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EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, University of California, San Diego
M.A. in Philosophy, University of California, San Diego
B.A. in Philosophy (second major in Psychology), University of Redlands

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 2011-present
Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 2002-2011
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 1999-2002
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, Xavier University (Ohio), 1992-1999
Associate in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of California, San Diego, 1991-92
Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, University of Redlands, Fall 1989

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 2002-2006 and 2018-present
Supervisor, Social Sciences & Humanities Administrative Hub, University of the Pacific, 2023-present
Co-Chair, Department of Economics, University of the Pacific, 2022-23
Assistant Provost of Student Academic Support & Retention, University of the Pacific, 2014-2016
Assistant Provost of Academic Affairs, University of the Pacific, 2012-2014
Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences and Director of General Education, University of the Pacific, 2004-2012

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Assistant Provost of Student Academic Support and Retention

Responsibilities

- ❖ Served as Academic Division lead for on-going planning, delivery, and assessment of enhanced early alert intervention processes to improve persistence and graduation rates and student success
- ❖ Oversight of planning, budgeting, delivery and assessment of academic support services, including academic advising, fundamental writing and math skills programs, general academic tutoring (including supplemental instruction), and university writing center and writing-in-the-disciplines program
- ❖ Oversight of planning, delivery, and assessment of undergraduate honors programs, including first-year honors program, legal scholars program, and fellowship program
- ❖ Oversight of planning, delivery and assessment of international programs and services (until spring 2015)

- ❖ Final appeal for student academic grievances

Accomplishments

- Wrote internally funded \$750,000 ‘Student Success’ proposal to improve early alert referral and case management system, academic advising, tutoring and supplemental instruction, ESL, and developmental writing
- Co-led planning and implementation of the above processes and positions
- Strengthened coordination of academic support services among relevant campus stakeholders

Assistant Provost of Academic Affairs

Responsibilities

- ❖ Guidance of new academic programs through review process and liaison to university curriculum committee
- ❖ Oversight of undergraduate honors programs, including the four-year honors, legal scholars, and fellowship program
- ❖ Oversight of undergraduate research
- ❖ Oversight of planning, delivery and assessment of international programs and services
- ❖ Oversight of undergraduate experiential learning
- ❖ Review and provide recommendations for delivery of, and resource allocation for, fundamental skills writing and math programs
- ❖ Final appeal for student academic grievances

Accomplishments

- Co-led the revision of the fundamental skills writing program to reduce number of units and time to complete fundamental skills writing requirement
- Led the revision of the university-wide honors program
- Co-led the Academic and Career Advising Committee and principal author of the report that guides Pacific’s early alert and advising strategic planning
- Improved process for new academic program proposal review
- Reorganized International Programs and Services

Director of General Education

Responsibilities

- ❖ Led all aspects of the general education program, especially the three Pacific Seminars (130 sections annually), which are separate from Departmental/School courses
- ❖ Oversaw the university-wide general education committee and created strategic planning
- ❖ Created the three Pacific Seminar schedules and coordinated staffing with chairs in eighteen departments in the College of Arts and Sciences and with Deans in six professional schools
- ❖ Hired, supervised, and evaluated roughly eighteen part-time faculty annually to teach in the Pacific Seminars
- ❖ Organized faculty development activities (internal and external) for the Pacific Seminars
- ❖ Led the process of Pacific Seminars assessment
- ❖ Planned and monitored multiple budgets
- ❖ Resolved faculty and student disputes in Pacific Seminars courses
- ❖ Helped the seven Schools resolve problems with GE graduation requirements

- ❖ Co-directed with the Dean of Students the First-Year Experience Committee to improve student success
- ❖ Worked with the Office of Student Life to coordinate academic programming in residence halls for Pacific Seminar 1
- ❖ Worked with faculty and publishers to produce course readers for Pacific Seminars 1 and 3
- ❖ Made presentations on the GE program at national conferences and to the Pacific community
- ❖ Applied for external funding for the GE program
- ❖ Oversaw the annual Thomas J. Long Scholarship and Fellowship awards selection for General Education
- ❖ Worked with Office of the Registrar to articulate transfer courses for GE

Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

Responsibilities

- ❖ Part of the Dean team in the College of Arts and Sciences that led and managed eighteen departments and five programs/centers
- ❖ College Curriculum Committee Chair
- ❖ Attended monthly Academic Affairs (university curriculum) meetings
- ❖ Attended monthly chairs/program directors' meetings
- ❖ Represented the College at various internal and external events
- ❖ Interviewed job candidates in the College of Arts and Sciences

Accomplishments as Director of General Education and Associate Dean

- Led the revision of the GE program during extensive program review, especially the creation of the nationally recognized Pacific Seminars
- Wrote a successful grant for the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) Core Commitments Leadership Consortium (2007-9), promoting personal and social responsibility as essential university learning outcomes
- Served as Pacific's team leader for the AAC&U Core Commitments Leadership Consortium
- Co-leader of committee that created and gained approval of Pacific's first set of university-wide learning objectives and outcomes
- Successfully lobbied the Provost and President to allocate seven new faculty lines to strengthen Pacific Seminar staffing
- Made nine presentations on the Pacific Seminars at AAC&U and NRC conferences
- Helped design the first university-wide assessment committee
- Helped lead the strategic planning process for the College of Arts and Sciences

Philosophy Department Chair

Responsibilities

- ❖ Leadership of all aspects of the department, including curriculum planning, oversight of budget, faculty and staff evaluation, resolution of student-faculty conflicts, program assessment, and advising

Accomplishments

- Led four-fold expansion of number of majors
- Hired the top candidate for tenure-track positions in four national searches

- Directed undergraduate student research
- Led the establishment of a Yoga Philosophy and Practice course

COURSES TAUGHT

University of the Pacific

Philosophy of Sport
 Moral Problems
 God, Faith & Reason
 Ancient Greek & Roman Philosophy
 Introduction to Philosophy
 History of Modern Philosophy
 Philosophers in Conflict: Kant and Mill
 Metaphysics
 Philosophy of Human Existence
 Pacific Seminar 3: What is an Ethical Life?
 Mentor Seminar 1: Timeless Questions

Xavier University

J.S. Mill
 Kant's Practical Philosophy (Honors)
 Hegel's *Philosophy of Right* & Its Critics
 Ethics as Introduction to Philosophy
 Theory of Knowledge
 History of Ancient Philosophy: Greek Ethics
 Philosophy of Religion
 Principles of Political Philosophy
 Contemporary Continental Philosophy: Existentialism

University of California, San Diego

Individual & Society: Plato & Aristotle
 Individual & Society: Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, & Hume
 Individual & Society: Mill, Marx, & Hayek

University of Redlands

Introduction to Philosophy

University of California, San Diego, Teaching Assistant, Revelle College Humanities Writing Program

Humanities 5 ("The Crisis of European Culture"), 3 quarters
 Humanities 4 ("Enlightenment & Revolution"), 1 quarter
 Humanities 3 ("Renaissance & Reformation"), 2 quarters
 Humanities 2 ("Rome, Christianity, & Medieval World"), 2 quarters
 Humanities 1 ("Israel & Greece"), 3 quarters.

PHILOSOPHY PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Philosophy Books—Peer Reviewed

John Stuart Mill, *Three Essays on Religion*, ed. Lou Matz. Broadview Press, 2009. First annotated edition of Mill's essays.

Book Chapters—Invited

"Mill's Philosophy of Religion" for *A Companion To Mill*, eds. Macleod and Miller (Wiley-Blackwell), 2016.

"John Stuart Mill," *Dictionary of Literary Biography: Volume 262, British Philosophers 1800-2000*, (The Gale Group), 2002.

Philosophy Articles—Peer Reviewed

"Why player political protest should be part of U.S. professional sports," *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*, 6 May 2024. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/00948705.2024.2347870>

"In defense of religion-sport separation in coaching," *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*, Vol. 50, Issue 1, 100-115. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/00948705.2023.2176860>

"The *real* ethical problems with strategic fouling in basketball," *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*, Vol. 49, Issue 3, 322-335. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00948705.2022.2103424?tab=permissions&scroll=top>

"Sport Performance as a Liberal Art and an Academic Major," *Liberal Education*, Association of American Colleges and Universities, spring 2022, pp. 26-33. <https://www.aacu.org/liberaleducation/articles/sports-major>

"Myles Brand: Intercollegiate Athletics Within the Limits of the Academic Mission Alone," *Journal of Intercollegiate Sport*, Volume 14, No. 3, December 2021, pp. 80-95. <https://journals.ku.edu/jis/article/view/15656>

"Turning intercollegiate athletics into a performance major like music," *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*, Volume 47, Issue 2, Summer 2020, pp. 283-300. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00948705.2020.1771188>

"Real Philosophy, Good Teaching, and Academic Freedom," *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, Volume 07, Number 2, spring 2008.

"Buddhist Values in Development" in *Managing the Development of Intermediate Size Cities: The Sustainability of Urban Existence in Thailand*, eds. M. Romanos and C. Auffrey (Dordrecht, the Netherlands: Kluwer Academic Publisher), 2002, pp. 23-35.

"Philosophical Counseling for Counselors," *International Journal of Philosophical Practice*, Volume 1, Number 2, spring 2002.

“The Utility of Religious Illusion: A Critique of J.S. Mill’s Religion of Humanity,” *Utilitas*, Volume 12, No. 2, July 2000, pp. 137-154.

“Hegel’s Missing Moral Virtues?” *The British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, Volume 5, No. 2, September 1997, pp. 321-338.

Philosophy Articles—Invited

“The Ethical and Religious in Kierkegaard,” *Kierkegaardiana* 20, 1999, pp. 255-259.

Book Reviews

Timothy Larsen, *John Stuart Mill: A Secular Life* (Oxford U Press, 2018), *Church History*, Vol. 88, Issue 2, 2019, 536-538.

James Crimmins, *Utilitarians and Religion* (Thoemmes, 1998), *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 51, No. 204, July 2001, pp. 421-423.

Presentations

“Why player political protest should be a part of U.S. professional sports,” International Association for the Philosophy of Sport (IAPS), Nova Scotia, August 2024.

“How U.S. Athletes Can Justify On-the-Job Political Expression,” Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis & Clark College, November 2023.

“The *Real* Ethical Problems with Strategic Fouling in Basketball,” International Association for the Philosophy of Sport (IAPS), Split, Croatia, September 2023.

“Is there a Rightful Place for Religion in Coaching?” Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis & Clark College, October 2022.

“A Sport Performance Major,” Norwegian School of Sport Sciences, Norway, May 2022.

“J.S. Mill’s Philosophy of Religion,” Lund University, Sweden, May 2022.

“Philosophy Through Sport,” Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Portland State University, November 2021.

“A Competitive Sport Major,” Annual College Sport Research Institute (CSRI) conference, University of South Carolina, March 26, 2021.

“John Stuart Mill’s Religious Challenges,” Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Pacific University, October 2013.

“Using Clickers to Gauge and Engage Students in Philosophy,” Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Lewis and Clark University, November 2011.

“Ridding Reason of a Transcendent God: Feuerbach’s Completion of Kant,” Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Seattle University, fall 2005.

“Protecting Freedom & Promoting Virtue in J.S. Mill’s Liberalism,” University of Redlands, Oct 2003.

“Ridding Reason of a Transcendent God: Feuerbach’s Completion of Kant,” University of Redlands, spring 2002.

“Philosophical Counseling for Counselors,” American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, March 2001.

“Religious Illusion in J.S. Mill’s Religion of Humanity,” Transylvania University, October 1998.

“Protecting Liberty and Promoting Virtue in Mill’s On Liberty: A Rejoinder to Fitzjames Stephen,” University of Toledo, November 1996.

“Hegel’s Missing Moral Virtues?” for The Ohio Philosophical Association, April 1996.

Philosophical Columns for the Stockton Record

- ‘Class Study of Supreme Court and Affirmative Action,’ *Stockton Record*, October 5, 2022
- ‘Praying Coach’s Actions at Odds With His Religious Teaching,’ *Stockton Record*, July 30, 2022
- ‘If Men Had Babies, They Wouldn’t Stand for This Decision,’ *Stockton Record*, July 2, 2022
- ‘Praise for the Great Agnostic: 19th-century Defender of Free Thought Brought Ideas to Stockton,’ *Stockton Record*, April 23, 2022
- ‘The Rise of the Religiously Unaffiliated: Is Increasing Secularization of US a Good Trend?’, *Stockton Record*, January 22, 2022.
- ‘University Faculties Not a Bunch of Radical Liberals,’ *Stockton Record*, December 11, 2021
- ‘The Blessings of Liberty Require Moral Virtue and Knowledge,’ *Stockton Record*, October 9, 2021
- ‘Morality Should Not be Based on Religion,’ *Stockton Record*, August 22, 2021.
- ‘Critical Thinking Vital to Our Future,’ *Stockton Record*, July 13, 2021
- ‘An Armed Citizenry of Critical Thinkers,’ *Stockton Record*, June 15, 2021.
- ‘Cancel the Cancel Culture Concept,’ *Stockton Record*, May 10, 2021
- ‘No Good Rationalizations for US Capitol Riot,’ *Stockton Record*, January 23, 2021

HIGHER EDUCATION AND GENERAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP & PRESENTATIONS

Articles

“How to better justify intercollegiate athletics,” *Inside Higher Education*, August 1, 2024.

“In defense of a real three-year degree,” *Inside Higher Education*, May 3, 2023.

“Seeking a Good Society at University of the Pacific,” *Diversity & Democracy: Civic Learning for Shared Futures* (Association of American Colleges and Universities, forthcoming Winter 2011)

“University of the Pacific’s Bookend Seminars on a Good Society,” *New Directions for Teaching and Learning*, ed. Catherine Wehlburg (Jossey-Bass, No. 121, spring 2010, pp. 46-57).

Presentations—Peer-reviewed

“Infusing Personal and Social Responsibility Into University-Wide Learning Competencies,” AAC&U Academic Renewal Conference “Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility: A Twenty-First Century Imperative,” October 2011

“Ethics and Ethical Self-Reflection in a University-Wide Capstone Course” (poster-session), AAC&U Academic Renewal Conference, October 2009.

Workshop titled “Ethics and Narrative” for the AAC&U Core Commitments Summer Institute, July 2008.

“Building Campus Partnerships in an Academic Seminar,” Annual National Resource Center Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2007.

“Don’t Try This Alone: Educating Students to Become Citizen Leaders,” Annual AAC&U Conference, January 2007.

“Renovating Pacific’s Full-First Year Mentor Program,” Annual National Resource Center Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2006.

“Pacific Mentor Program: Connecting Liberal Learning and Citizenship,” Annual AAC&U Conference, January 2006.

Presentations—Invited

“Pacific Seminar 1: Opportunities and Obstacles,” First Year Experience Spring Convocation, California State University, Sacramento, January 2011.

“The Pacific Seminars and LEAP,” an invited LEAP Faculty Workshop presentation for the AAC&U Academic Renewal Conference “Shaping Faculty Roles,” April 2009.

Pre-conference workshop on “Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility in General Education” for AAC&U Conference “Integrative Designs for General Education and Assessment,” February 2008.

