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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION: Metaphysics, Social Epistemology

AREAS OF COMPETENCE: Biomedical Ethics, Ethics, Logic

EDUCATION

August 2019 — August 2025

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Memphis

Dissertation: “The Intersection of Social Groups and the Self”

Committee: Deborah Tollefsen (co-director), Remy Debes (co-director),
David Miguel Gray, Ásta

August 2016 — May 2018

M.A., Philosophy, University of Missouri-St Louis

Thesis: “A Conferralist Account of Individuality”

Committee: Eric Wiland (director), Billy Dunaway, Jon McGinnis

August 2011 — May 2015

B.S., Philosophy and Mathematics, Gordon College, *Summa Cum Laude*

WORKS IN PROGRESS

In Submission

The Construction and Unification of the Social Self

TEACHING

City College of New York

Spring 2026

Biomedical Ethics (3 sections)

Fall 2025

Biomedical Ethics (3 sections)

Spring 2025

Biomedical Ethics (3 sections)

Fall 2024

Biomedical Ethics (3 sections)

University of Memphis

Fall 2025

Environmental Ethics (online)

Fall 2024

Environmental Ethics (online)

Fall 2023

Nature Mind and Knowledge

Spring 2023

Intro to Ethics

Fall 2022

Intro to Ethics

Summer 2022

Elementary Logic (online)

Spring 2022

Biomedical Ethics

Fall 2021

Biomedical Ethics

Summer 2021

Biomedical Ethics (online)

Summer 2020

Biomedical Ethics (online)

University Missouri-St. Louis

Spring 2018

Bioethics (online)

Winter 2017 — 2018

Fall 2017

Summer 2017

Bioethics (online)

Bioethics (online)

Bioethics (online)

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

University of Memphis

Spring 2024

Graduate Assistant Meritorious Teaching Award

Spring 2024

MOCH Catherine and Charles Freeburg Dissertation Fellow

Summer 2023

SJP Dissertation Completion Research Grant

Spring 2023

Graduate Student Departmental Service Award

Spring 2022

Bornblum Travel Award

Fall 2019

Bornblum Travel Award

PRESENTATIONS

July 2024

“Constructing Ourselves Through Emotions”

Social Ontology Conference

Duke University

October 2022

“Humean Collective Identity”

Tennessee Philosophical Association

Vanderbilt University

August 2022

“Conferralism and Group Agency”

Social Ontology Conference

University of Vienna

August 2021

“Conferralism and Police Brutality”

Social Ontology Conference

University of California, San Diego

July 2020

“Group Emotions”

Social Ontology Conference

University of Neuchâtel

November 2019

“Group Facts and Liberal Theory”

Graduate Gateway Conference

University of Missouri-St. Louis

COMMENTING

January 2025

“Doxastic Wronging,” Anna Hotter

APA Eastern Division Meeting

New York, New York

January 2023

“Social Organizing and the Varieties of Collectivity,” Megan Hyska

APA Eastern Division Meeting

Montreal, Quebec

April 2022

“Empathy Is Evidence,” Adam Lerner

APA Pacific Division Meeting
Vancouver, British Columbia

April 2018 "Virtue, Discord, and Happiness," Nick Schuster
Graduate Gateway Conference
University of Missouri-St. Louis

April 2017 "Would've Could've Should've: How Predictive Processing Helps Explain
Counterfactual Thinking," Richard Vagnjono
Graduate Gateway Conference
University of Missouri-St. Louis

BOOK REVIEWS

2019 Review of Henry A. Giroux's, *On Critical Pedagogy* (Springer), in *Teaching Ethics*
19, no. 2 (2019): 280-281.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

University of Memphis

May 2022 — May 2023
May 2022

Graduate Student Representative
Conference Organizer
56th Annual Heidegger Circle Conference, "Heidegger in Conversation"

University of Missouri St-Louis

April 2018

Conference Organizer
Graduate Gateway Conference, "Humor and Happiness"

August 2017 — May 2018

Philosophers' Forum Vice-President

August 2017 — May 2018

Philosophers' Forum Student Government Association Representative

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

Metaphysics and Epistemology

Philosophy of Mind (David Miguel Gray) Spring 2021
Social Ontology and Racial Ontology (David Miguel Gray) Fall 2020
Social Epistemology (Deborah Tollefsen) Fall 2020
Speech Act Theory (Deborah Tollefsen) Spring 2020
Black Pragmatism (Lindsey Stewart) Spring 2020
Emotions and Agency (Remy Debes) Fall 2019
Hermeneutics (Shaun Gallagher) Fall 2019
Social Epistemology (Eric Wiland) Spring 2018
Social Ontology (Eric Wiland) Fall 2016
Metaphysics (Gualtiero Piccinini) Fall 2016

History

Kant's Critique of Pure Reason (Daniel J. Smith) Spring 2022
Hegel's Philosophy of Right (Thomas Nenon) Spring 2022
Heidegger's Being and Time (James Bahoh) Spring 2021
Hume's Treatise (Remy Debes) Fall 2021
Aristotle's Metaphysics (Timothy Roche) Spring 2020
Aristotelian and Stoic Ethics (Timothy Roche) Fall 2020

The Concept of “Evil” in Kant and German Idealism (Daniel J. Smith) Fall 2019
Faith & Reason Medieval Islam (Jon McGinnis) Fall 2017
Heidegger's Introduction to Metaphysics (David Griesedieck) Summer 2017
Hegel's Philosophy of Right (David Griesedieck) Spring 2017

Value Theory

Afro-Caribbean Philosophies of Liberation (Michael J. Monahan) Spring 2021
Foucault (Daniel J. Smith) Fall 2021
Neo-Aristotelian Metaethics (Eric Wiland) Fall 2017
Social and Political (Billy Dunaway) Spring 2017
Classical Ethical Theory (Billy Dunaway) Fall 2016

Logic

Set Theory (Waldemar Rohloff) Fall 2017
Modal Logic (Waldemar Rohloff) Spring 2017

REFERENCES

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