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Area of Specialization: Kant

Areas of Competence: History of Philosophy (especially 19th Century), Ethics, Social and Political 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

Publications:

Refereed Articles

"Philosophy and the Public Sphere: Kant on Moral Education and Political Critique," *Idealistic Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy* (Vol. 41 Issues 1-2, 2011), 82-94

"Kant and the Culture of Discipline: Rethinking the Nature of Nature," *Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy* (Vol. 15-1, 2010), 121-138

"The Moral Import of the *Critique of Judgment*," in *Rethinking Kant Volume 2*, ed. Pablo Muchnik (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2010), 222-236

Refereed Articles (Continued)

“Reflection: Its Structure and Meaning in Kant’s Judgments of Taste,” *Kantian Review* (Vol. 14-1, 2009) 53-80

Presentations:

“Toward a Culture of the Sublime in Kant’s Critique of Judgment,” Invited Symposium: Interpreting and Assessing the *Critique of the Power of Judgment*, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association; March 31-April 3, 2010 (*Invited*)

“Tinker/Toy,” *In Theory* Architecture Series, Texas A&M University College of Architecture; Nov. 10, 2009 (*Invited*)

“Orienting Oneself in Kant: Reflections on Adriaan Peperzak as a Philosopher and Teacher,” In Praise of Speaking: Reading, Writing, Teaching Discussing: A Gathering in Honor of Adriaan Peperzak, Loyola University Maryland; May 2-3, 2009 (*Invited*)

“Kant and the Culture of Discipline: Rethinking the Nature of Nature,” Eastern Study Group of the North American Kant Society, Penn State University; April 4-5, 2009

“Kant and the Culture of Discipline: Rethinking the Nature of Nature,” Inaugural Lecture to the Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University; March 5, 2009

“From Savagery to Humanity: Kant on Culture,” University Honors and Department of Philosophy, Utah Valley University; February 19, 2009 (*Invited*)

“Life as Transformation: Kant’s Philosophy of Art and Freedom,” Faculty Colloquium, Melburn G. Glasscock Center for Humanities Research, Texas A&M University; January 28, 2009

“The Moral Import of Kant’s Third *Critique*,” Midwest Study Group of the North American Kant Society, Purdue University; October 18-19, 2008

“Kant and the Culture of Discipline: Rethinking the Nature of Nature,” The Social Implications of Kant’s Third Critique, Gent University Kant Workshop, Belgium; August 19-22, 2008 (*Invited*)

“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

Presentations (Continued):

“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

Awards:

2009	Program to Enhance Scholarly and Creative Activities Grant (\$10,000)
2008-2009	Glasscock Center for the Humanities Ad Hoc Stipendiary Fellowship
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 Fellow, Loyola University Chicago
1998-2002	Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Fellowship, Loyola University Chicago

Courses Recently Taught:*Undergraduate:*

Introduction to Philosophy
 Contemporary Moral Issues
 18th Century Philosophy
 19th Century Philosophy
 Social and Political Philosophy

Graduate:

Kant's Practical Philosophy
 Kant's *Critique of Judgment*

Professional Activity and Service:*Department*

2008-Present Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies
 2008-Present Undergraduate Program Advisory Committee Member
 2010-present Philosophy Department Diversity Committee Member
 Ad Hoc Comprehensive Exam Committee Member, Value Theory
 2009-2010 Ad Hoc Comprehensive Exam Committee Member, History
 2009 Philosophy Club Invited Speaker, "What is Enlightenment?" April
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 2007-2008 Philosophy Department Diversity Committee Member

Profession

2011 Invited Commentary, on Noam Hoffer "The Systematicity of Nature, Ideas of Reason and Reflective Judgment," First Biennial Meeting of the North American Kant Society, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign; June 2-4
 2011 Invited Commentary, on Alex Rueger, "Kant on Beauty and Morality Circa 1784: On the Genesis of the Third Critique," Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association; April 20-23, 2011
 2011 Selection committee for 2nd meeting of the Southern Study Group of the North American Kant Society
 2011, 2008 Faculty Text Seminar Leader, *Collegium Phaenomenologicum*
 2007 Città di Castello, Italy

Professional Service (Continued):

- 2010 Organizer and host, inaugural conference of the Southern Study Group of the North American Kant Society at Texas A&M
- 2008 Co-founder, Southern Study Group of the North American Kant Society

Manuscript reviewer for Rowman and Littlefield
Article reviewer for *Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy; Social Theory and Practice*

Languages:

Reading knowledge of German and French

Professional Organizations:

- American Philosophical Association
- North American Kant Society
- Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy

Academic Appointments:

- 2008-Present Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
- 2007-2008 Visiting Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
- 2006-2007 Assistant Professor, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI
- 2004-2005 Visiting Full-time Instructor, Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA