

Curriculum Vitae

Miriam Byrd Philosophy and Humanities

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

• University of Texas at Arlington	Associate Professor of Philosophy	2011-
• University of Texas at Arlington	Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2005-2011
• Western Michigan University	Visiting Professor of Philosophy	2003-2005
• University of Georgia	Adjunct Professor of Philosophy	2001-2002

EDUCATION AND DEGREES

• University of Georgia	Ph.D. Philosophy	2001
• University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	M.A. English	1992
• Emory University	B.A. Philosophy/English (Double Major)	1990

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- Ancient Philosophy
- Plato

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

- Ethics
- Medieval Philosophy
- Modern Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

- “Standing in the Vestibule: Proclus on Intermediates” with Jeremy Byrd, *Ancient Philosophy* (forthcoming)
- “Mathematics, Mental Imagery, and Ontology: A New Interpretation of the Divided Line” *International Journal of the Platonic Tradition* (2018) 12: 111-131.
- “The Socratic Method” with Jeremy Byrd in *The Value of Academic Discourse: Starting Conversations*, Jeff Herr and Twyla Miranda (Eds.), Lanham, Maryland: Roman & Littlefield, 2017, 3-22.
- “When the Middle Comes Early: Puzzles and Perplexities in Plato’s Dialogues” *Proceedings of the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy* (2013) XXVIII: 187-209.
- “The Return of the Exile: the Benefits of Mimetic Literature in the Republic” in *Conversations Platonic and Neoplatonic: Intellect, Soul, and Nature*, John F. Finnamore and Robert M. Berchman (Eds.), Sankt Augustin: Academia Verlag, 2010, 23-38.
- “The Cyclical Argument as Plato’s Summoner” in *Platonism, Neoplatonism, and American Thought*, Jay Bregman and Melanie Mineo (Eds.), New Orleans University Press of the South, 2008, 17-29.
- “Plato’s Two Cities in the Republic: A Summoner to Justice” in *Values and Justice in the Global Era*, Vol. 1., K. Boudieris (Ed.), Athens: Ionia Publications, 2007, 19-31.
- “The Summoner Approach: A New Method of Plato Interpretation” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* (2007) 45.3: 365-381.
- “Dialectic and Plato’s Method of Hypothesis” *Apeiron* (2007) 40.2: 165-185.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Review of *Greek Popular Religion* by Jon D. Mikalson in *Southern Humanities Review* (2012) 46.2: 191-194.
- Review of *Wisdom in the Ancient World* by Trevor Curnow in *Classical Review* (2012) 62.2: 531-534

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- “Socrates as Dianoetic Reasoner,” Annual Meeting of the Mediterranean Studies Association, Sorrento Italy, 2018
- “Plato’s Forms in Us as Objects of Dianoia,” 15th Annual Conference for the International Society for Neoplatonic Studies, Olomouc Czech Republic, 2017

- “Mathematics and Summoning,” Annual Meeting of the Mediterranean Studies Association, Palermo Italy, 2016
- “The Objects of Dianoia in Plato’s *Republic*,” Annual Joint meeting of The Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy with The Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science, Fordham University Lincoln Center, 2015
- “Socrates’ Mathematical Search for Justice,” Midterm Meeting of the International Plato Society: Platonic Moral Realism, Atlanta, 2015
- “How to Read the Republic: Plato’s Lesson in Correct Use of Dianoetic Reasoning,” Annual meeting of the North Texas Philosophical Association, Invited Paper, Denton, 2014
- “Dianoetic Investigation in the Republic: Socrates’ Prelude to Dialectic,” Thirty-first Annual Joint meeting of The Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy with The Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science, Fordham University Lincoln Center, 2013.
- “When the Middle Comes Early: Puzzles and Perplexities in Plato’s Dialogues,” Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy, St. Anselm College, New Hampshire, 2012
- “Summoners in Plato’s Moral Philosophy,” St. Anselm College, New Hampshire, 2012
- “Dianoetic Education in Plato’s Republic,” Twenty- second International Conference of Philosophy, Olympia, Greece, 2011
- “Plato’s Method of Hypothesis in the *Meno* and *Phaedo*,” Ninth Annual Meeting of the International Society for Neoplatonic Studies, Atlanta, 2011
- “Plato’s Method of Hypothesis in the Early Dialogues,” Eighth Annual Meeting of the International Society for Neoplatonic Studies, Madrid, Spain, 2010
- “Why Did Plato Write Dialogues?” Temple College, Temple Texas, 2010. (Invited Paper)
- “A New Problem with Plato’s City/Soul Analogy,” Fifth Annual Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Fordham University Lincoln Center, 2009.
- “A Short Walk Down a Long Road: How to Find Justice in Plato’s Republic,” Plato Seminar, University of Oklahoma, 2008. (Invited Speaker)
- “Plato’s Elenctic Examination of the Reader in the Early Dialogues,” Fourth Annual Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Fordham University Lincoln Center, 2008.
- “The Return of the Exile: the Benefits of Mimetic Literature in the Republic,” Sixth Annual Conference of the International Society for Neoplatonic Studies, New Orleans, 2008.

