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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Accomplished academic teacher-scholar with administrative experience and a successful record of curriculum development, promoting student success, and facilitating effective assessment of student learning in higher education.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Provost for Academic Assessment and General Education
University of Central Arkansas

2020 – Present

The Assistant Provost for Academic Assessment and General Education leads and supports academic departments and programs in the assessment of student learning outcomes and directs the University of Central Arkansas' general education program. Position responsibilities include:

In the domain of Academic Assessment, the Assistant Provost for Academic Assessment and General Education:

- ♦ Provides expertise and consultative support to academic programs in (a) identifying mission-relevant goals and measurable outcomes; (b) developing appropriate direct and indirect measures of these outcomes; (c) collecting and analyzing assessment data using appropriate research methodologies and applicable software applications; and (d) assisting academic programs in drawing conclusions from assessment data to facilitate data-informed improvements in student learning.
- ♦ Implements, documents, and evaluates effective and efficient processes for conducting assessment planning, reporting, review, and use.
- ♦ Reports on progress towards achieving assessment goals to the Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness.
- ♦ Oversees the implementation of the University's survey instrument, Explorance Blue, specifically as it relates to the Student Course Evaluation Survey (SCES).
- ♦ Works collaboratively with (a) the Office of Institutional Research to ensure that relevant data resources are accessible to academic programs' continuous improvement processes and that programs are supported in ethical and responsible use of data in these processes; (b) the Center for Teaching Excellence to design and implement stakeholder training in the fundamentals of assessment and the university's academic assessment systems and processes; and (c) faculty, staff, and administrators to collect and report evidence of continuous improvement in support of the criteria for Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accreditation.
- ♦ Works with the Assessment Research Associate and the Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness to actively maintain the assessment web site, organizing and communicating the university's assessment resources and processes.
- ♦ Chairs the Academic Assessment Committee and serves as needed on other committees related to the scope of the position's responsibilities.

In the domain of General Education, the Assistant Provost for Academic Assessment and General Education:

- ♦ Directs the UCA Core program.

- ♦ Chairs the UCA Core Council
- ♦ Collaborates with others who assume responsibility for elements of the UCA Core program (e.g., FYS curriculum design, faculty development, and related activities).
- ♦ Exercises responsibility for the assessment of the UCA Core program as well as developing and implementing improvement measures.
- ♦ Acts as program chair of the UCA Core program, with authority to grant substitutions and waivers as appropriate. In this capacity, regularly consults with the office of the registrar, the academic advising center, and transfer services.
- ♦ Actively participates in standing university committees whose charge or scope includes the general education program at UCA.
- ♦ Exercises responsibility for the communication plan and all public relations for the UCA Core.

Director of the UCA Core
University of Central Arkansas

2014 – 2020

The UCA Core is an outcomes based general education program serving the more than 11,000 undergraduate students at the University of Central Arkansas. The Director of the UCA Core is responsible for the implementation and continuous improvement of the UCA Core program.

Position responsibilities include:

- ♦ Directs the UCA Core Program
- ♦ Chairs the UCA Core Council and oversees the Council's three standing sub-committees.
- ♦ Collaborates with others who assume responsibility for elements of the UCA Core program (e.g., FYS curriculum design, faculty development, and related activities).
- ♦ Exercises responsibility for the assessment of the UCA Core program as well as developing and implementing improvement measures.
- ♦ Acts as program chair of the UCA Core program, with authority to grant substitutions and waivers as appropriate. In this capacity, regularly consults with the office of the registrar, the academic advising center, and transfer services.
- ♦ Actively participates in standing university committees whose charge or scope includes the general education program at UCA.
- ♦ Exercises responsibility for the communication plan and all public relations for the UCA Core.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- ♦ Program Coordinator, Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) and Associate of Arts (AA) degrees, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, University of Central Arkansas, 2024 – Present
- ♦ Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Central Arkansas, 2019 – Present
- ♦ Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Central Arkansas, 2012 – 2019
- ♦ Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Central Arkansas, 2006 – 2012
- ♦ Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Marquette University, 2004 – 2006
- ♦ Part-Time Adjunct Faculty in Philosophy, Mount Mary College (Milwaukee, WI), 2005
- ♦ Part-Time Adjunct Faculty, Department of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, Carroll University (Waukesha, WI), 2005

EDUCATION

- ♦ Ph.D., Philosophy, Marquette University (Fall 2005)
- ♦ M.A., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee (Spring 2000)
- ♦ B.S., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin – Madison (Spring 1998)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Textbooks

- 1) *The Philosophy of Sex: Contemporary Readings*, 8th edition, edited by Raja Halwani, Jacob M. Held, Natasha McKeever, and Alan Soble, Rowman and Littlefield (2022)
 - ♦ 7th edition, edited by Raja Halwani, Alan Soble, Sarah Hoffman, and Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2017)

Edited Books

- 1) *Wheel of Time and Philosophy: A Portion of Wisdom*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley –Blackwell (2025)
- 2) *More Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Additional Hunches in Bunches*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2018)
- 3) *Wonder Woman and Philosophy: The Amazonian Mystique*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley-Blackwell (2017)
- 4) *Stephen King and Philosophy*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2016)
- 5) *Philosophy and Terry Pratchett*, edited by Jacob M. Held and James B. South, Palgrave Macmillan (2014)
- 6) *The Philosophy of Pornography: Contemporary Perspectives*, edited by Lindsay Coleman and Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014)
- 7) *Road Dahl and Philosophy: A Little Nonsense Now and Then...*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014)
- 8) *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Oh, the Things You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2011)
- 9) *James Bond and Philosophy: Questions Are Forever*, edited by James B. South and Jacob M. Held, Open Court Press (2006)

Articles, Essays, and Contributions to Books

- 1) "Introduction: A Part of What We Know," in *Wheel of Time and Philosophy: A Portion of Wisdom*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley –Blackwell (2025), pp. xiii-xiv.
- 2) "Their Choice to Make: Rand's Vision of Freewill and Evil," in *Wheel of Time and Philosophy: A Portion of Wisdom*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley –Blackwell (2025), pp. 107-116.
- 3) "The Way of the Leaf: Pacifism in the Third Age," in *Wheel of Time and Philosophy: A Portion of Wisdom*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley –Blackwell (2025), pp. 149-160.
- 4) Co-contributor, "Epilogue: A Portion of Courage," in *Wheel of Time and Philosophy: A Portion of Wisdom*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley –Blackwell (2025), pp. 191-197.
- 5) "Excursus on Suffering, Meaning, and Metaphysics in Stephen King's *Revival*," in *Theorizing Stephen King*, edited by Michael J. Blouin, Amsterdam University Press (2025), pp. 139-155.
- 6) "Gayboy Berserkers at the Gate: Sex and Gender in the Wasteland," in *Mad Max and Philosophy: Thinking through the Wasteland*, edited by Matthew P. Meyer and David Koepsell, Wiley-Blackwell (2024), pp. 170-180.
- 7) "Pornography," in *Legislating Morality in America: Debating the Morality of Controversial U.S. Laws and Policies*, edited by Don Haider-Markel, ABC-CLIO (2020), pp. 193-199.

- 8) "Film, Art, and Pornography," in *The Palgrave Handbook of the Philosophy of Film and Motion Pictures*, edited by Noël Carroll, Laura T. Di Summa-Knoop, and Shawn Loht, Palgrave Macmillan (2019), pp. 721-755.
- 9) "Epilogue: A Simple Answer," in *More Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Additional Hunches in Bunches*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2018), pp. 237-241.
- 10) "It Should be Like That! – Egoism, Philanthropy, and a Virtuous Elephant" in *More Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Additional Hunches in Bunches*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2018), pp. 97-108.
- 11) "Yooks and Zooks: The Bread and Butter of War," in *More Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Additional Hunches in Bunches*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2018), pp. 225-236.
- 12) "The Failures of Kings Derwin and Yertle: Authority, Law, and Civil Disobedience from Didd to Sala-ma-Sond," in *More Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Additional Hunches in Bunches*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2018), pp. 195-211.
- 13) "Introduction: In and For a World of Ordinary Mortals," in *Wonder Woman and Philosophy: The Amazonian Mystique*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley-Blackwell (2017), pp. 1-2.
- 14) "Wonder Woman, Worship, and Gods Almighty: Purpose in Submission to Loving Authority," in *Wonder Woman and Philosophy: The Amazonian Mystique*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Wiley-Blackwell (2017), pp. 143-150.
- 15) "On Writing Popular Philosophy," in *Stephen King and Philosophy*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2016), pp. 1-11.
- 16) "From Desperation to Haven: Horror, Compassion, and Schopenhauer," in *Stephen King and Philosophy*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2016), pp. 277-297.
- 17) with C. Taylor Sutton, "There is no God in Desperation: Tak and the Problem of Evil," in *Stephen King and Philosophy*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2016), pp. 13-34.
- 18) "What is and is not Porn: Sex, Narrative, and *Baise-Moi*," in *Sex and Storytelling in Modern Cinema: Explicit Sex, Performance, and Cinematic Technique*, edited by Lindsay Coleman, I. B. Tauris (2016), pp. 25-48.
- 19) "A Golem Is Not Born, but Rather Becomes a Woman: Gender on the Disc," in *Philosophy and Terry Pratchett*, edited by Jacob M. Held and James B. South, Palgrave Macmillan (2014), pp. 3-24.
- 20) "You (Still) Can't Get Married, You're Faggots: Mrs. Garrison and the Gay Marriage Debate," in *The Ultimate South Park and Philosophy: Respect My Philosophah!*, edited by Robert Arp and Kevin S. Decker, Wiley-Blackwell (2014), pp. 223-235.*
- 21) with Lindsay Coleman, "Why Pornography?" in *The Philosophy of Pornography: Contemporary Perspectives*, edited by Lindsay Coleman and Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014), pp. xi-xvi.
- 22) with Nina Hartley, "Porn, Sex, and Liberty: A Dialogue," in *The Philosophy of Pornography: Contemporary Perspectives*, edited by Lindsay Coleman and Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014), pp. 179-198.
- 23) "The Problem with the Problem of Pornography: Subordination, Sexualization, and Speech," in *The Philosophy of Pornography: Contemporary Perspectives*, edited by Lindsay Coleman and Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014), pp. 73-88.†

* This is a revised version of "'You Can't Get Married, You're Faggots,' Mrs. Garrison and the Gay Marriage Debate," in *South Park and Philosophy: You Know, I Learned Something Today*, edited by Robert Arp, Blackwell Publishers (2006).

† This is an expanded, revised version of "Pornography as Symptom: Refocusing the Anti-Pornography Debate on Pornification and Sexualization," *Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, Vol. 20, No. 1 (Spring 2013).

- 24) "Roald Dahl and Absurdity: Children's Literature and the Divorce between the Mind that Desires and the World that Disappoints" in *Roald Dahl and Philosophy: A Little Nonsense Now and Then...*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014), pp. 1-6.
- 25) "On Getting Our Just Desserts: Willy Wonka, Kant, and the *Summum Bonum*," in *Roald Dahl and Philosophy: A Little Nonsense Now and Then...*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014), pp. 19-32.
- 26) "The Fantastically Just Mr. Fox: Property Rights and Distributive Justice According to Foxes and Other Diggers," in *Roald Dahl and Philosophy: A Little Nonsense Now and Then...*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2014), pp. 121-136.
- 27) "Pornography as Symptom: Refocusing the Anti-Pornography Debate on Pornification and Sexualization," *Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, Vol. 20, No. 1 (Spring 2013), pp. 15-27.
- 28) "As the War Machine Keeps Turning: Just War Theory, Pacifism, and the War on Terror," in *Black Sabbath and Philosophy*, edited by William Irwin, Wiley-Blackwell (2012), pp. 171-181.
- 29) "Porn Lovers – A Dialogue," in *What Philosophy Can Tell You about Your Lover*, edited by Sharon M. Kaye, Wiley-Blackwell (2012), pp. 55-65.
- 30) "Unsettled Meddling: An introduction in verse," in *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2011), pp. xix-xxii.
- 31) "My Troubles are Going to Have Troubles with Me: Schopenhauer, Pessimism, and Nietzsche," in *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2011), pp. 15-27.
- 32) "Gertrude McFuzz Should've Read Marx, Or Sneetches of the World Unite," in *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2011), pp. 29-40.
- 33) "On Beyond Modernity, Or Conrad and a Postmodern Alphabet," in *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2011), pp. 79-91.
- 34) with Eric Wilson, "What Would You Do if Your Mother Asked You? A Brief Introduction to Ethics," in *Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!*, edited by Jacob M. Held, Rowman and Littlefield (2011), pp. 103-117.
- 35) "Honor, Dignity, and the *Summum Bonum*: Kant's Retributivism in Context," *Vera Lex: Journal of the International Natural Law Society*, New Series: Vol. 11, Nos. 1-2 (Winter 2010), pp. 75-100.
- 36) "One Man's Trash is Another Man's Pleasure: Obscenity, Pornography, and the Law," in *Porn – Philosophy for Everyone: How to Think with Kink*, edited by Dave Monroe, Wiley-Blackwell (2010), pp. 119-129.
- 37) "Marx via Feuerbach: Species-Being Revisited," *Idealistic Studies*, Vol. 39, Issues 1-3 (Spring – Summer – Fall 2009), pp. 137-148.
- 38) "Can We Steer this Rudderless World?: Kant, Rorschach, Retributivism, and Honor," in *Watchmen and Philosophy: A Rorschach Test*, edited by Mark D. White, Wiley-Blackwell (2009), pp. 19-31.
 - ♦ Reprinted in *Superheroes: The Best of Philosophy and Pop Culture*, edited by William Irwin, Wiley-Blackwell (2011)
- 39) "Axel Honneth and the Future of Critical Theory: A Survey Concerning Critical Theory's Continued Dialogue with Liberalism," *Radical Philosophy Review*, Vol. 11, No. 2 (2008), pp. 175-186.
- 40) "'The Rules of Acquisition Can't Help You Now,' What Can the Ferengi Teach Us About Business Ethics?" in *Star Trek and Philosophy: The Wrath of Kant*, edited by Jason T. Eberl and Kevin S. Decker, Open Court Press (2008), pp. 117-128.

- 41) "Til Things Get Better: Hope and Redemption in Black," in *Johnny Cash and Philosophy: The Burning Ring of Truth*, edited by John Huss and David Werther, Open Court Press (2008), pp. 127-138.
- 42) "The Morality of the Eighth Amendment: Cruelty, Dignity, and Natural Rights," *Vera Lex: Journal of the International Natural Law Society*, New Series: Vol. 8, Nos. 1-2 (Winter 2007), pp. 1-26.
- 43) "Gay Marriage, Liberalism, and Recognition: The Case for Equal Treatment," *Public Affairs Quarterly*, Vol. 21, No. 3 (July 2007), pp. 221-233.
 - ♦ Edited and Reprinted as "Gay Marriage: The Case for Equal Treatment," in *Social and Personal Ethics*, 6th, 7th and 8th Editions, edited by William H. Shaw, Wadsworth, Cengage Learning (2007, 2010, 2014)
- 44) "'All You Need is Love,' Hegel, Love, and Community" in *The Beatles and Philosophy: Nothing You Can Think that Can't Be Thunk*, edited by Michael Baur and Steven Baur, Open Court Press (2006), pp. 27-36.
- 45) "'Don't You Men Know Any Other Way?' Punishment Beyond Retributivism and Deterrence," in *James Bond and Philosophy: Questions Are Forever*, edited by James B. South and Jacob M. Held, Open Court Press (2006), pp. 139-153.
- 46) with James B. South, "'Tell me, Commander, how far does your expertise extend into the field of philosophy?' Introduction," in *James Bond and Philosophy: Questions Are Forever*, edited by James B. South and Jacob M. Held, Open Court Press (2006), pp. xiii-xv.
- 47) "'You Can't Get Married, You're Faggots,' Mrs. Garrison and the Gay Marriage Debate," in *South Park and Philosophy: You Know, I Learned Something Today*, edited by Robert Arp, Blackwell Publishers (2006), pp. 141-153.
- 48) "Expressing the Inexpressible: Lyotard and the *Differend*," *The Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology*, Vol. 36, No. 1 (January 2005), pp. 76-89.
- 49) "Justifying the Means: Punishment in the Buffyverse," in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Philosophy: Fear and Trembling in Sunnydale*, edited by James B. South, Open Court Press (2003), pp. 227-238.
- 50) "Assisted Suicide and Problems of Natural Law in Light of Political Liberalism and Pluralism," *Vera Lex: Journal of the International Natural Law Society*, New Series: Vol. 3, Nos. 1-2 (Winter 2002), pp. 91-104.

Book Reviews

- 1) "Carolyn Cocca – Wonder Woman and Captain Marvel: Militarism and Feminism in Comics and Film," *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy*, Vol. 39, Issue 2 (Spring 2024), pp.1-4. (<https://doi.org/10.1017/hyp.2023.94>)
- 2) "John Marenbon – Abelard in Four Dimensions: A Twelfth-Century Philosopher in His Context and Ours," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 34, No. 5 (2014), pp. 243-245.
- 3) with Dakotah Thompson, "Jason Brennan – The Ethics of Voting," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 33, No. 3 (2013), pp. 179-181.
- 4) "Michael L. Gross – Moral Dilemmas of Modern War: Torture, Assassination, and Blackmail in an Age of Asymmetric Conflict," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 32, No. 1 (February 2012), pp. 24-26.
- 5) "Larry Alexander and Emily Sherman – Demystifying Legal Reasoning," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 30, No.2 (April 2010), pp. 74-76.
- 6) "John K. Wilson – Patriotic Correctness: Academic Freedom and Its Enemies," *Teaching Philosophy*, Vol. 32, No. 3 (September 2009), pp. 322-325.
- 7) with Nathan McCune, "Jean Baudrillard – Forget Foucault," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 28, No.5 (October 2008), pp. 315-317.

- 8) "William Ian Miller – Eye for an Eye," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 28, No. 4 (August 2008), pp. 289-291.
- 9) "Frederic R. Kellogg – Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., Legal Theory, and Judicial Restraint," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 28, No. 1 (February 2008), pp. 33-34.
- 10) "Raymond Geuss – Outside Ethics," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 27, No. 1 (February 2007), pp. 32-34.
- 11) "Shane Gunster – Capitalizing on Culture: Critical Theory for Cultural Studies," *Philosophy in Review*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (April 2006), pp. 34-36.

Miscellaneous Writings

- 1) "Wonder Woman, Schopenhauer, and Compassion: It's Not About What They Deserve," for andphilosophy.com – The Blackwell Philosophy and Pop Culture Series, (June 27, 2017) <https://andphilosophy.com/2017/06/26/wonder-woman-schopenhauer-and-compassion/>
- 2) "Core Assessment Helped Me Become a Better Teacher: Confessions of an Assessment Skeptic," for Teaching Matters @ UCA (November 09, 2016) <https://teachingmattersatuca.wordpress.com/2016/11/09/core-assessment-helped-me-become-a-better-teacher-confessions-of-an-assessment-skeptic/>
- 3) "Plato and the Core," for Teaching Matters @ UCA (February 27, 2015) <https://teachingmattersatuca.wordpress.com/2015/02/27/plato-and-the-core/>
- 4) "Reading: Risk and Reward," for the Southeast Wisconsin Festival of Books (October 24, 2014) <http://sewibookfest.com/held-2104/>
- 5) "*Wheel of Time* and Philosophy: How I Learned to Stop Worrying About Originality and Love Robert Jordan," for andphilosophy.com – The Blackwell Philosophy and Pop Culture Series, (July 09, 2014) <http://andphilosophy.com/2014/07/09/wheel-of-time-and-philosophy/>
- 6) 50th Anniversary of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* (June 20, 2014) <http://rowmanblog.typepad.com/>
- 7) "Philosophy and 007," Opinion/Editorial Page, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette (May 28th, 2007)

Editorial Work

- 1) Series Editor, Great Authors and Philosophy (Rowman and Littlefield)
 - ♦ Volume 1: *Stephen King and Philosophy*, edited by Jacob M. Held (2016)
 - ♦ Volume 2: *Jane Austen and Philosophy*, edited by Mimi Marinucci (2016)
 - ♦ Volume 3: *Mark Twain and Philosophy*, edited by Alan H. Goldman (2017)

ACADEMIC LECTURES and CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 1) Invited Plenary Speaker, "Contextualizing Pornography as Speech and Art," Dialogues: On Pornography – A Symposium for Mental Health Professionals (Santa Fe, NM; September 7-9, 2018)
- 2) Invited Panelist with Jennifer C. Nash, Linda Williams, Tim Dean, and Elizabeth McGrath (Dylan Ryan), "Dialogue on Pornography" Dialogues: On Pornography – A Symposium for Mental Health Professionals (Santa Fe, NM; September 7-9, 2018)
- 3) Invited Presentation, "Rebel Stories and Glittering Eyes: One Hundred Years with Roald Dahl," Bologna Children's Book Fair, an event by Bologna Fiere (Bologna, Italy; April 5th, 2016)
- 4) Invited Panelist, Roundtable with Donald Sturrock (Roald Dahl's Official Biographer), Susan Rennie (University of Glasgow), and William Grandi (Università di Bologna) Moderator: Maria Russo (Children's Book Editor for the New York Times), Bologna Children's Book Fair, an event by Bologna Fiere (Bologna, Italy; April 5th, 2016)

- 5) Presentation, ""Stephen King, Horror, and Compassion: Finding Schopenhauer in Haven," the 37th annual Southwest Popular/American Culture Association (SWPACA) conference (Albuquerque, NM; February 10-13, 2016)
- 6) Panelist, Roundtable "*Carrie* at Forty: Revisiting a Classic," the 37th annual Southwest Popular/American Culture Association (SWPACA) conference (Albuquerque, NM; February 10-13, 2016)
- 7) Keynote Address, "We've Always been at War with Eastasia: Perpetual War in an Age of Terror," 2015 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 12, 2015)
- 8) Chair, Colloquium Session, Theodore Bach, "Children and Added Sugar: The Case for Restriction," the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (St. Louis, MO; February 18-21, 2015)
- 9) Session Chair and Critic, "Author Meets Critics: Anthony Cunningham – *Modern Honor: A Philosophical Defense*," sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy, the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (St. Louis, MO; February 18-21, 2015)
- 10) Panelist, "Philosophy for Everyone: Jacob Held, Joseph Foy, and Tim Dale," Southeast Wisconsin Festival of Books (Waukesha, WI; November 8, 2014)
- 11) Invited Lecture, "Roald Dahl and Absurdity," sponsored by the University of Wisconsin – Waukesha (Waukesha, WI; November 6, 2014)
- 12) Presentation and Panelist, "Roald Dahl and Philosophy: Existentialism and Children's Literature," sponsored by the Faulkner County Public Library (Conway, AR; October 16, 2014)
- 13) Keynote Address, "Building a More Perfect Union: From James Madison to Today," 2013 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 14, 2013)
- 14) Chair, Colloquium on the Philosophy of Crime, Jill Delston "The Criminalization of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing in Global Contexts: A Hybrid Solution," the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (New Orleans, LA; February 20-23, 2013)
- 15) Session Chair and Critic, "Author Meets Critics: Jeffrey Reiman – *As Free and as Just as Possible: The Theory of Marxian Liberalism*," sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy, the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (New Orleans, LA; February 20-23, 2013)
- 16) Invited Presentation, "Un-Patriotic 'Bullsh!t,' Political Discourse and the Duty to be Reasonable," 2012 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 8, 2012)
- 17) Lecture, with Taine Duncan and Ronald Novy, "Women in the World: Pornography, Abuse, and the Sexualization of Young Girls," Exploring Our World Series, Sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts, University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; May 1, 2012)
- 18) Presentation, "Shifting the Anti-Pornography Debate: Porn as Symptom," the Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World's session, the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Chicago, IL; February 15-18, 2012)
- 19) Session Chair, "Author Meets Critics: Michael L. Gross – *Moral Dilemmas of Modern War: Torture Assassination, Blackmail in an Age of Asymmetric Conflict*," Sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy, the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Chicago, IL; February 15-18, 2012)
- 20) Lecture, "Dr. Seuss and Philosophy: An Introduction to Philosophical Themes through Popular Culture," Sponsored by the Faulkner County Public Library (Conway, AR; December 8, 2011)

- 21) Invited Lecture, "PhiloSeussical Investigations: Teaching Philosophy through the Work of Dr. Seuss," Sponsored by Torreyson Library, University of Central Arkansas (November 15, 2011)
- 22) Invited Lecture, "Eudaimonia in Popular Culture: Images of Happiness in Dr. Seuss," Sponsored by the Westport Happiness Club (November 6, 2011)
- 23) Invited Lecture, "Changing the Pornography Debate: Pornography as Symptom," Sponsored by PRISM: Gay/Straight Alliance, University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; April 19, 2011)
- 24) Presentation, "Welcome to Pornland, or the Shifting Focus of the Anti-Pornography Debate," the Radical Philosophy Association's session "The Problem of Pornography," the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Minneapolis, MN; March 30-April 2, 2011)
- 25) Session Chair, "A Dialogue on Race and Culture," Sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy, the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Minneapolis, MN; March 30-April 2, 2011)
- 26) Presentation, "Revisiting MacKinnon via Rae Langton: Pornography as Illocutionary Disablement, and Civil Suits as a Means to Enfranchise the Silent Majority," Ninth Biennial Radical Philosophy Association Conference, "Violence: Systemic, Symbolic, and Foundational" (Eugene, OR; November 11-14, 2010)
- 27) Session Chair, "Same-Sex Marriage: The Borromean Knot of Gender, Love, and the Law," Ninth Biennial Radical Philosophy Association Conference, "Violence: Systemic, Symbolic, and Foundational" (Eugene, OR; November 11-14, 2010)
- 28) Presentation, "Fair Notice: The Inherent Flaw in Obscenity and Anti-Pornography Laws" 34th Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; March 5-6, 2010)
- 29) Commentator, Jason Hanna, "Revisiting the Child-Selling Objection to Commercial Surrogacy," 34th Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; March 5-6, 2010)
- 30) Commentator, Peter Brian Barry, "Beyond Neutrality: The Liberal Case Against Same-Sex Marriage Prohibitions," the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Chicago, IL; February 18-20, 2010)
- 31) Invited Presentation, "Fade to Black and Back: Hope, Redemption, and the Wisdom of Metallica (and Other Philosophers)" 2009 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 12, 2009)
- 32) Presentation, "Honor, Respect, and Recognition: The Role of Honor in Ethical Social Relationships," 26th International Social Philosophy Conference, "The Public and the Private in the 21st Century" sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy (Philadelphia, PA; July 30-August 1, 2009)
- 33) Presentation, "An Overview of the Honneth/Fraser Dialogue, Or Recognition or Redistribution?" 33rd Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; April 17-18, 2009)
- 34) Commentator, Mark Navin, "Bridging the Divide between Luck Neutralization and Democracy" 33rd Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; April 17-18, 2009)
- 35) Plenary Address, "Need There Be Blood?: Greed, Need, and Distributive Justice," 2008 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 6, 2008)
- 36) Invited Presentation, "Philosophy – It's Not All Greek to Me: How Metallica, Batman, Dr. Seuss, and Popular Culture Address the Meaning of Life," 2008 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 6, 2008)
- 37) Commentator, Mark Piper, "On Respect for Personal Autonomy and the Value Instantiated in Autonomous Choice," Central States Philosophical Association Conference (St. Paul, MN; September 26-27, 2008)

- 38) Session Chair, "The Propositional Account of Reasons and Compatibilism about Normative and Motivating Reason," Central States Philosophical Association Conference (St. Paul, MN; September 26-27, 2008)
- 39) Invited Lecture, "Retributivism Contextualized: The Role of Honor in Kant's Theory of Punishment," Department of Philosophy, College of St. Benedict/St. John's University (Collegeville, MN; September 26, 2008)
- 40) Invited Presentation, "Philosophy and Popular Culture: Wisdom by Any Other Name..." Arkansas Governor's School, Hendrix College (Conway, AR; July 22, 2008)
- 41) Presentation, "The Problems of an Exchange Model of Wrongs and Punishments: Retaliation, Desert, Evenness, and the Fungibility of Moral Value," 25th International Social Philosophy Conference, "Gender, Inequality, and Social Justice" sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy (Portland, OR; July 17-19, 2008)
- 42) Session Chair, "Accountability and Moral Responsibility," 25th International Social Philosophy Conference, "Gender, Inequality, and Social Justice" Sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy (Portland, OR; July 17-19, 2008)
- 43) Colloquium Paper Session Chair, Benjamin S. Yost "Kant's Justification of the Death Penalty Reconsidered," the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Chicago, IL; April 16-19, 2008)
- 44) Presentation, "The Place of Redemption in Ethical Theory," 32nd Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; February 22-23, 2008)
- 45) Commentator, Mark Lukas, "On the Value of Getting What We Want," 32nd Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; February 22-23, 2008)
- 46) Plenary Address, "The Stickiness of the Humanities and the Liberal Arts: *The Tipping Point* and Education," 2007 Humanities Fair, sponsored by the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; November 28, 2007)
- 47) Invited Presentation, "Philosophy and South Park: You Can't Get Married, You're Faggots: The Gay Marriage Debate," The ULF/YDS Third Annual Mid-South Conference of the Left (Conway, AR; October 5-7, 2007)
- 48) Invited Lecture, "Philosophy and Popular Culture," Sponsored by the Philosophy and Religion Club (PhiRe), University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; October 4, 2007)
- 49) Invited Presentation, "South Park and Philosophy: What Did You Learn Today?" Arkansas Governor's School, Hendrix College (Conway, AR; July 19, 2007)
- 50) Presentation, "Interpreting 'Cruel' in the Eighth Amendment: The Impact on Punishment," 24th International Social Philosophy Conference, "Race and Diversity in a Global Context" sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy (Millersville, PA; July 12-14, 2007)
- 51) Invited Presentation, "Philosophy through Popular Culture: How Vampires and Secret Agents Address the Fundamental Questions of Life," Arkansas Governor's School, Hendrix College (Conway, AR; July 7, 2007)
- 52) Invited Lecture, "Nor Cruel and Unusual Punishments Inflicted: The Normative Foundation of the Eighth Amendment," The Socratic Society/Department of Philosophy, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville (Fayetteville, AR; April 13, 2007)
- 53) Commentator, George J. Backen, "Victim Impact Statements and Mind Reading," 31st Annual Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN; February 23-24, 2007)
- 54) Invited Presentation, "Ethical Marxism: The Roots and Legacy of Marxist Humanism," The ULF/YDS Second Annual Mid-South Conference of the Left (Conway, AR; October 27-28, 2006)
- 55) Presentation, "Rethinking Marxism: The Universal Class and Misrecognition," the Radical Philosophy Association's evening session, the American Philosophical Association's Central Division Meeting (Chicago, IL; April 26-29, 2006)

- 56) Presentation, "Recognition and the Foundation of Marx's Social Philosophy," 21st International Social Philosophy Conference, "Democracy, Human Rights, and Religion" sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy (Omaha, NE; July 29-31, 2004)
- 57) Session Chair, "Punishment and Forgiveness," 21st International Social Philosophy Conference, "Democracy, Human Rights, and Religion" sponsored by the North American Society for Social Philosophy (Omaha, NE; July 29-31, 2004)
- 58) Presentation, "The Stuff We're Made of: Levinas, Lacan, and Subjectivity in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*," *Slayage* Conference on *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* (Nashville, TN; May 28-30, 2004)
- 59) Session Chair, "Violence," *Slayage* Conference on *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* (Nashville, TN; May 28-30, 2004)
- 60) Presentation, "Hegel's Critique of Political Atomism," 6th Annual Marquette University Philosophy Graduate Student Association Conference (Milwaukee, WI; April 17-18, 2004)

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 1) Interview on *The Wheel of Time and Philosophy* and the Problem of Evil for the YouTube channel, *The Way of the Leaf* (March 29, 2026)
- 2) Interview on *The Wheel of Time and Philosophy* and Pacifism for the YouTube channel, *The Way of the Leaf* (January 11, 2026)
- 3) Interview with Eric Molinsky on *Imaginary Worlds*, Episode 222: Entering Discworld, Population: Terry Pratchett (April 12, 2023)
- 4) Interview with Briec Cudennec for *Le Paratonnerre*, "Joie et souffrance: Les livres pour enfants de Roald Dahl" (Joy and Suffering: Roald Dahl's Children's Stories) (January 26, 2022)
- 5) Interview on "Dr. Seuss and Philosophy," *The Lisa Show* on BYU Radio (August 2, 2021)
- 6) Interview on "Cancel Culture" and Dr. Seuss, *Real Talk* podcast with Ryan Jespersen (March 11, 2021)
- 7) Interview on Star Trek, the Ferengi, and Business Ethics, *Academic Trek* podcast with Daniel Huckfield (March 4, 2021)
- 8) Interview on Stephen King and philosophy for the YouTube channel, *Brain in a Vat* (February 14, 2021)
- 9) Interview on Superheroes and film, "Superhelden: Besser als Verzweiflung," *Cinema 8* (July 2020), pp 66-75.
- 10) Interview on Dr. Seuss and philosophy, "The Colin McEnroe Show," National Public Radio (Air Date: August, 5, 2019)
- 11) Interview on Wonder Woman and philosophy, *Philosophy Talk*, radio program and podcast (Air date: July 5, 2017) (<https://soundcloud.com/philosophytalk/summer-reading-list-2017>)
- 12) Interview in *The Guardian*, "Terry Pratchett Rethought as a Philosopher in New Study," with Alison Flood (<http://www.theguardian.com/books/2014/nov/28/terry-pratchett-philosopher-study-discworld>) (November 28, 2014)
- 13) Panel Discussant, "Does the internet need a red light district? The creation of the .XXX domain," "Culture Shock" on *Newstalk*, Ireland's National Independent Talk Radio Broadcaster (July 8, 2010)
- 14) "Interview with a Philosopher: A Class on Porn," Interview with Tom Morris, *The Huffington Post* (http://www.huffingtonpost.com/tom-morris/interview-with-a-philosop_b_629140.html) (June 29, 2010)

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION and ACTIVITIES

- 1) Attendee, Pre-Conference Workshop: "Centering Learning," sponsored by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Annual Conference (March 21, 2026)
- 2) Panelist/Presenter, "A Federalist Framework and Pragmatic Process," part of "Not Your Mama's Assessment Strategy: Exploring Innovative Ways to Assess Gen Ed," the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Annual Conference (Chicago, IL; April 4-8, 2025)
- 3) Attendee, Pre-Conference Workshop: "Centering Learning," sponsored by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Annual Conference (April 13, 2024)
- 4) Completed Explorance Academy Blue Report Master Certification training. (July 30, 2023)
- 5) Completed Explorance Academy Blue Administrator Certification training. (December 9, 2022)
- 6) Attendee, Workshop: "Program Assessment Virtual Seminar" sponsored by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) (November 8,9,15 and 16, 2021)
- 7) Presentation, "A Federalist Model of General Education Assessment and Improvement," the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Annual Conference – Crisis and Community (Virtual Conference; April 5-9, 2021)
- 8) Invited Presentation, "General Education as a Campus-Wide Collaborative Effort," National Conference of Academic Deans, 73rd Annual Meeting: Collaborative Leadership – Working Together on Common Goals (Conway, AR; July 17-19, 2019)
- 9) Paid Consultancy on General Education and Assessment for McNeese State University, including campus wide presentations and small group workshops. (Lake Charles, Louisiana; August 13-14, 2018)
- 10) Co-author, "Assessing an Outcomes-based General Education: Using Aqua to Streamline Assessment" Watermark Engage 2018 (Austin, TX; June 19-22, 2018)
- 11) 60-minute interactive presentation, "Improving General Education: Assessing and Improving an Outcomes-based General Education," AALHE 2018 Annual Conference, sponsored by The Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education (Salt Lake City, UT; June 4-7, 2018)
- 12) Attendee, Pre-Conference Workshop: "Leadership of Assessment: Tips for Applying Leadership Theory to Assessment Leadership," presented by Matthew Fuller, AALHE 2018 Annual Conference, sponsored by The Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education (Salt Lake City, UT; June 4, 2018)
- 13) Attendee, Pre-Conference Workshop: "Improving Improvement: Engaging Students in the Assessment Process," presented by Nick Curtis, Julie McDevitt, and Robin Anderson, AALHE 2018 Annual Conference, sponsored by The Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education (Salt Lake City, UT; June 4, 2018)
- 14) 60-minute interactive presentation, "On Developing a Comprehensive, Assessable General Education Program: A Brief, Selective History from the University of Central Arkansas," AALHE 2017 Annual Conference, sponsored by The Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education (Louisville, KY; June 13-14, 2017)
- 15) Attendee, Pre-Conference Workshop: "Designing, Aligning, and Measuring your Campus-Wide Assessment System," Presented by Karen Hicks, AALHE 2017 Annual Conference, sponsored by The Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education (Louisville, KY; June 12, 2017)
- 16) Panel Discussant, "Empowering Students: A Faculty Panel Sharing Best Advising Practices," sponsored by the Academic Advising Center, University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR; August 16, 2016)

- 17) Poster Session, with Dr. Kurt Boniecki, "General Education Revision: Improving Student Learning in a Time of Change," Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Assessment Academy (Oak Brook, IL; June 8, 2016)
- 18) Team Member, Higher Learning Commission: Assessment Academy - Results Forum (Oak Brook, IL; June 8-10, 2016)
- 19) Team Leader, Higher Learning Commission: Assessment Academy – Midpoint (St. Charles, IL; June 3-5, 2015)

TEACHING

University of Central Arkansas

Undergraduate Courses

- ♦ PHIL 1301: Philosophy for Living
- ♦ PHIL 2325: Contemporary Moral Problems
- ♦ PHIL 2360: Gender, Race, and Class
- ♦ PHIL 3301: Medieval European and Islamic Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 3303: Nineteenth Century Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 3320: Ethics
- ♦ PHIL 3325: Legal and Political Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 3325: Legal and Political Philosophy – Special Topic: Federalism, the 14th Amendment, and the Supreme Court
- ♦ PHIL 3330: Philosophy of Law
- ♦ PHIL 3360: Philosophy of Art
- ♦ PHIL 3390: Internship in Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 3395: Topics in Philosophy – Contemporary French Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 3395: Topics in Philosophy – Legal and Political Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 3395: Topics in Philosophy – Nietzsche's Zarathustra
- ♦ PHIL 4300: Readings in Philosophy – Continental Feminist Thought
- ♦ PHIL 4300: Readings in Philosophy – Directed Study in Modern Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 4300: Readings in Philosophy – Michel Foucault
- ♦ PHIL 4300: Readings in Philosophy – Pornography: Normative Issues
- ♦ PHIL 4300: Readings in Philosophy – Punishment, Retribution, Forgiveness, and Mercy
- ♦ PHIL 4301: Philosophy for Honors Tutorial
- ♦ PHIL 4310: Senior Thesis in Philosophy
- ♦ PHIL 4310: Great Works in Philosophy: John Rawls's *A Theory of Justice*
- ♦ PHIL 4320: Applied Ethics – Business Ethics
- ♦ PHIL 4350: Health Care Ethics
- ♦ GEST 3180: Professional Readiness
- ♦ GEST 4380: General Studies Capstone
- ♦ HONC 3310: Honors Junior Seminar – Vicissitudes of the Obscene: Pornography, Morality, and Law

Graduate Courses

- ♦ PHIL 5350: Health Care Ethics (with a focus on Physical Therapy Ethics for the Doctor of Physical Therapy program)
- ♦ LEAD 7302: Leadership and Philosophy (with a focus on leadership ethics for the PhD in Leadership Studies program)

Dissertation Supervision

- ♦ Dissertation Committee – Cicily Tubb-Warbington, Ph.D. in Leadership Studies, 2014 – 2019

Undergraduate Thesis Supervision

- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Richard Ware, “The Kallipolis Project,” 2024-Present.
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Brooklyn Solis, “Political Asylum Laws and Policies for Nicaraguan Immigrants,” 2023-2025.
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Wyatt Lawrence, “Gender Dysphoria, Gender Affirming Care, and Medical Intervention with Minors,” 2022-2023.
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Cara Monk, “Pornography, Sex Trafficking, and Women,” 2020-2021.
- ♦ Second Reader, Honors Thesis, Caleb Denton, “Philosophy through Video Games: Gaming as a Unique Medium,” 2017.
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Courtney Kordsmeier, “Applied Ethics and Physical Therapy,” 2016.
- ♦ Honors Tutorial Advisor, Courtney Kordsmeier, 2014
- ♦ Director, Philosophy Honors Thesis – Jonathan McDougal, “Suspectedly Gay: Scrutinizing Sexual Orientation in America’s Courts,” 2013
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, C. Taylor Sutton, “Homo Corporatus: A Kantian Business Ethic Rooted in Corporate Personhood,” 2013
- ♦ Director, Senior Thesis (Philosophy) – Dakotah Thompson, 2012
- ♦ Reader, Philosophy Honors Thesis – Gregory Sketas, 2012
- ♦ Honors Tutorial Advisor, Michael Murphy, 2012
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Jennyfer Delvasto, “Confessions: From Priests and Penance to FMyLife and PostSecret,” 2009 – 2011
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Catherine Brown, “The Silence of Objects: Connecting Language, Violence, and Women’s Legal Status,” 2010
- ♦ Director, Philosophy Honors Thesis – Eric Wilson, 2010
- ♦ Director, Senior Thesis (Philosophy) – Ashlea Clark, 2010
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Wayne Hartlerode, “Free PJ: Proposing a Climbing Management Plan to Allow Rock Climbing at Petit Jean State Park,” 2010
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Matthew Ford, “Is God a Scientist or is Science God?: An Analysis of the Cosmological Argument for the Existence of God,” 2009 – 2010
- ♦ Honors Thesis Advisor, Kristen D. Fox-Eason, “The Roles of Fundamentalist Christianity, Hyper-Nationalism, and Rights Movements’ Methods in the Fight for GLBT Equality: A Comparison of Germany and the United States,” 2008

Miscellanea

- ♦ Philosophy Reading Group (Sponsored by the Arkansas Center for Research in Economics (ACRE). I facilitated one reading group each fall and spring semester. Topics have included: George Orwell’s *1984*, Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, and Landmark Supreme Court Cases (Fall 2021- Present)

Marquette University

- ♦ Philosophy 001: Logic
- ♦ Philosophy 050: Philosophy of Human Nature
- ♦ Philosophy 104: Theory of Ethics
- ♦ Philosophy 105: Contemporary Ethical Problems
- ♦ Philosophy 108: Business Ethics
- ♦ Philosophy 151: History and Philosophy of Crime and Punishment

Mount Mary College

- ♦ Synoptics 101: Search for Meaning

Carroll University

- ♦ Philosophy 105: Introduction to Logic

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- ♦ Arkansas Department of Higher Education (ADHE) General Education Working Group, 2025 – Present
- ♦ External Program Reviewer, Northeastern State University, Bachelor of General Studies Degree Program, 2025
- ♦ Editorial Board Member, *International Journal of James Bond Studies*, 2017 – Present
- ♦ External reviewer for faculty promotion, Lakehead University, 2025
- ♦ External reviewer for faculty promotion, Florida Institute of Technology, 2024
- ♦ External reviewer for faculty promotion, Indiana University- Northwest, 2022
- ♦ External Program Reviewer, West Chester University, Department of Philosophy, 2020
- ♦ External reviewer for faculty promotion, Creighton University, 2019
- ♦ Co-Chair, Central Division Programming Committee for The American Philosophical Association's Committee on the Status of Indigenous Philosophers, 2016 – 2017
- ♦ Member, The American Philosophical Association's Committee on the Status of Indigenous Philosophers, 2010 – 2013, 2014 – 2017
- ♦ Referee, *Social Philosophy Today*, edited by Jeffrey Gauthier, 2016
- ♦ Central Division Co-Chair, North American Society for Social Philosophy (NASSP), 2010 – 2015
- ♦ Referee, *Social Philosophy Today: The Public and the Private in the Twenty-First Century*, Volume 26, edited by John R. Rowan and Nancy E. Snow, 2010
- ♦ Referee, *Social Philosophy Today: Race and Diversity in the Global Context*, Volume 24, edited by John R. Rowan, 2008
- ♦ Member, Editorial Board, *Watcher Junior: The Undergraduate Journal of Buffy Studies*, 2005 – 2007
- ♦ Reviewer, Bloomsbury Publishing
- ♦ Reviewer, Hackett Publishing
- ♦ Reviewer, McGraw-Hill Companies
- ♦ Reviewer, Oxford University Press
- ♦ Reviewer, Palgrave Macmillan
- ♦ Reviewer, Rowman and Littlefield
- ♦ Reviewer, University Press of Kentucky
- ♦ Reviewer, Wadsworth, Cengage Learning
- ♦ Referee, *African Journal of Political Science and International Relations*
- ♦ Referee, *Debates in Aesthetics*
- ♦ Referee, *Gastronomica: The Journal of Food and Culture*
- ♦ Referee, *Human Rights Review*
- ♦ Referee, *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy*
- ♦ Referee, *Journal of Applied Philosophy*
- ♦ Referee, *Journal of Global Ethics*
- ♦ Referee, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*
- ♦ Referee, *The Journal of Value Inquiry*
- ♦ Referee, *Porn Studies*

- ♦ Referee, *Radical Philosophy Review: Journal of the Radical Philosophy Association*
- ♦ Referee, *Theory and Society*

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University

- ♦ Chair, Academic Assessment Committee, 2020 – Present
- ♦ Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Working Group, 2020 – Present
- ♦ Council on Student Success, Research and Data Reporting Working Group, 2020 – Present
- ♦ Civic Action Coordination Committee, 2019 – Present
- ♦ Chair, UCA Core Council, 2014 – Present
- ♦ Deputy Title IX Coordinator, 2014 – Present
- ♦ Council on Student Success, Faculty Support Working Group, 2019 – 2026
- ♦ Council on Student Success, High Impact Practices Sub-Committee, 2019 - 2026
- ♦ First Year Experience Working Group, 2024 - 2026
- ♦ Council on Student Success, First-Year Seminar Working Group, 2020 – 2024
- ♦ Council on Student Success, Student Orientation Working Group, 2020 – 2024
- ♦ Momentum Year Working Group, 2021 – 2022
- ♦ Office of the Provost’s Consensual Relationship Policy Working Group, 2022
- ♦ Meta-Majors Working Group, 2019- 2020
- ♦ Higher Learning Commission Assurance Steering Committee, 2014 – 2020
- ♦ General Education Representative, Academic Assessment Committee, 2014 – 2020
- ♦ Chair, Search Committee, Academic Assessment Professional (Office of Academic Affairs), 2019
- ♦ Council on Student Success, 2014 – 2019
- ♦ Council on Student Success, First-Year Experience Sub-Committee, 2017 – 2019
- ♦ Member, Search Committee, Director of Assessment (Office of Academic Affairs) 2018-2019
- ♦ Member, Search Committee, Assessment Coordinator (Office of the Provost), 2018
- ♦ Member, Academic Council 2017 – 2018
- ♦ Chair, Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Award Committee, 2017 – 2018
- ♦ Vice-Chair, Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Award Committee, 2016 – 2017
- ♦ RFP (Research Funding Proposal) Sub-Committee, Academic Assessment Committee, 2016 – 2017
- ♦ Co-Chair with Kandi Hughes (University Deputy Counsel), Higher Learning Commission Assurance Steering Committee: Sub-Committee on Integrity – Ethical and Responsible Conduct, 2014 – 2017
- ♦ Faculty Advisor, PRISM: Gay-Straight Student Alliance, 2012 – 2017
- ♦ Chair, Search Committee, Director of Assessment (Office of Academic Affairs) 2016
- ♦ Chair, Search Committee, Director of Assessment (Office of Academic Affairs), 2015 - 2016
- ♦ College of Liberal Arts representative, Strategic Planning Task Force, 2015 – 2016
- ♦ Strategic Planning Task Force: Sub-Committee on UCA’s Obligation to Students – Retention, Graduation, and Common Experience, 2015 – 2016
- ♦ Concurrent Credit Enrollment Planning Committee, 2015 – 2016
- ♦ Secretary/Treasurer, Faculty Senate, 2014 – 2015
- ♦ Faculty Senate, College of Liberal Arts Representative, 2012 – 2015
- ♦ Search Committee, Associate Director for the Office of Diversity and Community, 2013
- ♦ Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, 2012 – 2013
- ♦ College of Liberal Arts representative, University Academic Planning and Assessment Committee (APAC), 2009 – 2011

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

- ♦ Program Coordinator, Associate of Arts (AA Degree), 2024 – Present
- ♦ Program Coordinator, Bachelor of General Studies (BGS Degree), 2024 – Present
- ♦ Pre-Law Advisory Committee, 2016 – 2017
- ♦ Faculty Co-Leader, College of Liberal Arts Study Abroad Program, “A Moveable Feast”: Liberal Arts in Paris, 2010, 2011, 2014
- ♦ Chair, Curriculum and Assessment Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2009 – 2011
- ♦ Curriculum and Assessment Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2007 – 2009
- ♦ Coordination Committee, University of Central Arkansas Humanities Fair in coordination with the Humanities and World Cultures Institute at the University of Central Arkansas, 2006 – 2009

Department of Philosophy and Religion

- ♦ Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2012 – Present
- ♦ Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy in the History of Modern Philosophy, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2016 – 2017
- ♦ Concurrent Enrollment Departmental Liaison, 2015 – 2017
- ♦ Graduate Faculty Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2015 – 2017
- ♦ Curriculum and Assessment Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2012 – 2017
- ♦ Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy in the History of Modern Philosophy, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2014 – 2015
- ♦ Chair, Graduate Faculty Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2011 – 2015
- ♦ Philosophy Internship Coordinator, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2008 – 2015
- ♦ Chair, Mid-Tenure Probationary Review Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2013
- ♦ Chair, Department Endowment Foundation Fund Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2010 – 2011
- ♦ Chair, Curriculum and Assessment Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2008 – 2011
- ♦ Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy in Feminism/Critical Race Theory, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2009 – 2010
- ♦ Department Endowment Foundation Fund Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2008 – 2010
- ♦ Departmental By-Laws Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2008 – 2009
- ♦ Faculty Advisor, Phi Sigma Tau: International Honor Society in Philosophy (Arkansas Gamma Chapter), 2006 – 2009
- ♦ Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy in Ancient Philosophy, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2008
- ♦ Curriculum and Assessment Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2006 – 2008
- ♦ Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy in Analytic/Modern Philosophy, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2007
- ♦ Search Committee, Lecturer I Position in Logic/Critical Thinking, Department of Philosophy and Religion, 2006 – 2007

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- ♦ Arkansas Association for the Assessment of Collegiate Learning
- ♦ Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education
- ♦ American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy
- ♦ Heterodox Academy
- ♦ Institute for Humane Studies Expert Contributors Program

HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

- ♦ “Faculty Member of the Game,” University of Central Arkansas, November 16, 2024.
- ♦ National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant, NEH Summer Institute – Law and Culture in Medieval England, Sponsored by the Medieval Institute, Western Michigan University, June 21- July 16, 2021
- ♦ Outstanding Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Award, University of Central Arkansas, 2016
- ♦ Sabbatical Leave; University of Central Arkansas, Fall 2013
- ♦ Outstanding Faculty Award 2010 – 2011, College of Liberal Arts, University of Central Arkansas, 2011
- ♦ University Research Council Faculty Enhancement Grant; University of Central Arkansas, 2010
- ♦ University Research Council Summer Stipend; University of Central Arkansas, 2010
- ♦ University Research Council Faculty Enhancement Grant; University of Central Arkansas, 2008
- ♦ Arthur J. Schmitt Fellowship; Marquette University, 2003