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Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

Visiting Assistant Professor, Sam Houston State University, Fall 2014-Present

EDITORIAL POSITIONS:

Managing Editor of *Inquiry: Critical Thinking Across the Disciplines*, Spring 2017-Present

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Philosophy, Spring 2014, Texas A&M University

Dissertation Title: "John Stuart Mill's Sanction Utilitarianism: a Philosophical and Historical Interpretation"

Dissertation Director: Linda Radzik

M.A., History, 2012, Texas A&M University

Thesis Title: "The Misplaced Role of 'Utilitarianism' in John Stuart Mill's Utilitarianism"

Thesis Director: R.J.Q. Adams

M.A., Philosophy, 2008, Ohio University

Thesis Title: "MacIntyre, Virtue, and Liberalism: A Response to Schneewind"

Thesis Director: James Petrik

B.A., Philosophy, 2006, Bethel College (IN) *Summa cum laude*

B.A., English, 2006, Bethel College (IN) *Summa cum laude*

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Ethical Theory, Social and Political Philosophy, Critical Thinking

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

Applied Ethics, Moral Responsibility, Introductory Logic, Ancient Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS:

"Are We Asking the Right Questions about Critical Thinking Assessment? A Response to Hatcher," *Inquiry: Critical Thinking Across the Disciplines*, 30, no.3 (Fall 2015), 20-31.

"Review of *The Palgrave Handbook of Critical Thinking in Higher Education* Part V 'Critical Thinking and the Cognitive Sciences,'" *Inquiry: Critical Thinking Across the Disciplines*, 30, no.2 (Summer 2015), 54-62.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Sam Houston State University:

-Instructor for *Critical Thinking* (sole responsibility): six semesters, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

- Instructor for *Introduction to Contemporary Logic* (sole responsibility): one semester, Fall 2014
- Instructor for *Introduction to Philosophy* (sole responsibility): five semesters, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017
- Instructor for *Philosophical Readings: The Nature of Justice* (sole responsibility): one semester, Fall 2015

Texas A&M University:

- Instructor for upper division *Ethical Theory* (sole responsibility): three semesters, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Summer 2014
- Instructor for upper division *Social and Political Philosophy* (sole responsibility): one semester, Fall 2011
- Instructor for *Introduction to Philosophy* (sole responsibility): four semesters, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Spring 2012 (Honors section); Fall 2012 (first-generation college students section)
- Instructor for *Introduction to Logic* (sole responsibility): six semesters, Summer 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2010, Summer 2011; Summer 2012; Summer 2013
- Instructor for *Contemporary Moral Issues* (sole responsibility): one semester, Spring 2011
- Teaching Assistant for: *Nineteenth Century European History*: one semester, Summer 2011
- Teaching Assistant for: *Introduction to Philosophy*: two semesters: Fall 2008, Spring 2009

Ohio University:

- Instructor for *Principles of Reasoning* (sole responsibility): six quarters, Fall 2007-Spring 2009

Bethel College:

- Teaching Assistant for: *Introduction to Philosophy*: two semesters, Fall 2005-Spring 2006
- Teaching Assistant for: *Logic and Critical Thinking*: one semester, Spring 2005

HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS:

- Co-Principle Investigator on Assessment Mini-Grant (\$1000), The Office of Academic Planning and Assessment at Sam Houston State University, Spring 2015-Fall 2015
- Distinguished Graduate Student Award for Teaching, The Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University, Spring 2013
- Winner of the Graduate Student Essay Contest, Texas A&M Department of Philosophy, Spring 2013
- Graduate Assistantship, Texas A&M Department of Philosophy, Fall 2008-Spring 2014
- Melburn G. Glasscock Graduate Travel to Conference Grant, Texas A&M University, Spring 2010
- Idus Murphee Award for Commitment to Philosophical Literature, Ohio University Philosophy Department, Spring 2008
- Graduate Assistantship, Ohio University Philosophy Department, Fall 2006-Spring 2008
- Research in English Award, Bethel College English Department, Spring 2006
- Philosophy Major Award, Bethel College Philosophy Department, Spring 2005

