

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, Vanderbilt University, 2001
M.A. Philosophy, Vanderbilt University, 1999
B.S. Psychology, Mississippi College, 1996

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology
Early Modern Philosophy (*especially Hume*)
History & Significance of Skepticism (*both Ancient & Modern*)

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of Religion (*especially problem of evil & contemporary religious epistemology*)
Metaphysics (*early modern & contemporary; philosophy of mind*)
Ancient Philosophy (*especially the Hellenistic & Imperial periods*)

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

2005	Summer Research Fellowship, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
2004	APA Rockefeller Prize, for my paper "Skeptical Parasitism and the Continuity Argument"
2001	Franklin J. Matchette Award for Excellence in Teaching, Vanderbilt University
2000–2001	Interdepartmental Teaching Fellowship (Philosophy & English), Vanderbilt University
1999–2000	Burke Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, Vanderbilt University
1997–1999	Department of Philosophy Teaching Fellowship, Vanderbilt University
1996	Psychology Student of the Year, Mississippi College
1992–1996	Distinguished Scholar Award Scholarship, Mississippi College

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2004-2007 Assistant Professor in Philosophy & Religion (tenure-track), University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga, TN
- 2003-2004 Lecturer in Philosophy, Belmont University, Nashville, TN
- 2002-2003 Lecturer in both Philosophy & English, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN
- 2001-2002 Visiting Assistant Professor in Philosophy, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV
- 1997-2001 Teaching Assistant in Philosophy (& also in English in 2000-2001), Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES

1. "Clarke and Stroud on the Plane-Spotter's," *Southwest Philosophy Review*, forthcoming.
2. "Skeptical Parasitism and the Continuity Argument," *Metaphilosophy* 35 (2004): 714-732.
3. "Is Pyrrhonism Psychologically Possible?," *Ancient Philosophy* 22 (2002): 319-331.
4. "Cartesian Skepticism and the Epistemic Priority Thesis," *The Southern Journal of Philosophy* 40 (2002): 573-586.
5. "Epistemological Skepticism(s) and Rational Self-Control," *The Monist* 85 (2002): 468-477.

PUBLICATIONS: REVIEWS

1. Review of Bryan Frances's *Scepticism Comes Alive*, *Philosophical Books*, forthcoming.
2. Review of Duncan Pritchard's *Epistemic Luck*, *Philosophical Books*, forthcoming.
3. Review of Louis Loeb's *Stability and Justification in Hume's Treatise*, *The British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 12 (2004): 348-351.
4. Review of John Greco's *Putting Sceptics in Their Place*, *Review of Metaphysics* 55 (2002): 632-634.
5. Review of Anthony Quinton's *Hume*, *Teaching Philosophy* 24 (2001): 415-417.
6. Review of Panayot Butchvarov's *Skepticism about the External World*, *Review of Metaphysics* 54 (2000): 422-424.

WORK UNDER REVIEW or IN PROGRESS

- a. "The Problem of Disagreement in Philosophy," under review.
- b. "Learning Hume/ility," under review.
- c. "Hume's Aesthetics: Or, Grappling with the *de gustibus* Skeptic," under review.

PRESENTATIONS

2006

1. "Hume's Aesthetics: Or, Grappling with the *de gustibus* Skeptic," to be presented to the Society for Skeptical Studies, at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 2006.
2. "Hume's Aesthetics: Or, Grappling with the *de gustibus* Skeptic," Departmental Symposium (Philosophy and Religion), University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, March 27, 2006.

2005

3. "Clarke and Stroud on the Plane-Spotters," Society for Skeptical Studies, at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 28, 2005.
4. "Clarke and Stroud on the Plane-Spotters," Southwestern Philosophical Society, November 11, 2005
5. "Clarke and Stroud on the Plane-Spotters," Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 5, 2005.
6. Commentator: "An Evidence Puzzle," Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 5, 2005.
7. "The Evolution of Hume's Position on the Livability of Skepticism," Conference on "Hume and His Critics" in the Scottish Enlightenment, Baylor University, April 15, 2005.
8. "The Evolution of Hume's Position on the Livability of Skepticism," Departmental Symposium (Philosophy and Religion), University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, April 6, 2005.

