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EDUCATION

- 2019 Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Dallas
*Dissertation Title: Madness in Merleau-Ponty and Foucault:
Toward an Inclusive Account of the Nonrational in Human Experience*
- 2009 M.A. in Philosophy, University of Auckland
Thesis Title: Existential Aesthetics
- 2008 M.A. in Christian Thought, Reformed Theological Seminary
- 2005 B.A. in Philosophy, university honors, University of Texas at Austin
- 2005 B.A. in Music, university honors, University of Texas at Austin

TEACHING AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

- Fall 2021 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Mary
- 2021 Visiting Scholar, Texas State University
- 2020 Visiting Lecturer, Trinity University
- 2017-2019 Lecturer, Texas State University
- 2016-2017 Visiting Research Student, Institut Catholique de Paris
- 2014-2015 Adjunct Instructor, University of Dallas
- 2007 Teaching Assistant, Reformed Theological Seminary

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Madness in Experience and History: Merleau-Ponty's Phenomenology and Foucault's Archaeology. New York: Routledge, 2022. Part of the Psychology and the Other Book Series.

Articles in Refereed Journals

"The Carnival of the Mad: Foucault's Window into the Origin of Psychology." *Foucault Studies* No. 30 (2021): 54-79.

"The Weight of Bodily Presence in Art and Liturgy." *Religions* 12, no. 3: 164 (2021): 1-14. Invited article for special issue entitled "Phenomenology and Liturgical Practice."

"At the Opening of Madness: An Exploration of the Nonrational with Merleau-Ponty, Foucault and Kierkegaard." *Journal of Speculative Philosophy* 33, no. 3 (2019): 475-488.

"Situating Melancholy in Kierkegaard's *The Concept of Anxiety*." *Philosophy & Theology Journal*, Vol. 26, No. 1 (2014): 39-64.

Chapter in Edited Book

“The Need for Merleau-Ponty in Foucault's Account of the Abnormal.” In *Normality, Abnormality, and Pathology in Merleau-Ponty*, edited by Talia Welsh and Susan Bredlau, Forthcoming with SUNY Press.

COURSES TAUGHT

Philosophy of the Human Person

Upper division class focused on the conceptions of the human in Aristotle, Augustine, Descartes, Dawkins, Marcel and Stein with application to social issues.

University of Mary. Fall 2021.

Search for Truth

Introductory course to philosophy looking at truth from the approaches of Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, Anselm and Kierkegaard.

University of Mary. Fall 2021.

Biomedical Ethics

Introductory class covering the conceptions of the human in Aristotle, Descartes, Kant, Marcel and Dawkins and applying them to the issues in contemporary bioethics.

Trinity University. Spring 2020.

Environmental Ethics

Introductory class covering the primary philosophical approaches to the environment and applying them to current environmental issues.

Trinity University. Spring 2020.

Ethics and Society

Introductory course on the major ethical methods of Aristotle, Kant, Mill and Kierkegaard and applying them to current social issues.

Texas State University. Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Fall 2019.

Philosophy of Being

Upper division class on the metaphysics of Parmenides, Aristotle, Aquinas, Kant, Hawking, Heidegger and Marcel.

University of Dallas. Fall 2015.

Nietzsche: Textual Seminar

Upper division class on Nietzsche for philosophy majors.

University of Dallas. Spring 2015.

Philosophy and the Ethical Life

Introductory course on ethics and philosophy in Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, and Nietzsche.

University of Dallas. Fall 2014, Spring 2015.

LECTURES AND CONFERENCES

- 2021 “Why and How to Read Dante.” *University of Mary Convocation Panel*. Bismarck, North Dakota.
- 2021 “Virtual Symphony and Virtual Church: Considering the Importance of Bodily Presence.” *Psychology and the Other*. Virtual Conference.
- 2020 “The Carnival of the Mad: Foucault’s Window into the Origin of Psychology.” *North Texas Philosophical Association*. Dallas, Texas (canceled due to COVID-19).
- 2019 “The Carnival of the Mad: Foucault’s Window into the Origin of Psychology.”

- Psychology and the Other*. Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2019 Respondent to Adam Graves's "Sense, Non-sense, Innocence: Towards a Hermeneutic Anthropology of Guilt." *International Network of Philosophy and Religion*. Paris, France.
- 2018 "The Need for Merleau-Ponty in Foucault's Account of the Abnormal." *International Merleau-Ponty Circle*. Chattanooga, Tennessee.
- 2018 "At the Opening of Madness: An Exploration of the Nonrational with Merleau-Ponty, Foucault and Kierkegaard." *Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy*. State College, Pennsylvania.
- 2018 "At the Opening of Madness: An Exploration of the Nonrational with Merleau-Ponty, Foucault and Kierkegaard." *North Texas Philosophical Association*. Dallas, Texas.
- 2017 "Rethinking Mental Disorders: Educating leaders on the ethical implications of psychopathology." *Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum*. Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- 2017 Invited Discussant. *International Network of Philosophy and Religion*. Paris, France.
- 2016 "Merleau-Ponty on Habit with Possible Implications for Psychopathology." *North Texas Philosophical Association*. Dallas, Texas.
- 2015 "Foucault's Care of Self: An Ethical Approach to Technology in the Global Age." *Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum*. Greenville, North Carolina.
- 2014 "Jewish Characteristics of Hobbes's Covenant." *Institute for Philosophic Studies Colloquium*. Dallas, Texas.
- 2014 "The Dialectic of 'Meaning' in Merleau-Ponty's *The Structure of Behavior*." *North Texas Philosophical Association*. Denton, Texas.
- 2013 "Situating Melancholy in Kierkegaard's *The Concept of Anxiety*." *Baylor Symposium for Faith and Culture*. Waco, Texas.
- 2013 "The Need for World Community: Lonergan's Cosmopolis and Arendt's Public Realm." *North Texas Philosophical Association*. Denton, Texas.
- 2013 "Understanding Plato's Democratic Character with Reference to Kierkegaard's Aesthete." *Institute for Philosophic Studies Colloquium*. Dallas, Texas.
- 2012 "Technology: Demonstrating Our Detached Disinterested Desire to Know." *Baylor Symposium for Faith and Culture*. Waco, Texas.
- 2009 "Existential Aesthetics: Art Founded on Freedom." *University of Auckland Graduate Seminar Series*. Auckland, New Zealand.
- 2008 "Gabriel Marcel's Aesthetics." *Australasian Society of Continental Philosophy*. Auckland, New Zealand.

LANGUAGES

French

Reading: Advanced, Speaking: Conversational (Level: B1), Writing: Intermediate. Graduate Reading Proficiency Exam, Passed 2014.

Latin

Reading: Advanced (with dictionary), Writing: Intermediate. Graduate Proficiency Passed through Advanced Reading Course, 2013.

Spanish

Reading: Basic, Speaking: Basic, Writing: Basic. Completed two year undergraduate proficiency, 2005.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Braniff Full-Tuition Scholarship, University of Dallas, 2012-2019.
Graduate Travel Award, University of Dallas, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2018.
Braniff Living Stipend, University of Dallas, 2012-2013.

AFFILIATIONS

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Member, 2018-present.
Psychology and the Other, Member, 2017-present.
International Merleau-Ponty Circle, Member, 2018-present.
Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum, Member, 2015-present.
International Network in Philosophy of Religion, Member, 2017-present.
North Texas Philosophical Association, Member, 2013-present.
Graduate Writing Group, Organizer, 2013.

REFERENCES

Chad Engelland, Professor of Philosophy and Chair of Department, University of Dallas
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Philipp Rosemann, Professor of Philosophy and Chair of Department, National University of Ireland Maynooth
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Brian Treanor, Professor of Philosophy and Charles S. Casassa Chair in Social Values, Loyola Marymount University
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Scott Churchill, Professor of Psychology, University of Dallas
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Emmanuel Falque, Professor of Philosophy and Honorary Dean of Department, Institut Catholique de Paris
efalque@orange.fr
Craig Hanks, Professor of Philosophy and Chair of Department, Texas State University
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Judith Norman, Professor of Philosophy and Chair of Department, Trinity University
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