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

- “Thinking Critically about What (Arguably) Matters: Teaching Critical Thinking about Politics, Morality, and Self-Deception,” Session at the Texas Correctional Education Conference, Huntsville TX, June 2017
- “Are Skilled Critical Thinkers Intellectually Humble? An Empirical Analysis of the Relationship between Intellectual Humility, Critical Thinking, and Metacognition,” Session at the Humility Conference at the Center for Christian Thought, Biola University, La Mirada CA, May 2016
- “Why Forgiving the Unrepentant is Not Necessarily Demeaning or Insulting” Session at The Meaning of Love Conference, Biola University, La Mirada CA, May 2016
- “Metacognition and Intellectual Humility: A Proposal for a New Critical Thinking Research Program” Sam Houston State University, Faculty Colloquium for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, April 2016
- “Thinking Critically about What (Arguably) Matters: Teaching Critical Thinking about Politics, Morality, and Self-Deception” International Conference for Critical Thinking and Education Reform, Berkeley CA, July 2015

- “Sensitive Virtues for Vulnerable Agents: Comments on Adam Morton’s *Bounded Thinking: Intellectual Virtues for Limited Agents*” Central APA, St. Louis, MO, February 2015
- “J.S. Mill’s Not Necessarily Utilitarian Theory of Wrongdoing” Sam Houston State University, Department of Psychology and Philosophy February 2015
- “The Misplaced Role of ‘Utilitarianism’ in J.S. Mill’s Utilitarianism” Sam Houston State University Department of Psychology and Philosophy, May 2014
- “J.S. Mill’s Not Necessarily Utilitarian Theory of Moral Wrong” Texas A&M University, Department of Philosophy, January 2014
- “J.S. Mill’s Ecumenical ‘Utilitarianism’ and his Curious Final Chapter” Lehigh University, Department of Philosophy, October 2013
- “The Misplaced Role of ‘Utilitarianism’ in John Stuart Mill’s Utilitarianism” Texas A&M University Department of Philosophy Graduate Student Colloquium, April 2013
- “Minding and Liking Non-Humans” Conference Presentation (with TJ Kasperbauer), Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Atlanta, GA, April 2010

SERVICE:

- Presenter for Critical Thinking Training Sessions at Enrollment Management Student Training at Sam Houston State University, Fall 2017
- Referee for *Journal of Applied Philosophy*, Spring 2017
- Scorer for Critical Thinking Assessment for Sam Houston State University Office of Assessment, Summer 2016, Summer 2017
- Session chair for the Association for Logic and Critical Thinking at the Central APA, Kansas City, MO, Spring 2017
- Referee for *Philosophical Psychology*, Spring 2016
- Session chair for the Association for Logic and Critical Thinking at the Central APA, Chicago, IL, Spring 2016
- Editorial staff for *Inquiry: Critical Thinking Across the Disciplines*, Summer 2015-Present
- Referee for *Inquiry: Critical Thinking Across the Disciplines*, Fall 2014-Fall 2016
- Graduate Student Representative to Texas A&M Graduate Program Advisory Committee, Summer 2012-Summer 2013
- Evaluator for Faculty Teaching Awards for the Texas A&M College of Liberal Arts Awards Selection Committee, Winter 2012-Summer 2013
- Member of ‘Graduate Students in Philosophy’ Organization at Texas A&M Department of Philosophy, Fall 2012-Present
- Member of Texas A&M Philosophy Graduate Colloquium Committee, Fall 2011-Spring 2012
- Academic Life Representative to Student Council at Bethel College, Fall 2007-Spring 2008
- Undergraduate Representative to Faculty Academic Counsel at Bethel College, Fall 2007-Spring 2008

REFERENCES:

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