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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Numata Visiting Professor, **University of California, Berkeley**, 2025-2026

Professor of Philosophy, **College of Charleston**, 2018-present

Harry Lightsey Chair of Humanities, **College of Charleston**, 2019-2022

Distinguished Philosopher in Residence, **NYU Abu Dhabi**, March 2019

Associate Professor of Philosophy, **College of Charleston**, 2011-2017

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, **College of Charleston**, 2005-2010

Lecturer, **Australian National University**, 2003-2004

Teaching Assistant, **University of Sydney**, Spring 2003

Research Fellow, **Asiatic Society of Calcutta**, 1995-1996

VISITING SCHOLAR

Philosophy Department, **University of California, Berkeley**, 2025-2026

Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Pune, May 1993, March 2001

Central Institute for Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, February 2001

Queens' College, University of Cambridge, October-December 2000

L'Institut de civilisation indienne, Paris, September-October 2000

EDUCATION

Australian National University 1999-2005

Ph.D. in Philosophy and Asian Studies, June 2005

University of Bucharest 1992-1993

Maîtrise en philosophie (MA), June 1993

University of Bucharest 1988-1992

Licence en philosophie (BA), June 1992

RESEARCH AREAS

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Mind, Indian and Buddhist Philosophy

Areas of Competence: Metaphysics, Epistemology, Phenomenology (especially Husserl & Merleau-Ponty), Classical Greek and Late Antique Platonism (especially Plato & Plotinus), Applied Ethics

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

- NEH Summer Institute Grant (with Alva Noë and Evan Thompson), 2025-2027; project title “Self-knowledge for Human and Artificial Systems”, Principal Investigator (\$198,512).
- NEH Summer Institute Grant (with Jay Garfield and Evan Thompson), 2017-2019; project title “Self-knowledge in Eastern and Western Philosophies”, Principal Investigator (\$164,585).
- NEH Summer Institute Grant (with Jay Garfield and Evan Thompson), 2011-2013; project title “Investigating Consciousness: Buddhist and Contemporary Philosophical Perspectives”, Principal Investigator (\$158,931).
- Faculty Research and Development Award, College of Charleston 2006, 2008, 2009, 2024 (\$9,800).
- Australian Research Council (ARC) Grant, 2000-2001, Project: The Interlingua System for Parsing Sanskrit, 2000, Principal Investigator (\$12,000).
- Australian National University Fieldwork Research Grant (\$10,000).
- Australian National University Doctoral Dissertation Award, 2000-2004.
- Asiatic Society of Calcutta Fellowship, 1995-1996.
- Soros Foundation Grant, 1993-1994.

EDITOR

Springer Series in Cross-Cultural Philosophy of Traditions and Cultures 2020-present

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Springer Series in Cross-Cultural Philosophy of Traditions and Cultures (2018-2020)

EDITORIAL BOARD

Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions
Journal of Buddhist Philosophy

DIRECTOR

International Society for Buddhist Philosophy 2019-present

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

MONOGRAPHS

1. *The Reflexive Mind: Sense, Self-awareness, and Sensibility* (under contract with OUP)
2. *Perceiving Reality: Consciousness, Intentionality, and Cognition in Buddhist Philosophy* (OUP 2012, pbk 2015)
 - nominated for the American Philosophical Association Younger Scholar Book Prize, Spring 2013.
 - reviewed in *Mind*, *Philosophy East and West*, *Philosophy in Review*, *Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde Südasiens*, *Sophia*, *H-Buddhism*, *Universa: Recensioni di Filosofia*.
 - author meets critics symposium, Pacific APA, April 2015, Vancouver
 - APA author meets critics symposium proceedings in *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 2015

EDITED VOLUMES & SPECIAL JOURNAL ISSUES

3. *The Oxford Handbook of Self-knowledge* (co-editor with U. Renz, under contract with OUP).
4. *Is Subjectless Consciousness Possible?* Special Issue of the *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 31 (4-6). May-June 2024.
5. *Reasons and Empty Persons: Essays on Mind, Metaphysics, and Morality*. Festschrift in Honor of Mark Siderits, Springer, Cham, 2023.

PAPERS

(Peer-reviewed journals and volumes)

6. “Consciousness in Buddhist Thought”, in *Comprehensive Consciousness*, Elsevier, edited by Shaun Gallagher, *forthcoming*.
7. “Can Dialetheism Save Nāgārjuna’s Vexed Philosophical Reputation”, *Festschrift in Honor of Jay Garfield*, *forthcoming*.
8. “On Taking Appearances Seriously: Phenomenology, New Confucianism, and the Yogācāra Theory of Consciousness” In *Subjectivity and Selfhood in Chinese Philosophy: Phenomenological, Comparative, and Historical Perspectives*, 153–181. Edited by Kai Marchal & Ellie Wang, Amsterdam University Press, 2025.
9. “Is Subjectless Consciousness Possible”, *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 32 (5–6): 6–25, 2024.
10. “Can There Be Something It Is Like to Be No One”, *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 32 (5–6): 62–103, 2024.
11. “Artificial Minds and the Dilemma of Personal Identity”, *Philosophy East and West*, 74 (2): 281–297, 2024.
12. “Know Thy Knowing: On the Reflexive Form of Self-Knowledge”, in *Crossing the Stream, Leaving the Cave: Buddhist-Platonist Philosophical Inquiries*, 167–196. Edited by Amber Carpenter and Pierre-Julien Harter. Oxford University Press, 2024.

13. “Introduction: Reason’s Myriad Ways: In Praise of Confluence Philosophy”, in *Reasons and Empty Persons: Mind, Metaphysics, and Morality*. Essays in Honor of Mark Siderits, 1–18. Edited by Christian Coseru, Springer, 2023.
14. “Consciousness, Physicalism, and the Problem of Mental Causation”, in *Cross-Cultural Approaches to Consciousness*, 71–94. Edited by Itay Shani and Susanne Kathrin Beiweis, London: Bloomsbury, 2022.
15. “Can Global Anti-Realism Withstand the Enactivist Challenge?” *Analysis* 82 (1): 131–142, 2022.
16. “Consciousness, Content, and Cognitive Attenuation: A Neurophenomenological Perspective”, in *Routledge Handbook on the Philosophy of Meditation*, 354–367. Edited by Rick Repetti, London: Routledge, 2022.
17. “The Middle Way to Reality: on Why I Am Not a Buddhist and Other Philosophical Curiosities”, *Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions*, 62: 87–110, 2021.
18. “On Pursuing the Dialogue Between Buddhism and Science in Ways that Distorts Neither”, in a symposium on Evan Thompson’s Why I am Not a Buddhist? *APA Asian and Asian- American Philosophers and Philosophies Newsletter*, edited by Minh Nguyen, Spring, 2021.
19. “Whose Consciousness? Reflexivity and the Problem of Self-Knowledge”, in *Buddhist Philosophy of Consciousness: Tradition and Dialogue*, 121–153. Edited by Mark Siderits, Ching Keng, and John Spackman, Leiden: Brill, 2020.
20. “Free Your Mind: Buddhism, Causality, and the Free Will Problem”, *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science* 55 (2): 1–13, 2020.
21. “Reasons and Conscious Persons,” In *Parfit’s Reasons and Persons*, 160–186. Edited by A. Sauchelli, London: Routledge, 2020.
22. “Consciousness and Causality: Dharmakīrti Against Physicalism,” In *Proceedings of the Fifth International Dharmakīrti Conference, Heidelberg, August 26-30, 2014*, 21-40. Edited by S. McClintock, H. Lasic, P. McAllister, and B. Kellner. Vienna: Verlag der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, 2020.
23. “Presence of Mind: Consciousness and the Sense of Self”, in *Problem of the Self: Consciousness, Subjectivity and the Other*, 46–64. Edited by Manidipa Sen, Delhi: Aakar Books, 2019.
24. “More or Less Within My Power: Nature, Virtue, and the Modern Stoic,” *Reason Papers*, 40 (2): 8–18, 2018.
25. “On Engaging Buddhism Philosophically,” *Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions* 57 (4): 1–11, 2018.
26. “Consciousness and the Mind-Body Problem in Indian Philosophy” in *Routledge Handbook of Consciousness*, 92–104. Edited by R. Gennaro, London: Routledge, 2018.
27. “Consciousness, Personal Identity, and the Self, No-self Debate,” *Filosofskiy zhurnal / The Philosophy Journal* 2017 (10): 132–140, 2018.
28. “Interpretations or Interventions: Indian Philosophy in the Global Cosmopolis,” in *History of Indian Philosophy*, 3–14. Edited by P. Bilimoria. London: Routledge, 2018.

29. “Are Reasons Causally Relevant for Action? Dharmakīrti and the Embodied Cognition Paradigm” in *Buddhist Philosophy: A Comparative Approach*, 109–122. Edited by S. Emmanuel, Wiley: Blackwell, 2017.
30. “Breaking Good: Moral Agency, Neuroethics, and the Spontaneity of Compassion” in *A Mirror Is For Reflection: Understanding Buddhist Ethics*, 109–128. Edited by J. Davis, O. Flanagan, and C. Kelley, New York: Oxford University Press, 2017.
31. “Personal Identity and Cosmopolitan Philosophy,” *Philosophical Studies*, 174 (7): 1749-1760, 2017.
32. “Introduction to Symposium on Waking, Dreaming, Being: Self and Consciousness in Neuroscience, Meditation, and Philosophy by Evan Thompson,” *Philosophy East and West* 66 (3): 923–926, 2016.
33. “Consciousness and Causal Emergence: Śāntarākṣita Against Physicalism” in *The Oxford Handbook to Indian Philosophy*, 360-378. Edited by J. Ganeri, Oxford University Press, 2017.
34. “Freedom from Responsibility: Agent-Neutral Consequentialism and the Bodhisattva Ideal,” in *Buddhist Perspectives on Free Will: Agentless Agency?* 92–105. Edited by R. Repetti, London: Routledge, 2016.
35. “Perception, Causally Efficacious Particulars, and the Range of Phenomenal Consciousness,” in *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 22 (9-10): 55-82, 2015.
36. “Précis of Perceiving Reality,” *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 22 (9-10): 9-24, 2015.
37. “Dignāga and Dharmakīrti on Perception and Self-Awareness.” In *The Buddhist World*, 526–537. Edited by J. Powers, London: Routledge, 2015.
38. “Taking the Intentionality of Perception Seriously: Why Phenomenology is Inescapable.” *Philosophy East and West* 65 (3): 227-248, 2015.
39. “Buddhism, Comparative Neurophilosophy, and Human Flourishing,” *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, 49 (1): 208–219, 2014.
40. “Reason and Experience in Buddhist Epistemology.” In *A Companion to Buddhist Philosophy*, 241-255. Edited by S. Emmanuel, Oxford: Blackwell, 2013.
41. “Mind in Indian Buddhist Philosophy,” *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (2009, Winter 2012 Edition, revised), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2012/entries/mind-indian-buddhism/>.
Reprinted in *Indian Philosophy*, edited by J. Ganeri, Routledge, 2016.
42. “Naturalism and Intentionality: A Buddhist Epistemological Approach,” *Asian Philosophy* 19 (3): 239-264, 2009.
43. “Buddhist ‘Foundationalism’ and the Phenomenology of Perception,” *Philosophy East and West* 59/4: 409-439, 2009.
44. “Karma, Rebirth, and Mental Causation,” in Prebish, C., Kewon, D., & Wright, D. S. (eds.), *Revisioning Karma*, 133-154, 2007.
45. “Essay on the Ascension of the Soul in Neoplatonism, part I,” *Origins* 6 (1-2): 156-67, 2003.
46. “Hermeneutics in a Buddhist Perspective,” *Origins* 5 (1): 145-50, 2002.

47. “The Continuity between the Madhyamaka and the Yogācāra Schools of Mahāyāna Buddhism in India,” *Journal of the Asiatic Society*, 37 (2): 48-83, 1996.

BOOK REVIEWS

48. Review of *Minds Without Fear: Philosophy in the Indian Renaissance*, by Nalini Bhushan and Jay Garfield, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, August 30, 2018.
49. “Selves: Subpersonal, Immersed, and Participating. A Review Essays of Jonardon Ganeri, *The Self: Naturalism, Consciousness, and the First-Person Stance*,” *Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences*, 2014.
50. Review of *The Cowherds, Conventional Truth in Buddhist Philosophy*, *Journal of Buddhist Philosophy*, 2019.
51. Review of Owen Flanagan, *The Bodhisattva's Brain: Buddhism Naturalized*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, January 2012.
52. Review of Simon P. James, *Zen Buddhism and Environmental Ethics*, in *Sophia*, 47/1 (2008): 75-77.
53. Review of David E. Cooper and Simon P. James, *Buddhism, Virtue, and Environment*, In *Sophia* 46/2 (2007): 207-209.
54. “A Restricted Interpretation of Dharmakīrti’s Philosophy,” Review of John Dunne, *Foundations of Dharmakīrti’s Philosophy*, H-Buddhism Reviews, (March 2006) (PDF version pp. 1-4).
55. Daniel Goleman, “A Review Essay of Destructive Emotions: How Can We Overcome Them? A Scientific Dialogue with the Dalai Lama,” *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 11 (2004): 111-122.

WORK IN PREPARATION

56. “Self-knowledge in Classical Indian Philosophy”, *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (in progress)
57. “Self-Knowledge for Selfless Persons: A Platonist Critique of Buddhist Reductionism”, in *Minds in Dialogue in the History of Philosophy*, edited by Therese Cory and Denis Robichaud, Springer (in progress).
58. “Self-knowledge, Self-Awareness, and the Elusive Subject”, in *Oxford Handbook of Self-knowledge* (in progress)

UNDER REVIEW

- “Love, Puzzlement, and Self-Intimation”
- “A Conceptual Coherence Problem for Nondual Awareness”

ROUGH DRAFTS

- “Synthetic Phenomenology: A Desideratum or a Category Mistake?”

- “Disputed Ground: Paradox and Ineffability at the Limits of Thought”

WORKSHOPS ON MY RESEARCH

Consciousness and Intentionality

- Workshop on *Perceiving Reality*, **Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University**, Taipei, Taiwan, March 2013

TALKS

KENOTE ADDRESSES

- “Consciousness, Personal Identity, and the Self/No-Self Debate,” **Institute of Philosophy, Russian Academy of Sciences**, Moscow, November 7, 2016.
- “Reasons and Causes: Dharmakīrti’s *kāryānumāna* Argument and Naturalized Epistemology,” **XVIth Congress of the International Association of Buddhist Studies**, Dharma Drum College, Taipei, Taiwan, June 2011.

INVITED TALKS

- “Self-knowledge for Selfless Persons: A Platonic Critique of Buddhist Reductionism,” **History of Philosophy Forum Colloquium on Minds in Dialogue, University of Notre Dame**, April 3-4, 2025.
- “Can Dialetheism Save Nāgārjuna’s Vexed Philosophical Reputation?,” **Philosophy Department, Smith College**, March 29, 2025.
- “Neither One nor Many: A Case for the Conceptual Incoherence of the Idea of Non-dual Awareness,” **Numata Lectures in Buddhist Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley**, March 13, 2025.
- “The Middle Way to Reality: Madhyamaka Insights and Oversights,” **Department of Philosophy, Smith College**, February 27, 2025.
- “Can a fully causal account of intentional mental action be incorporated into cognitive science?” (with Anna Ciaunica, Monima Chadha, and Nadav Amir. Agency and Experience: Buddhist and Cognitive Perspectives, **Princeton University**, January 16-17, 2025.
- “Engineering Enlightenment? Artificial Minds and the Problems and Perils of Synthetic Phenomenology,” **5th Woodenfish Forum on Buddhism, Science, and Future, “Buddhism, Consciousness, and AI”**, Taipei, June 21-23, 2024.
- “Is the Notion of Non-dual Consciousness Conceptually Coherent?,” **Philosophy Department, National Taiwan University**, Taipei, June 19, 2024.
- “Is Identity Just Reasoned Choice?” **Wooster College**, October 12, 2022.
- “Self-knowledge and Cultivation: On the Reflexive Roots of Personal Identity,” **The Buddhist-Platonist Workshop, Online Conference, Yale-NUS**, Singapore, August 14, 2021 (Remotely).
- “Philosophy of Mind and the Cosmopolitan Ideal,” **Department of Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley**, November 6, 2020 (Remotely).

- “Selfless Minds or Mindful Selves: Buddhist, Phenomenological and Cognitive Science Perspectives on Human Experience”, **New Europe College, Bucharest**, March 17, 2020 (Canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic).
- “Consciousness and Causality: A Buddhist Trope Metaphysics” **Consciousness and Fundamental Reality: Lessons from East Asian Philosophy, Sun Yat-sen University, Zhuhai, China**, June 11-14, 2019.
- “Self-knowledge for Selfless Persons”, **Philosophy Association of Japan, Tokyo Metropolitan University**, May 18, 2019.
- “Through the Looking Glass: Phenomenal Content Without Concepts” **Center for Applied Philosophy and Ethics, Kyoto University**, May 16, 2019.
- “Taking Appearances Seriously: Phenomenology and Yogācāra Theory of Consciousness”, **Selfhood, Otherness, and Cultivation Conference, National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan**, March 20, 2019.
- “Virtues of Self-knowledge”, **NYU Abu Dhabi Institute**, March 12, 2019.
- “Borderline States of Consciousness and the Problem of Subjectivity”, **Philosophy Department, NYU Abu Dhabi**, March 13, 2019.
- “Borderline States of Consciousness and the Problem of Subjectivity,” **Selfless Minds Workshop, Johannes Gutenberg-Universitaet**, October 6, 2018.
- “The Virtue of Choice: Agency, Causation, and the Moral Domain,” **Uehiro Center for Practical Ethics, University of Oxford**, September 27, 2018.
- “Privileged Self-Knowledge,” **NEH Summer Institute, Self-Knowledge in Eastern and Western Philosophies**, College of Charleston, May 28, 2018.
- “Précis of Self-Knowledge: Sense, Self-Awareness, and Subjectivity,” **NEH Summer Institute, “Self-Knowledge in Eastern and Western Philosophies**, College of Charleston, May 21, 2018.
- “Vivid For-me-ness”, **Conceptuality and Nonconceptuality in Buddhist Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley**, March 23-25, 2018.
- “Consciousness and Causality,” **Center for Applied Philosophy and Ethics, Kyoto University**, May 17, 2017.
- “Consciousness, Naturalism, and the Problem of Self-Knowledge,” **Department of Philosophy, Seoul National University**, Seoul, May 11, 2017.
- “Consciousness and Causal Emergence: Challenges to Physicalism,” **Department of Philosophy, Seoul National University**, Seoul, May 11, 2017.
- “Free Will and Moral Responsibility: Agent-Neutral Consequentialism and the Bodhisattva Ideal,” **Department of Philosophy, Seoul National University**, May 8, 2017.
- “Freedom from Responsibility” **Department of Philosophy, Union College**, February 16, 2017.

- “Does Altruism Makes Us All Too Human”, **Ronald E. Moore Symposium on *What Makes Us Human?* Texas Christian University**, Fort Worth, November 5, 2016.
- “Does Introspective Attention Change What We Perceive?” **Accountability for Attitudes, Department of Philosophy, Harvard University**, May 1, 2016.
- “Whose Consciousness, Which Cognition, Philosophy Department, **Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University**, Taipei, March 12, 2016.
- “Buddhist Philosophy of Mind in the Age of Brain Science,” **Buddhism, Mind, and Cognitive Science, University of California, Berkeley**, April 26, 2014.
- “A Buddhist View of Cognitive Phenomenology,” **Department of Philosophy, Marquette University**, Milwaukee, April 10, 2014.
- “Consciousness and Causal Explanation,” **Ronald E. Moore Humanities Symposium on Consciousness, Texas Christian University**, March 28, 2014.
- “Reflexivity and the First-Person Stance,” Jerry Balmuth Lecture, **Department of Philosophy, Colgate University**, December 2013.
- “The Ineliminable Character of Reflexivity: What is at Stake in a Debate on Consciousness?” **Divinity School, University of Chicago**, Chicago, November 6, 2013.
- “The Ineliminable Character of Reflexive Awareness: What is at Stake in Contemporary Debates?” **Department of Philosophy, University of Bucharest**, May 22, 2013.
- “Conștiința de sine fără sine: Cum explică filozofii budhiști conștiința”, **Universitatea Dunarea de Jos, Facultatea de Istorie, Filozofie, si Sociologie**, May 20, 2013.
- “Percepție si Realitate in Filozofia Budistă, Biblioteca **V.A. Urechia Library**, Galati, May 15, 2013.
- “Reflexive Sensibility: The Bedrock of Consciousness”, **Brain and Consciousness Center, Taipei Medical University**, Taipei, March 2013.
- “Consciousness and Intentionality: Preliminary Observations,” **Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University**, Taipei, March 2013.
- “Self-Awareness and the First-Person Stance: Charting the Phenomenology of Svasamvedana,” **Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University**, Taipei, March 2013.
- “Who's Afraid of Naturalism? Non-eliminative Reductionism and the Enlightened Mind,” **Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University**, Taipei, March 2013.
- “Phenomenal Consciousness and the Sense of Self ”, **Problems of the Self: Debates in Consciousness, Subjectivity and Otherness, Jawaharlal Nehru University**, New Delhi, January 2013.
- “How Thoughts Feel: The Cross-modality of Cognitive Phenomenology.” **NEH Summer Institute: Investigating Consciousness, College of Charleston**, Charleston, May 2012.
- “Reflexivity Without a Self: How do Buddhists Explain Consciousness?” **Colgate University, Philosophy Department Colloquium**, December 1, 2011.

- “Practical Reason and the Spontaneity of Compassion,” **Contemporary Perspectives on Buddhist Ethics: Freedom and Responsibility, Columbia University**, October 6-7, 2011.
- “Taking the Intentionality of Perception Seriously: Why Phenomenology is Inescapable,” **Comparative Philosophy Seminar, Columbia University**, New York, December 2010.
- “Buddhist theories of valid cognition (*pramānavāda*) in India and Tibet,” **Panel on Buddhist logic and epistemology, University of West, Los Angeles**, October 2006.
- “Passionate Enlightenment in Indian Buddhist Iconography,” **The Art Gallery of New South Wales**, June 3, 2005.
- “Continuity between the Madhyamaka and the Yogācāra Schools of Indian Buddhism,” **Asiatic Society of Calcutta**, Calcutta, August 1996.

CONFERENCE TALKS

- “Is the Notion of Nondual Consciousness (*advayajñāna*) Conceptually Coherent?,” **The XXth Congress of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, Leipzig University**, August 10-15, 2025.
- Erotics and Mindfulness: Motivating Self-knowledge in the *Symposium* and the *Satipatṭhāna Sutta*,” **Pacific APA**, March 27, 2024.
- “On the Reflexive Form of Self-knowledge,” **Eastern APA**, January 15, 2024.
- “Reason’s Myriad Way,” **Siderits Festschrift, Pacific APA**, April 8, 2023.
- “Cogito or Non-Cogito: Is Buddhist Meditation Philosophy?,” **Eastern APA**, Montreal, January 7, 2023.
- “Is the Realization of Selflessness Impossible for Self-Conscious Beings,” **XIXth Congress of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, Seoul National University, Seoul**, August 16-21, 2022.
- “What Can I Say What I Know About What There Is?,” **Madhyamaka Thought and Philosophy of Language, Pacific APA**, San Francisco, April 8, 2022.
- “What Kind of Awareness is Meta-Awareness,” **Meta-Awareness in Contemplative Experience and the Cognitive Sciences, American Academy of Religion**, San Diego, November 23, 2019.
- “Is It Really All About You? Personal Identity, Consciousness, and the Reductionist’s Dilemma,” **Sabbatical Lecture, College of Charleston**, February 18, 2019.
- “Knowledge and Doubt in Buddhist Philosophy,” **Eastern APA**, New York, January 8, 2019.
- “Self-Knowledge for Selfless Persons,” **Japan Philosophical Association, Tokyo Metropolitan University**, May 17, 2019.
- “Active Intentionality,” **Eastern APA**, New York, January 10, 2019.
- “Naïve Realism and the Mind-Body Problem,” **111th Annual Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology**, March 8, 2019, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- “Active Intentionality,” **Eastern APA**, New York, January 2019.

- “Modern Stoicism and the Resurgence of Applied Virtue Ethics, Response to Massimo Pigliucci,” **Eastern APA**, Savannah, January 4-6, 2018).
- “Consciousness and Nonconceptual Content,” **Pacific APA**, San Diego, March 28, 2018.
- “Does Introspective Attention Change What We Perceive and How We Feel?” **Buddhist Philosophy Group, American Academy of Religion**, Boston, MA, November 2017.
- “Consciousness, Naturalism, and Human Flourishing” **Central APA**, May 1, 2016.
- “Perception, Particulars, and the Range of Phenomenal Consciousness” **Author meets critics panel on Perceiving Reality, Pacific APA**, Vancouver, April 4, 2015.
- “Reflexive Sensibility” **Philosophy Workshop, College of Charleston**, January 2015.
- “Reflexive Sensibility and the Mādhyamika’s View From Nowhere,” Panel on Buddhist Philosophy of Mind, **The XVIIth Congress of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, Vienna**, Austria, August 18 - 23, 2014.
- “Self-Awareness, Subjectivity, and No-Self,” **Eastern APA**, Philadelphia, December 28, 2014.
- “Śāntarakṣita Against Physicalism,” **The 5th International Dharmakīrti Conference, Heidelberg University**, Heidelberg, Germany on August 28, 2014.
- “Reflexive Sensibility: The Bedrock of Consciousness,” **Toward a Science of Consciousness Conference, Tucson**, Arizona, April 2014.
- “Presence and Temporality.” **Central APA**, New Orleans, February 2013.
- “Reflexivity and the First-Person Stance: Coming to Terms with Phenomenal Consciousness,” **Central APA**, New Orleans, February 2013.
- “How Thoughts Feel: The Cross-modality of Cognitive Phenomenology.” **Toward a Science of Consciousness Conference, Tucson**, April 10, 2012.
- “Are Reasons Causally Relevant for Action? Dharmakīrti’s *kāryānumāna* Argument and the Embodied Cognition Paradigm,” **Central APA**, Chicago, February 16, 2012.
- “How Embodiment Shapes Consciousness and Cognition,” **Eastern APA**, Washington, D.C. December 2011.
- “The View from Everywhere: Consciousness, Intentionality, and Naturalized Phenomenology,” **Toward a Science of Consciousness Conference, Tucson**, AZ, April 2010.
- “Buddhist Philosophy and Discourse Analysis,” **Eastern APA**, Boston, December 2010.
- “Naturalism and Intentionality: A Buddhist Epistemological Approach,” **Pacific APA**, Vancouver, April 2009.
- “Naturalizing Buddhist Epistemology,” **XVth Congress of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, Emory University**, Atlanta, June 2008.
- “Perception, Particulars, and the Question of Foundationalism in Buddhist Epistemology,” **Pacific APA**, San Francisco, April 2007.
- “Buddhist Hermeneutics,” **Eastern APA**, New York, December 2005.

- “Epistemic Expressions and the Rhetoric of Reason,” **Australasian Association of Philosophy, University of Sydney**, Sydney, July 2005.
- “Mental Imagery and the Buddhist Epistemology of Perception,” **Eastern APA**, Boston, December 2004.
- “Is Perception Non-Erroneous or Non-Deceptive?” **Australasian Association of Philosophy, South Molle Island**, July 2004.
- “Indian Feminist Philosophy of Religion”, **Asian Studies Association of Australia Conference**, Canberra, July 2004.
- “Mental Imagery: A Buddhist Philosophical Perspective”, Poster presentation, 4th ICCS **International Conference on Cognitive Science** and the 7th ASCS **Australasian Society for Cognitive Science** Conference, Sydney, July 2003.
- “Buddhist Epistemology and the Mind-Body Problem,” **Australasian Association of Philosophy, University of Melbourne**, July 2002.
- “Priest and Dharmakīrti on Motion,” Joint presentation with Chris Mortensen and Graham Priest, **Australasian Association of Philosophy, University of Tasmania**, Hobart, July 2001.
- “Psychologizing Logic: The Triple Inferential Mark and Its Epistemological Significance,” **Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference**, Hobart, July 2001.
- “Dignāga on the Nature of Perception,” **Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, Brisbane**, July 2000.
- “An Interlingua-Based System for Sanskrit Machine Translation” Graduate Seminar, **Australian National University**, Canberra, September 2000.
- “Continuity between the Madhyamaka and the Yogācāra Schools of Indian Buddhism,” invited presentation, **Asiatic Society of Calcutta**, Calcutta, August 1996.
- “The Hermeneutics of the Two Truths,” **Indian Philosophical Congress, Haridwar**, November 1995.
- “Buddhist Influences on the Early Vedāntic Doctrine of Non-duality,” **All India Oriental Conference, Poona**, May 1993.
- “Plotinus on the Genesis and Ascension of the Soul”, **Ancient Philosophy Colloquium, University of Bucharest**, October 1992.

COMMENTS

- Comments on Dan Arnold, Laura Guerrero, and John Spackman’s papers, **Madhyamaka Thought and Philosophy of Language, Pacific APA**, San Francisco, April 7, 2023.
- Comments on Carolyn Jennings, ‘Practical Realism about the Self’, **Eastern APA**, New York, January 2021.
- Comments on Evan Thompson, ‘Why I am Not a Buddhist?’, **Pacific APA**, San Francisco, April 9, 2020.

- Comments on Michael Cholbi, ‘Grief: A Philosophical Guide,’ **Society for Philosophy of Emotion, Pacific APA**, San Francisco, April 10, 2020.
- Comments on ‘Freud and Derrida on the (Im)Possibility of Psychoanalysis’, **Pacific APA**, San Francisco, April 11, 2020.
- Round table discussion with Jonathan Schooler, John Dunne, Zack Irvin, and Kalina Kristoff, **Meta-Awareness in Contemplative Experience and the Cognitive Sciences, American Academy of Religion**, San Diego, November 25, 2019.
- Comments on Derek Lam’s ‘The Rational Beginning of Intentional Actions’, **Eastern APA**, January 2019.
- Comments on John Spackman’s ‘Is Meditative Experience Nonconceptual?’, **Pacific APA**, March 2018.
- Comments on Mark Siderits’ *Studies in Buddhist Philosophy*, **Pacific APA**, Seattle, April 2017.
- Comments on Flanagan’s *The Bodhisattva’s Brain: Buddhism Naturalized*. Authors Meets Critics Panel, **Pacific APA**, San Francisco, March 2013.

INTERVIEWS

APA Blog, 2020

Imperfect Buddha Podcast, 2024

Ph.D. THESIS DIRECTION, ADVISING, and DEFENSE

- Odysseus Stone, University of Copenhagen, 2023 (external examiner)
- Louise Williams, Notre Dame University, 2019 (external committee member)
- Neil Hamley, Monash University, 2006 (external examiner)
- Richard Wilson, 2020 California Institute of Integral Studies (external committee member)

BACHELOR’S THESES AND TUTORIALS

HONORS THESES SUPERVISED

- Embodiment in Action (2014)
- Constructing the Self (2011)
- Gadamer’s Philosophical Hermeneutics (2010)
- Authenticity and Mass Media (2008)

TUTORIALS

- Epistemology of Perception (2017)
- Husserl, Heidegger, and the Phenomenological Movement (2014)
- The Self/No-self Debate (2011)

- Gadamer's Philosophical Hermeneutics (2010)
- Phenomenology of Personal Identity (2010)
- Śāntideva's Moral Philosophy (2009)
- Eco and Semiotics (2009)
- Feminism and Personal Identity (2008)
- Semiotics and Philosophy of Language (2007)
- Husserl's Concept of Intentionality (2006)
- The Concept of Jen in Confucianism (2006)

TEACHING

At the **University of California, Berkeley**

- PHIL C158: Buddhist Philosophy of Mind (Spring 2025)

At the **College of Charleston**

- PHIL 450: Seminar: Debates in Consciousness Studies (2016, 2023)
- PHIL 450: Seminar: Consciousness, Perception, and Intentionality (2013)
- PHIL 450: Seminar: Consciousness, Intentionality, and Cognition (2009)
- PHIL 330: Philosophy of Mind (2020, 2022, 2023)
- PHIL 320: Metaphysics (2006, 2009, 2013, 2020)
- PHIL 307: 20th Century Continental Philosophy (2007)
- PHIL 299: Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence (2024)
- PHIL 298: Phenomenology and Philosophy of Mind (2014)
- PHIL 298: Cross-cultural Hermeneutics (2005)
- PHIL 234: Eastern Philosophy (2006, 2008, 2012, 2015, 2022, 2024)
- PHIL 208: Knowledge and Reality (2016, 2022)
- PHIL 201: Ancient Philosophy (2019)
- PHIL 105: Contemporary Moral Issues (2019, 2020, 2022, 2023)
- PHIL 101: Introduction to Philosophy (2006-2010, 2018, 2021, 2023)
- HONS 380: Philosophy Without Borders (team-taught, 2020, 2021)
- HONS 120: Colloquium in Western Civilization (team-taught, 2006-2008, 2012-2013, 2015, 2017)
- HONS 170: Honors Introduction to Philosophy (2010, 2016-2017, 2024)

At the **Australian National University**

- Individual and Society in Asia (2004)
- Indian Buddhist Philosophy (2003)
- Modern Indian Thought (1999)

At the **University of Sydney**

- Second Year Sanskrit (2004)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

CONFERENCE, SUMMER SCHOOLS, PANELS, & WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

- Co-director, NEH Summer Institute, Self-knowledge for Human and Artificial Systems, University of California, Berkeley, 2025-2027.
- Co-director, NEH Summer Institute, Self-knowledge in Eastern and Western Philosophy, College of Charleston, 2017-2018.
- Co-director, NEH Summer Institute, Investigating Consciousness: Buddhist and Contemporary Philosophical Perspectives, College of Charleston, 2012-2013.
- President, International Society for Buddhist Philosophy, 2018-present
- APA panel convenor:
 - Book Symposium, *Routledge Handbook on the Philosophy of Meditation*, Eastern APA, Montreal, January 2023.
 - Author meets critics, Douglas Duckworth, *Tibetan Buddhist Philosophy of Mind and Nature*, Eastern APA, 2020.
 - *Knowledge and Doubt in Buddhist Philosophy*, Eastern APA, January 2020.
 - Author meets critics, Rick Repetti, *Buddhism, Meditation, and Free Will: A Theory of Mental Freedom*, New York, Eastern APA, 2019.
 - Author meets critics, Jay Garfield, *Engaging Buddhism: Why It Matters to Philosophy*, Pacific APA 2016.
 - Author meets critics, Evan Thompson, *Waking, Dreaming, Being: Self and Consciousness in Neuroscience, Meditation, and Philosophy*, Vancouver, Pacific APA, 2015.
 - Author meets critics, Owen Flanagan, *Buddhism Naturalized*, Pacific APA, 2013.

REFEREE

• **Presses:**

Oxford University Press (USA and UK), MIT Press, Yale University Press, Columbia University Press, Routledge, Bloomsbury, Broadview, Springer, Hackett, Lexington, King's College Publications

• **Journals:**

Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Analysis, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Philosophy East and West, Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences, Journal of Consciousness Studies, Erkenntnis, Consciousness and Cognition, The Philosophical Review, Philosophical Psychology, Journal of the American Philosophical Association, Journal of Indian Philosophy, Sophia, Dialectica, The Southern Journal of Philosophy, Ratio, Comparative Philosophy, Journal of Buddhist Ethics

- **Grants:**
 - National Endowment for the Humanities, 2019, 2023
 - Austrian Academy of Sciences, 2014, 2016
 - Templeton Foundation, 2018
 - Fulbright Program, 2022, 2023
 - Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, 2021

- **Organizations:**
 - Mind and Life Institute, Humanities Initiative, Harvard University, 2012-2014

- **Conferences:**
 - Canadian Philosophical Association, 2013

- **Society Officer**
 - Australasian Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy 2000-2004

EXTERNAL REVIEWER FOR TENURE AND PROMOTION

College of William & Mary, 2024
Middlebury College, 2022
University of Toronto, 2022
Princeton University, 2021
Monash University, 2021
University of New Mexico, 2018
University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2016

SERVICE AT THE COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON

Sabbatical Proposals Review Committee, 2023-2024
HSS Senator at large, 2021–2023
Departmental Senator, 2014-2015
Research and Development Committee, 2006-2007
Academic Planning Committee, 2008-2009
Curriculum Committee, 2007-2008
Hiring Committees for Philosophy and Asian Studies, 2012-present
Honor Board Committee, 2010-2011
Library Committee, 2016-2017

PROFESIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Philosophical Association

Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness

International Association of Buddhist Studies