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Area of Specialization: Kant

Areas of Competence: History of Philosophy, Social and Political Philosophy, Ethics, Feminist Philosophy, Aesthetics

Education:

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Loyola University Chicago, December 2006

Dissertation: "Reason and the Transformation of Nature: A Study in Kant's Practical Philosophy"

Committee: Dr. Adriaan Peperzak (Director), Dr. Victoria Wike, Dr. Andrew Cutrofello

M.A. in Philosophy, Loyola University Chicago, May 2003

Thesis: "Irigaray through Nietzsche and Heidegger: A Phenomenological Approach"

Advisor: Dr. Patricia Huntington

B.A. in Honors and in Philosophy, Villanova University, May 1998

Honors Thesis: "Heidegger, Technology and the Possibility of Art"

Advisor: Dr. Walter Brogan

Includes one semester at St. Petersburg State University, St. Petersburg, Russia

Articles:

"Reflection: Its Structure and Meaning in Kant's Judgments of Taste," currently being revised for resubmission to *Kantian Review*

"Practical Reason and Systematicity in Kant's Philosophy: The Moral Import of the *Critique of Judgment*," in progress

"Kant and the Meaning of Life: Reason, Nature, and our 'Wise Constitution,'" in progress

Presentations:

“Practical Reason and Systematicity in Kant’s Philosophy: The Moral Import of the *Critique of Judgment*,” Colloquium Presentation, Texas A&M University; April 12, 2007

“Toward a Phenomenology of the Kantian Subject,” The Phenomenology Roundtable, DePaul University; May 13-15, 2005

“Public Intellectualism and the Social Contract,” Radical Philosophy Association Conference, Brown University; November 7-10, 2002

“The Role of Reflection in Kant’s Third *Critique*,” Graduate Conference in German Studies at Northwestern University; March 2002

“Criminalization and Maintenance of Social Problems: A Foucauldian Analysis of US Drug Policy,” Conference of North American and Cuban Philosophers and Social Scientists, Universidad de la Habana, Cuba; June 18-22, 2001

“The Myth of Woman: Irigaray, Heidegger, and Difference,” Graduate Student Philosophy Conference, DePaul University; April 6-7, 2001

“Re-thinking *Mythos*: Heidegger, Irigaray and the task of Re-mythologizing the Feminine,” Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Pennsylvania State University; October 5-7, 2000

Respondent to Tony Kostroman’s “Gadamer and Davidson: A Fusion of Horizons?” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, University of Memphis; March 5-6, 1999

Awards:

2005-2006 Graduate Fellowship in Women’s Studies Program, Loyola University Chicago

2003-2004 Graduate Fellowship in Women’s Studies Program, Loyola University Chicago

2002-2003 University Teaching Fellowship, Loyola University Chicago

1998-2002 Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Fellowship, Loyola University Chicago

Teaching Experience:

- 2006-Present Tenure-track Assistant Professor, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI (currently on leave of absence)
- 2007-2008 Visiting Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
- 2007 Faculty Seminar Leader, Collegium Phaenomenologicum, Città di Castello, Italy
- 2004-2005 Visiting Full-time Instructor, Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA
- 2002-2004 Seminar leader, Ethics Across the Curriculum professional development sessions, Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, Mexico
- 2000-2003 Graduate Instructor, Loyola University Chicago

Course Offerings:

Modern Philosophy	Introduction to Philosophy
Late Modern Philosophy	Ethics
Social and Political Philosophy	Contemporary Moral Issues
Feminism	Aesthetics
Existentialism	

Professional Activities:

- 2007 Scholar in Liberal Education Dialogue at Grand Valley State University
- 2006 Moderator, "Why Bother? On the Use and Abuse of Comparing Kant and Husserl," Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Villanova University; October 12-14, 2006
- 2005-2006, 2003-2004 Women's Studies Program, Steering Committee member
- 2000-2004 Graduate Scholars Program, Women's Studies Program at Loyola University

Professional Activities (continued):

- 2001-2002 Association for Graduate Students in Philosophy, Loyola University Chicago, President
- 2000 Conference Coordinator for annual Radical Philosophy Association Conference, Loyola University Chicago
- Session Chair, "A Novel Integrative Approach to Social Action," Radical Philosophy Association Conference, Loyola University Chicago; November 2-5, 2000
- 1999-2000 Association for Graduate Students in Philosophy, Loyola University Chicago, Treasurer

Languages:

Reading knowledge of German, French, and Russian

Professional Organizations:

American Philosophical Association

North American Kant Society

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy