# ROBERT A. GRESSIS Curriculum Vitae

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Michigan, Ph.D. in Philosophy, 2007, M.A. in Philosophy, 2006 University of Dayton, B.A., summa cum laude, in Economics and Philosophy, 1998

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Professor of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge, 2018-present Associate Professor of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge, 2013-2018 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge, 2008-2013 Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Notre Dame Center for Philosophy of Religion, 2007-2008

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. "Kant's Theodicy and Its Role in the Development of Radical Evil", *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, vol. 100, no. 1 (March 2018: 46-75).
- 2. "21% versus 79%: Explaining Philosophy's Gender Disparities with Stereotyping and Identification", with Debbie Ma, Clennie Foster, and Nanae Tachibe, *Philosophical Psychology*, vol. 31, no. 1 (2018: 68-88).
- 3. "Why Is Kant Noncommittal about Grace?", Con-Textos Kantianos: International Journal of Philosophy, no. 6 (December 2017: 272-84).
- 4. "True Religion in Hume's *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion*", with Tim Black, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, vol. 25, no. 2 (2017: 244-64).
- 5. "Does Religious Belief Matter for Grief and Death Anxiety? Experimental Philosophy Meets Psychology of Religion", with David Feldman and Ian C. Fischer, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, vol. 55, no. 3 (September 2016: 531-39).
- 6. "Kantian Practical Ethics", in Hugh LaFollette, ed., *International Encyclopedia of Ethics* (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2013).
- 7. "The Relationship between the 'Gesinnung' and the Denkungsart", in Stefano Bacin, Alfredo Ferrarin, Claudio La Rocca, and Margit Ruffing, eds., Kant und die Philosophie in Weltbürgerlicher Absicht: Akten des XI. Internationalen Kant-Kongresses (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2013).
- 8. "How to Be a Good Person Who Does Bad Things", in Stephen Palmquist, ed., *Cultivating Personhood: Kant and Asian Philosophy* (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2010), 499-506.
- 9. "Kant on Maxims I: Established Approaches", *Philosophy Compass*, vol. 5, no. 3 (March 2010: 216-227).
- 10. "Kant on Maxims II", Philosophy Compass, vol. 5, no. 3 (March 2010: 228-239).
- 11. "How to Be Evil: Kant's Moral Psychology of Immorality", in Pablo Muchnik, ed., *Rethinking Kant: Volume I* (Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2008), 191-216.

#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

- 1. Review of Kevin Jung, ed., Religious Ethics and Constructivism: A Metaethical Inquiry in Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews (forthcoming)
- 2. Review of Chris L. Firestone, Nathan A. Jacobs, and James H. Joiner, eds., *Kant and the Question of Theology* in *Kantian Review* (forthcoming)

- 3. Review of Diane Williamson, *Kant's Theory of Emotion: Emotional Universalism* in *Journal of Moral Philosophy* in *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, vol. 15, no. 2 (2018: 217-20).
- 4. Review of Lawrence Pasternack, Routledge Philosophy Guidebook to Kant on Religion within the Boundaries of Mere Reason in Kantian Review, vol. 20, no. 2 (July 2015: 341-345).
- 5. Review of James J. DiCenso, *Kant, Religion, and Politics* in *Ethics*, vol. 123, no. 1 (October 2012: 146-149).
- 6. Review of Joseph Keim Campbell, Free Will in Teaching Philosophy, vol. 35, no. 2 (June 2012: 223-226).
- 7. Review of Thomas E. Hill, Jr., ed. *The Blackwell Guide to Kant's Ethics*, in *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, vol. 9, no. 2 (2012: 302-304).
- 8. Review of "Kant: Morality and the Good", chapter 71 of Terence Irwin, *The Development of Morality* for "The Mother of All Book Reviews", in *Philosophical Forum*, vol. 42, no. 3 (Fall 2011: 316-17).
- 9. Review of Sharon Anderson-Gold and Pablo Muchnik, eds., *Kant's Anatomy of Evil*, in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, July 15, 2010, URL = http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=20567
- 10. Review of Chris L. Firestone, *Kant and Theology at the Boundaries of Reason*, in *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, vol. 67, no. 3 (June 2010: 187-191).
- 11. Review of Chris L. Firestone and Nathan Jacobs, *In Defense of Kant's* Religion, in *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, vol. 66, no. 3 (December 2009: 167-171).
- 12. Review of John E. Hare, *God and Morality: A Philosophical History*, in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, November 16, 2007, URL = http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=11723

## PRESENTATIONS (REFEREED)

- 1. "The Placeholder View of Disagreement", to be presented at the Alabama Philosophical Society, September 28-29, 2018
- 2. "Why Is Kant Noncommittal about Grace?", presented at the Central Division of the American Philosophical Association, March 1-4, 2017
- 3. "The Three Grades of the Propensity to Evil: An Analysis", presented at the Pacific Study Group of the North American Kant Society, November 15, 2015
- 4. "True Peity in Hume's *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion*", with Tim Black, presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Hume Society Conference, June 24, 2014
- 5. "True Piety in Hume's *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion*", with Tim Black, presented at First Annual SoCal Philosophy Conference, October 20, 2013
- 6. "Converting Demea: Demea's Role in Hume's *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion*", with Tim Black, presented at the Southwest Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, February 16, 2013
- 7. "Kant's Change of Mind on the Propensity to Evil", presented at the Southern Study Group of the North American Kant Society, September 16, 2012
- 8. "Kant's Change of Mind About the Inclinations", presented at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Alabama Philosophical Society, September 2011
- 9. "The Relationship between the 'Gesinnung' and the Denkungsart", presented at the "XI International Kant Congress: Kant and Philosophy in a Cosmopolitan Sense", in Pisa, May 2010
- 10. "How to Be a Good Person Who Does Bad Things", presented at "Kant in Asia: The Unity of Human Personhood", at Hong Kong Baptist University, May 2009

- 11. "No Proof Necessary: Why Kant Presented No Proof of the Universality of the Propensity to Evil", presented at the Atlantic Canada Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, July 2007
- 12. "No Proof Necessary: Why Kant Presented No Proof of the Universality of the Propensity to Evil", presented at the New England Colloquium in Early Modern Philosophy, June 2007
- 13. "How to Be Evil: Kant's Moral Psychology of Immorality", presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Eastern Study Group of the North American Kant Society, May 2007