

Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Philosophy & Comparative Religion Central Washington University

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Professional Experience

Central Washington University (2003-present)

2013-2018, 2023-present: Department Chair, Department of Philosophy & Comparative Religion (elected)

Regular duties

- Oversee department with:
 - five/four tenured faculty, three full-time non-tenure-track faculty, one affiliated faculty, and one staff member (2023-present); six tenured/tenure-track faculty, five full-time non-tenure-track faculty, and one staff member (2013-2018)
 - an annual budget of about \$1,000,000
 - two majors (Philosophy and Comparative Religion) and three minors (Philosophy; Comparative Religion; and Philosophy, Political Science, and Economics [PPE])
- Assess students through the department's assessment plan and the program through the university-wide Strategic Planning process
- Budget funds and develop new revenue streams under a Responsibility-Centered Management (RCM)/Activity-Based Budgeting (ABB) structure (2013-2018) and a Values-Based Budgeting structure (2023-present)
- Evaluate tenured, tenure-track, and non-tenure-track faculty for reappointment, tenure, promotion, and post-tenure review
- Manage major and minor programs, including revising programs and developing new courses, as necessary
- Schedule courses, including tentative schedules four years in advance
- Recruit prospective and existing CWU students, and retain current majors and minors
- Work with Development officer to identify donors, grants, and other funding opportunities
- Administer and review student and peer teaching evaluations, workloads, and annual activity reports
- Advertise for and hire new tenure-track and non-tenure-track faculty
- Serve as a member of the College of Arts & Humanities (CAH) Chairs Council

- Mentor new faculty and new chairs
- Manage department website and social media accounts
- Advertise the program to students and alumni through quarterly newsletters and social media
- Maintain the visibility of the department and the college with public events, including department colloquia and invited speakers

Special accomplishments (2023-present)

- Led several marketing initiatives, including creating new advertising materials
- Advertised for and hired social media intern
- Revised requirements for the Philosophy major; Philosophy minor; Comparative Religion minor; and Philosophy, Politics, and Economics minor
- Revised Department Personnel Policies and Procedures
- Revised Department Academic Policies and Procedures
- Co-led the department's program review (2024-2025)
- Successfully requested and filled one part-time non-tenure-track position and one staff position
- Co-sponsored and contributed to Living with Climate Change series

Special accomplishments (2013-2018)

- Successfully proposed and implemented a new Religious Studies major
- Revised requirements for the Philosophy major, Philosophy minor, Religious Studies minor, and Ethics minor
- Successfully requested and filled a new tenure-track position in Religious Studies, serving as chair of the search committee
- Successfully requested and filled five full-time non-tenure-track positions, two part-time non-tenure-track positions, and two staff positions
- Successfully proposed new and revised Philosophy and Religious Studies courses under new general education program learning outcomes
- Revised Department Personnel Policies and Procedures
- Implemented new Strategic Planning assessment process and revised existing assessment plan
- Hosted and was co-lead organizer for the Northwest Philosophy Conference in 2014
- Brought world-renowned speakers to campus, including John Corvino, Linda Martín-Alcoff, Ronnie Littlejohn, and Chong-Fuk Lau
- Organized several public events that garnered local media attention for the Department, such as "Surviving Death Row: Exonerees Tell Their Story" and "Rogues and Heroes: *Star Wars* and the Cultural Imagination"

2017-present: Professor (tenured)

2025-present: Faculty Legislative Representative (appointed)

Regular duties

- Represents CWU and its faculty to state legislators
- Testifies at legislative committee meetings on matters of faculty and university interest
- Coordinates activities and efforts with CWU's Director of Governmental Relations, the Council of Faculty Representatives, and the Council of Presidents

- Reports regularly to the Faculty Senate

2019-2025: Chair, United Faculty of Central (faculty union) Bargaining Team (appointed), to negotiate a new collective bargaining agreement (CBA) with the university

Regular duties

- Select a team of faculty to represent the bargaining unit in negotiations
- Conduct a survey of all faculty to identify issues of concern
- Study the existing CBA, individually and as a bargaining team, to identify desired changes and to develop proposals
- Negotiate proposed changes at bargaining sessions with the administration
- Publicize the proposed CBA to faculty and solicit their approval

Special accomplishments

- Finalized a new CBA with the administration for 2021-2023, 2023-2027, and 2027-2029
- Finalized a Memorandum of Understanding on reopener provision for 2024-2025
- Finalized a contract extension for 2020-2021, during the COVID-19 pandemic

2019-2020: Sabbatical to conduct research on *A Theory of Legal Punishment* (book)

2017-2019: President, United Faculty of Central (UFC) (elected)

Regular duties

- Represent the bargaining unit (all faculty) with the administration, serving as the primary point of contact/communication and meeting regularly with President and Provost
- Respond to emails and phone calls from faculty with concerns or questions, and meet with them as necessary
- Plan and run officer meetings, Executive Board meetings, membership meetings, and Labor-Management Council meetings
- Meet and coordinate with Faculty Senate and the Academic Department Chairs Organization (ADCO)
- Communicate with the Washington Education Association (WEA), especially the United Faculty of Washington State (UFWS) Organizer
- Work with faculty being investigated or threatened with discipline
- Coordinate and write complaints and grievances
- Attend the new faculty orientation to speak to new faculty about UFC
- Appoint members of standing committees, with the approval of the Executive Board
- Serve as an *ex officio* member of all standing committees
- Prepare and submit an annual report of UFC activities to the membership

Special accomplishments

- Assisted in implementing a new CBA (2017-2020)
- Created a new system of UFC liaisons/stewards

2012-2017: Associate Professor (tenured)

2007-2013: Director, William O. Douglas Honors College (appointed)

Regular duties

- Work with deans and department chairs to staff honors courses; recruit honors instructors from among the faculty
- Manage an annual budget of about \$350,000

- Supervise office staff
- Recruit prospective and existing CWU students, and retain current honors students
- Schedule courses
- Advise the DHC Living-Learning Community (special housing for DHC students)
- Advise all incoming honors students
- Organize quarterly cultural events
- Manage DHC website
- Advertise the program to students and alumni through quarterly newsletters and social media

Special accomplishments

- Led the revision of the entire honors curriculum, forming a two-tiered curriculum that satisfies general education requirements in special honors courses and an upper-division scholarship experience in either the Arts & Humanities or the Sciences
- Created an Interdisciplinary Honors Minor
- Increased student enrollment in the DHC from 37 students in AY 2007-2008 to 190 students in AY 2013-2014
- Funded the development of numerous honors courses for the new curriculum
- Formed a faculty Advisory Committee and an External Advisory Board of community members and alumni
- Supported student and faculty participation in the annual Western Regional Honors Council (WRHC) conference
- Oversaw the move of the DHC Living-Learning Community to a new residence hall
- Brought world-renowned speakers to campus, including Adrienne Rich, Sherman Alexie, and Winona LaDuke
- Coordinated classroom activities and special honors-only discussions with visiting speakers such as Salman Rushdie and Maya Lin
- Instituted new assessment plan for the honors program

2009-2012: Assistant Professor (tenure-track)

2007-2009: Visiting Assistant Professor

2003-2007: Lecturer, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies and the William O. Douglas Honors College

Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences (2013-2014, 2017)

Guest Lecturer on Medical Ethics

Monmouth College (2002-2003)

Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies

Drury University (2001-2002)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy & Religion

Saint Xavier University (1999)

Instructor, Department of Philosophy

University of Chicago (1996-2001)

1999: Graduate Instructor, Department of Philosophy

1997-2000: Graduate Course Assistant, Department of Philosophy

Education

University of Chicago, 1995-2001. Ph.D. in Philosophy

Dissertation: *The Unquiet Spirit of Idealism: Fichte's Drive to Freedom and the Paradoxes of Finite Subjectivity*; committee: Robert J. Richards (chair), Robert B. Pippin, and Charles E. Larmore

Albion College, 1990-1994. B.A. in Philosophy and English (double major), *summa cum laude*

Areas of Specialization

Applied Ethics

Philosophy of Law (esp. punishment)

Kant and Nineteenth-Century German Philosophy

Areas of Concentration

Social/Political Philosophy

Normative Ethics

Philosophy of Art

Publications

Series

(series editor) *Palgrave Handbooks in the Philosophy of Law*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020-present.

- Published: *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Punishment* (ed. M. C. Altman, 2023).
- Under contract: *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Rights* (ed. M. Gilbert, J. Helmreich, and G. Sreenivasan), *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Criminal Responsibility* (ed. K. M. Levy and R. Donelson).
- Planned: *The Palgrave Handbook on General Jurisprudence*, *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Constitutional Interpretation*, *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of International Law*, *The Palgrave Handbook on Feminist Legal Philosophy*, *The Palgrave Handbook on Ronald Dworkin's Legal Philosophy*.

(series editor) *Palgrave Handbooks in German Idealism*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2015-present.

- Published: *The Palgrave Schelling Handbook* (ed. S. McGrath, J. Carew, and K. Bruff, 2023), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Poststructuralism* (ed. T. Rajan and D. Whistler, 2023), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Feminist Philosophy* (ed. S. Lettow and T. Pulkkinen, 2022), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Phenomenology* (ed. C. D. Coe, 2021), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Existentialism* (ed. J. Stewart, 2020), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Romantic Philosophy* (ed. E. Millán Brusslan, 2020), *The Palgrave Hegel Handbook* (ed. M. Bykova and K. Westphal, 2020), *The Palgrave Fichte Handbook* (ed. S. Hoeltzel, 2019), *The Palgrave Schopenhauer Handbook* (ed. S. Shapshay, 2017), *The Palgrave Kant*

Handbook (ed. M. C. Altman, 2017).

- Under contract: *The Palgrave Handbook of Transcendental, Neo-Kantian, and Psychological Idealism* (ed. F. Fabbianelli and A. Staiti), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Analytic Philosophy* (ed. J. Conant and J. Held).

Books

(co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe) *The Hackett Introduction to Medical Ethics: A Guide for Students, Clinicians, and Ethics Committees*. Indianapolis: Hackett, 2025.

(co-editor, with David Schwan) *Ethics and Medical Technology: Essays on Artificial Intelligence, Enhancement, Privacy, and Justice*. Cham: Springer, 2025. doi:10.1007/978-3-031-94690-5.

(editor) *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Punishment*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2023.

(author) *A Theory of Legal Punishment: Deterrence, Retribution, and the Aims of the State*. London: Routledge, 2021.

Reviewed in: *Criminal Law & Philosophy, Law & Philosophy*.

Author-meets-critics sessions at the Northwest Philosophy Conference (2021) and the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (2022).

(editor) *The Palgrave Kant Handbook*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017.

Reviewed in: *Choice* ("Outstanding Academic Title," 2018), *Kantian Review*.

(editor) *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014.

Reviewed in: *British Journal for the History of Philosophy, Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy, Continental Philosophy Review, Kant-Studien*.

(co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe) *The Fractured Self in Freud and German Philosophy*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2013.

Reviewed in: *Analecta Hermeneutica, Journal of the History of Philosophy, Philosophia: International Journal of Philosophy, Philosophy in Review*.

(author) *Kant and Applied Ethics: The Uses and Limits of Kant's Practical Philosophy*. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2011. (Published in paperback, 2014.)

Reviewed in: *Choice, Diametros, Ethical Perspectives, Ethics & Behavior, Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews, Synthesis Philosophica*.

Author-meets-critics session at the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (2012).

(author) *A Companion to Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason."* Boulder, CO: Westview, 2008.

Book Chapters

"Preserving Autonomy, Promoting Health: A Defense of Digital Nudging in Healthcare." In *Ethics*

and Medical Technology: Essays on Artificial Intelligence, Enhancement, Privacy, and Justice, ed. Matthew C. Altman and David Schwan, 307-27. Cham: Springer, 2025. doi:10.1007/978-3-031-94690-5_16.

“In Defense of a Mixed Theory of Punishment.” In *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Punishment*, ed. Matthew C. Altman, 195-219. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2023. doi:10.1007/978-3-031-11874-6_9.

“Freud’s Theory of Freedom: Between Kant’s Faith and Schopenhauer’s Pessimism.” In *The Routledge International Handbook of Psychoanalysis and Philosophy*, ed. Aner Govrin and Tair Caspi, 21-35. London: Routledge, 2023. doi:10.4324/9780429297076-3.

“Kant’s Compatibilism and the Two-Tiered Model of Punishment.” In *The Court of Reason: Proceedings of the 13th International Kant Congress*, ed. Beatrix Himmelmann and Camilla Serck-Hanssen, vol. 3, 1679-88. Berlin: de Gruyter, 2021. doi:10.1515/9783110701357-167.

“Fichte’s Meditations: The Practical Reality of the ‘Real World’ in *The Vocation of Man*.” In *The Bloomsbury Handbook of Fichte*, ed. Marina F. Bykova, 175-96. London: Bloomsbury, 2020.

“The Letter and the Spirit: Kant’s Metaphysics and Fichte’s Epistemology.” In *The Palgrave Fichte Handbook*, ed. Steven Hoeltzel, 421-41. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2019. doi:10.1007/978-3-030-26508-3_19.

“A Two-Aspects View of Punishment.” In *Natur und Freiheit: Akten des 12. Internationalen Kant-Kongresses 2015*, ed. Violetta L. Waibel und Margit Ruffing, vol. 3, 2275-82. Berlin: de Gruyter, 2019. doi:10.1515/9783110467888-220.

“A Practical Account of Kantian Freedom.” In *The Palgrave Kant Handbook*, ed. Matthew C. Altman, 211-42. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017. doi:10.1057/978-1-137-54656-2_10.

“Wolves, Dogs, and Moral Geniuses: Anthropocentrism in Schopenhauer and Freud” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe). In *The Palgrave Schopenhauer Handbook*, ed. Sandra Shapshay, 447-71. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017. doi:10.1007/978-3-319-62947-6_21.

“Fichte’s Transcendental Idealism: An Interpretation and Defense.” In *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism*, ed. Matthew C. Altman, 320-43. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014. doi:10.1007/978-1-137-33475-6_17.

“Fichte’s Anti-Hegelian Legacy.” In *Fichte, German Idealism, and Early Romanticism*, ed. Daniel Breazeale and Tom Rockmore, 275-85. Amsterdam: Rodopi, 2010. doi:10.1163/9789042030121_019.

“The Green *Onion*: A New, Environmental Ethic.” In *The Onion and Philosophy*, ed. Sharon Kaye, 159-74. Chicago: Open Court, 2010.

Journal Articles

“Reframing the Debate over Performance-Enhancing Drugs: The Reasonable Athlete Argument.” *Sport, Ethics and Philosophy* 19, no. 2 (2025): 171-84. doi:0.1080/17511321.2023.2266581.

“What Do Philosophers Do?” *Pli* 35 (2024): 139-65. (Special issue: “Critique of Academic Philosophy.”)

“The Justification and Scope of Restorative Justice.” *International Journal of Restorative Justice* 6, no. 3 (2023): 370-77. doi:10.5553/TIJRJ.000183.

“Punishment Theory, Mass Incarceration, and the Overdetermination of Racialized Justice” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe). *Criminal Law and Philosophy* 16, no. 3 (Oct. 2022): 631-49. doi:10.1007/s11572-021-09618-0.

“Kant in the Time of COVID.” *Kantian Journal* 41, no. 1 (2022): 89-117. (Also translated into Russian.) doi:10.5922/0207-6918-2022-1-4.

“A Consequentialist Argument for Considering Age in Triage Decisions during the Coronavirus Pandemic.” *Bioethics* 35, no. 4 (May 2021): 356-65. doi:10.1111/bioe.12864.

“Can Suicide Preserve One’s Dignity? Kant and Kantians on the Moral Response to Cognitive Loss.” *Kant-Studien* 111, no. 4 (Nov. 2020): 593-611. doi:10.1515/kant-2020-0049.

“Nishida among the Idealists.” *Philosophy East and West* 70, no. 4 (Oct. 2020): 860-80. doi:10.1353/pew.2020.0061.

“Animal Suffering and Moral Salience: A Defense of Kant’s Indirect View.” *Journal of Value Inquiry* 53, no. 2 (June 2019): 275-88. doi:10.1007/s10790-018-9667-4.

“The Two Cultures of Assessment.” *The Department Chair* 29, no. 2 (Fall 2018): 3-5. doi:10.1002/dch.30213.

“Fichte’s Practical Response to the Problem of Other Minds.” *Revista de Estud(i)os sobre Fichte* 16 (Winter 2018). doi:10.4000/ref.859.

“The Limits of Kant’s Cosmopolitanism: Theory, Practice, and the Crisis in Syria.” *Kantian Review* 22, no. 2 (June 2017): 179-204. doi:10.1017/S1369415417000012.

“Arbitrariness and the California Death Penalty.” *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law* 14, no. 1 (Fall 2016): 217-30. <https://kb.osu.edu/server/api/core/bitstreams/cb4faec7-95cd-56bd-8631-6a80cdb6c889/content>.

“Decentering Anthropocentrism: A Functional Approach to Animal Minds.” *Between the Species* 18, no. 1 (2015). digitalcommons.calpoly.edu/bts/vol18/iss1/2/.

“On the Uses and Disadvantages of the Ticking Bomb Case for Life.” *International Journal of Applied Philosophy* 26, no. 1 (Spring 2012): 19-28. doi:10.5840/ijap20122612.

“Mandatory Ultrasound Laws and the Coercive Use of Informed Consent” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe). *Techné: Research in Philosophy and Technology* 16, no. 1 (Winter 2012): 16-30. (Special issue: “Feminism, Autonomy, and Reproductive Technology.”) doi:10.5840/techne20121613.

“The Social Construction of Intellectual Property.” *Theoretical & Applied Ethics* 1, no. 1 (Nov. 2010), 41-42.

“Kant on Sex and Marriage: The Implications for the Same-Sex Marriage Debate.” *Kant-Studien* 101, no. 3 (Sept. 2010): 309-30. doi:10.1515/kant.2010.020.

Winner of the Wilfrid Sellars Essay Prize (“awarded annually for the best essay on any topic that demonstrates the continued relevance of Kant’s philosophy”), North American Kant Society (2010).

“Ethics beyond the Academy: Service-Learning as Professional Development.” *Teaching Philosophy* 33, no. 2 (June 2010): 149-71. doi:10.5840/teachphil201033215.

“Beyond the Great Books: Increasing the Flexibility, Scope, and Appeal of an Honors Curriculum.” *Honors in Practice* 6 (2010): 125-39. <https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/nchchip/104/>.

“The Significance of the Other in Moral Education: Fichte on the Birth of Subjectivity.” *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 25, no. 2 (April 2008): 175-86. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/27745122>.

“The Self as Creature and Creator: Fichte and Freud against the Enlightenment” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe). *Idealistic Studies* 37, no. 3 (Fall 2007): 179-202. doi:10.5840/idstudies200737313.

“The Decomposition of the Corporate Body: What Kant Cannot Contribute to Business Ethics.” *Journal of Business Ethics* 74, no. 3 (Sept. 2007): 253-66. doi:10.1007/s10551-006-9233-z.

“The Paradoxes of a Convalescent History: Nietzsche’s Genealogy as a Form of Working-Through” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe). *New Nietzsche Studies* 6/7 (Fall 2005/Spring 2006): 116-28. doi:10.5840/newnietzsche2005/20066/73/4/1/28.

“Subjecting Ourselves to Capital Punishment: A Rejoinder to Kantian Retributivism.” *Public Affairs Quarterly* 19, no. 4 (Oct. 2005): 247-64. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/40441417>.

“What’s the Use of Philosophy? Democratic Citizenship and the Direction of Higher Education.” *Educational Theory* 54, no. 2 (May 2004): 143-55. doi:10.1111/j.1741-5446.2004.00011.x.

“Willful History: Nietzsche, Nihilism, and the Possibility of Freedom” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe). *International Studies in Philosophy* 36, no. 3 (2004): 5-13. doi:10.5840/intstudphil2004363147.

“Idealism Is the Only Possible Philosophy: Systematicity and the Fichtean Fact of Reason.” *Idealistic Studies* 31, no. 1 (Winter 2001): 1-30. doi:10.5840/idstudies200131111.

“Santayana’s Troubled Distinction: Aesthetics and Ethics in *The Sense of Beauty*.” *Bulletin of the Santayana Society* 16 (Fall 1998): 25-34. doi:10.5840/199816167.

“Relativism and the *Übermensch*: The Paradoxes of Nietzsche’s Ideal of Health.” *Eidos* 14, no. 2 (June 1997): 85-103. (Special issue: “Nietzsche.”)

Editorials

Regular guest columns in the *Daily Record* (Ellensburg) on the public hospital district.

“Trump’s Immigration Policy Is Certainly Immoral, Probably Illegal.” *openDemocracy.net*, Feb. 2, 2017. www.opendemocracy.net/matthew-c-altman/trump-s-immigration-policy-is-certainly-immoral-probably-illegal.

“The US Is Failing in Its Moral Obligation to Syrian Refugees.” *openDemocracy.net*, Sept. 19, 2016. www.opendemocracy.net/matthew-c-altman/us-is-failing-in-its-moral-obligation-to-syrian-refugees.

Encyclopedia Entries

Eighteenth-Century Online Encyclopedia: Enlightenment and Revolution. <https://enlightenment-revolution.org/>.

Entries: Baumgarten, Alexander Gottlieb; Crusius, Christian August; Hamann, Johann Georg; Mendelssohn, Moses; Richter, Jean Paul Friedrich; and Schleiermacher, Friedrich Daniel Ernst

The Routledge Encyclopedia of Walt Whitman. Ed. J. R. LeMaster and Donald D. Kummings. New York: Routledge, 1998.

Entries: Carlyle, Thomas; Cowley, Malcolm; Epicurus; “Rounded Catalog Divine Complete”

Book Reviews

Review of *Kant and Theodicy*, by George Huxford. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 59, no. 2 (April 2021): 333-34. doi:10.1353/hph.2021.0034.

Review of *Kant and the Philosophy of Mind: Perception, Reason, and the Self*, edited by Anil

Gomes and Andrew Stephenson. *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 27, no. 1 (Jan. 2019): 229-31. doi:10.1080/09608788.2018.1510369.

Review of *Kant's Theory of Normativity: Exploring the Space of Reason*, by Konstantin Pollok. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 56, no. 1 (Jan. 2018): 177-78. doi:10.1353/hph.2018.0014.

Review of *The Teleology of Reason: A Study of the Structure of Kant's Critical Philosophy*, by Courtney D. Fugate. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 53, no. 4 (Oct. 2015): 788-89. doi:10.1353/hph.2015.0068.

Review of *Thinking Through the "Wissenschaftslehre": Themes from Fichte's Early Philosophy*, by Daniel Breazeale. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 53, no. 1 (Jan. 2015): 164-65. doi:10.1353/hph.2015.0000.

Review of *Hegel on the Modern Arts*, by Benjamin Rutter. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 49, no. 3 (July 2011): 381-82. doi:10.1353/hph.2011.0068.

Review of *Matters of Spirit: J. G. Fichte and the Technological Imagination*, by F. Scott Scribner. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 49, no. 2 (April 2011): 259-61. doi:10.1353/hph.2011.0054.

Review of *German Idealism and the Concept of Punishment*, by Jean-Christophe Merle. *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 18, no. 5 (2010): 953-56. doi:10.1080/09608788.2010.524775.

Review of *The Hydra's Tale: Imagining Disgust*, by Robert Rawdon Wilson. *Journal of Contemporary Thought* 31 (Summer 2010): 223-25.

Review of *Attempt at a Critique of All Revelation*, by J. G. Fichte, translated by Garrett Green. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (May 2010). <https://ndpr.nd.edu/reviews/attempt-at-a-critique-of-all-revelation/>.

Review of *Songs of Experience: Modern American and European Variations on a Universal Theme*, by Martin Jay. *Journal of Contemporary Thought* 23 (Summer 2006): 202-4.

Review of *The Science of Knowing: J. G. Fichte's 1804 Lectures on the "Wissenschaftslehre,"* by J. G. Fichte, translated by Walter E. Wright. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (Nov. 2005). <https://ndpr.nd.edu/reviews/the-science-of-knowing-j-g-fichte-s-1804-lectures-on-the-wissenschaftslehre/>.

Review of *Black Marxism: The Making of the Black Radical Tradition*, by Cedric J. Robinson. *Journal of Contemporary Thought* 19/20 (Summer/Winter 2004): 242-44.

Review of *Kant and the Mind*, by Andrew Brook. *Kant-Studien* 90, no. 1 (1999): 117-24.

Current Projects

“What’s Wrong with Bans on Gender-Affirming Care for Minors?” (conference paper, under consideration).

“Bans on Gender-Affirming Care for Minors Are Morally Wrong” (co-authored, blog post, under consideration).

“A Copernican Revolution in Ethics? A Metaphilosophical Analysis of Kantians on Animals” (journal article, under consideration).

Presentations

Conference Presentations

“A Methodological Defense of Academic Freedom,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2025.

“A Defense of Health Care Nudges against Empirical Objections,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2025.

“Disability Rights and Women’s Rights: Can They Come Together on Abortion?” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2024.

“The Value of Public Philosophy for Ethics Education,” International Association for Education in Ethics (Mexico City), 2024.

“Interdisciplinary Dialogue in the Philosophy of Sport,” Western Regional Honors Council Conference, 2023.

“Collective Responsibility in Medicine: Reflections on the Vaught Case,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2023.

“An Ethical and Legal Blind Spot in the Abortion Debate,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2022.

“Author Meets Critics: *A Theory of Legal Punishment*,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2022.

“The Value of Retribution” and “Author Meets Critics: *A Theory of Legal Punishment*,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2021.

“Kant in the Time of COVID,” Kantian Rationality in Ethics: Foundations, Applications, Challenges; Kantian Rationality Lab Conference, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University (Kaliningrad), 2021.

“How Much Ethics Is in Ethics and Compliance?” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2021.

“The Checks and Balances of Retribution and Deterrence,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2020.

“Punishments, Penalties, and Harming Innocents: A Defense of the Standard Definition,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2019.

“Kant’s Compatibilism and the Two-Tiered Model of Punishment,” International Kant Congress (Oslo), 2019.

“Nishida among the Idealists,” Pacific Northwest Region of the American Academy of Religion, Society of Biblical Literature, and American Schools of Oriental Research, 2019.

“Retribution, Deterrence, and Compatibilism: An Argument for a Two-Tiered Model of Punishment,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2019.

“Animal Suffering and Moral Salience: A Defense of Kant’s Indirect View,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2018.

“Why Punish? Parallel Reasoning in Retributivism and Consequentialism,” World Congress of Philosophy (Beijing), 2018.

“Kant and Advance Directives: The Problem of Consent,” North American Kant Society (APA Pacific Division), 2018.

“A Defense of Consequentialist Theories of Punishment,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2017.

“Kant’s Signs, Fichte’s Summons: A Practical Response to the Problem of Other Minds,” North American Fichte Society (Seoul), 2017.

“Resentment and Retribution,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2017.

“The Kantian Response to Free Will Skepticism,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2016.

“The Limits of Kant’s Cosmopolitanism: Theory, Practice, and the Crisis in Syria,” Kant Multilateral Colloquium, 2016.

“Schopenhauer’s Anti-Anthropocentrism: A Revolutionary, Reactionary Account of the Human Animal,” North American Schopenhauer Society (APA Central Division), 2016.

“A Two-Aspects View of Punishment,” International Kant Congress (Vienna), 2015.

“Arbitrariness and the California Death Penalty: A Critical Response to *Jones v. Chappell*,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2015.

“From Image to Object: Fichte’s Idealism and the Feeling of Necessity,” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition, 2014.

“Fichte on the Thing in Itself,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2014.

“Justifying Punishment – Epistemic Considerations, Ethical Implications,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2014.

“Anthropocentrism and Animal Minds,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, 2014.

“The Value of Service-Learning for Philosophy,” American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division), 2013.

“The Self in and out of Time: Kant’s Theory of Personal Identity,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2012.

“A Moral Assessment of Mandatory Ultrasound Laws” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe) and “Author Meets Critics: *Kant and Applied Ethics*,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2012.

“Reaching Out from the Ivory Tower: How to Form an Effective External Advisory Board,” Western Regional Honors Council Conference, 2012.

“Who or What Is Constrained by the Library Bill of Rights? A Theoretical Analysis of Intentionality and Collective Action for Library and Information Science” (co-author, with C. S. Burns), Association for Library and Information Science Education, 2012.

“Future Generations and the Problem of Consent: A Free Market Defense of Environmental Sin Taxes,” American Philosophical Association (Eastern Division), 2011.

“Fichte’s Ethics as First Philosophy: A Levinasian Response to Kant and the Problem of Other Minds,” Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy, 2011.

“Contractarianism and Moral Deliberation: The Return of Kant,” Rational Choice Contractarianism 25 Years after *Morals by Agreement* (York University), 2011.

“The Argument from Potential: Nonsense in the Abortion Debate,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2011.

“Animals, Ethics, and Interdisciplinary Dialogue: Designing a Capstone Honors Course,” Western Regional Honors Council Conference, 2011.

“Organ Donation and Respect for Persons: An Argument for Presumed Consent,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2010.

“Integrating the Two Cultures: A Solution to the Humanities-Science Gap in Honors Research,” Western Regional Honors Council Conference, 2010.

“The Moral Significance of Nature: Beauty, Sublimity, and Teleology in Kant’s *Critique of Judgment*,” Pacific Association for the Continental Tradition, 2009.

“A Case Study of Practical Pluralism: The Convergence between Kant’s Anthropocentrism and an Environmental Ethic,” Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2009.

“Justifying Physician-Assisted Suicide: The Limits of Patient Autonomy and the Limitations of Consequentialism,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2009.

“The Strategic Use of Anthropocentrism: A Reply to Wood and Korsgaard on Our Duties to Animals,” North American Kant Society (APA Pacific Division), 2009.

“Diversifying the Canon,” Western Regional Honors Council Conference, 2009.

“The Institutional Theory as Meta-Theory: An Interpretation and Defense,” American Society for Aesthetics, 2008.

“Consent, Mail-Order Brides, and the Marriage Contract: The Moral Limitations of Kant’s Social Philosophy,” International Social Philosophy Conference, 2008.

“The Duties of Beneficence: A Kantian Argument for Universal Health Care,” Conference on Value Inquiry, 2008.

“Preserving the Liberal Arts at a Public University” (panel), Western Regional Honors Council Conference, 2008.

“The Significance of the Other in Moral Education: Fichte on the Birth of Subjectivity,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2007.

“Individual Maxims and Social Justice: Why Kant Cannot Make Sense of a Duty to Reduce Poverty,” Conference on Value Inquiry, 2007.

“Mourning the Death of God, and of God in Us: Epistemic Revolution as Existential Loss in Nineteenth-Century German Philosophy,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2006.

“Corporate Responsibility and the Categorical Imperative: What Can Kant Contribute to Business Ethics?” Conference on Value Inquiry, 2006.

“A Kantian Defense of Gay Marriage,” Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2005.

“Ethics and the Meaning of Life,” Conference on Value Inquiry, 2005.

“Fichte’s Anti-Hegelian Legacy,” North American Fichte Society, 2004.

“The Prescience of Fichte’s *Anstoss*: German Idealism and Post-Nietzschean Philosophy,” Society for German Idealism (APA Pacific Division), 2004.

“The Entanglements of the Present: A Freudian Analysis of Hegel’s Philosophy of History” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe), American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division), 2003.

“The Fallibility of Justice: The Categorical Imperative, Retribution, and the Death Penalty,” Ethics in Contemporary Life (Northern Illinois Ethics Consortium), 2002.

“The Paradoxes of a Convalescent History: Nietzsche’s Genealogy as a Form of Working-Through” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe), North American Nietzsche Society (APA Central Division), 2002.

“The Anarchic Origin of Responsibility: A Critique of Kant’s Conception of Moral Character,” Conference on Value Inquiry, 2001.

“On Recovering from Train Collisions: Nietzsche, Freud, and the Problem of Historical Subjectivity” (co-author, with Cynthia D. Coe), International Association for Philosophy and Literature, 2001.

“The Starting Point of the Jena *Wissenschaftslehre*: The Primacy of Practical Reason in Fichte’s Metaphilosophy,” Fichtean Thought in Jena (Warwick, England), 2000.

“Idealism Is the Only Possible Philosophy: Systematicity and the Fichtean Fact of Reason,” American Philosophical Association (Central Division), 2000.

“The Proletariat as Neurotic: A Žižekian Symptomatology of Natural Rights,” Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, 1999.

“Freud among the Ruins: Re-visions of Psychoanalytic Method,” Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, 1999.

“Postmodern Shock: Ironic Aesthetics in Vattimo’s *Transparent Society*,” International Association for Philosophy and Literature, 1999.

“Autonomy as Repression: A Žižekian Reading of Natural Rights,” Conference on Value Inquiry, 1999.

“Relativism and the *Übermensch*: The Possibility of a Nietzschean Ideal,” Graduate Student Conference, Department of Philosophy, Washington University, 1998.

“The Possibility of a Postmodern Aesthetic: Vattimo’s *Transparent Society* as Pastiche,” Graduate Student Symposium, Department of French and Italian, University of Wisconsin, 1998.

“Foot’s Non-Radical Relativism: The Intersubjectivity of Objective Moral Constraints,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, 1998.

“Schopenhauer Versus Kierkegaard on Evil in Tragedy: The Case of the Modern Antigone,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, 1997.

“Dretske’s ‘Conclusive Reasons’ Naturalized; or, Conclusive Causes,” Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters, 1994.

“A Problem with Kant’s Examples of the Moral Law,” Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters, 1993.

“Conrad’s Use of a Freudian Taxonomy in Conrad’s *Heart of Darkness*,” Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters, 1991.

Invited Academic Presentations

“A Copernican Revolution in Ethics? A Metaphilosophical Analysis of Kantians on Animals,” NYU-Princeton Workshop on Kant, Animals, and the Environment, 2025.

Commentator, Workshop on Philosophy of Criminal Law and Punishment, University of Washington, 2024.

“What Do Philosophers Do?” Keynote Address, Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2023.

“Ideal Panelist” for Samuel Kahn, “Kant’s Violinist: Reconstructing Kant’s Position on Abortion and the Right to Life,” Virtual North American Kant Society, “Choose Your Ideal Commentators” series, 2021.

“Medical Ethics for the Child Life Specialist,” Pacific Northwest Child Life Conference, 2017.

“Maya Lin’s Aesthetic,” Yakima Valley College and the Larson Gallery, 2017.

“Medical Ethics in a Pediatric Context,” Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences, 2017.

“Ethics in Focus: Capital Punishment,” Wenatchee Valley College, 2017.

“Transparency and Ethics in the Media and Other Professions” (panel), Association for Practical

and Professional Ethics, 2014.

“The Use of Imaginary Cases in Practical Ethics” (panel), Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2011.

“The Argument from Potential in the Abortion Debate,” Philosophy Department Colloquium, Washington State University, 2011.

University Presentations (at Central Washington University)

“2024 U.S. Elections: Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives” (panel), Philosophy & Comparative Religion Department, 2024.

“Climate Change and You: A Town Hall Discussion of Eco-Anxiety,” Living with Climate Change Series, 2024

“Public Philosophy in and beyond the Classroom,” CAH High Impact Practices Showcase (SOURCE), 2023.

“Abortion: Ethics, Privacy, and Technology Post-Roe” (panel), Philosophy & Comparative Religion Department Colloquium, 2023.

“Evolving Ethics about Animals: Is ‘Man’ Still the Measure of Everything?” Science Seminar Series, College of the Sciences/Biology Department, 2022.

“Philosophy of Punishment” (panel), Philosophy & Religious Studies Club, 2022.

“Triaging during the Coronavirus Pandemic,” Douglas Honors College “Confab with Faculty,” 2022.

“Ethics and the Pandemic: Global Responses” (panel), Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2021.

“Harry Potter and the Humanities: Muggle Talk on the Boy Who Lived” (panel), Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2018.

“Rogues and Heroes: *Star Wars* and the Cultural Imagination” (panel), Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2017.

“Is the Death Penalty Unconstitutional?” Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2014.

“Personhood for Chimpanzees?” Primate Behavior and Ecology Colloquium, 2014.

“Justifying Punishment in the Face of Uncertainty,” Phi Kappa Phi Scholar of the Year Lecture,

2013.

“Freud’s Importance for Philosophy,” College of Arts & Humanities Speaker Series, 2012.

“What Is Business Ethics?” Society for Human Resource Management, 2012.

“Anthropocentrism and Animal Minds,” Primate Awareness Week, 2011.

“Research in Philosophy” (panel), Undergraduate Research Week, 2011.

“Free Market Environmentalism; or, A Free Market Defense of Environmental Taxes and Regulation,” Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2011.

“Applying to Graduate Schools in the Arts and Humanities” (panel), College of Arts & Humanities, 2010.

“Is It Right to Eat Meat?” Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2010.
Version of the talk also presented for Primate Awareness Week, 2010.

“Maya Lin’s Aesthetic,” Douglas Honors College Lecture Series, 2010.

“Biomedical Ethics: Incorporating Academic Service-Learning into the Ethics Curriculum,” College of Arts & Humanities Speaker Series, 2009.

“Environmental Ethics and Social Justice,” CWU Democrats, State of the Environment Series, 2008.

“Your Right to Privacy,” Douglas Honors College Kamola Forum, 2007.

“Preparing for and Applying to Graduate School,” Alpha Kappa Psi (academic fraternity), 2006.

“Do We Have Free Will?” Douglas Honors College First-Year Forum, 2005.

“Is the War in Iraq a Just War?” Interdisciplinary Faculty Forum: The Anatomy of War, 2005.

“*Chinatown* and the Problem of Moral Luck,” Douglas Honors College Kamola Forum, 2004.

“The Ethics of the Death Penalty,” Philosophy & Religious Studies Department Colloquium, 2004.

Community Presentations

“Living a Meaningful Life,” The Good Life Project, CWU Ethics Lab and the Ellensburg Public Library, 2022.

“Ethics without God,” Kittitas Valley Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 2019.

“Direct Duties to Nature,” Kittitas Valley Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 2018.

“Challenges to Religious Faith,” Kittitas Valley Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 2017.

“An Argument for Ethical Vegetarianism,” Vegetarians of Yakima, 2017.

“What Is Religious Faith? Kant versus Kierkegaard,” Kittitas Valley Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 2016.

“End-of-Life Ethics” (panel), Hospice Foundation of America, 2012.

Panel discussion/question-and-answer session following a showing of the Hospice Foundation’s continuing education program on end-of-life ethical dilemmas.

“The Ethics of Caregiving,” Aging and Long-Term Care, Kittitas County, 2008.

Afternoon class on ethics as it relates to the care of seniors in assisted-living environments.

“KVCH Leadership Training: Ethics Workshop,” Kittitas Valley Community Hospital, 2007.

All-day seminar for hospital staff/administrators on medical ethics and business ethics.

Courses Taught, Central Washington University (2003-present)

(taught in person unless otherwise noted)

Introductory Philosophy Courses

PHIL 101: Philosophical Inquiry (taught in person and fully online)

PHIL 103: What Is Enlightenment? (taught in person, hybrid, and fully online)

PHIL 104: Moral Controversies

PHIL 115: Meaning of Life

PHIL 151: Arguments about Life and Death (taught in person and hybrid)

PHIL 201: Introduction to Logic

PHIL 202: Introduction to Ethics

PHIL 210: Current Ethical Issues

Upper-Division Philosophy Courses

PHIL 301: Change the World through Public Philosophy

PHIL 302: Ethical Theory

PHIL 304: Business Ethics (taught in person and hybrid)

PHIL 306: Environmental Ethics

PHIL 308: Medical Ethics

PHIL 347: Philosophy of Law

PHIL 348: Social and Political Philosophy

PHIL 354: Kant and Nineteenth-Century Philosophy

PHIL 403: Philosophy of Art

PHIL 465: Advanced Ethics: Freedom and Responsibility

PHIL 485: Capstone Project

PHIL 488: Junior Seminar: Philosophy and the Constitution

PHIL 488: Junior Seminar: Kant's *Critique of Pure Reason*

PHIL 488: Junior Seminar: Autonomy and Paternalism

PHIL 490: Cooperative Education

Supervised cooperative education at local organizations, teaching assistantships, and research assistantships.

PHIL 494: Undergraduate Thesis Preparation

PHIL 495: Undergraduate Thesis

PHIL 496: Animal Minds: Consciousness, Socialization, and Moral Status (Independent Study)

PHIL 496: Environmental Ethics and Primatology (Independent Study)

PHIL 497: Honors Thesis

PHIL/ART 498 (Special Topics): Philosophy of Art (team-taught)

Honors Courses (Douglas Honors College)

DHC 140: Humanistic Understanding: Philosophy of Sport

DHC 331/332/333: The Modern Period: Montaigne to Kierkegaard (over three quarters)

DHC 399: Animals, Human and Nonhuman

DHC 399: Punishment

DHC 480: Abortions and Executions (Interdisciplinary Senior Seminar)

DHC 480: Mass Incarceration (Interdisciplinary Senior Seminar)

Graduate Course (Primate Behavior MA)

PRIM 505: History of Primate Interconnections

Awards and Grants

Awards

National Residence Hall Honorary's H.O.P.E. (Honoring our Professor's Excellence) Award (nominated), 2022, 2023

Distinguished Professor of the University – Service, 2019

Outstanding Chair Award, College of Arts & Humanities, 2015

Academic Service-Learning Award ("for outstanding commitment to the inclusion of academic service-learning in teaching"), 2015

Distinguished Professor of the University – Research, 2014

Scholar of the Year, Phi Kappa Phi honor society, CWU chapter, 2013

Outstanding Faculty Award – Service, College of Arts & Humanities, 2012

Wilfrid Sellars Essay Prize (“awarded annually for the best essay on any topic that demonstrates the continued relevance of Kant’s philosophy”), North American Kant Society, 2010

Outstanding Faculty Award – Research, College of Arts & Humanities, 2010

CWU Alumni Association’s Excellence in Teaching Award, 2010

Distinguished Professor of the University – Teaching (Non-Tenure-Track), 2009

Keys to Success Award (“for supporting women’s achievement and advancement”), Center for Student Empowerment, 2009

Outstanding Non-Tenure Track Faculty Award – Teaching, College of Arts & Humanities, 2008

External Grants

American Philosophical Association Berry Fund for Public Philosophy, to develop a Philosophy Café, 2021 (declined)

NEH Enduring Questions: Pilot Course Grant, to develop a cross-disciplinary course titled “Human Nature and the Tragic,” 2009 (declined)

Internal Grants

Faculty Release Appointment, School of Graduate Studies and Research, for *A Theory of Punishment*, spring 2020

International Studies and Programs Advisory Committee (ISPAC) Grant, for conference travel to Seoul, South Korea, 2017

Faculty Summer Research Appointment, School of Graduate Studies and Research, for *The Palgrave Kant Handbook*, 2015

Summer Research Grant, College of Arts & Humanities, for *Freud and German Philosophy*, 2012

Full-time faculty travel grant, College of Arts & Humanities, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014

American Association of University Professors Grant, 2010

Special Events funding (for the Ethics Bowl competition), College of Arts & Humanities, 2010

Summer Teaching Grant, College of Arts & Humanities, to develop a service-learning course in medical ethics, 2008

Co-author, Spheres of Distinction Grant to develop a CWU Ethics Center, 2008 (declined)

Co-author, Spheres of Distinction Grant for the William O. Douglas Honors College, for curriculum development, 2007; grant approved and funded for \$68,000

Professional Development

Equity-Minded Teacher Certificate, November 2023-February 2024

Outcomes: Consider the history that undergirds contemporary racial inequities, develop a deeper racial literacy to understand equity gaps, explore culturally relevant pedagogies, build equitable classroom communities, incorporate anti-racist curriculum from a decolonial and abolitionist framework, attend to students' linguistic diversity, and develop anti-racist assessment strategies.

Anti-racism, Diversity and Inclusively Summer Faculty Workshop, September 2023

Explanation of the new ADI graduation requirement and how the requirement will be met by CWU students; the value and importance of anti-racism, diversity, and inclusivity in higher education and the CWU curriculum; review and explanation of the five ADI-specific Learner Outcomes and strategies for incorporating the outcomes into course(s); step-by-step overview of submitting course proposals; opportunity to work on ADI course proposal(s) and receive help from ADI faculty.

Informed & Engaged Teaching: Gender, Sexuality & Equity, CWU Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program, April-May 2021, November 2021-May 2022

A series of faculty- and staff-led online workshops about specific topics relevant to gender and sexuality in teaching and professional lives, with a focus on practical and interactive faculty development.

Foundations for Online and Remote Instruction, CWU Department of Multimodal Learning, August 2020

College Teaching and Learning in Hispanic Serving Institutions, Escala Educational Services, September 2019-April 2020

Training, coaching, and individual research designed to improve student engagement and learning among underrepresented and especially Latinx students.

Academic Chairpersons Conference, February 2018

Including pre-conference workshop on "Informed Leadership through Assessment"

Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R), Advancing Ethical Research Conference, November 2017

Harvard University Graduate School of Education, Management Development Program, June 2014

Two-week program for entry- to mid-level academic administrators early in their careers. The program is designed to enhance leaders' abilities in developing an academic vision, planning, financial management, human resource management, and

leading change.

Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions, Promoting Research Integrity: A Workshop for Research Faculty and Administrators, February 2014

Northwest Association for Biomedical Research, Research with Animals: Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, February 2012

Council on Undergraduate Research Institute, Mentorship, Collaboration, and Undergraduate Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities, February 2011

Environmental Ethics Institute, Center for Ethics, University of Montana, August 2008
“Environmental Ethics and Public Policy,” taught by Andrew Light, August 4-8, 2008
“Gender, Health, the Environment, and Social Justice: Exploring Their Interconnections,” taught by Karen Warren, August 1-2, 2008

Service

Professional Service

Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Institutes for Higher Education Faculty grant program, 2024

Member, American Philosophical Association’s Committee on Philosophy and Medicine (appointed, three-year term), 2014-2017

Organized and chaired session on “The Metaphysics of the Human Person and the Definition of Death” at the American Philosophical Association (Central Division) meeting, March 2016

Lead Co-Organizer, hosting the Northwest Philosophy Conference at Central Washington University, 2014

Member, American Philosophical Association’s Committee on the Teaching of Philosophy (appointed, three-year term), 2011-2014

Organized and chaired session on “Academic Service-Learning in Philosophy Courses” at the American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division) meeting, February 2013

Editorial board member, *International Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities*, 2010-2015

Manuscript referee:

Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

Bioethics

Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy

Ethical Theory and Moral Practice

European Journal of Philosophy
Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism
Journal of Business Ethics
Journal of Ethics
Journal of the American Philosophical Association
Journal of Value Inquiry
Kantian Journal
Kantian Review
Public Affairs Quarterly
Sport, Ethics and Philosophy
Studi Kantiani
Studies in Philosophy and Education
Teaching Philosophy

Peer reviewer:

Bloomsbury Press
Cambridge University Press
Hackett Publishing
McGraw-Hill Publishers
Oxford University Press
Routledge
SUNY Press
Wiley-Blackwell

Wrote endorsement for: Samuel Kahn, *A Problem-Based Ethics Synthesis* (Rowman & Littlefield 2024).

External peer reviewer of faculty:

Emerson College
University of Delaware

Lifetime memberships:

Association for Practical and Professional Ethics
Phi Beta Kappa

University Service, Central Washington University (2003-present)

Chair, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies/Comparative Religion, fall 2013-summer 2018, fall 2023-present

Member (alternate), Personnel Committee, College of Arts & Humanities

Member, fall 2025-spring 2026
Alternate, fall 2022-spring 2023

Member, Human Subjects Review Council (institutional review board [IRB]), winter 2004-present

Chair, fall 2016-spring 2025

Faculty member, Primate Behavior and Ecology Program, spring 2010-present

Chair, United Faculty of Central (UFC) Bargaining Team, summer 2019-spring 2021, summer 2022-spring 2023, fall 2024-spring 2025

Member, Personnel Committee, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies, fall 2018-spring 2019, fall 2020-spring 2023

Member, University Distinguished Faculty Awards Committee, winter-spring 2010, winter 2023

Co-Chair, Ethics Lab Planning Committee, fall 2020-winter 2021

Member, Ad Hoc Personnel Committee, Theatre Department, fall 2020

Department Senator, Faculty Senate, fall 2015-spring 2019

Faculty Senate Executive Committee, fall 2016-summer 2017

President, United Faculty of Central (faculty union), summer 2017-spring 2019

Chair, Labor-Management Council, fall 2017-spring 2019

Member, College of Arts & Humanities Awards Committee

Faculty Teaching, spring 2016

Faculty Research, spring 2015

Undergraduate Scholarship, spring 2014

Faculty Service, spring 2013

Faculty Research, spring 2011

Non-Tenure Track Teaching, spring 2010

Summer Teaching Grant, spring 2009

Undergraduate Scholarship, spring 2007

Part-Time Faculty Member, spring 2005

Member, Steering Committee, "Mass Incarceration and Racial Justice: Black and Brown Lives Do Matter," spring 2015-spring 2016

Chair, Search Committee, Chair/tenured position in Communication, fall 2015-winter 2016

Member, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, fall 2011-spring 2015

Advisor, Phi Sigma Tau, International Honor Society in Philosophy, fall 2014-spring 2015

Chair, Search Committee, tenure-track position in Religious Studies, spring 2014-winter 2015

Member, Search Committee, Dean of the College of Arts & Humanities, fall 2013-winter 2014

Member, Faculty Senate New College Ad Hoc Committee (to determine whether to split the College of Education and Professional Studies), winter 2014-spring 2014

Coach and advisor, Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl debate team, fall 2007-fall 2013

Director, William O. Douglas Honors College, fall 2009-summer 2013
Interim Director, summer 2007-summer 2009

Chair, Douglas Honors College Advisory Committee, fall 2011-spring 2013

Member, Faculty Development and Research Council, fall 2012-spring 2013

Member, Undergraduate Research Advisory Committee, fall 2012-spring 2013

Member, Department Personnel Committee, fall 2012-spring 2013

Member, Science Honors Advisory Council, fall 2007-spring 2013

Member, Strategic Planning: Teaching and Learning Subcommittee, spring-fall 2012

Member, Douglas Honors College Curriculum Committee, fall 2006-spring 2011
Chair, winter 2008-spring 2011

Member, United Faculty of Central Bargaining Team, spring 2011
Ad hoc Bargaining Team: Service, winter-spring 2012

Member, Search Committee, non-tenure-track position in Philosophy, spring 2011

Department Service-Learning/Internship Coordinator, fall 2009-fall 2010

Member, President's Retention Task Force, spring 2009-fall 2009

Academic Service-Learning Faculty Fellow, fall 2008-spring 2009

Non-Tenure Track Faculty Representative, Faculty Senate, fall 2007-spring 2009

Member, Writing across the Curriculum Task Force, winter 2009

Faculty Advisor, Philosophy & Religious Studies Club, fall 2006-fall 2008

Chair, Douglas Honors College Assessment Committee, fall 2007-spring 2008

Coach and advisor, College Bowl academic quiz team, fall 2004-winter 2006

Community Service

Commissioner, Public Hospital District 1, Board of Commissioners (publicly elected, six-year term; elected 2015, reelected 2021), January 2016-present

President, January 2018-December 2019, January 2023-present

Vice President, September 2016-December 2017, January-December 2022

Secretary, January 2020-December 2021

Regular duties

- Provide governance oversight of Kittitas Valley Healthcare (KVH), with over 700 employees and an annual revenue of approximately \$240 million in 2023
- Determine district policies, support services, and provide facilities that meet community healthcare needs
- Review qualifications and grant clinical privileges to providers, as appropriate
- Provide for the sound administration and application of public funds, adopting annual budgets for the district as required by law
- Hire and review the performance of a CEO, who implements policies adopted by the Board

Special accomplishments

- Regularly lobby state legislators in Olympia, Washington, and federal legislators in Washington, DC, for the Washington State Hospital Association and the American Hospital Association
- In 2024, revised and passed a new Board compensation and travel policy
- In 2017, developed new organizational mission, vision, and values, including a new strategic plan that focuses on access to care, community engagement, partnerships and collaboration, and financial sustainability
 - In 2021, refreshed the strategic plan, with renewed/revised focus on access to care, customer experience, partnerships and collaboration, and financial sustainability
- Hired new CEOs for the district in 2016 and 2024
- Added many new services to KVH, including:
 - cardiology
 - neurology
 - vascular surgery
 - nephrology
 - maternal fetal medicine
 - otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, and throat [ENT])
 - rapid access
 - 24-hour outpatient pharmacy
 - workplace health
 - wound care program

- pediatrics
- dermatology
- inpatient dialysis
- expanded physical therapy
- integrated behavioral health
- “ouchless” ER
- digital mammography
- COVID-19 clinic
- Developed a comprehensive Master Site and Facilities Plan, including the purchase of the Medical Arts Center and the Radio Hill Annex
- Implemented a new electronic health records (EHR) system
- Increased community engagement, including participating in Community Healthcare Roundtables and initiating Coffee with a Commissioner

Committees

- Chair, Quality Improvement Council, 2016-present
- Member (*ex officio*), Medical Executive Committee, 2020-present
- Member, Provider Values Alignment Committee (contracts, compensation, and incentives), 2018-2024
- Chair, CEO Evaluation Subcommittee, 2018-2019, 2023

Development

- AHA Leadership Summit, Nashville, TN, July 2025
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2025
- WSHA Hospital Advocacy Days, Olympia, WA, February 2025
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2024
- AHA Annual Membership Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2024
- WSHA Hospital Advocacy Days, Olympia, WA, January 2024
- AHA Annual Membership Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2023
- WSHA Annual Meeting, Renton, WA, October 2023
- AHA Leadership Summit, Seattle, WA, July 2023
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2023
- AHA Annual Membership Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2023
- AHA Leadership Summit, San Diego, CA, July 2022
- AHA Rural Health Care Leadership Conference, Phoenix, AZ, February 2022
- AHA Rural Health Care Leadership Conference (virtual), February 2021
- WSHA Hospital Advocacy Days, Olympia, WA, February 2020
- WSHA Annual Meeting, Renton, WA, October 2019
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2019
- AHA Annual Membership Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2019
- AHA Rural Health Care Leadership Conference, Phoenix, AZ, February 2019
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2018
- CEO and Trustee Patient Safety Summit, WSHA, Seattle, WA, April 2018
- AHA & WSHA Rural Advocacy Days, Washington, DC, September 2017

- Coverys Risk Management Bootcamp, Spokane, WA, September 2017
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2017
- WSHA & AWPHD Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, Chelan, WA, June 2016
- WSMA Leadership Development Conference, Chelan, WA, May 2016
- CEO and Trustee Patient Safety Summit, WSHA, Seattle, WA, May 2016

Certifications

- WSHA Health Care Governance Certification, 2023

Member, Rural Collaborative Ethics Committee, 2022-present

Regular duties

- Study the relevant ethical frameworks and learn how to apply them to the issues facing rural healthcare providers
- Review, discuss, and provide advisory guidance to members of the Rural Collaborative who request input on cases that are causing ethical distress and conflict

Member, American Hospital Association Committee on Governance (appointed, three-year term), 2020-2022

Regular duties

- Participate in the AHA's advocacy, policy, and resource development, with a particular focus on strategic opportunities
- Attend COG meetings three times a year
- Lead effective trustee involvement in grassroots advocacy and enhance communication with and involvement of trustees

Member, Crisis Standards of Care (CSC) Regional Clinical Triage Team, April 2020-March 2022
Co-Chair, September 2021-March 2022

Regular duties

- As a medical ethicist, provide guidance to eastern Washington hospitals regarding the allocation of scarce medical resources (e.g., ICU beds and ventilators) during the COVID-19 pandemic

Member, Medical Ethics Committee, Kittitas Valley Healthcare, 2007-2015

Regular duties

- Provide a forum for the discussion of ethical questions and be available as a resource for physicians, nurses, staff, patients, and families who face ethical dilemmas
- Develop educational programs on ethical questions
- Draft and review hospital policies for addressing issues of moral importance
- Help to integrate ethical considerations into patient care decisions

Special accomplishments

- Developed framework for ethical decision making, as a reference for the committee
- Reviewed KVH policy on "Withdrawing Life Support When Brain Death Has Occurred," to align with Washington State Supreme Court recommendations