

1. Philosophical Writing
2. Epistemology
3. [Philosophy of Religion](#)
4. Seminar on the Freedom/Foreknowledge Problem
5. Seminar on the Knowability Paradox
6. Seminar on the Evidential Problem of Evil
7. Seminar on Virtue and Value Epistemology
8. Metaphysics
9. Seminar on Causation
10. Seminar on Conditionals and Creation
11. [Seminar on Perfect Being Theology](#)
12. Ethics & Public Policy
13. [History of Analytic Philosophy](#)
14. [Skepticism, Faith, and Humility](#)

Independent Work Supervised

1. Theory of Knowledge

2. Philosophy of Language
3. The Nature of the Intentional Attitudes
4. Naturalized Epistemology
5. Philosophical Theology
6. Philosophy of Religion (graduate)
7. Normativity (graduate)
8. The Value of Knowledge (graduate)

Senior Honors Theses

1. Logical Determinism (Scott Sturgeon)
2. Physicalism and the Knowability Paradox (David Lewis II)
3. Material Beings (Matthew Williams)
4. Plantingan Epistemology (Luke Mediema)
5. Naturalism and the Mind (Lauren Hibbs)

M.A. Theses Directed

1. Understanding Miracles (Samuel Pry)
2. The Problem of Evil (Gordon Pettit)
3. Laws of Nature (David DeGroot)
4. The Inductive Problem of Evil (Pat Carrigan)
5. The Basing Relation (Dan Mittag)
6. The Virtue of Understanding (Michael Pace)
7. Virtue Epistemology (Cristian Mihut)
8. Contextualism in Epistemology (Chris Robichaud)

Ph.D. Dissertations Directed

1. Fitch's Proof and the Prospects for Anti-Realism (Debby Hutchins, Boston College, 2004)
2. A Defense of Alvin Plantinga's Argument against Evolutionary Naturalism (Troy Nunley, 2004)
3. Prolegomena to an Occasionalist Metaphysics (Omar Moad, 2004)
4. The Sellarsian Dilemma (Ted Poston, 2005)
5. Modeling Divine Deliberation (Tom Tong, 2011)
6. The Evidential Support Relation (Ryan Byerly, 2011)
7. Justified Closure of Inquiry (Kraig Martin, 2013)
8. Animal Suffering and the Argument from Moral Outrage (Matt Douglass, 2014)
9. What is Obviousness? (Chris Tweedt, 2014)
10. Phenomenal Conservatism (Blake McAllister, 2015)

7 Service

Departmental

- ◇ Recording Secretary (1983-86)
- ◇ Publicity Coordinator (1983-89)
- ◇ Head Search Committee (1983-84)

- ◇ Search Committee (1984-85, 87-88)
- ◇ Chair, Search Committee (1988-89, 90-91)
- ◇ Colloquium Committee (1985-86)
- ◇ Chair, Colloquium Committee, (1986-90)
- ◇ Steering Committee, Representative for Associate Professors (1989-91)
- ◇ Undergraduate Advisor (1983-89)
- ◇ Graduate Advisory Committee Member (1989-present)
- ◇ Curriculum Revisement Committee (1989-90)
- ◇ Chair, Logic Committee (1989-90)
- ◇ Chair, 3rd-year review committee for Michael Hand (1990-91)
- ◇ Chair, Tenure Review Committee for Michael Hand (1991-92)
- ◇ Teaching Subcommittee Report for third-year review of Alan Houtchens (1990-91)
- ◇ Service Subcommittee Report for tenure review of Scott Austin (1990-91)
- ◇ Chair, Undergraduate Majors Committee, (1991-92)
- ◇ Chair, Third-Year Review of Heather Gert (1993-94)
- ◇ Library Representative (1992-94)
- ◇ Research Subcommittee Report for tenure review of Colin Allen (1994-95)
- ◇ Director of Graduate Studies (1994-2000)
- ◇ Steering Committee (1994-2000)
- ◇ Chair, Search Committee (1995-96)
- ◇ Search Committee (1998-99)
- ◇ Research Subcommittee Report for 3rd-year review of Linda Radzik (1999)
- ◇ Graduate Curriculum Committee, (2001-02)
- ◇ Department Chair, (2002-2006)
- ◇ Search Committee (2006-07)

College

- ◇ Educational Planning Committee (1987-88, 89-90)
- ◇ Chair, Educational Planning Committee (1988-89)
- ◇ Religious Studies Interdisciplinary Studies Committee (1988-89)
- ◇ Committee for the Center for Humanities (1988-89)
- ◇ Ad Hoc Committee for 1990 Annual Humanities Lecture (1989-90)
- ◇ Religious Studies Program Review Committee (1989-93)
- ◇ Liberal Arts Council (1990-93)
- ◇ Steering Committee, Liberal Arts Council (1991-92)
- ◇ Elections Committee, College of Liberal Arts (1991-92)
- ◇ Graduate Instruction Committee (1994-2000) Dean's Advisory Committee for Tenure and Promotion (1996-99)

University

- ◇ Reading List Committee for Texas A& M University (1987-88, 88-89)
- ◇ University Representative for development of Texas Academic Skills Program (1987-88)
- ◇ Advisor to Montgomery Hometown Club (1983-84)
- ◇ Member, Faculty Taskforce for Vision 2020, (1997-99)

- ◇ Participant, Writing Across the Curriculum Seminar, (Fall 2001)
- ◇ Chair, Paul Anthony Brick Lecture Series Committee, (2002-present)
- ◇ Ad hoc Committee to develop Family Leave Policy, (Spring 2004)
- ◇ Humanities Representative, Campus Writing Board, (2004-present)
- ◇ Chair, Advisory Committee for the Thomas Jefferson Award, University of Missouri System, (2004-5)

Professional

- ◇ Member, Executive Committee, Society of Christian Philosophers, 1999-2002.
- ◇ Member, Nominating Committee of the Central Division, APA, 1999-2000.
- ◇ Member of Career Opportunities Committee of the American Philosophical Association, 1996-99
- ◇ Secretary-Treasurer, Southwestern Philosophical Society, 1995-98
- ◇ Member, Program Committee for the 1993 Meeting of the Central Division, APA
- ◇ APA Chair and Organizer, "Ulysses Problems in Epistemology," Central Division Meeting of the APA, April 24, 1993, main speakers, Bas van Fraassen (Princeton) and Richard Foley (Rutgers)
- ◇ Tenure and Promotion Reviewer for: University of Minnesota-Morris; University of New Hampshire; Wheaton College; University of Memphis; Oklahoma State University; Texas Tech University; University of South Alabama; University of Oklahoma; Fordham University; MIT; University of Arkansas; Northwestern University; St. Louis University; Rutgers University
- ◇ Referee for: The Philosophical Review; Philosophical Studies; Midwest Studies in Philosophy; Philosophy Research Archives; Southwest Philosophy Review; Westview Publishing Company; Synthese; Philosophy and Phenomenological Research; Canadian Journal of Philosophy; Nos; Faith & Philosophy; Australasian Journal of Philosophy; Erkenntnis; Wadsworth; Prentice-Hall; American Philosophical Quarterly; Journal of Philosophical Research; Philosophical Quarterly; Sophia; Routledge; Rowman & Littlefield; SUNY Press; University of Notre Dame Press; Cambridge University Press; Oxford University Press

8 Awards & Honors

- ◇ President, Central States Philosophical Association, 2017-18
- ◇ Vice-President, Central States Philosophical Association, 2016-17
- ◇ Grant from St. Louis University Intellectual Humility Project, funded by the John Templeton Foundation, for research on intellectual humility, Fall 2014. Total grant amount: \$80,000
- ◇ Templeton Religion Trust Grant for project entitled "The Nature and Value of Faith," with co-directors Daniel Howard-Snyder and Trent Dougherty, 2014–2017. Total grant amount: \$2,300,000
- ◇ Outstanding Faculty Award for Research/Scholarship, Baylor University, 2011
- ◇ Marc Sanders Foundation Award, funding for Prize in Philosophy of Religion, 2010–2017. Total funding: \$18,000/year

- ◇ Who's Who in America, Who's Who Among America's Teachers, Who's Who in American Law
- ◇ Texas A&M College of Liberal Arts Distinguished Research Award, 1997
- ◇ Interdisciplinary Group for Humanities Studies, Fellowship, 1997-98
- ◇ Faculty Development Leave Grant, Texas A&M University, Spring 1995
- ◇ Honors College Course Development Grant, for course entitled Introduction to Scientific Reasoning, 1991
- ◇ NEH Summer Seminar, "Explanation, Causation and Empiricism," 1991
- ◇ Summer Research Grant, Texas A&M University, 1989
- ◇ Fellowship for College Teachers, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1986-87
- ◇ Summer Research Grant, Texas A&M University, Summer 1986
- ◇ Teaching Load Reduction Grant, Texas A&M University, Fall 1985
- ◇ Interdisciplinary and Intermediate-Individual Research Grant, Texas A&M University, Summer 1985

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