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## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Tennessee, 2011

M.A., Philosophy, University of Tennessee, 2007

B.A., Philosophy & Political Science, University of Tennessee, 2005

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Social & Political Philosophy

Applied Ethics

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Ethical Theory

Critical Thinking

Philosophy of Law

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Introduction to Philosophy*

- Pellissippi State Technical Community College (online), Spring 2018 – Spring 2020
- Walters State Community College (online), Fall 2010, Spring 2014 – Fall 2017; also (on site) Spring 2010
- Carson-Newman University (on site), Spring 2010 and Fall 2020 (online)

### *Philosophy as Conversation (oral-concentration)*

- East Tennessee State University (online), Spring 2018 – present (spring semesters only)

### *Introduction to Ethics*

- The University of Texas at Tyler (online), Fall 2016 – present
- Walters State Community College (on site), Fall 2009, Fall 2010

### *Bioethics*

- University of Tennessee (on site), Fall 2011

### *Contemporary Moral Issues (oral-concentration)*

- University of Tennessee (on site), Fall 2008

### *Business Ethics*

- University of Tennessee (on site), Summer 2006, 2007, 2008

### *Independent Study: Social and Political Philosophy*

- University of Tennessee (on site), Summer 2010

### *Social and Political Philosophy*

- University of Tennessee (on site), Summer 2009, 2010

### *Professional Responsibility (oral-concentration)*

- University of Tennessee (on site), Spring 2009 – Fall 2010

### *Critical Thinking*

- South College (on site), Summer 2008 – Spring 2009

### *Introduction to the Political Process*

- Howard Baker Center for Public Policy (nonpartisan), University of Tennessee (on site), Fall 2011

## **HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- Senior Research Fellow, Squire Family Foundation, 2011-2016
- Presidential Management Fellow, US Department of Veterans Affairs and Congressional Research Service, 2012-2013
- Graduate Teaching Associate Excellence in Teaching Award for 2008-2009, Philosophy Department, University of Tennessee
- Baker Scholar, Howard Baker Center for Public Policy (nonpartisan), 2007-2011
- Top Collegiate Scholar, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Tennessee, 2005

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- *Abortion Ethics in a Nutshell*, Notaed Press, 2021.
- "Why and How to Share Collective Feedback," Official Blog of the American Philosophical Association, 2020.
- *The Best Public Speaking Book*, Notaed Press, (2nd Edition, 2019; 1st Edition, 2013).
- *Year of the Fighter*, Notaed Press, 2018.
- *Ethics in a Nutshell: The Philosopher's Approach to Morality in 100 Pages*, Notaed Press, 2017.
- "Problems for Foley's Accounts of Rational Belief and Responsible Belief<sub>2</sub>" (with EJ Coffman), *Res Philosophica* 90 (2013): 147-160.
- *Ethics in a Nutshell: An Intro for Ethics Bowlers* (ethics bowl open source edition), Notaed Press, 2013, 2015 (2nd Ed.).
- "The Race to the Bottom Hypothesis," *Encyclopedia of Environmental Issues*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed., Salem Press, Pasadena, CA, 2010.
- Three articles in *Encyclopedia of Global Justice*, Deen Chatterjee, ed. Springer, New York, 2010.
  - ❖ "Public Interest"
  - ❖ "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights"
  - ❖ "UDHR Rights and Duties: Contrasted and Critiqued"

## **RELATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- Syllabus Showcase Series Editor, Official Blog of the American Philosophical Association, 2020-present
- Webmaster and Primary Blogger, EthicsBowl.org, 2018-present
- Assistant Coach, Ethics Bowl Team, Sequoyah High School, Madisonville, TN, 2015-present
- Director of Outreach, National High School Ethics Bowl, Parr Center for Ethics, University of North Carolina, 2013-2016
- Backup Organizer, Los Angeles High School Ethics Bowl, 2015 (University of Southern California), 2016 (California Polytechnic University at Pomona)
- Founder, host and co-organizer, DC Area High School Ethics Bowl, American University, 2012-2014
- Founder, host and co-organizer, Tennessee High School Ethics Bowl, University of Tennessee, 2009-2011

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

- American Philosophical Association
- Association for Practical and Professional Ethics
- Tennessee Philosophical Association