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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Bioethics, Moral Philosophy, Political Philosophy

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Epistemology, History of Philosophy

## EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 2004

Dissertation: "Civic Excellence: Citizen Virtue and Contemporary Liberal Democratic Community," Directors: W. David Solomon and Paul Weithman

MA in Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, 1997

Comprehensive exams in History of Philosophy: Ancient, Medieval, Modern  
First Year Paper, Epistemology

BA in Honors Philosophy, Brigham Young University, 1994

*Summa cum laude* with University Honors  
Honors Thesis: "*In Vitro* Fertilization as Coercive Technology"

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Assistant Professor, Brigham Young University, Beginning Fall 2020

Instructor, Brigham Young University 1995-1997, 2005-2006, 2012-2020

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Beginning Fall 2020

Visiting Assistant Professor, Brigham Young University, Department of Philosophy

Phil 212R: Introduction to Medical Ethics, Fall 2020

Phil 110: Introduction to Philosophy, Fall 2020 (Two sections)

2012 – 2020

Instructor, Brigham Young University, Department of Philosophy

Phil 110 Introduction to Philosophy, Fall 2014, Winter 2013, Fall 2012 (two sections)

Phil 213 Introduction to Ethics, Winter 2015

Phil 300 Philosophical Writing,

Winter 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016

Phil 313 Utilitarianism, Winter 2019, Winter 2017

Phil 320 Aristotle's Moral Theory, Fall 2013

Phil 413 Medical Ethics, Winter 2018, Fall 2015, Winter 2014

2005-2006

Instructor, Brigham Young University, Department of Philosophy

Phil 300 Advanced Philosophical Writing, Fall 2006, Winter 2006, Fall 2005

1995-1997

Instructor, Brigham Young University, Department of Philosophy

Phil 105 Reasoning and Writing, Summer 1997

Phil 110 Introduction to Philosophy, Fall 1996 (two sections), Summer 1995  
(two sections)

Phil 311 Advanced Philosophical Writing, Summer 1997

1995-1998

Teaching Assistant

University of Notre Dame, Department of Philosophy

Philosophy of Law, John Robinson, Spring 1998

Morality and Modernity, David Solomon, Fall 1997

Ethics and Business, Montey Holloway, Winter 1997

Medical Ethics, David Solomon, Winter 1996

Introduction to Philosophy, Paul Weithman, Fall 1995

## NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS

Nominated to serve on the Fetal Tissue Research Ethics Advisory Board at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services by Utah Senator Mike Lee, 2020  
Adjunct Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, College of Humanities, Brigham Young University, 2018  
Full-tuition fellowship and living stipend, University of Notre Dame, 1994-1999  
Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Fellowship (one of 50 awarded nationally), 1994  
DAAD grant, Sprachintensivkurs, Leipzig, Germany, 1994  
Ezra Taft Benson Scholar, 1991

## PUBLICATIONS

“Questions About the Morality of Commercial Surrogacy,” Wheatley Institution Blog, 2019 <https://wheatley.byu.edu/questions-about-the-morality-of-commercial-surrogacy/>

“Rebranding Death.” *BYU Journal of Public Law* 31.2: 313-332. 2017  
<https://digitalcommons.law.byu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1534&context=jpl>

“Why Study Medical Ethics?” YouTube video. <https://bit.ly/MedEthicsBYU>

## INVITED SPEAKER

“Agency and Submission in a Life Not Under Our Control.” Reason for Hope Semi-Annual Conference, Wheatley Institution, Brigham Young University, 2018

“Gene Editing and the Status of the Human Embryo,” Area Committee and Invited Guests, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2017

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

“Gestational Surrogacy, Posthumous Parenthood and Giving One’s Gametes: What would the Phronimos do? A virtue ethics approach.” Reproductive Ethics Conference, Alden March Bioethics Institute, abstract accepted (conference canceled due to Covid-19), 2020.

“Concerns about Germ Line Gene Editing, Procreative Beneficence and Autonomy.” Intermountain Philosophy Conference, Brigham Young University, 2017

- “Rebranding Death: The Harm of Labeling Good Deaths and Bad Lives,”  
Symposium on Assisted Suicide: Impacts Upon Families and Society. J.  
Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, 2016
- “Is it a Gift if it is Paid For?” Virtue, Medicine, and Modern Moral Philosophy: A  
Conference in Honor of W. David Solomon, University of Notre Dame, 2014
- “Towards a Satisfactory Account of Citizen Virtue.” 20th Annual Conference: The  
Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World. Estes Park, Colorado,  
2013
- “The Family: An Important Long-Term Institution.” Responses to Remi Brague.  
Wheatley Institution, Brigham Young University, 2013
- “Restraint as a Citizen Virtue.” Teaching, Faith, and Service: The Foundation of  
Freedom Conference, University of Portland, 2005

#### **PRESENTATIONS, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT**

##### **PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT COLLOQUIUM**

- “Would a Virtuous Person Accept Incentives for Donating a Kidney? Moral  
Excellence and Valuing the Body Appropriately,” 2020
- “Concerns about Germ Line Gene Editing, Procreative Beneficence and Autonomy,”  
2018

##### **PHILOSOPHY LECTURE SERIES**

- “Why Study Medical Ethics?” 2020
- “Are Some Gifts Wrong? Kidneys, blood, sperm, eggs, surrogacy, prostitution, and  
foster parenting,” 2019. Recording available at:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i1rEzGRGqDc&list=PL5TkDh0ReN3EkDOhgtNABRZmTV9wsOmje&index=11&t=1888s>
- “A Latter-day Saint View of Transhumanism and Radical Life Extension,” 2018
- “The Moral Status of the Human Embryo: LDS Church Positions and a Future of  
Human Germ Line Editing,” 2017
- “Rebranding Death: Why Legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide is a Mistake,” 2016
- “Philosophy Is Dangerous: A Reply to David Jensen,” 2015

“Is It A Gift If It Is Paid For?” (About kidney donation and possible sale), 2014

#### PHILOSOPHY CLUB

“Eugenics and Enhancements,” 2016

“The Right To Die?: A Discussion of the Ethics of Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide,” 2014

#### OTHER PRESENTATIONS

“Playing God: Another look at Leon Kass’s ‘The Wisdom of Repugnance.’” Faith, Ethics, & Science Roundtable, University of Utah, 2018

“What is Medical Ethics and Why Study It?” combined meeting, BYU Medical Humanities Club and BYU PreMed Club, 2018

“Moral Philosophy and ‘The Good Place’,” Interviewee, The Lisa Valentine Clark Show, KBYU Radio, 2018 <https://www.byuradio.org/episode/1661fee2-0b9c-4b20-bd99-f50b873c7e0b?playhead=3059&autoplay=true>

#### MEDIA COVERAGE

“Are businesses helping enough in this time of crisis? Reconsidering the ‘Friedman Doctrine,’” Ethan Bauer, *Deseret News*, <https://www.deseret.com/indepth/2020/3/29/21182703/coronavirus-covid19-business-private-sector-help-doing-more>, 2020.

“The Morals of Organ Donation” Zander Smith, Brigham Young University Humanities News. <https://humanities.byu.edu/the-morals-of-organ-donation/>, 2019

“Reason for Hope 2018: Faith, Hope and Charity,” Katie Eldredge, Wheatley Institution <https://wheatley.byu.edu/reason-for-hope-2018-faith-hope-and-charity/>, 2018

#### SERVICE

Adjunct Liaison, Philosophy Department, 2019-2020

Affiliated Faculty, Wheatley Institution, Present-2018

Faculty Mentor to Brad Sears, Mentored Research, Jack and Mary Lois Wheatley  
Endowed Leadership Scholarship, 2017

Member, Philosophy Department Graduate Committee, University of Notre Dame,  
1997

Elected, Graduate Student Class Rep, Philosophy Dept, University of Notre Dame,  
1997

Elected, Graduate Student Class Rep Philosophy Dept, University of Notre Dame,  
1995

Elected, Graduate Student Class Rep Philosophy Dept, University of Notre Dame,  
1994

#### **GRADUATE COURSEWORK, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME**

Aquinas & Luther	R. Zachman and J. Jenkins
Dir. reading on the <i>Gorgias and Nicomachean Ethics</i>	David O'Connor
Nietzsche and the Greeks	David O'Connor
Postmodern Analytic Philosophy	Gary Gutting
Dir. reading on 20th Century Ethics	David Solomon
Metaphysics	Michael Loux
Political Liberalism and Religion	Phillip Quinn
Nietzsche & Christianity	Mark Jordan
Intermediate Logic	Michael Kremer
Epistemology	Alvin Plantinga
Philosophy of Science	Vaughn McKim
Kant	Karl Ameriks
Philosophy & Christian Theism	Alvin Plantinga
Philosophy of Science, 1750-1900	Ernan McMullin

## **LANGUAGES**

German, successfully passed the PNDS (Proof of German Language Skills) examination

French, reading knowledge

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Philosophical Association

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities