

# Robert Arp, Ph.D.

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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Philosophy, Saint Louis University
- M.A. Philosophy, The Catholic University of America
- B.A. Philosophy, The Catholic University of America

## LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

Basic reading knowledge of Ancient Greek, Latin, French, German, Spanish; basic speaking knowledge of Spanish

## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COURSES TAUGHT SINCE 1996

Since August of 1996, I have taught around 200 in-class and more than 200 online and hybrid courses in Philosophy and other areas. Schools where I have taught and/or continue to teach include:

- Saint Louis University as a Grad Student (Adjunct Professor, 1996-2005)
- Southwest Minnesota State University (Assistant Professor, 2005-2006)
- Florida State University (Visiting Assistant Professor, 2006-2007)
- University of Missouri - St. Louis (Adjunct Professor, 1999-2005)
- Fontbonne College (now University, Adjunct Professor, 1999-2005)
- Harris-Stowe State College (now University, Adjunct Professor, 1996-2005)
- McKendree College (now University, Adjunct Professor, 1996-2005)
- Jefferson College (Adjunct Professor, 1996-2000)
- Maryville College (now University, Adjunct Professor, 2000)
- Lewis and Clark Community College (Adjunct Professor, 2000-2005)
- Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville (Adjunct Professor, 2002)
- Forest Park Community College (Adjunct Professor, 1996-2005)
- Florissant Valley Community College (Adjunct Professor, 1999-2005)
- St. Charles Community College (Adjunct Professor, 1999-2005)
- Barton Community College (Adjunct Professor, 2013)
- Maple Woods Community College (Adjunct Professor, 2011-2013)
- Penn Valley Community College (Adjunct Professor, 2011-2013)
- University of St. Mary in Leavenworth, KS (Adjunct Professor, 2011-2014)
- University of Missouri - Kansas City (Adjunct Professor, 2011-Present)
- Webster University - St. Louis (Adjunct Professor, 1999-Present)
- Webster University - Kansas City (Adjunct Professor, 2011-Present)
- Johnson County Community College (Adjunct Professor, 2011-Present)
- Missouri Western State University (Adjunct Professor, 2015-Present)

### Graduate Courses:

- Health Care Policy and Ethics (online also; co-designed course)
- Corporate Responsibility and Society (online also; co-designed course)
- Evolutionary Psychology & Creative Problem Solving (reading course)
- Realism and Antirealism (designed reading course)
- Induction and Probability (designed reading course)
- Philosophy of Biology

### Undergraduate Courses:

- Introduction to Philosophy (online, hybrid also)
- Self and Reality: An Introduction to Philosophy
- The Great Thinkers (online only thus far)
- Critical Thinking (online, hybrid also)
- Reasoning and Problem Solving (online, hybrid also)
- Foundations of Logic and Scientific Reasoning (online, hybrid also)
- Logic (online, hybrid also)
- Symbolic Logic (online, hybrid also)
- Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy
- Medieval Philosophy
- Modern Philosophy
- 19<sup>th</sup>-Century Philosophy
- 20<sup>th</sup>-Century Continental Philosophy
- Contemporary Philosophy
- Philosophy of Language
- Existentialism
- Aesthetics
- Metaphysics (online also)
- Epistemology
- Metaphysics and Epistemology
- Philosophy of Nature
- History and Philosophy of Science
- Philosophy of Technology
- Philosophy of Biology
- Philosophy of Mind
- Phenomenology and the Philosophy of Mind
- Philosophy of Human Nature
- Ethics (online, hybrid also)
- Contemporary Moral Issues (online, hybrid also)
- Applied Ethics (online, hybrid also)
- Bioethics (online also)
- Medical Ethics (online also)
- Business Ethics (online, hybrid also)
- Biomedical Ethics
- Health Care Ethics
- Ethics and Scientific Practice
- Environmental Ethics
- Leadership Ethics
- Cyberethics
- War and Ethics
- Philosophy of Education
- Philosophy of Religion (online also)
- Philosophy of God
- World Religions (online, hybrid also)
- Asian Philosophy
- Social and Political Philosophy (online, hybrid also)
- Philosophy of Gender, Race, and Class
- Feminist Philosophy
- An Introduction to the Humanities
- University 101
- An Introduction to University Life

Many of these courses have been taught multiple times; some 50 or more.

A spreadsheet linking all courses to schools and semesters is available upon request.

## Undergraduate Courses I Developed from Scratch and Taught

- Logic, Language, and Media Madness (online also)
- Teleology
- Mind and Modernity
- Descartes and Hobbes: Metaphysics, Mind, Modernity

## Religion Courses Taught at Paul VI High School in Fairfax, VA: 1993-1996

- The Old Testament
- The New Testament
- Catholic Morality
- Catholic Social Teaching
- The History of the Catholic Church
- The Existence and Theology of the Christian God (designed elective course)

## Adult Religious Education Courses Taught to Elementary and Secondary School Educators

For the Diocese of Scranton, PA – Summers of 1993, 1994, 1995

- Basic Elements of the New Catechism of the Catholic Church
- Theological and Philosophical Debates Behind the Councils of Nicaea, Ephesus & Chalcedon
- Theology of the Pauline Epistles

For the Archdiocese of St. Louis, MO – 1996 to 1998

- Basic Elements of the New Catechism of the Catholic Church
- Theological and Philosophical Debates Behind the Councils of Nicaea, Ephesus & Chalcedon
- The Doctrine of Transubstantiation and Opposing Views
- Source, Historical, Form, and Redaction Criticism in the Gospels
- Analogy and the Names of God
- The Rise of Fundamentalism in the USA
- Aquinas' Proofs for God's Existence

## TEACHING AWARDS AND HONORS

- Visiting Instructorship, Florida State University, 2006-2007
- SLU/Fontbonne College Faculty Fellowship, 2000-2001
- Who's Who Among America's College and University Professors, 2000
- Paul VI High School Teacher of the Year, 1995

## TEACHING CERTIFICATIONS

- Quality Matters Online Teaching Certification (QM5111032PRA - May 12, 2012)
- Saint Louis University Certificate in University Teaching Skills (CUTS) Program, 2002
- Religious Education Certification and Accreditation through the National Council of Catholic Bishops, 1993

## STUDENT AWARDS AND HONORS

- Postdoctoral Fellowship, University at Buffalo, 2007-2009
- Dissertation Fellowship, Saint Louis University, 2003-2004
- Basselin Scholarship, The Catholic University of America, 1990-1993
- Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, 1989

## ONLINE AND COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS

- Online Learning Platforms (Expert Usage of) Blackboard (19 years), Moodle (5 years), Canvas (7 years), D2L (6 years)
- Online Learning Platform Development | Data and Concept Modeling | Business Analysis
- Computational Languages (Basic Knowledge and Usage of) SQL, UML, HTML, XML, RDF, RDF-S, OWL, SPARQL
- Expert Knowledge and Usage of: Microsoft Products (also SharePoint), Adobe Products (also PageMaker, InDesign)
- Basic Knowledge and Usage of: Enterprise Architect, MagicDraw, Protégé, TopBraid

## INVITED TALKS

- **Plenary Speaker** at Eastern Washington University Feminist Philosophy Colloquium: Cheney, WA (April, 2015) Title of the Talk: "Objectification, Care Ethics, and the Case Against Pornography"
- **Plenary Speaker** at Ethics Across the Curriculum Conference at Young Harris College: Young Harris, GA (Spring, 2012) Title of the Talk: "How Metaphysical Worldviews Influence Bioethical Decisions and Generate Legal Policies"
- **Plenary Speaker** for Philosophy and Popular Culture Conference at Georgia Southern University: Statesboro, GA (Spring, 2013) Title of the Talk: "Helping the Hoi Polloi with a Little Philosophy"
- **Plenary Speaker** at Eastern Washington Student Philosophy Conference: Cheney, WA (April, 2010) Title of the Talk: "The Value of the Philosophy and Pop Culture Genre to Non-Philosophers and Philosophers Too"
- **Plenary Speaker** at Alexandria, Louisiana Annual Priest Convocation: Alexandria, LA (August 21-22, 2004) Title of the Talks: "Science and Religion: Their Scope, Subject Matter, and Methodology," "Evolution and Creation," "Creation and Creationism"
- **Guest Lecturer** for "Faiths of the World" series of 10 talks on the Theology of the Catholic Church given every Sunday at 1pm at First Unitarian Church of St. Louis in the fall and winter of 2000

## COMMITTEE WORK

- Center for Ethics Development Committee, Southwest Minnesota State University, 2005-2006
- Ethics Research Board, Southwest Minnesota State University, 2005-2006
- Ethics Bowl Coach, Southwest Minnesota State University, 2005-2006
- Ethics Across the Curriculum Committee, Saint Louis University, 2000-2004
- Ethics Across the Curriculum Committee, Florida State University, 2006-2007
- Guest Moderator of the Philosophy Club, Florida State University, 2006-2007
- Moderator of the Philosophy Club, Southwest Minnesota State University, 2005-2006
- Adjunct Professors Association, Johnson County Community College, 2011-Present
- Assistant Professor of Religion Search Committee, Southwest Minnesota State University, 2005-2006
- Assistant Professor of English Search Committee, Southwest Minnesota State University, 2005-2006
- Assistant Professor of Psychology Search Committee, Fontbonne College, 2000-2001
- President/Philosophy Graduate Student Association, Saint Louis University, 1999-2000
- Welcoming Committee/Philosophy Graduate Student Association, Saint Louis University, 1997-2000
- Philosophy Majors Representative, Student Council, The Catholic University of America, 1991-1993

## THESIS AND DISSERTATION COMMITTEES OF WHICH I HAVE BEEN A PART

- Kenneth Jones, BA Thesis Option in Philosophy, 2005, Southwest Minnesota State University (SMSU), Committee Chair
- Casey Nelson, BA Thesis Option in Philosophy, 2005, SMSU, Committee Chair
- Jaqueline Pasternaki, BA Thesis Option in Philosophy, 2006, SMSU, Committee Chair
- Kyle McNeil, BA Thesis Option in Philosophy, 2006, SMSU, Committee Member/Reader
- Phoebe Stroble, BA Thesis Option in History (emphasis in Philosophy of Science), 2006, SMSU, Committee Member/Reader
- Walter Duvall, PhD Dissertation in Philosophy, Florida State University (FSU), 2008, Committee Member/Reader
- John Carpenter, PhD Dissertation in Philosophy, FSU, 2009, Committee Member/Reader
- Jamie Watson, PhD Dissertation in Philosophy, FSU, 2010, Committee Member/Reader
- Jose Hermosa, MBA Business Ethics Thesis, Webster University (WU), 2012, Committee Member/Reader
- Bradford Weir, MBA Business Ethics Thesis, WU, 2013, Committee Member/Reader
- Juanita Flowers, MBA Business Ethics Thesis, WU, 2014, Committee Member/Reader
- Skyler King, MA Thesis in Humanities, University of Chicago, 2015, Committee Member/Reader
- Casey Dirienzo, BA Thesis Project in Philosophy, University of Missouri-Kansas City, 2015, Committee Member/Reader
- JuJu Watabe, MBA Business Ethics Thesis, WU, 2016, Committee Member/Reader
- Melchizadek Alzate, MBA Business Ethics Thesis, WU, 2017, Committee Member/Reader
- Carl Boudreau, EdD in Higher and Postsecondary Education, Argosy University, anticipated 2019, Committee Member/Reader

## ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

### **Applied Ethics | Social and Political Philosophy**

- "Neoliberalism, Black Lives Matter, and Environmental," *Environmental Ethics*, revise and resubmit.
- "Objectification, Care Ethics, and the Case against Pornography," *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, revise and resubmit.
- "Equity and Ethical Practices in Distance Learning Communities Comprised of Diverse Individuals," forthcoming in "Global and International Education" - Special Issue of *Creative Education*.
- "If the Devil did not Exist, It May be Necessary to Invent Him in Certain Contexts," in *Philosophical Approaches to the Devil*, edited by Benjamin W. McCraw and Robert Arp (Routledge Philosophy of Religion Series, 2016): 180-200.
- "Hegel and the Prospect of Perpetual Peace," *Dialogos* (2000) 34 (74): 71-100.
- "Hume's Morality, Reason, and Sentiment," *Journal of the Irenaeus Society* (2000) 3: 1-13.
- "An Analysis of Freedom in the Political Doctrines of Suárez and Filmer," *Philosophical Inquiry* (2004) 26: 53-82.
- "Suárez and Filmer on Freedom," in *Philosophical Frontiers*, Corrigan & Farrell (eds.), Continuum Press (2009) 39-66.
- "The Double Life of Justice and Injustice in Thrasymachus's Account," *Polis* (1999) 16: 17-29.
- "Vindicating Kant's Morality," *International Philosophical Quarterly* (2007) 7: 5-22.

## Philosophy of Religion

- "The *Quinque Viae* of Thomas Hobbes," *History of Philosophy Quarterly* (1999) 16: 367-394.
- "Plotinus, Mysticism, and Mediation," *Religious Studies* (2004) 40: 145-163.
- "Re-thinking Hobbes's Materialistic and Mechanistic Projects," *Hobbes Studies* (2002) 15: 3-31.
- "Freud's Wretched Makeshift, Scheler's Religious Act" *Journal of Philosophical Research* (2000) 25: 405-429.
- "Hume's Mitigated Skepticism and the Design Argument," *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* (1998) 72: 539-558.
- "A Humean Response to Scotus's Concept of Infinite Being," *Ideas y Valores* (1999) 110: 3-19.
- "Suffering as Theodicy," *Cahiers Simone Weil* (2000) 23(4): 413-433.

## Metaphysics and Epistemology

- "Frege, As-If Platonism, and Pragmatism," *Journal of Critical Realism* (2005) 4: 1-27.
- "The Pragmatic Value of Frege's Platonism for the Pragmatist," *Journal of Speculative Philosophy* (2005) 19: 22-41.
- "Husserlian Penetrability of the Transcendental and Mundane Spheres," *Human Studies* (2004) 27: 221-239.
- "Husserl, the Transcendental, and the Mundane," *Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology* (2004) 35: 168-179.

## Philosophy of Science and Biology

- "Information in the Biological Sciences," with Alfredo Marcos in *The Philosophy of Biology: A Companion for Educators*, edited by Kostas Kampourakis, 511-548. Springer, 2013.
- "Checks and Balances: The Welcomed Tension between Philosophy and Science," with Jamie Carlin Watson, *The Quarterly Review of Biology* (2008) 83: 1-12.
- "Realism and Antirealism in Informatics Ontologies," *APA: Philosophy & Computers* (2009) 9, 1: 19-23.
- "Life and the Homeostatic Organization View of Biological Phenomena," Special Issue of *Cosmos and History: The Journal of Natural and Social Philosophy*, What is Life? (2008) 4, 2: 260-285.
- "Homeostatic Organization, Emergence, and Reduction," *Philosophia Naturalis* (2007) 44: 238-270.
- "Function, Role, and Disposition in Basic Formal Ontology," *Nature Precedings*, (2008) 1941, 1.
- "Evolution and Two Popular Proposals for the Definition of Function," *Journal for General Philosophy of Science* (2006) 37: 2-12.

## Cognitive Science

- "Finding Unapparent Connections: How Our Hominin Ancestors Evolved Creativity by Solving Practical Problems," in *Neuroscience, Neurophilosophy and Pragmatism*, edited by Tibor Solymosi and John Shook, 135-146. Palgrave, 2014.
- "The Evolution of Scenario Visualization and the Early Hominin Mind," in *Origins of Mind*, 220-241. Springer, 2013.
- "The Environments of Our Hominin Ancestors, Tool Usage, and Scenario Visualization," *Biology & Philosophy* (2006) 21: 95-117.
- "Resolving Conflicts in Evolutionary Psychology with Cognitive Fluidity," *Southwest Philosophy Review* (2007) 35: 91-101.
- "Scenario Visualization: One Explanation of Creative Problem Solving," *Journal of Consciousness Studies* (2005) 12: 31-60.
- "Selectivity, Integration, and the Psycho-Neuro-Biological Continuum," *Journal of Mind and Behavior* (2005) 26: 35-64.
- "Awareness and Consciousness: Switched-On Rheostats," *Journal of Consciousness Studies* (2007) 14: 101-106. (I was invited to write this article by the editor of *JCS*)

## Philosophy of Science and Information

- "Radiological and Biomedical Knowledge Integration: The Ontological Way," with Rethy Chhem, Cesare Romagnoli, and James Overton, in *Scholarship in Radiology Education: The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning*. Rethy Chhem, Kathy Hilbert, and Teresa Van Deven (eds.), 87-106. Springer, 2009.
- "Ontologies of Cellular Networks," with Barry Smith, *Science Signaling* (2008) 1: mr2.
- "Ontology: Not Just for Philosopher's Anymore," *Practical Philosophy*, (2010) 10: 81-103.
- "Philosophical Ontology," "Domain Ontology," and "Formal Ontology," in *Key Terms in Logic*, Jon Williamson and Federica Russo (eds.), Continuum Press, 2010: 74-75.
- "Philosophical, Domain, and Formal Ontology." *The Reasoner* (2008) 1: 12.
- "Creating a Controlled Vocabulary for the Ethics of Human Research: Towards a Biomedical Ethics Ontology," with David Koepsell, Jennifer Fostel, and Barry Smith. *The Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics* (2009) 4: 43-58.
- "Ontologies Just May Save Your Savings Accounts," in *Progress in Economics Research, Volume 16*. (chapter 6, pp. 115-129). Albert Tavidze (ed.), Nova Publishers, 2010.

## Exemplary Essays Reprinted in Edited Volumes

- Chapter 12: Argument, "Should Batman Kill the Joker?" *The Norton Sampler: Short Essays for Composition*. 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, 545-549. Edited by Thomas Cooley. New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 2013.
- Chapter 2: Logic and Fallacies, "The Chewbacca Defense: A *South Park* Logic Lesson." *Introducing Philosophy Through Pop Culture: From Socrates to South Park, Hume to House*, 40-53. Edited by William Irwin and David Kyle Johnson. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2010.

## BOOKS

### Ethics

#### As Editor

- *Contemporary Debates in Bioethics*, Wiley-Blackwell, with Art Caplan, 2013

#### As Author

- *What's Good on TV: Understanding Ethics through Television*, Wiley-Blackwell, with Jamie Watson, 2011

### Philosophy of Religion (As Editor)

- *Revisiting Aquinas' Proofs for the Existence of God* (Philosophy of Religion Series), Brill Publishers, 2016
- *The Problem of Evil: New Philosophical Directions*, Rowman & Littlefield, with Ben McCraw, 2016
- *Philosophical Approaches to the Devil*, Routledge Philosophy of Religion Series, with Ben McCraw, 2015
- *The Concept of Hell*, Palgrave Macmillan, with Ben McCraw, 2015
- *Demonology from a Philosophical Perspective*, Routledge, with Ben McCraw, 2017

### Philosophy of Science and Biology (As Editor)

- *Philosophy of Biology: An Anthology*, Wiley-Blackwell, with Alex Rosenberg, 2009
- *Contemporary Debates in Philosophy of Biology*, Wiley-Blackwell, with Francisco Ayala, 2009
- *Information and Living Systems: Philosophical and Scientific Perspectives*, MIT Press, with G. Terzis, 2011

### Introduction to Philosophy and the History of Philosophy

#### As Author

- *Philosophy DeMYSTiFieD*, McGraw-Hill Publishers, with Jamie Watson, 2011

#### As Editor

- *The Whole of Philosophy: Brief Looks at Western, Middle Eastern, and Eastern Philosophy*, Oxford, 2019
- *1001 Ideas That Changed the Way We Think*, Simon & Schuster, 2013
- *1001 Quotations to Enlighten, Entertain, and Inspire*, Simon & Schuster, 2016

### Logic and Critical Thinking

#### As Author

- *Critical Thinking: An Introduction to Reasoning Well*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, with Jamie Watson, Bloomsbury Press, 2016

#### As Editor

- *Bad Arguments: 100 Popular Pieces of Bad Reasoning*, with Mike Bruce and Steve Barbone, Wiley-Blackwell, 2017

### Cognitive Science (As Author)

- *Scenario Visualization: An Evolutionary Account of Creative Problem Solving*, MIT Press, 2008

### Information Science, Models, and Biotechnology (As Author)

- *Building Ontologies with Basic Formal Ontology*, MIT Press, with Barry Smith and Andrew Spear, 2015

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Applied Ethics**

- “Why Ain’t There No Black Folks?” 05/18, Panel, Pop Culture Conference, DePaul University (Chicago, IL)
- “Do I Need to Be Black in Order to Understand the Black Experience?” 03/18, Webster University-Kansas City Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “Neoliberalism, Black Lives Matter, and Environmental Racism,” 05/17, Johnson County Community College (JCCC) Faculty Presentations (Overland Park, KS)
- “Solidarity, the World’s Religions, and the Environment” 03/17, Webster University-Kansas City Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “The Burgeoning Transdiscipline of Spiritual Ecology,” 04/16, JCCC Faculty Presentations (Overland Park, KS)
- “Solidarity and the Possibility of Uniting the World’s Religions,” 03/16, Webster University-KC Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “Feminist Ethics, Objectification, and Raunch Culture” 04/15, Kansas Philosophical Society (Overland Park, KS)
- “Rachel Dolezal and Gender Experimentalism,” 03/15, Webster University-KC Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “Metaphysics Affecting Ethics Affecting Bioethics Affecting Legal Policies,” 05/14, Webster-KC Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “Environmental Racism: There Went the Neighborhood,” 03/14, JCCC Faculty Presentations (Overland Park, KS)
- “Can There Be a Place for Ethical Relativism in the Political Arena?” 05/13, Webster-KC Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “Can a Man Really, Truly ‘Get’ the Issues in Feminist Philosophy?” 03/13, JCCC Faculty Presentations (Overland Park, KS)
- “A Kantian Case for Legalizing Pornography in the US” 05/12, Webster-KC Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “Three Tests for Making Ethical Business Decisions,” 03/12, JCCC Faculty Presentations (KC, MO)
- “How Bioethical Standpoints Influence Biomedical Decisions and Generate Legal Policies,” 05/08, University at Buffalo Center for Clinical Ethics and Humanities in Health Care Meeting (Buffalo, NY)
- “People or Penguins? Can’t It Be Both?” 03/07, Florida State University – History & Philosophy of Science Colloquium (Tall., FL)
- “What’s Missing Ethically in Decker’s ‘A Pragmatist’s View of Ecological Issues’,” 03/06, SMSU CfE Colloquium (Marshall, MN)
- “The Kantian, Utilitarian, & Aristotelian Tests for Making Ethical Business Decisions,” 10/05, SMSU (Marshall, MN)
- “Two Senses of Hope in Kant’s Morality,” 03/98, Southeastern Society for 18th-Century Studies (Birmingham, AL)
- “Justice and Injustice in Thrasymachus’s Account,” 08/98, Twentieth World Congress of Philosophy (Boston, MA)
- “Legal Positivism in Suárez’s Philosophy,” 05/98, Midwest History of Early Modern Philosophy (Chicago, IL)
- “Justice and Injustice in Thrasymachus’s Account,” 02/98, Mississippi PolSci Association (Jackson, MS)
- “A Comment on Hume’s Conception of Liberty,” 02/99, Mid-South Philosophy Conference (Memphis, TN)
- “Suárez’s Rejection of the Divine Right of Kings,” 05/99, Department of Philosophy (Champaign-Urbana, IL)
- “Utilitarianism in Hume,” 10/02, SLU Graduate Student Conference (St. Louis, MO)
- “Hegel, Plato, and Perpetual Peace,” 10/97, Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (Binghamton, NY)

### **Philosophy – Other**

- “Checks and Balances: The Welcomed Tension between Science and Philosophy,” 03/07, SUNY PhilSci Conference (NY, NY)
- “Homeostatic Organization, Emergence, and Reduction,” 11/06, FSU - HPS Colloquium (Tallahassee, FL)
- “Resolving Conflicts in Evolutionary Psychology with Cognitive Fluidity,” 10/06, Southwestern Phil. Association (Nashville, TN)
- “The Function in Functionalism,” 03/06, SMSU Annual Lecture Series (Marshall, MN)
- “Philosophies of Minds,” 10/05, SMSU Faculty Colloquium (Marshall, MN)
- “Evolution, Consciousness, and Creative Problem Solving,” 02/05, Connecticut College Presentation (London, NY)
- “Segregation and Integration: Evolutionary Basis of Consciousness,” 10/04, Toward a Science of Consciousness (Tucson, AZ)
- “Biological and Computational Approaches to Creativity,” 10/03, Toward a Science of Consciousness (Tucson, AZ)
- “Rethinking Hobbes’ Materialism,” 05/98, Midwest History of Early Modern Philosophy (Chicago, IL)
- “Freud’s Wretched Makeshift,” 04/98, 26<sup>th</sup> Conference on Value Inquiry (Montevallo, AL)
- “Hume’s Mitigated Skepticism & the Design Argument,” 05/97, Society of Christian Philosophers (Williamsport, PA)
- “The Teleological Turn in Early Modern Philosophy,” 04/97, Medieval Congress of Philosophy (Kalamazoo, MI)
- “Husserl’s Phenomenological Method,” 01/97, Emory University (Atlanta, GA)

### **Philosophy of Information**

- “What are Our Models Actually Modeling?” 03/15, Models & Simulations Directorate Annual Meeting (FLVN)
- “Practical Steps in Building a Domain Ontology,” 01/15, TRISA OEL Meeting (FLVN)
- “Philosophical Ontology and Ontology in the Information Science Sense,” 12/14, TRISA OEL Meeting (FLVN)
- “Practical Steps in Building a Domain Ontology,” 03/09, Models and Simulations 3 Conference (Charlottesville, VA)
- “Basic Formal Ontology,” 05/09, University of Chicago Department of Biology Colloquium (Chicago, IL)
- “Function, Role, and Disposition in Basic Formal Ontology,” 08/08, BioOntology International Conference (Toronto, CA)
- “Ontology and Ontologies: Some Basics,” 03/08, University at Buffalo Discovery Seminar Series (Buffalo, NY)
- “Ontology: Not Just for Philosophers Anymore,” 11/07, University at Buffalo Genetics Meeting (Buffalo, NY)

## The US Army's Socio-Cultural Analysis Framework

I have taught, researched, written, and presented in Transnational Feminism; however, most of the work has been done for the US Army in the Socio-Cultural Analysis Framework (SCAF; for starters, see: <https://community.apan.org/wg/oekn/m/mediagallery/184713>). My work centered on conceptions of gender and gender roles of doctors (physicians, surgeons, and clinicians) in African nations, Asian nations, and nations in the Middle East. I discovered that not only is one's gender the basis for the very existence of familial, ethnic, cultural, political, and socio-economic relations, but also that conceptions of gender and gender roles in Western nations differ significantly from those in African, Asian, and Middle Eastern nations. I also discovered that Western conceptions of feminism are rejected in quite a few African, Asian, and Middle Eastern nations. (This all may not be surprising to the Western mind.) I have spoken to people who actually live out these gender roles daily.

A few of my significant presentations to senior US Army personnel using the Socio-Cultural Analysis Framework included:

- "Why Female Doctors Can't Get Their Jobs Done in Karachi, Pakistan," 10/16, TRISA OEL Meeting, Ft. Leavenworth (FLVN)
- "Conceptions of Gender in Clinical Settings for the Dinka, Nuer, and Azande Peoples of South Sudan," 03/16, TRISA OEL Meeting (FLVN)
- "Getting the Most out of the Socio-Cultural Analysis Framework," 01/16, Presentation to Members of Mission Command Battle Laboratory Limited Objective Experiment (FLVN)
- "Commanders and Critical Thinking," 09/15, Red Team Colloquium, University of Foreign Military and Cultural Studies (FLVN)
  - Note: they use my critical thinking text in their critical thinking courses at the Command and General Staff College
- "Researching Unclassified and Classified Material using the Socio-Cultural Analysis Framework for Athena Studies," 01/13, Presentation to Members of Mission Command Battle Laboratory Limited Objective Experiment (FLVN)
- "Soldiers and the Ever-Present Need for Cultural Sensitivity in Multidimensional Operational Environments," 12/12, TRISA Operational Environment Lab (OEL) Meeting (FLVN)

### SOLICITED BOOK REVIEWS

- "Gry Oftedal, Jan Kyrre Berg O. Friis, Peter Rossel, and Michael Slott Norup (eds.), *Evolutionary Theory: Five Questions*," *Reports of the National Center for Science Education*, (2012) 32, 6: 4.1-4.3.
- "F. Ellen Netting, Mary Katherine O'Connor, and David P. Fauri, *Comparative Approaches to Program Planning*," *The American Journal of Psychology* (2010) 123, 3: 369-371.
- "Sahotra Sarkar and Anya Plutynski (eds.), *A Companion to the Philosophy of Biology*," *Science & Education* (2010): available here: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/g0n235206n6812p3/fulltext.pdf>
- "Devin Stauffer, *Plato's Introduction to the Question of Justice*," *Polis: The Journal of the Society for Greek Political Thought* (2002) 19: 67-72.

### GRANTS AND PROPOSALS

- \$250,000.00 - Research Consultant, National Institutes of Health / NIAID R01 AI 77706 Grant
  - Topic: Immune System Biological Networks: A Case Study in Improved Data Integration and Analysis
  - Applied for: January, 2008 / Received: September, 2008 | Barry Smith, Principal Investigator
- \$25,000.00 - Research Consultant, NIH, National Human Genome Research Institute Grant
  - Topic: International Conference on Biomedical Ontology
  - Applied for: September, 2008 / Received: February, 2009 | Barry Smith, Principal Investigator
- \$2,000.00 - Principal Investigator, Southwest Minnesota State University Faculty Research Grant
  - Topic: The Evolution of Creative Problem Solving
  - Applied for: August, 2005 / Received: October, 2005

### REVIEWER / REFEREE FOR:

- Oxford University Press
- MIT Press
- Cambridge University Press
- Wiley-Blackwell Publishers
- Routledge
- McGraw-Hill Publishers
- Bloomsbury Publishing
- Cengage Learning
- Prentice-Hall Publishers
- Sage Publishers
- *Journal of Philosophical Research*
- *Journal of the History of Philosophy*
- *History of Philosophy Quarterly*
- *Journal of Consciousness Studies*
- *Iyun: Israel Journal of Philosophy*
- *Science and Education*
- *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*
- *Philosophy & Technology*
- *International Journal of Computer Engineering Research*
- *Entropy*
- *Synthesis philosophica*
- *Social Semiotics*

## PHILOSOPHY AND POPULAR CULTURE CONTRIBUTIONS

I utilize pop culture in my courses as a way to make complex ideas a little more palpable as well as another form of a cross-modal learning tool. When I have not been doing scholarly philosophical work, in my leisure time I produce(d):

### **As Editor:**

- *South Park and Philosophy: You Know, I Learned Something Today*, Wiley-Blackwell, 2006
- *The Ultimate South Park and Philosophy: Respect My Philo-phay!* with Kevin Decker, Wiley-Blackwell, 2013
- *Batman and Philosophy: The Dark Knight of the Soul*, Wiley-Blackwell, with Mark White, 2008
- *The Philosophy of Ang Lee*, University Press of Kentucky, with James McRae and Adam Barkman, 2013
- *The Philosophy of J.J. Abrams*, University Press of Kentucky, with Patricia Brace, 2014
- *Breaking Bad and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with David Koepsell, 2013
- *Tattoos – Philosophy for Everyone: I Ink, Therefore I Am*, Wiley-Blackwell, 2013
- *Psych and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, 2013
- *The Good Wife and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Kim Baltzer-Jaray, 2013
- *The Devil and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, 2014
- *Homeland and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, 2014
- *It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Roger Hunt, 2015
- *Justified and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Roger Hunt, 2015
- *Downton Abbey and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Adam Barkman, 2015
- *Game of Thrones and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Eric Silverman, 2015
- *The X-Files and Philosophy: THE TRUTH IS IN HERE*, Open Court Publishers, 2016
- *Philosophy and Breaking Bad*, with Kevin Decker and David Koepsel, Palgrave Macmillan, 2016
- *Hamilton and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Aaron Rabinowitz, 2017
- *The Americans and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, 2017
- *Scott Adams and Philosophy*, Open Court Publishers, with Dan Yim and Galen Foresman, 2018
- *WikiLeaking: The Ethics of Secrecy and Exposure*, Open Court Publishers, with Christian Cotton, 2019
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### **As Contributor:**

- "An Atheist and a Theist Discuss a Cross Tattoo and the Existence of God," *Tattoos—Philosophy for Everyone: I Ink, Therefore I Am*: Wiley-Blackwell, 2013.
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- "I Give Them What They Want—Either an Orphan or an Abortion: *The Cider House Rules* and the Issue of Abortion," in *Bioethics at the Movies*, Sandra Shapshay (ed.), Johns Hopkins (2009) 15-31.
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- "Perception and Reality in Metallica," *Metallica and Philosophy*: Wiley-Blackwell (2007) 163-172.
- "Thinkin' is Freakin' Sweet," *Family Guy and Philosophy*: W-B (2007) 139-148.
- "Paul McCartney's Philosophy of Love," *The Beatles and Philosophy*: OC (2006) 37-46.
- "Damned If You Do, Damned If You Don't: Vampires and the Hedonistic Paradox," *The Undead and Philosophy*: Open Court (2006) 143-154.
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- “Hooded Justice and Captain Metropolis: The Ambiguously Gay Duo,” *Watchmen and Philosophy*: Wiley-Blackwell (2009) 185-196.
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- “Guns Don’t Kill Colors—Colors Kill Colors,” *Red Rising and Philosophy*, Open Court, 2016.
- “Gaytheists and Gay Theists,” *Jon Waters and Philosophy*, Open Court, 2018.
- “Schumer’s Selfishness,” *Amy Schumer and Philosophy*, Open Court, 2018.

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **2009-Present:**

- Instructor, Analyst, Writer, Editor working for the US Department of Defense; most recently at Ft. Leavenworth
- As noted above, also Adjunct Professor at various schools

### **2007-2009:**

- Postdoctoral Researcher, National Center for Biomedical Ontology; Worked with Barry Smith/Ontology Research Group

### **2006-2007:**

- Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Florida State University

### **2005-2006:**

- Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Southwest Minnesota State University; Co-developer of the Center for Ethics

### **1996-2005:**

- Adjunct Professor and Graduate Student at Saint Louis University; Taught at a lot of schools; Teacher of Teachers

### **1993-1996:**

- Teacher at Paul VI High School; Coach of Tennis, Basketball, Softball; Guitar Choir Director; Teacher of Teachers