2004

9. "Thinking about Disagreement: Wittgenstein's Hard Cases," Society for Skeptical Studies, at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 28, 2004.
10. "What Should a Radical Skeptic Think about His Hand?", Invited Lecture, Connecticut College, November 4, 2004.
11. "The Problem of Disagreement in Philosophy," Invited Lecture, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, January 30, 2004.

2003

12. "What Should a Radical Skeptic Think about His Hand?", Society for Skeptical Studies, at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 27, 2003.
13. "What Should a Radical Skeptic Think about His Hand?", Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 1, 2003.

14. Commentator: "The Gettier Problem Truly Solved," Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 1, 2003.
 15. "Skepticism as a Prelude to Faith and Submission in Michel de Montaigne's 'Apology for Raymond Sebond'," Invited Lecture to the Belmont University Honors Program, October 21, 2003.
 16. "Taking Skepticism Seriously," Invited Lecture, University of Tennessee at Martin, February 10, 2003.
- 2002**
17. "Putting Overly Ambitious Contextualism in Its Place," Society for Skeptical Studies, at the Eastern Division meeting of the APA, December 28, 2002.
 18. "Putting Overly Ambitious Contextualism in Its Place," Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 16, 2002.
 19. "Thinking about Disagreement: Wittgenstein's Hard Cases," Faculty Speaker at the Annual In-House Conference, Department of Philosophy, West Virginia University, April 4, 2002.
 20. "Cartesian Skepticism and the Epistemic Priority Thesis," Society for Skeptical Studies, at the Pacific Division meeting of the APA, March 30, 2002.
 21. "Is Pyrrhonism Psychologically Possible?," Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, at the Pacific Division meeting of the APA, March 28, 2002.
 22. "Humean Psychoanalysis," West Virginia Philosophical Society, Spring Meeting, March 16, 2002.
- 2001**
23. "Is Sextus Empiricus' Tranquility Argument (*Adversus Mathematicos* 11.110-140) Pyrrhonian?" West Virginia Philosophical Society, Fall Meeting, October 13, 2001.
 24. "Skepticism at Dusk: What Comes *After* the Skeptical Argument?" Invited Lecture Series, in three parts, Ashland University, April 19-21, 2001.
 25. "Minimal Epistemology: Prospects and Problems," delivered jointly with Derek Turner at the Philosophical Collaborations Conference, March 2, 2001.
 26. "Is Pyrrhonism Psychologically Possible?," Midsouth Philosophy Conference, February 24, 2001.
 27. Commentator: "Semantic Externalism and Privileged Access," Midsouth Philosophy Conference, February 24, 2001.
 28. "Epistemological Skepticism and Rational Self-Control," Colloquium Series, Department of Philosophy, Vanderbilt University, January 12, 2001.
- 2000**
29. "Skeptical Parasitism and the Continuity Argument," Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 11, 2000.
 30. "Brandom on Normativity, Objectivity, and Knowledge," Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, April 21, 2000.
- 1999**
31. "Brandom on Normativity, Objectivity, and Knowledge," Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 6, 1999.

32. Commentator: “‘Having within me the idea of God’: An Essay on Descartes’ Third Meditation,” Tennessee Philosophical Association, November 6, 1999.

COURSES TAUGHT AT UTC

Western Philosophical Traditions I (PHIL 101)	F’04, Sp’05, Sum’05
Western Philosophical Traditions II (PHIL 102)	F’05, Sp’06, Sum’06
Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 201)	F’06
Metaphysics (PHIL 341)	F’05
Epistemology (PHIL 345)	F’04
History of Modern Philosophy (PHIL 353)	Sp’05, Sp’06
Religious Epistemology (PHIL 491)	F’06
PHIL 498r Courses	
“The Philosophical Significance of Comedy”	Sp’05 (with Hannah Rutledge)
“Meaning & Knowledge in the Later Wittgenstein”	Sp’05 (with Greg Smith)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Philosophical Association
Tennessee Philosophical Association
Society for Skeptical Studies
Hume Society

REFERENCES

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