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Areas of Specialization

Early Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion

Areas of Competence

Ethics, Epistemology, Asian Philosophy, Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Science

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religion, Edward Waters University (August 2023-present)

Lecturer, The Ohio State University (May 2023-August 2023)

Education

The Ohio State University, PhD in Philosophy, 2023.

Dissertation: *New Work for Berkeley's Theory of Divine Language* (supervised by Lisa Downing)

Graduate Minor in Virtual Teaching

Yale University, The Divinity School, MA in Religion, 2017.

University of Notre Dame, BA in Philosophy and Theology, 2015.

Publications

[“A Trinitarian Approach to Kierkegaard’s Works of Love”](#) (with Matt Aroney). In Jeffrey Hanson and Wojciech Kaftanski (eds.), *Kierkegaard’s Works of Love: A Critical Guide*. Cambridge (in press).

[“Natural Causes and Berkeley’s Divine Language Hypothesis.”](#) In Manuel Fasko & Peter West (eds.), *Berkeley’s Doctrine of Signs*. De Gruyter (2024): pp. 143-160.

[“Semantic Compositionality and Berkeley’s Divine Language Argument.”](#) *Religious Studies* 59 (2023): pp. 239-251.

[“‘Experience Itself Must Be Taught to Read and Write’: Scientific Practice and Berkeley’s Language of Nature.”](#) *Berkeley Studies* 29 (2021): pp. 14-23.

[“Empirically Skeptical Theism.”](#) *Faith and Philosophy* 37.3 (2020): pp. 323-335.

Whitepaper, "[Challenges and Solutions to the Online Conference: A Case Study](#)" (with William Marsolek). Philosophers for Sustainability Online Conference Workshop (6/25/2020).

Awards and Fellowships

Steering and Evaluation Committee, [Integrating Civil Discourse into the Curriculum](#) (ICDC) (2026-2030)
-\$3,985,365 grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)

Visiting Scholar, UCLA Center for 17th and 18th Century Studies (July-August 2025)

Residential Scholar, [Whitehall Museum House](#) (Summer 2024)

Visiting Graduate Researcher, UCLA Center for 17th and 18th Century Studies
Predoctoral Fellowship at the Clark Library (07/01/2022-09/01/2022)

First Place Prize, IVP Early-Career Philosopher of Religion 2021 (Tyndale House, Cambridge)

Colin and Ailsa Turbayne International Berkeley Essay Prize (University of Rochester) (March 2021)

Mary Cady Tew Prize for "exceptional ability in philosophy" (Yale University) (October 2016)

Conference Presentations

[SATIRE] "[Summa Zero-logica: How Counting Properly Obliterates God.](#)" The Worst Philosophy Conference of All Time (11/26/2025)

"A Geachian Theory of Original Sin and Moral Regeneration." Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Christian Philosophers (06/21/2024)

"Berkeley and Subconscious Information Processing: A Reply to Brook." Traveling Early Modern Philosophy Organization (TEMPO) Conference (05/06/2023)

"Berkeleyan Immaterialism and the Identification Stage." The Princeton-Rutgers Philosophy of Religion Incubator Conference II (05/25/2022)

"Testimony, Induction, and the Language of Nature." Traveling Early Modern Philosophy Organization (TEMPO) Conference (05/07/2022)

"A Trinitarian Approach to Neighborly Love in Kierkegaard." The Kierkegaard and Love Workshop (The Human Flourishing Program, Harvard University) (11/04/2021)

"Natural Causes and Berkeley's Divine Language Hypothesis." 2021 Atlantic Canada Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy (ACSEMP) (07/08/2021)

“Light for Her Body and Truth for Her Soul: Berkeleian Panentheism.” 2021 Logia Postgraduate Conference on “Women and God.” Session: Feminist Engagement with Early Modern Philosophy (University of St. Andrews) (05/27/2021)

“Derek Parfit and the Chamber of Guf.” Toronto Philosophy of Religion Work-In-Progress Group (12/09/2020)

“Experience Itself Must be Taught to Read and Write: Scientific Practice and Berkeley’s Language of Nature.” Traveling Early Modern Philosophy Organization (TEMPO) Conference (06/19/2020)

“Semantic Compositionality and Berkeley’s Divine Language Argument.” International Berkeley Society at the 2019 American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting (01/08/19)

Courses Taught

Edward Waters University

- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to Ethics (incl. Honors sections)
- Introduction to Biblical Studies (incl. Honors sections)

The Ohio State University

- Engineering Ethics
- Introduction to Logic
- Asian Philosophies
- Introduction to Philosophy of Religion
- Introduction to Philosophy

Service and Development

University and Department Service:

- President, Faculty Senate, Edward Waters University (2024-2026 term)
- Member (alternate), OSU University Conduct Board (January 2022-August 2023)
- Treasurer, OSU Society for the History of Modern Philosophy (Spring 2021-Fall 2022).
- Treasurer, OSU Society for the Philosophy of Religion (Fall 2020-Fall 2022)
- Delegate, OSU Council of Graduate Students (2020-2021)
- Undergraduate Committee, The Ohio State University Department of Philosophy (2017-2021)

Event Planning and Facilitation:

- Philosophy Associations Coordinator, The International Berkeley Society (starting 2026)
- Co-Organizer and Presider, Analytic Theology at Fifteen: Growth, Change, and Trajectories of Inclusion (Special Session at the American Academy of Religion) (November 23-26, 2024)
- Commentator, Philosophical Perspectives on Inquiry (University of North Florida) (4/5/2024)
- Chair, APA Central Division Submitted Colloquium: Modern (02/25/2021)

- Co-Organizer, 2020 Western E-Vent in Early Modern Philosophy (June 4-6, 2020)
- Co-Organizer, The OSU Berkeley Workshop (May 1-2, 2020); cancelled due to COVID-19 and then incorporated into the 2020 Western E-Vent in Early Modern Philosophy

Development Activities:

- Global Business Ethics Teaching Workshop, Bentley University (June 2025)
- Northeast Workshop to Learn About Multicultural Philosophy (NEWLAMP 2025)
- Protégé, The American Association of Philosophy Teachers (AAPT) Mentor Observation Program (MOP) for Philosophy Faculty in Small Departments (2025)
- Workshop on Teaching Professional Ethics through Experiential Learning: The Georgetown Approach, McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University (May 22-24, 2024)
- Certificate, OSU Graduate School Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) program (Summer 2021)
- Methodology in the History of Philosophy Summer School, University of Groningen (July 2021)
- Mentor, Yale Cross Campus Graduate & Professional Mentorship Program (2021-2025)
- Center for Ethics and Human Values CARE Training Program in the Responsible Conduct of Research (Spring 2020)
- Certification in Client Counseling, The American Philosophical Practitioners Association (2019)
- Certified Logic-Based Consultant, Logic-Based Therapy & Consultation Institute (2019)

Peer Review:

- Religions* (Summer 2024-present)
- Journal of Philosophical Research* (Spring 2024-present)
- Analysis* (Spring 2024-present)
- Edward Waters University Undergraduate Research Journal* (Spring 2024-present)
- Journal of Modern Philosophy* (Fall 2023-present)
- Glossolalia*, the Graduate Journal at Yale Divinity School (2016-2018)
- Discourses*, the Undergraduate Journal of Philosophy at Notre Dame (2013)

Professional Memberships:

- The American Philosophical Association
- The International Berkeley Society
- The Society of Christian Philosophers
- The Traveling Early Modern Philosophy Organization