Curriculum Vitae

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**Academic Positions:**

2005 – present Assistant Professor, East Tennessee State University

2004 – 2005 Lecturer, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

**Education:**

Ph.D. Vanderbilt University, 2004

M.A. University of New Mexico, 1996

B.A. University of New Mexico, 1990

**Areas of Specialization:**

Ethical Theory, Practical Reason, Metaethics

**Areas of Competence:**

Epistemology, Applied Ethics

**Publications:**

*Articles*

1. “The Enkratic Requirement,” *European Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).
2. “Rational Epistemic Akrasia,” *American Philosophical Quarterly* (forthcoming).
3. “Explaining the Value of Truth,” *American Philosophical Quarterly* 46:2 (2009): 105-115.
4. “Ethical Internalism and Cognitive Theories of Motivation,” *Philosophical Studies*, 129:2 (2006): 295-315.

*Book Review*

1. On *Practical Conflicts: New Philosophical Essays*, Peter Baumann and Monika Betzler, eds. *The Philosophical Review*, 116 (2007): 654-6.

**Presentations:**

## Papers (refereed unless otherwise noted)

1. “Rationality, Intentions, and Normative Beliefs,” Washington State University, 2010. (Invited)
2. “Explaining the Value of Truth,” APA, Eastern Division (main program), Philadelphia, 2008.
3. “An Evidence Puzzle” (with Peter Murphy), APA, Eastern Division (main program) Baltimore, 2007. Also presented at the Tennessee Philosophical Association, Nashville, 2005.
4. “On the Value of Truth and the Nature of Belief,” Tennessee Philosophical Association, Nashville, 2006.
5. “Directions of Fit, Motivation, and Instrumentalism,” Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, Pullman, WA, 2006.
6. “Incommensurable Ends and Rational Choice,” University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 2004. (Invited)
7. “Why, and When, Is Epistemic Akrasia Irrational?” Tennessee Philosophical Association, Nashville, 2004.
8. “Ethical Internalism and Cognitive Theories of Motivation,” APA Pacific Division (main program), Pasedena, 2004. Also presented at the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2004; and the Tennessee Philosophical Association, Nashville, 2003.
9. “Defending Judgment Internalism,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Atlanta, 2003.
10. “Weak Will and Irrational Motivation,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Memphis, 2003.
11. “Directions of Fit and Inferential Norms,” Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology, Nashville, 2002. Also presented at the Tennessee Philosophical Association, Nashville, 2001.
12. “Two Kinds of Value Internalism,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Memphis, 2002.
13. “Incommensurable Goods and Practical Reason,” Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, New Orleans, 2001.
14. “Dewey and Instrumentalism,” Pragmatism at the Crossroads Conference, Nashville, 2001.
15. “Commensurability and Fungibility,” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, Memphis, 2000.
16. “The Worst Difficulty Argument in Plato’s *Parmenides*,” New Mexico – West Texas Philosophical Society, El Paso, 1994.

**Awards:**

Richard M. Griffith Memorial Award for Best Paper in Philosophy by a graduate student or recent Ph.D., Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2004.

Larry Taylor Memorial Award for Best Paper by a graduate student or recent Ph.D., New Mexico and West Texas Philosophical Association, 1994.

**Teaching Experience:**

*East Tennessee State University*

Ethical Theory (six sections)

Metaethics (one section)

Moral Psychology (one section)

Topics in Analytic Philosophy (one section)

Contemporary Philosophy (one section, team-taught)

Introduction to Ethics (twenty sections)

Introduction to Philosophy (two sections)

Director of Honors Thesis (four theses)

*University of Tennessee, Knoxville*

Business Ethics (four sections)

Ethical Theory (two sections)

The Human Condition: Value and Reality (two sections)

*Tennessee State University*

Introduction to Philosophy: Contemporary Moral Problems (one section)

**Service**

ETSU Medical Professions Advisement Committee (April 2008-present)

President, Tennessee Philosophical Association (2007-08)

Chair, search committee (2007-08)

Faculty Advisor to the Philosophy Club (2005-07)

Co-chair of Academic Audit Committee (2006-07)

Member of search committee (2005-06)

Session Chair, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2002 and 2003

Reviewer for *Economics and Philosophy*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *The Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *The Journal of Philosophical Research* (twice), and *Acta Analytica*.

Member: American Philosophical Association