Panel presentation on the Pacific Seminars for the AAC&U Annual Meeting pre-conference symposium titled “No Longer Optional: Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility,” January 2008

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Summer 1998	Nine weeks in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Research on Buddhism and sustainable development through the University of Cincinnati.
1990-91	Seven months in Giessen, Germany. Completion of dissertation while playing a season of basketball in the German fourth division (Oberliga).
Summer 1989	Goethe-Institute Language Course, Frankfurt, West Germany.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2020-present Blind Reviewer for *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*

2019	Blind Reviewer for <i>Journal of Social Philosophy</i>
2018	External reviewer for University of Redlands Department of Philosophy program review
2013	External reviewer for University of Maryland, Baltimore County Department of Philosophy program review
2010	Rubric Development Training for CSU Stanislaus program assessment faculty
2010	Member of AAC&U Network for Academic Renewal Planning Committee to create fall 2011 conference program on Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility
2008-09	Member of AAC&U VALUE team that created the “Ethical Reasoning” rubric

SELECT UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of the Pacific

Pacific Core Values Initiative Committee (appointed by Academic Council)
 Author of Student Success section for interim WASC report (appointed by Provost’s Office)
 Co-Chair of WASC team on university-wide learning outcomes (Appointed by Provost’s Office)
 Co-Director, First-Year Experience Committee (Appointed by Provost)
 Chair, Athletic Advisory Board (appointed by the President)
 University Assessment Committee
 Writing in the Disciplines Committee (Appointed by Assistant Dean in the College)
 Emotional Intelligence & Leadership Task Force on Curriculum (Appointed by President)
 University Assessment Task Force (Appointed by Director of Institutional Research)
 General Education Program Review (Appointed by Director of GE)
 Ethics Across the Curriculum Committee (Appointed by Associate Provost)
 New Student Orientation speaker
 New freshmen advisor
 Student Judicial Affairs Hearing Officer (College-elected)
 Gender Studies Committee
 Courses and Standards Committee (College-elected)
 Athletic Advisory Board (University-elected)
 Faculty Advisor for College of Pacific Student Association (Appointed by College Dean)

Xavier University

Ethics/Religion/Society Core Curriculum Committee Member
 Orientation speaker
 Faculty Representative at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR)
 AAUP Committee Member
 NCAA Certification Task Force: Academic Integrity Sub-Committee
 Athletic Advisory Board member
 Faculty Speaker for Scholar-Athlete Awards Assembly
 Academic Advisor
 Undergraduate Philosophy Club advisor

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

2011	“Workshop on Grievances, Disciplinary Actions and Conflict Resolution,” Sheila O’Rourke, J.D., University of the Pacific
2009	Western Association of Schools and Colleges Academic Resource Conference pre-

- conference workshop ‘The Capacity and Preparatory Review’
- 2008 Workshop: “Seeing the Big Picture: Thinking Systematically About Educating Students for Personal and Social Responsibility” by Patrick Terenzini at the AAC&U Core Commitments Summer Institute
- 2007 Workshop: “Using Intellectual Development to Promote a Culture of Reflection” by Patricia King (University of Michigan) at the University of the Pacific
- 2007 Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching CASTL Leadership Program meeting for cohort institutions on “Affective Development,” Portland, Oregon
- 2007 Workshop: “The Essential Core: Intellectual and Ethical Development” by L. Lee Knefelkamp at the AAC&U Core Commitments Summer Institute
- 2007 Association of American Universities and Colleges Core Commitments Summer Institute, Burlington, Vermont
- 2007 Emotional Intelligence Professional Development Workshop. Conducted by Scott Taylor (Boston University) at the University of the Pacific
- 2006 Emotional Intelligence Professional Development Workshop. Conducted by Rob Emmerling (Emotional Intelligence Consortium) at the University of the Pacific
- 2006 “Best Practice in the First College Year: Defining What Works and Why,” John Gardner and Betsy Barefoot, full-day workshop at annual National Resource Center Conference on the First-Year Experience, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2003 CCAS Seminar for Department Chairs, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 2002 “Developing Intercultural Competence” workshop, Janet and Milton Bennett, University of the Pacific

DISSERTATION

“Freedom and Character in Plato’s *Republic* and Hegel’s *Philosophy of Right*” (Advisor: Dr. Robert B. Pippin)

LANGUAGES

German, Attic Greek