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Education

Ph.D., 2013, Philosophy, Boston University
J.D., 2005, University of Chicago (also graduate coursework in Philosophy and Political Science)
B.A., 2002, *Magna cum laude* with University Honors, Political Science, Brigham Young University

Employment

Instructor (three-year contract, renewable), University of Alabama, 2018-present
Assistant Professor (non-tenure track, rolling two-year contracts), Lynn University, 2014-2018
Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Rochester, 2013-2014
Visiting Professor, University of International Relations, Beijing, China, July-August 2013
Adjunct Faculty, Brigham Young University, 2012-2013

Areas of Specialization Kant, Early Modern Philosophy

Areas of Competence Philosophy of Law, Ethics, Political Philosophy, Hegel

Dissertation *A Phenomenalist Interpretation of the Critique of Pure Reason*
Advisor: Manfred Kuehn

Publications

“Hume and Kant on Identity and Substance.” In *Kant and the Scottish Enlightenment*, edited by Elizabeth Robinson and Christopher Surprenant, 230-244. New York: Routledge, 2017.
“Kant’s Theoretical Reasons for Belief in Things in Themselves.” *Kant-Studien* 107 (2016): 589-616.
“The Idea of the Systematic Unity of Nature as a Transcendental Illusion.” *Kantian Review* 16 (2011): 429-448.

Papers in Progress

“Kant’s Transcendental Idealism as a Form of Ontological Phenomenalism”
“Phenomenalism, the Fourth Paralogism, and the Refutation of Idealism”
“Kant’s Deduction of the Concept of Nonempirical Possession”
“The Identity of Divine and Human Ideas in Berkeley”

Presentations

“Kant, Phenomenalism, and Unperceived Objects”
UK Kant Society Annual Conference, University of St Andrews, St Andrews, UK, September 2017.
Atlantic Canada Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada, August 2017.

“The Ideas in God’s Mind,” International Berkeley Conference, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel, April 2016.

“Kant’s Theoretical Reasons for Belief in Things in Themselves,” UK Kant Society Annual Conference, Keele University, Staffordshire, UK, September 2015.

“Kant’s Agnosticism about Things in Themselves”
Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, Baltimore, Maryland, December 2013.

Intermountain Philosophy Conference, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 2012.

“Why Berkeley is Not a Phenomenalist,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis and Clark University, Portland, Oregon, November 2011.

“The Distinction between Representation and Object in the *Critique of Pure Reason*,” Junior Visiting Fellows Conference, Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna, Austria, December 2010.

Courses Taught

Introductory: Introduction to Philosophy, Introductory Logic, Reasoning and Writing, Philosophy of Religion, International Peace and Justice

History of Philosophy: History of Modern Philosophy, Introduction to Kant and Hegel

Ethics: Introduction to Ethics, Business Ethics, Recent Ethical Theory

Legal and Political Philosophy: Contemporary Political Theory, Philosophy of Law, Legal Reasoning, Theories of Punishment

Professional Service

Member, Awards Committee, Department of Philosophy, University of Alabama, 2019-present

Member, Search Committee, Lynn University, 2018

Member, Committee on the Defense of Professional Rights of Philosophers, American Philosophical Association, 2017-2018

Secretary, Faculty Standards and Professional Development Committee, Lynn University, 2016-2018

Reviewer, *History of Philosophy Quarterly*

Reviewer, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*

Commentator, Colloquium Session, Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, Washington, D.C., January 2016

Chair, Colloquium Session, Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, Canada, April 2015

Chair, Session I, Eastern Study Group, North American Kant Society, Washington, D.C., April 2015

Fellowships and Honors

Graduate Student Travel Grant, Boston University, 2012

Junior Visiting Fellow, Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna, Austria, 2010-2011

Dissertation Fellowship, Boston University, 2009-2010

Teaching Fellowship, Boston University, 2006-2008, 2011-2012

Edwin Smith Hinckley Scholarship, Brigham Young University, 2001-2002

Languages German (fluent)