

CURRICULUM VITAE
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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

G.W.F. Hegel
Ontological Arguments

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Metaphysics / Ontology (Ancient – Contemporary)
Phenomenology (Husserl, Internal-Time Consciousness)
Philosophy of Time (Ancient – Analytic – Continental)
Philosophy of Religion
Formal/Symbolic Logic

EDUCATION

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| 2018 | PhD | Philosophy, Catholic University of America, School of Philosophy, Washington, D.C., Completed Fall 2018.
Dissertation: <i>Hegel's Modal Ontological Argument</i>
Advisor: Antón Barba-Kay, PhD Univ. of Chicago under Robert Pippin. |
| 2009 | MA | Religious Studies, Liberty University, School of Philosophy and Religion, Lynchburg, Virginia.
Thesis: <i>Existential Temporality as Fore-Ignorance: Implications for Divine Foreknowledge</i> |
| 1996 | BA | Neurobiology/Art Theory and Practice, Northwestern University, College of Arts and Sciences, Evanston, Illinois. |

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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| 2018 | Northern Virginia Community College, Woodbridge, Virginia. Instructor of Philosophy Teaching <i>Introduction to Philosophy</i> 101 and <i>Biomedical Ethics</i> 227. Full-time adjunct. (hybrid courses: classroom and online). |
| 2009 – 2018 | Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia. College of Arts and Sciences, Instructor of Philosophy teaching <i>Introduction to Philosophy</i> 201 and <i>Contemporary Worldviews</i> 104, 12 classes per year. Full-time adjunct. |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Online Education

- 2009 – Present PHIL 201: *Philosophy and Contemporary Ideas* (AKA: Introduction to Philosophy), Liberty University, College of General Studies, Department of Online Education. 110 individual courses taught.
- 2009 – 2010 PHIL 104: *Contemporary Worldviews*, Liberty University, College of General Studies, Department of Online Education. 2 individual courses taught.

Classroom Education

- 2018 PHI 101: *Introduction to Philosophy* (2 courses), and PHI 227: *Biomedical Ethics* (2 courses). Northern Virginia Community College, Woodbridge, Virginia.
- 2004 – 2009 Guest Lectures (various topics in Philosophy and Religious Studies). Liberty University. 29 individual lectures given.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2006 “Yogacara Buddhism: A Sympathetic Description and Suggestion for Use in Western Theology and Philosophy of Religion.” *Journal for the Study of Religions and Ideologies* 15 (2006): 94-103. <<http://www.jsri.ro>> ISSN 1583-0039.

Theses and Dissertations

- 2018 “Hegel’s Modal Ontological Argument.” PhD Dissertation, School of Philosophy, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. (available upon request).
- 2008 “Existential Temporality as Fore-Ignorance: Implications for Divine Foreknowledge.” MA Thesis, Liberty University, School of Philosophy and Religion, Lynchburg, Virginia, November 2008. <<http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/masters/27/>>.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2009 The Bill Bright Excellence in Scholarship Award. Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia, USA.

AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

Hegel in relation to historical philosophies and logical systems, contemporary relevance of Hegel (esp. in relation to contemporary modal logic, ontological arguments, time, and evolution), metaphysics of time, phenomenology of internal-time consciousness, and the Philosophy of Religion (God and Time).

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 2014 “Going Beyond Husserl’s Conception of The Structure of Internal-Time Consciousness.” 8th Annual Duquesne University Graduate Conference in Philosophy: Philosophy of Time, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA. February 2014.
- 2009 “Presentist Time Travel and the Limits of Presentist Causality.” Presented to the *American Philosophical Association* Eastern Division, Philosophy of Time Society Group Meeting, New York City. December 2009.
- 2008 “Existential Temporality as Fore-Ignorance.” Presented at the *Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences 2008* as part of the *Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* (EPTC/TCEP). University of British Columbia, Canada. June 2008. Also served as moderator at the conference.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2005 – 2017 Research Assistant to Craig A. Evans, Payzant Distinguished Professor of New Testament, Acadia Divinity College of Acadia University, in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada. I managed publication materials and published documents for his classes online. NB: He is now at another institution, contact information below in Academic References.
- 2004 – 2017 Research Assistant to Gary Habermas, Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Philosophy and Theology, Liberty University. I helped grade papers, lectured in his classes, assisted him in preparing for and attending conferences, and consolidated his publications and research for his professional website. Contact information below.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2005 Manuscript review for John Douglas Morrison, Professor of Philosophy and Theology, Liberty University. *Has God Said? Scripture, the Word of God, and the Crisis of Theological Authority*. Volume 5 in the Evangelical Theological Society Monograph Series, David W. Baker, main editor. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Pub., 2006.

