## **Curriculum Vitae**

#### **MARC BOBRO**

### **Education**

Ph. D., Philosophy, University of Washington, Seattle, 1998. M. A., Philosophy, University of Washington, Seattle, 1993. M. A., Philosophy, King's College, London, 1990. B. A. (cum laude), Philosophy, University of Arizona, Tucson, 1988.

Dissertation Title: "G. W. Leibniz: Personhood, Moral Agency, and Meaningful Immortality."

Dissertation Committee: Kenneth Clatterbaugh (chair), Robert Coburn, David Keyt, and Cass Weller.

Areas of Specialization: History of Modern Philosophy (Descartes through Kant), Ethics, History of Ideas.

Areas of Competence: Metaphysics, Philosophy of Religion, Logic, Critical Thinking, Epistemology, Philosophy of Education, Philosophy of Science, Aesthetics.

# **Teaching Experience**

Full Professor (Philosophy), Santa Barbara City College, 2010-.

Instructor, Tenure-track (Philosophy), Santa Barbara City College, 2005-.

Visiting Assistant Professor (Philosophy) University of Southern Indiana, 2004-05.

Instructor (Ethics) Augsburg College/Capella University, 2004-05.

Visiting Assistant Professor (Philosophy) University of Southern Maine, 2001-2002, 2003-04.

Visiting Assistant Professor (Philosophy) St. Anselm College, 1998-2001.

Predoctoral Teaching Associate (Comparative History of Ideas) University of Washington, 1997-98.

Predoctoral Teaching Associate (Philosophy) University of Washington, 1994-98.

Teaching Assistant (Philosophy) University of Washington, 1993-94.

Courses Taught as Primary Instructor: Ethics, Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Symbolic Logic, Practical Reasoning, Ancient Philosophy, Modern Philosophy, Humanities (Renaissance to Present), Great Books Seminar: Early Modern, Conceptions of the Self: East and West, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Art.

Courses Taught as Assistant: "Method, Imagination, and Inquiry" (Cross-listed in English and Comparative History of Ideas), "Wittgenstein's Vienna" (Honors, Cross-listed in History and Comparative History of Ideas), History of the Philosophy of Education (Comparative History of Ideas).

### **Professional Experience (selected)**

Reviewer for Oxford, Thomson Publishing, Journal of the History of Philosophy,

Member of the APA's Committee on Philosophy in Two-Year Colleges, 2008-2012, 2014-2017.

Member of the APA's Committee on Teaching of Philosophy, 2005-2008. (Principal author for the APA's Statement on Outcomes Assessment, 2008.)
Blog post for the APA.

Newsletter article for APA Committee on Philosophy in 2-Year Colleges.

Blogger (http://whatleibnizneverdid.wordpress.com)

Coach of many ethics debate teams (for the Ethics Bowl and the International Business Ethics Case Competition).

Chair of many sessions at the APA.

Honors Advisory Committee, Santa Barbara City College, 2005-.

Curriculum Committee, University of Southern Maine.

Athletic Committee, St. Anselm College.

#### **Publications**

- "Descartes' Meditations 1-3" and "Descartes' Meditations 4-6," 1000-Word Philosophy 2018.
- "Leibniz's Principle of Sufficient Reason," 1000-Word Philosophy 2018.
- "Leibniz on Causation," Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy 2017 (original version 2005).
- "The Optimistic Science of Leibniz," New Atlantis 42, Spring 2014: 50-70.
- "Hume's Image Problem," Philosophy Now, 2011.
- "Leibniz on Concurrence and Efficient Causation," *Southern Journal of Philosophy,* 2008. Introduction for *Leibniz Compendium*, Barnes & Noble 2007.
- "Folktales and Philosophy for Children," Analytic Teaching 2005.
- Self and Substance in Leibniz, Dordrecht: Kluwer, 2004.
- "Consolation and Cartesian Immortality," Faith and Philosophy 2003.
- "Leibniz's Relation to Kant's Paralogisms of Pure Reason, Especially the Third," Proceedings of the Leibniz Gesellschaft.
- "Is Leibniz's Theory of Personal Identity Coherent?" *The Leibniz Review* 1999 (a memorial issue for Margaret Wilson): 117-29.
- "Thinking Machines and Moral Agency in Leibniz's 'Nouveaux essais'," Studia Leibnitiana 1999: 178-93.
- "Leibniz on Embodiment and the Moral Order," *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 1999: 377-96.
- "Stepping Back Inside Leibniz's Mill," with Paul Lodge, *The Monist* 1998: 553-72.
- "Prudence and the Concern to Survive in Leibniz's Doctrine of Immortality," *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 1998: 303-22.
- "Unpacking the Monad: Leibniz's Theory of Causality," with Kenneth Clatterbaugh, *The Monist* 1996: 409-426.

Book Review of The Cambridge Companion to Leibniz, *Auslegung* (Winter/Spring 1996): 64-68.

## **Papers Presented**

- Reply to Joseph Anderson, "Leibniz's Rejection of Non-Spinozistic Necessitarianism," Central APA 2019, Denver, Colorado.
- Reply to Owen Pikkert, "Leibniz's Principle of Sufficient Reason," Eastern APA 2018, Savannah, Georgia.
- Reply to Donald Baxter, "Self-Differing, Aspects, and Leibniz's Law," Eastern APA 2016, Baltimore, Maryland.
- "Leibniz on Divine Concurrence," UC Irvine, 2006.
- "Leibniz on Causation," Berlin, Germany, 2005.
- "The Folkloric Approach to Philosophy with Children," Oxford, England, 2004.
- "Was I always a person? Leibniz and Conway on the Origin and Identity of the Rational Soul," "Leibniz and the English-Speaking World" Conference in Liverpool, England, 2003.
- "Stanislaw Lem on God and Creatures," University of Southern Maine, 2003.
- "Descartes' Bleak Fantasy," Lewis and Clark College, Portland, 2001.
- Invited Comments on Pauline Phemister's paper on Leibniz and Lady Masham, "Leibniz and His Correspondents" Conference, Tulane University, New Orleans, 2001.
- "Kant's Third Paralogism: Who Stands to Lose?" Northern New England Philosophical Association Meeting, University of New Hampshire, 2000.
- "Rusting Talents: Is There Anything Wrong With Being Lazy?" St. Anselm College Philosophy Club, 2000.
- "Cartesian Immortality: Overview and Dialogue," Society of Christian Philosophers Conference, University of South Carolina, 2000.
- "A Momentary Lapse of Reason?: Leibniz on Instantaneous Objects," Eastern APA, 1999 (comments by Samuel Levey) and Plenary Session on Robert Adams' work, Northern New England Phil. Assoc. Meeting, 1999 (comments by Robert Adams).
- "Thought Experiments with Provenance: Folktales and the Personal Identity Debate," St. John's University, Santa Fe, 1998.
- "Promises of Immortality," St. Anselm College, 1998.
- "Philosophy in Folklore," University of Washington, 1998.
- "Leibniz on Thinking Machines," University of Oregon, 1996.