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## EDUCATION

Candidate Psychotherapy & Psychoanalysis, NYU Postdoctoral Program, current

MSW Clinical Social Work, Hunter College, 2023

PhD Philosophy, Syracuse University, 2012

BA Philosophy, Comparative Religion, Pacific Lutheran University, 1999

Areas of Specialization: Moral Psychology, Professional Ethics, Psychoanalytic Theory

Areas of Competence: Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy, Classical Chinese Philosophy,  
Philosophy of Psychiatry, Philosophy of Religion, Wittgenstein

## CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Psychotherapist, Principium Psychiatry PLLC, 2023-present

Director of an intensive outpatient program for mood and anxiety disorders. Provider of individual and group psychotherapy under supervision.

Intern, Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Study Center, 2022-2023

Provided individual psychotherapy under supervision. Managed patient intakes. Served on diversity, equity, and inclusion committee.

Intern, Creative Masculinity, 2021-2022

Provided individual psychotherapy under supervision. Facilitated group work. Developed educational content for men of all demographics and backgrounds.

Philosophical Counselor, private practice, 2015-2021

Assisted adults with ethical issues in their personal and professional lives. Worked closely with mental health professionals to provide support to those with mental health concerns.

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Adjunct Professor, Philosophy, Syracuse University, 2008-2021

Taught lecture courses and seminars in philosophy for graduate and undergraduate students. Developed new curriculum. Managed teaching assistants.

Voluntary Faculty, Bioethics and Humanities, Upstate Medical University, 2010-2021

Taught courses in bioethics & humanities for medical students and health care professionals.

## PUBLICATIONS

“The Secular Problem of Evil: An Essay in Analytic Existentialism.” *Religious Studies*, Vol. 57/1 (2021), pp. 101-119.

“Unthinkable ≠ Unknowable: On Charlotte Delbo’s ‘Il Faut Donner à Voir.’” *The Journal of Value Inquiry*, Vol. 48/3 (2014), pp. 457-468.

“What Pessimism Is.” *Journal of Philosophical Research*, Vol. 37 (2012), pp. 337-356.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Graduate:*

Bioethics  
Ethics and the Health Professions  
Health Care Ethics and Advocacy

### *Undergraduate:*

Ethics and the Media Professions  
Ethics and Value Theory  
Formal Logic  
Honors Capstone: Neuroethics  
Introduction to Moral Theory  
Philosophy of Psychiatry  
Philosophy of Religion  
Special Topics: Classical Chinese Philosophy  
Special Topics: Entertainment Ethics  
Theories of Human Nature  
Theories of Knowledge and Reality

## ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

Editor, “Normative Ethics: Pessimism,” PhilPapers.org, 2021-present

Curriculum Development: Entertainment Media Ethics, Newhouse School, 2008-2020

Curriculum Development: Bioethics & Humanities, Upstate Medical University, 2010-2020

Next-Generation Humanities PhD Planning Committee, Syracuse University, 2018-2019

Meredith Teaching Recognition Award, Syracuse University, 2017

Conference Organization: Syracuse Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network, 2007-2010

Promotion & Tenure Committee, Syracuse University, College of Arts & Sciences, 2007-2008

## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Comments on Joshua Blanchard (Oakland), “Philosophical Angst.” *Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference*, University of British Columbia, Aug 2021.

APA Committee Session: Roundtable: What Should the APA Do to Defend the Rights of Philosophers Employed in Non-tenure-track Positions? *Arranged by the APA Committee on the Defense of the Professional Rights of Philosophers*. Pacific APA, San Francisco CA, Apr 2020 (cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic).

Comments on Wendy Salkin (Stanford), “The Conscription of Political Representatives.” *Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference*, University of British Columbia, Aug 2019.

“Traumatic Realism.” *Philosophical Engagements with Trauma*, UNC Asheville, Mar 2019.

“The Secular Problem of Evil: An Essay in Analytic Existentialism.” *Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference*, University of British Columbia, Aug 2018.

Comments on Keisha Ray (McGovern Medical), “Vulnerable Black Bodies, Victim-Blaming, and the Media’s Deadly Influence.” *International Association for the Philosophy of Death & Dying*, Syracuse University, May 2016.

“The Secular Problem of Evil.” *Analytic Existentialism in Istanbul*, Boğaziçi University, Nov 2015.

Comments on Eric Griez MD PhD (Maastricht), “The Neurobiology of Freedom.”  
Department of Psychiatry, Upstate Medical University, Nov 2012.  
“Pessimism, Acedia, Depression.” *The Future of Psychiatric Nosology*, Association for the  
Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry, Honolulu HI, May 2011.  
Comments on Maura E. Tumulty (Colgate), “Explaining Mismatches Between Belief and  
Behavior.” Central APA, Minneapolis MN, Apr 2011.  
Comments on Eric Silverman (St. Louis), “An Underappreciated Benefit of the Virtue of Love:  
Final Ends.” Eastern APA, Philadelphia PA, Dec 2008.

## REFEREE WORK

Bioethics  
Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy  
Journal of Philosophical Research  
Public Philosophy Journal: Special Edition, *Philosophical Engagements with Trauma*  
Religious Studies  
Res Philosophica

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Philosophical Association  
American Psychological Association Division 56 – Trauma Psychology  
Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry  
International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation

## REFERENCES

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Medical Director, Principium Psychiatry PLLC

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Professor Emerita of Anthropology, John Jay College of Criminal Justice  
Supervising Analyst, William A. White Institute of Psychiatry, Psychoanalysis, and Psychology

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Admiral Stockdale Chair in Professional Military Ethics, United States Naval War College

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Gutttag Professor of Ethics and Political Philosophy Emeritus, Syracuse University

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Donald J. Schuenke Chair in Philosophy Emerita, Marquette University