

Curriculum Vitae

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Professional Experience

Central Washington University (2003-present)

2017-present: Professor

2013-present: Chair, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies (elected position)

Regular duties

- Oversee department with:
 - six tenured/tenure-track faculty, three full-time non-tenure-track faculty, two part-time non-tenure-track faculty, and one staff member
 - an annual budget of about \$1,000,000
 - two majors (Philosophy and Religious Studies) and three minors (Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Ethics)
- Assess students through the department's assessment plan and the program through university-wide Strategic Planning process
- Budget funds and develop new revenue streams under a Responsibility-Centered Management (RCM)/Activity-Based Budgeting (ABB) structure
- 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 or increase the visibility of the department and the college with public events, including department colloquia and invited speakers

Special accomplishments

- 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 learner 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 November 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: Exonerates Tell Their Story” and “Rogues and Heroes: *Star Wars* and the Cultural Imagination”

2017-present: President, United Faculty of Central (faculty union) (elected position)

Regular duties

- Represent the bargaining unit (all faculty) at meetings with the administration
- File grievances and complaints, as necessary
- Preside at all UFC meetings
- Serve as a member of the Labor-Management Council
- Appoint and/or discharge 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 at an annual meeting

Special accomplishments

- Assisting in implementing a new Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) (2017-2020)
- Creating a new system of UFC liaisons/stewards
- Hosted a public talk by Bill Lyne, President, United Faculty of Washington State

2012-2017: Associate Professor (tenured)

2009-2013: Director, William O. Douglas Honors College

Regular duties

- Worked with deans and department chairs to staff honors courses; recruited honors instructors from among the faculty
- Managed annual budget of about \$350,000
- Supervised office staff (one secretary and one student worker)
- Recruited prospective and existing CWU students, and retained current honors students
- Scheduled courses
- Advised the DHC Living-Learning Community (special housing for DHC students)
- Advised all incoming honors students
- Organized quarterly cultural events
- Managed DHC website
- Advertised 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 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 strong 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: Interim Director, William O. Douglas Honors College

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

Kant

Nineteenth-Century Philosophy

Applied Ethics

Philosophy of Law

Areas of Concentration

Normative Ethics

Social/Political Philosophy

Philosophy of Art

Publications

Series

(series editor) *Palgrave Handbooks in German Idealism*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

- Published: *The Palgrave Kant Handbook* (ed. M. C. Altman, 2017), *The Palgrave Schopenhauer Handbook* (ed. S. Shapshay, 2017).
- Under contract: *The Palgrave Hegel Handbook* (ed. M. Bykova and K. Westphal, 2018), *The Palgrave Fichte Handbook* (ed. S. Hoeltzel, 2018), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Romantic Philosophy* (ed. E. Millán, 2018), *The Palgrave Schelling Handbook* (ed. S. McGrath and K. Bruff, 2018), *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Existentialism* (ed. J. Stewart, 2019), *The Palgrave Tillich Handbook* (ed. R. Re Manning and H. Matern, 2019).
- Planned: *The Palgrave Handbook of Transcendental, Neo-Kantian, and Psychological Idealism*; *The Palgrave Handbook of Critics of Idealism*; *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Analytic Philosophy*; *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Phenomenology*; *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism, Deconstruction, and Its Aftermath*; *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism and Feminist Philosophy*.

Books

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

(editor) *The Palgrave Handbook of German Idealism*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014.
Reviewed in: *Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy, Continental Philosophy Review, Kant-Studien*.

(coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe) *The Fractured Self in Freud and German Philosophy*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2013.
Reviewed in: *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, Mass.: Wiley-Blackwell, 2011.
Reviewed in: *Choice, Diametros, Ethical Perspectives, Ethics & Behavior, Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews, Synthesis Philosophica*.

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

Book Chapters

"A Two-Aspects View of Punishment." In *Natur und Freiheit: Akten des 12. Internationalen Kant-Kongresses 2015*, ed. Violetta L. Waibel und Margit Ruffing. Berlin: de Gruyter, forthcoming (2018).

"The Letter and the Spirit: Kant's Metaphysics and Fichte's Epistemology." In *The Palgrave Fichte Handbook*, ed. Steven Hoeltzel. London: Palgrave Macmillan, forthcoming (2018).

"Fichte's Meditations: The Practical Reality of the 'Real World' in *The Vocation of Man*." In *The Bloomsbury Companion to Fichte*, ed. Marina Bykova. London: Bloomsbury, forthcoming (2018).

"A Practical Account of Kantian Freedom." In *The Palgrave Kant Handbook*, ed. Matthew C. Altman, 211-42. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017.

"Wolves, Dogs, and Moral Geniuses: Anthropocentrism in Schopenhauer and Freud" (coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe). In *The Palgrave Schopenhauer Handbook*, ed. Sandra Shapshay, 447-71. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017.

"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.

"Fichte's Anti-Hegelian Legacy." In *Fichte, German Idealism, and Early Romanticism*, ed. Daniel Breazeale and Tom Rockmore, 275-85. Amsterdam: Rodopi, 2010.

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

Journal Articles

"Fichte's Practical Response to the Problem of Other Minds." *Revista de Estudios sobre Fichte*, forthcoming.

"The Limits of Kant's Cosmopolitanism: Theory, Practice, and the Crisis in Syria." *Kantian Review* 22, no. 2 (June 2017): 179-204.

"Arbitrariness and the California Death Penalty." *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law* 14, no. 1 (2016): 217-30, moritzlaw.osu.edu/students/groups/osjcl/files/2016/12/08-Altman.pdf.

"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.

"Mandatory Ultrasound Laws and the Coercive Use of Informed Consent" (coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe). *Techné: Research in Philosophy and Technology* 16, no. 1 (Winter 2012): 16-30. (Special issue: "Feminism, Autonomy, and Reproductive Technology.")

"The Social Construction of Intellectual Property." *Theoretical and Applied Ethics* 1, no. 1 (Nov. 2010), 41-42, blogs.montclair.edu/tae/files/2011/01/TAE-Vol.-1-No.1-Intellectual-Property.pdf.

"Kant on Sex and Marriage: The Implications for the Same-Sex Marriage Debate." *Kant-Studien* 101, no. 3 (Sept. 2010): 309-30.

"Ethics beyond the Academy: Service-Learning as Professional Development." *Teaching Philosophy* 33, no. 2 (June 2010): 149-71.

"Beyond the Great Books: Increasing the Flexibility, Scope, and Appeal of an Honors Curriculum." *Honors in Practice* 6 (2010): 125-39.

"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.

"The Self as Creature and Creator: Fichte and Freud against the Enlightenment" (coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe). *Idealistic Studies* 37, no. 3 (Fall 2007): 179-202.

"The Decomposition of the Corporate Body: What Kant Cannot Contribute to Business Ethics." *Journal of Business Ethics* 74, no. 3 (Sept. 2007): 253-66.

"The Paradoxes of a Convalescent History: Nietzsche's Genealogy as a Form of Working-Through" (coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe). *New Nietzsche Studies* 6/7 (Fall 2005/Spring 2006): 116-28.

"Subjecting Ourselves to Capital Punishment: A Rejoinder to Kantian Retributivism." *Public Affairs Quarterly* 19, no. 4 (Oct. 2005): 247-64.

"What's the Use of Philosophy? Democratic Citizenship and the Direction of Higher Education." *Educational Theory* 54, no. 2 (May 2004): 143-55.

"Willful History: Nietzsche, Nihilism, and the Possibility of Freedom" (coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe). *International Studies in Philosophy* 36, no. 3 (2004): 5-13.

"Idealism Is the Only Possible Philosophy: Systematicity and the Fichtean Fact of Reason." *Idealistic Studies* 31, no. 1 (Winter 2001): 1-30.

"Santayana's Troubled Distinction: Aesthetics and Ethics in *The Sense of Beauty*." *Bulletin of the Santayana Society* 16 (Fall 1998): 25-34.

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

Editorials

"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, www.enlightenment-revolution.org/index.php/Main_Page.

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 Anil Gomes and Andrew Stephenson, eds., *Kant and the Philosophy of Mind: Perception, Reason, and the Self*. *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, forthcoming.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Review of J. G. Fichte, *Attempt at a Critique of All Revelation*, trans. Garrett Green. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (May 2010), ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=19829.

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

Review of J. G. Fichte, *The Science of Knowing: J. G. Fichte's 1804 Lectures on the 'Wissenschaftslehre'*, trans. Walter E. Wright. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (Nov. 2005), ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=4561.

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

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

Current Projects

“Taking Kant Seriously on End-of-Life Issues: Physician-Assisted Suicide and Forgoing Life-Sustaining Treatment” (journal article), submitted.

“Animal Suffering and Moral Salience” (conference presentation), submitted.

“The Two Cultures of Assessment” (newsletter article), in process.

A Theory of Punishment (book), in process.

Presentations

Conference Presentations

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

“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, 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, 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” (coauthor, with Cynthia D. Coe), 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” (coauthor, 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" (coauthor, 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" (coauthor, 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" (coauthor, 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 (University of Warwick), 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 Presentations

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

“Maya Lin’s Aesthetic,” Yakima Valley Community 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 Community College, 2017.

“Transparency and Ethics in the Media and Other Professions” (panel), Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2014.

“Author Meets Critics: *Kant and Applied Ethics*,” Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, 2012.

“On the Uses and Disadvantages of the Ticking Bomb Case for Life” (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)

“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 and 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 and 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 and 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

“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)

Introductory philosophy courses

PHIL 101: Introduction to Philosophy

PHIL 115: Meaning of Life

PHIL 201: Introduction to Logic

PHIL 202: Introduction to Ethics

PHIL 210: Current Ethical Issues

Upper-division philosophy courses

PHIL 302: Ethical Theory

PHIL 304: Business Ethics

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 488: Junior Seminar: Autonomy and Paternalism

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

PHIL 465: Advanced Ethics: Freedom and Responsibility

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)

Upper-division honors courses (Douglas Honors College)

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

DHC 399: Animals, Human and Nonhuman

DHC 399: Punishment

Graduate course (Primate Behavior MA)

PRIM 505: History of Primate Interconnections

Awards and Grants

Awards

Outstanding Chair Award, College of Arts and 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 and 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 and 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 and Humanities, 2008

External grant

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

Internal grants

Faculty Research Appointment (winter 2019), School of Graduate Studies and Research, for *A Theory of Punishment*, 2018

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 and Humanities, for *Freud and German Philosophy*, 2012

Full-time faculty travel grant, College of Arts and 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 and Humanities, 2010

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

Coauthor, Spheres of Distinction Grant to develop a CWU Ethics Center, 2008; rejected

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

Part-time faculty travel grant, College of Arts and Humanities, 2004, 2006, 2007

Professional Development

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

Ethics Center Colloquia, in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

"Data Sharing," March 2012

"Outreach, Consultation and Survival in Economic Hard Times," March 2010

"Building from the Base," March 2009

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

Professional Service

Member, American Philosophical Association's Committee on Philosophy and Medicine (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), 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 (three-year term, 2011-2014)

Organized and chaired session on academic service-learning at the American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division), March 2013

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

Manuscript referee:

Kantian Review

European Journal of Philosophy

Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

Public Affairs Quarterly

Journal of Business Ethics

Studies in Philosophy and Education

Teaching Philosophy

Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism

Peer reviewer:

Cambridge University Press

Bloomsbury Press

McGraw-Hill Publishers

Wiley-Blackwell

Routledge Press

Oxford University Press

SUNY Press

Memberships:

American Philosophical Association

Association for Practical and Professional Ethics

North American Kant Society

North American Fichte Society

North American Society for Social Philosophy
Phi Beta Kappa

External peer reviewer of faculty:
Emerson College

University Service, Central Washington University (2003-present)

Chair, Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies, fall 2013-present

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

Chair, Labor-Management Council, fall 2017-present

Member, Human Subjects Review Council, winter 2004-present
Chair, fall 2016-present

Department Senator, Faculty Senate, fall 2015-present
Faculty Senate Executive Committee, fall 2016-summer 2017

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

Member, College of Arts and Humanities Awards Committee

Faculty Teaching, spring 2016

Faculty Research, spring 2015

Undergraduate Scholarship, 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 and 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, University Distinguished Faculty Awards Committee, winter-spring 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 position, six-year term), January 2016-present

 President, January 2018-present

 Vice-president, September 2016-December 2017

Development:

- Rural Advocacy Days, Washington, DC, September 2017
- Coverys Risk Management Bootcamp, September 2017
- WSHA & AWPHD 40th Annual Rural Hospital Leadership Conference, June 2016
- WSMA Leadership Development Conference, "Achieving the Quadruple Aim," May 2016
- CEO and Trustee Patient Safety Summit, Washington State Hospital Association (WSHA), May 2016 and April 2018

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