EXTRACURRICULAR UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES

- 2006 – 2007 Helped establish a chapter of Phi Sigma Tau: International Honor Society in Philosophy, an undergraduate philosophy club. This was done while I was a graduate student at the Department of Philosophy and Theology, Liberty University. Served as vice president.

LANGUAGES

French: Reading/Translating with dictionary
German: Reading/Translating with dictionary

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

American Philosophical Association. Member since 2017.

Philosophy of Time Society. Member since 2007.

Phi Sigma Tau: International Honor Society in Philosophy, Liberty University Chapter, Serving as Vice President. Member 2006-2007.

ACADEMIC REFERENCES (The first three provide letters of recommendation)

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SUPPLEMENTS

(The following supplements were suggested by the American Philosophical Association's guidelines for CVs.)

LIST OF GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN

Total Graduate **Hours: 99**
- Philosophy: **75**
- Religious Studies: **30** (with 6 hours overlapping)

PhD Program in Philosophy: Catholic University of America (2010-2013)

Phaedo, Epicureans, and Stoics on Death (Druart)
Metaphysical Themes in Thomas Aquinas (Wippel)
Substantial Unity (Mereology) (Gorman)
Aristotle's Categories and On Interpretation (De Groot)
Plotinus / Neoplatonism (Vorwerk)
The Agent of Truth (Phenomenology of the Human Person) (Sokolowski)
Hume's Religion (McCarthy)
Modern German Phil: Leibniz – Dilthey (Zaborowski)
Thought of William of Ockham (Noone)
German Idealism (Rohlf)
Aquinas on Divine Ideas (The Platonic Forms in the Mind of God)(Doolan)
Husserl's Formal and Transcendental Logic (Sokolowski)
Husserl's Cartesian Meditations (Sokolowski)
Kant's Critique of Pure Reason (Rohlf)

Milestones at CUA:

First Comprehensive Exam (1/2): Subject Area: Ancient Philosophy (Fall 2011)
Second Comprehensive Exam (2/2): Subject Area: Contemporary Philosophy (Spring 2013)
Admitted to Candidacy on 08-26-2013 (Fall 2013)
German Translation Exam Completed (Fall 2013)
French Translation Exam Completed (Spring 2016)
Dissertation Proposal Approved by Faculty (Spring 2016)
Dissertation Draft 1 Completed (Spring 2017)
Graduation Fall 2018

Community Scholar Program: University of Virginia, between MA and PhD (2008-2009)

Metaphysics (Merricks)
Experience (Philosophy of Perception) (Langsam)

MA in Religious Studies: Liberty University (2004-2007)

Kant Seminar (Martin)
Epistemology (Provenzola)
Symbolic Logic (Martin)
Postmodernism/Existentialism (Provenzola)
Eastern Philosophies (Jones)
Metaphysics (Martin)
Kierkegaard Seminar (Hinkson)
Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (Martin)
Existence of God (Beck)
Modern/Contemporary Christian Thought (Morrison)
OT Orientation I (Fowler)
NT Orientation I (Freerkson)
Introduction to Apologetics (Habermas)
Miracles (Habermas)
Adv. Bibliology (Morrison)
Adv. Christology (Morrison)
Research Methods (Martin/Miller)

EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS: COURSE EVALUATIONS

This is a summary of 9 years of data from evaluations. Data are divided between four categories of answers to survey questions about the instructor: Strongly Positive (++); Positive (+); Negative (-); Strongly Negative (--). Each datum represents one student answering one question about the instructor on a survey. What follows are the totals and percentages, 2009 – Present. Additional information in parenthetical comments shows improvement in last five years.

++: 2484 (49.5%)
+: 1992 (39.7%) (Total: 89.2% positive, but 91.7% for last 5 years)
-: 338 (06.7%)
--: 202 (04.0%) (Total: 10.7% negative, but 08.2% for last 5 years)

For complete documentation, see attachments. Or, visit: <http://www.Pensgard.com/evaluations>.