- “Did Plato Forget the Theory of Recollection in the Republic?” Third Annual Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Fordham University Lincoln Center, New York, 2007.
- “Plato’s City/Soul Analogy as a Summoner,” University of North Texas, 2007 (Invited)
- Comments on “Was Socrates a Divine Command Theorist?” North Texas Philosophical Association, University of North Texas, 2007.
- “Mimesis and Plato’s Use of Summoners in the *Republic*,” Annual Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, Fordham University Lincoln Center, New York, 2006.
- “Plato’s Two Cities,” International Association For Greek Philosophy 18th International Conference of Philosophy, Kavala, Greece, 2006.
- “Comments on ‘A Neglected Premise in Aristotle’s Argument for Unity of the Virtues,’” The Annual Meeting of the Central Division of the APA (Main Program) Chicago, IL, 2006.
- “Plato’s Summoners: A New Method for Interpreting the Dialogues,” University of Texas at Arlington, 2005. (Invited Speaker)
- “Plato’s Summoners: A New Method for Interpreting the Dialogues,” University of Dayton, 2005. (Invited Speaker)
- “Dialectic and Plato’s Method of Hypothesis,” Annual Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, Fordham University Lincoln Center, New York, 2005.
- “A New Method for Interpreting the Dialogues,” Western Michigan University, 2004. (Invited Speaker)
- “The Ontology of the Soul: Plato’s Use of Hypothesis in the *Phaedo*,” Annual Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, Fordham University Lincoln Center, New York, 2004.
- “Plato’s Summoners: A New Method for Interpreting the Dialogues,” The Annual Meetings of the Pacific Division of the APA (Society for the Contemporary Assessment of Platonism), Albuquerque, NM, 2000.
- “The Cyclical Argument as Plato’s Summoner,” International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Conference on Platonism, Neoplatonism, and American Thought, Vanderbilt University, 1999.
- “The Cyclical Argument as Plato’s Summoner,” Annual Meeting of Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, SUNY at Binghamton, 1999.
- “Simmiias’ Argument,” Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis State University, 1999.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Research Enhancement Program Grant, University of Texas at Arlington, Summer 2008
- Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award, University of Georgia, 2000-2001
- Writing Intensive Program Teaching Assistantship, University of Georgia, 2000-2001
- Franklin College Distinguished Doctoral Student Fellowship, University of Georgia, 1999-2000
- Center for Humanities and Arts Dissertation Research Grant (two), University of Georgia, 1999
- Graduate Teaching Assistantship, University of Georgia, 1993-1999

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at Arlington

- Aristotle fall 2008
- Plato spring 2008, spring 2010, spring 2012, spring 2014, spring 2018
- Ancient Philosophy fall 2006, fall 2008, fall 2010, fall 2012, fall 2014, spring 2016, fall 2016
- Roman and Medieval Philosophy spring 2007, spring 2009, spring 2011, spring 2013, spring 2015, spring 2017
- Introduction to Philosophy fall 2005, spring 2006, spring 2007, fall 2007, spring 2008, spring 2009, fall 2009, spring 2010, fall 2010, spring 2011, fall 2012, spring 2013, fall 2013, spring 2014, fall 2014, spring 2015, fall 2015, spring 2016, fall 2016, spring 2017, fall 2017, spring 2018
- Biomedical Ethics fall 2005, fall 2007, fall 2009
- Philosophical Writing and Research spring 2006
- Philosophy and Literature fall 2006

Western Michigan University

- Modern Philosophy fall 2003, winter 2004
- Ancient and Medieval Philosophy spring 2004, fall 2004
- Introduction to Ethics fall 2003, fall 2004, spring 2005
- Plato's Ethics spring 2005
- Race and Gender summer 2005

University of Georgia

- Ancient Philosophy fall 2001

- Epistemology spring 2002
- Honors Critical Thinking fall 2001
- Honors Introduction to Ethics spring 2002
- Honors Introduction to Philosophy fall 2001
- Philosophy of Social Science spring 2002

University of Georgia (G.T.A., Instructor of Record)

- Introduction to Philosophy summer 2001, summer 2000, fall 1998, summer 1997,
winter 1997
- Introduction to Ethics winter 1996, winter 1995

LANGUAGES

- Ancient Greek
- German

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- International Plato Society
- International Society for Neoplatonic Studies
- Society of Ancient Greek Philosophy

SERVICE

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- Advisory Committee for Tenure and Promotion 2012-13, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 (chair), 2016-17, 2017-2018
- Departmental Appeals Committee, 2011-present
- Department Curriculum Committee, 2011-present
- Philosophy Graduate Advisor, 2008-2009
- Departmental Graduate Studies Committee, 2010-2011
- Departmental Liaison to Local Biomedical Ethics Organizations, 2005-2010
- Departmental Planning Committee (chair), 2012-present
- Departmental Search Committee, 2008-2009, 2014-2015
- Departmental Scholarship Committee, 2005-present
- Library Representative, 2005- present
- Philosophy and Humanities Undergraduate Advisor, 2007-2009

- SECC Representative, 2005-2012
- Teaching Fellow Mentor, 2006-2009
- UEP Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Coordinator, 2012-present
- Webmaster, 2008-2012

COLLEGE SERVICE

- COLA Curriculum Committee, 2017-2018
- COLA Dean Search Committee, 2015
- College Committee on Tenure and Promotion, 2015-2016

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- Traffic and Parking Appeal Committee, 2006-2008
- Faculty Senate, 2011-2017
- Aspiration One Committee (Strategic Plan), 2014

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Manuscript Reviewer for *Oxford University Press*
- Manuscript Reviewer for *McGraw Hill*
- Referee for *Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy*
- Referee for *Ancient Philosophy*