

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Educational Background

Ph.D.	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Philosophy	2001
B.A.	Auburn University Philosophy and English (<i>magna cum laude</i>)	1994

Employment Background

2011-present Chair, Department of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge

As Chair, I administer a department of about 30 faculty (temporary, probationary, and tenured), 3 staff, 75 majors and 45 minors per semester (on average), and a budget of about \$400,000 per fiscal year (on average).

Key departmental achievements during my time as Chair:

- Hired two new faculty members, both of whom are from groups underrepresented in Philosophy
- Instituted a Faculty Mentor Program, in which current faculty serve as mentors for new faculty
- Established a tutoring program in the Department, funded since Fall 2015 by Campus Quality Fee grants, and in which students hired by the Philosophy Department serve as tutors for students in critical-reasoning courses and freshmen-level introductory courses
- Created an *ad hoc* Climate Committee, which develops strategies that promote the inclusion and participation of traditionally underserved and underrepresented students in our major and minor programs
- Organized and hosted the 2017 Climate Summit for Philosophy Departments in Southern California CSUs, which brought together

representatives from five CSU campuses (Dominguez Hills, Long Beach, Northridge, Pomona, and San Bernardino) to discuss the inclusion and participation of traditionally underserved and underrepresented students in our programs

- 2013-present Professor, Department of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge
- 2009-2013 Associate Professor (tenured), Department of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge
- 2008-2009 Associate Professor (non-tenured), Department of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge
- 2003-2008 Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, California State University, Northridge
- 2002-2003 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2001-2002 Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, California State University, Fresno
- 2001 Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 1995-2001 Teaching assistant, Department of Philosophy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities

Edited Volumes

- 2012 *The Sensitivity Principle in Epistemology* (edited with Kelly Becker), Cambridge University Press

Articles

- Forthcoming “Epistemic Injustice In and Through the Novels of Jane Austen” (written with Danielle Spratt), in *The Routledge Companion to Jane Austen*, Cheryl A. Wilson and Maria Frawley, eds. (Routledge).
- Forthcoming “Kierkegaardian Anti-Luck Epistemology,” for a special issue of *Acta Analytica*, edited by Michael Shaffer
- 2019 “Anti-Luck Epistemology,” in *The Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy and Psychology of Luck*, Ian M. Church and Robert J. Hartman, eds. (Routledge): 284-294.

- 2018 “Action and Luck in the Kierkegaardian Ethical Project,” *International Philosophical Quarterly* 58.3: 295-310.
- 2017 “True Religion in Hume’s *Dialogues concerning Natural Religion*” (written with Robert Gressis), *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 25: 244-264.
- 2014 “Zalabardo on Relativizing the Sensitivity Condition to Methods,” *Teorema* 33.3: 107-116.
- 2012 “The Resilience of Sensitivity” (written with Kelly Becker), in *The Sensitivity Principle in Epistemology*, Kelly Becker and Tim Black, eds. (Cambridge University Press): 1-8.
- 2012 “Sensitivity Meets Explanation: An Improved Counterfactual Condition on Knowledge” (written with Peter Murphy), in *The Sensitivity Principle in Epistemology*, Kelly Becker and Tim Black, eds. (Cambridge University Press): 28-42.
- 2011 “Hume’s Epistemic Naturalism in the *Treatise*,” *Hume Studies* 37: 211-242.
- 2011 “Modal and Anti-Luck Epistemology,” in *The Routledge Companion to Epistemology*, Sven Bernecker and Duncan Pritchard, eds. (Routledge): 187-198.
- 2009 “What We Can Learn from the Skeptical Puzzle,” *Iris: European Journal of Philosophy and Public Debate* 1: 439-447.
- 2008 “A Warranted-Assertability Defense of a Moorean Response to Skepticism,” *Acta Analytica* 23: 187-205.
- 2008 “Solving the Problem of Easy Knowledge,” *The Philosophical Quarterly* 58: 597-617.
- 2008 “Defending a Sensitive Neo-Moorean Invariantism,” in *New Waves in Epistemology*, Vincent F. Hendricks and Duncan Pritchard, eds. (Palgrave Macmillan): 8-27.
- 2007 “In Defense of Sensitivity” (written with Peter Murphy), *Synthese* 154: 53-71.
- 2007 “The Distinction Between Coherence and Constancy in Hume’s *Treatise* Liv.2,” *The British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 15: 1-25.
- 2005 “Classic Invariantism, Relevance, and Warranted Assertability Manœuvres,” *The Philosophical Quarterly* 55: 328-336.
- 2005 “Avoiding the Dogmatic Commitments of Contextualism” (written with

Peter Murphy), *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 69: 165-182.

- 2003 “The Relevant Alternatives Theory and Missed Clues,” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 81: 96-106.
- 2002 “Relevant Alternatives and the Shifting Standards for Knowledge,” *Southwest Philosophy Review* 18: 23-32.
- 2002 “A Moorean Response to Brain-in-a-Vat Scepticism,” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 80: 148-163.

Reviews

- 2013 Review of José L. Zalabardo’s *Scepticism & Reliable Belief*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, eds., Gary Gutting and Anastasia Friel Gutting. [<http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/38497-scepticism-and-reliable-belief/>.]
- 2011 Review of John McDowell’s *Perception as a Capacity for Knowledge*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, eds., Gary Gutting and Anastasia Friel Gutting. [<http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/24767-perception-as-a-capacity-for-knowledge/>.]
- 2010 Review of *Williamson on Knowledge*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, eds., Gary Gutting and Anastasia Friel Gutting. [<http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/24432-williamson-on-knowledge/>.]
- 1999 Review of O.K. Bouwsma, *Bouwsma’s Notes on Wittgenstein’s Philosophy, 1965-1975*, in *Reason Papers* 24: 131-137.

Other publications

- 2018 “Modal Epistemology,” in *The Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy: Epistemology*, ed., Duncan Pritchard; DOI: 10.4324/9780415249126-P078-1.
- 2011 “Contextualism,” in *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Philosophy*, ed., Duncan Pritchard. [<http://oxfordbibliographiesonline.com/view/document/obo-9780195396577/obo-9780195396577-0159.xml?rskey=jmGxVr&result=12&q≡>.]
- 2003 “Contextualism in Epistemology,” *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, ed., James Fieser. [<http://www.iep.utm.edu/c/contextu.htm>.]

Presentations

- 2019 “Hume on Identity,” 2019 Early Modern-Saint Louis Conference, Saint Louis, MO, May 3-4, 2019

- 2018 “Hume’s Dual-Aspectism,” 2018 Early Modern-Saint Louis Conference, Saint Louis, MO, April 20-21, 2018
- 2017 “The Structure of the Ethical Project in Kierkegaard’s Pseudonymous Works,” 2017 Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy, California State University, Northridge, June 8-10, 2017
- 2017 “Freedom and Slavery: Kierkegaard’s Ethical Project in Austen’s *Mansfield Park*,” CSUN’s 18th-century Scriveners, April 13, 2017
- 2014 “True Piety in Hume’s *Dialogues concerning Natural Religion*” (written with Robert Gressis), 41st International Hume Society Conference, Portland, Oregon, USA, July 22-26, 2014
- 2013 “Converting Demea: Demea’s Role in Hume’s *Dialogues concerning Natural Religion*” (written with Robert Gressis), Southwest Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Cal Poly Pomona, February 16-17, 2013
- 2009 “How to do epistemology,” 12th Southern California Philosophy Conference, November 7, 2009
- 2009 “Hume’s Epistemic Naturalism in the *Treatise*,” 36th International Hume Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, August 2-6, 2009.
- 2008 “Hume’s Epistemic Naturalism in the *Treatise*,” University of California, Irvine Scientia Workshop in the History of Philosophy, December 5, 2008
- 2008 “Reflective Epistemic Luck and a New Epistemic Compatibilism,” 3rd Southern California Epistemology Workshop, UCLA, May 17, 2008
- 2007 “Searching for Reason’s Foundation: Hume’s Arguments in *Of scepticism with regard to reason*,” Claremont Graduate University Philosophy Colloquium, April 19, 2007
- 2006 “Defending a Sensitive Neo-Moorean Invariantism,” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting of the Society for Skeptical Studies, March, 2006
- 2004 “Explanation, Epistemic Closure and Belief-Forming Methods” (written with Peter Murphy), Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, April 30-May 2, 2004
- 2003 “Contextualism, Closure, and Contingent *A Priori* Knowledge,” Philosophy Symposium, California State University, San Bernardino, November, 2003

- 2003 "Is There Room for Epistemic Closure in a Counterfactualist Theory of Knowledge?" (written with Peter Murphy), Eighth Annual Southern California Philosophy Conference, October, 2003
- 2003 "Skepticism and Warranted Assertion," American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meetings, April, 2003
- 2003 "Hume's Epistemological Compatibilism," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meetings, March, 2003
- 2003 "Skepticism and Warranted Assertion" American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting of the Society for Skeptical Studies, March, 2003
- 2002 "Skepticism and Warranted Assertability Maneuvers," Philosophy Colloquium, University of Utah, December, 2002
- 2002 "Skepticism and Warranted Assertion," Central States Philosophical Association, October, 2002
- 2002 "Skepticism and Warranted Assertion," Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference, October, 2002
- 2002 "Relevant Alternatives and the Shifting Standards for Knowledge," American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meetings, April, 2002
- 2002 "A Refuge for Knowledge, or How the Relevant Alternatives Theory Can Shelter Us From Skepticism," Department of Philosophy Colloquium, California State University, Fresno, April, 2002
- 2002 "A Moorean Response to Skepticism," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meetings, March, 2002
- 2001 "Relevant Alternatives and the Shifting Standards for Knowledge," Southwestern Philosophical Society, November, 2001
- 2000 "Relevant Alternatives and the Skeptical Puzzle," Mid-South Philosophy Conference, February, 2000

Commentaries

- 2019 Comments on Kevin Busch's "Hume on the Genealogy and Limits of Thought," 46th International Hume Society Conference, Reno, NV, July 22-26, 2019
- 2017 Comments on Wade Robison's "Skepticism and Causal Relations," 44th International Hume Society Conference, Providence, RI, July 17-21, 2017

- 2016 Comments on Michael Shaffer's "E=K, Factivity and Safety Imply Measurement Skepticism," Central States Philosophical Association 2016 Conference, Lincoln, NE, October 28-29, 2016
- 2010 Comments on Joshua Crabill's "A Radical Invariantist Alternative to Expressivism about Epistemic Modals," 13th Annual Southern California Philosophy Conference, November 6, 2010
- 2010 Comments on Eric Thompson's "Pragmatic Invariantism and External World Skepticism," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meetings, April, 2010
- 2008 Comments on Daniel M. Johnson's "Can Moore's Proof Rationally Persuade Without Transmitting Warrant?" American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meetings, April, 2008
- 2007 Comments on D. Blake Roeber's "Contextualism and Virtue Perspectivism: How to Preserve Our Intuitions About Knowledge and 'Knows'," American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meetings, December, 2007
- 2007 Comments on Juan Comesaña's "Knowledge and Subjunctive Conditionals" (with Peter Murphy), On-Line Philosophy Conference 2, May 14-20, 2007 (The conference, which was online at http://experimentalphilosophy.typepad.com/2nd_annual_online_philoso/, seems no longer to be available.)
- 2004 Comments on Kent Bach's "The Emperor's New 'Knows'," Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, April 30-May 2, 2004
- 2004 Comments on Jessica Brown's "Adapt or die: the death of invariantism?" University of Stirling's *Epistemological Contextualism* conference, March 20-21, 2004
- 2003 Comments on Jean-Pierre Schachter's "Hume's Principles of World-Construction," 30th International Hume Conference, July 29-August 2, 2003
- 2002 Comments on Matt Cooper's "Skepticism and Contextual Semantics," Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference, October, 2002
- 2000 Comments on Erik Schmidt's "Self-Deception and Ambivalent Belief," Mid-South Philosophy Conference, February, 2000

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

- 2012 California State University, Northridge, College of Humanities Faculty Fellowship, for "Truth and Reality in Hume's *Treatise*," Spring 2012

- 2010 California State University, Northridge, College of Humanities Faculty Fellowship, for “Three Varieties of Epistemic Luck and the Internalism/Externalism Debate,” Spring 2010
- 2010 California State University, Northridge, Competition for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, for “Hume’s Epistemic Naturalism in *A Treatise of Human Nature*,” Spring 2010
- 2008 California State University, Northridge, College of Humanities Faculty Fellowship, for “Nature and Cogitation in Hume’s *Treatise* 1.4.7,” Spring 2008
- 2007 California State University, Northridge, College of Humanities Faculty Fellowship, for “Searching for Reason’s Foundation: Hume’s Arguments in *Of scepticism with regard to reason*,” Fall 2007
- 2007 California State University, Northridge, Competition for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, for “Implicature Cancellations and Epistemological Invariantism,” Fall 2007
- 2005 California State University, Northridge, College of Humanities Faculty Fellowship, for “Hume’s Epistemological Compatibilism,” Fall 2005
- 2005 California State University, Northridge, Probationary Faculty Development Grant, for “A Warranted-Assertability Defense of A Moorean Response to Skepticism,” Spring 2005

Service to the Profession and Professional Memberships

- 2003-2005 Program Committee for the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association
- 2011-2013 Program Committee for the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association
- 2000-present Member, American Philosophical Association
- 2002-2003 Member, Central States Philosophical Association
- 2016 Member, Central States Philosophical Association
- 2006-present Member, Hume Society
- 2017-present Member, Jane Austen Society of North America
- 2001-present Member, Society for Skeptical Studies
- 2001-2002 Member, Southwestern Philosophical Society

Reviewing Activities

Presses: McGraw-Hill (2006-2007); MIT Press (2011); Oxford University Press (2006-2007, 2010, 2014); Routledge (2004, 2007, 2011-2013); Wadsworth/Thomson Higher Education (2006-2007); Wiley-Blackwell (2007)

Journals: *Acta Analytica* (2009, 2012); *American Philosophical Quarterly* (2003, 2006, 2009, 2012); *Analytic Philosophy* (2010); *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (2001-2003, 2005-2007, 2011-2012, 2014-2015); *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* (2018); *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (2007, 2008, 2012, 2014); *dialectica* (2007, 2008, 2011 (x2)); *Dialogue* (2007); *Erkenntnis* (2004-2005, 2009-2010, 2012); *History of Philosophy Quarterly* (2015); *Hume Studies* (2013-2014, 2016); *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism* (2012, 2013 (x2)); *The Journal of Philosophical Research* (2007, 2010, 2011); *Journal of Philosophy* (2015); *Metaphilosophy* (2009); *Mind* (2008-2009, 2010 (x3), 2011, 2012 (x2)); *Noûs* (2008, 2011); *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (2009, 2010); *Philosophia* (2007, 2009); *Philosophical Papers* (2010); *The Philosophical Quarterly* (2004-2006, 2008-2009, 2011-2012); *Philosophical Studies* (2012); *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (2012-2014); *Southern Journal of Philosophy* (2014); *Synthese* (2004-2009, 2010 (x2), 2012, 2016); *Theoria* (2007, 2014)

On-line encyclopedia: *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (2005, 2011)

Teaching and Instruction

Courses Taught at CSUN

Philosophy 100: General Logic
Philosophy 150: Introduction to Philosophical Thought
Philosophy 200: Critical Reasoning
Philosophy 202: Modern Philosophy
Philosophy 230: Introduction to Formal Logic
Philosophy 310: Philosophical Problems
Philosophy 350: Epistemology
Philosophy 352: Metaphysics
Philosophy 355: Philosophy of Mind
Philosophy 402: Advanced Modern Philosophy
Philosophy 403: Contemporary Philosophy
Philosophy 450: Advanced Epistemology
Philosophy 452: Advanced Metaphysics
Philosophy 497: Senior Seminar
Liberal Studies 250: Integrating Reason, Belief, and Education (with Greg Knotts)
Liberal Studies 396GW: Liberal Studies Gateway
Linguistics 430: A Linguistic Introduction to Cognitive Science

Courses Taught at University of Utah

Philosophy 1250: Reasoning and Rational Decision Making

Philosophy 1250: Reasoning and Rational Decision Making (Online WebCT course)
Philosophy 3200: Deductive Logic
Philosophy 3300: Theory of Knowledge
Philosophy 3910: Individual Research
Philosophy 5300/6300: Epistemology

Courses Taught at California State University, Fresno

Philosophy 1: Introduction to Philosophy
Philosophy 20: Moral Issues
Philosophy 28: Critical Thinking in the Classroom
Philosophy 120: Contemporary Conflicts of Morals

Service

To California State University, Northridge

2016-2017	Council of Chairs
Spring 2015	5-Year Review Committee for Dean Elizabeth Say (College of Humanities) <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Chair
2009-2011	Educational Policies Committee
Fall 2007-Fall 2009	Faculty Hearing Panel, Philosophy Department Representative
2006-2011	Integrated Teacher Education/Liberal Studies Interdisciplinary Program Committee
Fall 2005	Lower Division Transfer Pattern, Disciplinary Representative (Philosophy) for California State University, Northridge
2005, 2006-2008	Associated Students Annual Budget Review Board
2004-2008	Assessment Liaison Committee
2004-2005	New Faculty Orientation Organizing Committee

To CSUN's College of Humanities

Spring 2018	Research Fellows Selection Committee
Spring 2017	Faculty Fellows Selection Committee

Spring-Fall 2016	Associate Dean Search Committee
2016-17	Distinguished Speakers Fund Selection Committee
Fall 2016	Faculty Fellows Selection Committee
Spring 2015	Faculty Fellows Selection Committee
Spring 2015	Research Fellows Selection Committee
Spring 2013	Research Fellows Selection Committee
Spring-Fall 2012	Associate Dean Search Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Chair
2012	College of Humanities Personal Information File (PIF) Workshop, Organizer & Panelist (held on April 19 th)
Fall 2011-present	Academic Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Chair (Fall 2013-Spring 2018)
Fall 2011-present	Administrative Council
2010-2012	Academic Co-Lead for the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Reasoning, Writing, and Research for Professionals
2009-2010	Literacies Certificate (Graduate Certificate in Advanced Reasoning, Writing, and Research for Professionals) Planning Committee
2006-2008	Master's in Humanities Faculty Planning Committee

To CSUN's Department of Philosophy

Fall 2015-present	Internal Events Coordinator
2011-present	Assessment Committee
2011-present	Chair
2010-2011	Associate Chair
2009-11, 2016-17	Lecture Committee
2009-2011	Personnel Committee
2008-2010	Academic Advisor

- 2008-10, 2011-present Luckenbach Award Committee
- 2005-2007 Critical Reasoning Committee
- 2005-08, 2010-present Summer Sessions Committee
- 2004-2010 Assessment Committee
 - Chair, 2004-2008
- 2004-2009 Curriculum Committee
 - Chair, 2004-2008
- 2003-present Appointments Committee
 - Chair, 2008-2011
- 2003-present Strategic Planning Committee
- 2003-2007 Student Philosophy Society, Faculty Sponsor

Other Service Activities

- 2018 External Reviewer for the Academic Program Review of the Philosophy Department of California State University, San Bernardino, May 7th
- 2016 External Reviewer for the Periodic Program Review of the Philosophy Department of California State University, Long Beach, September 22nd and 23rd
- 2013 External Reviewer for the Program Performance Review of the Philosophy Department of California State University, Fullerton, February 13th
- 2012 Review Committee for the CSU California Pre-Doctoral Program, Member, May 5th
- 2007 Organizer, 11th Southern California Philosophy Conference (held at CSUN on October 27th, and sponsored by the CSUN Philosophy Department)
- 2006 *The Scholarship of Teaching, Learning and Assessment: Connections that Work*, Poster Presenter, September 29th
- 2005 Organizer, 10th Annual Southern California Philosophy Conference (held at CSUN on October 29th, and sponsored by the CSUN Philosophy Department)

2004

Learning-Centered University Symposium, Poster Session Presenter,
October 8th