

Employment

Washington State University	Assistant Professor	2013-
Madison College	Instructor	2011-2012

Education

Ph.D. Philosophy	University of Wisconsin-Madison	2013
M.A. Philosophy	University of Wisconsin-Madison	2009
B.A. Philosophy	Florida State University	2005

Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Biology, Philosophy of Ecology, Epistemology, Environmental Ethics

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Psychology/Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Mind, Logic

Publications

“The ‘Structure’ of the ‘Strategy’: Looking at the Matthewson-Weisberg Tradeoff and its Justificatory Role for the Multiple-Models Approach.” <i>Philosophy of Science</i> , <i>Philosophy of Science</i> , 80 (5): 862-873	2013
“Puzzles for ZFEL, McShea and Brandon’s Zero Force Evolutionary Law” (with Marty Barrett, et al) <i>Biology and Philosophy</i> , 27(5):723-735	2012
“Uncertainty, Bias, and Equipose: A New (Old) Approach to the Ethics of Clinical Research” (with William P. Kabasenche) <i>Theoretical and Applied Ethics</i>	<i>forthcoming</i>

Works In Progress

- “Problems with Testing Natural State Models”
- “What’s So Important About Biodiversity, Anyway?”
- “Rethinking the Distinction between the Contexts of Discovery and Justification”
- “Carrots vs. Cows: the Vegetarian Argument against Biocentrism”
- “Are Neutralist Theories Testable?”
- “Mitigating Uncertainty in Local Climate Models for Policy Decisions”

Professional Presentations

“Problems with Testing Natural State Models” School of Politics, Philosophy, and Public Affairs, WSU	February 2013
Department of Philosophy, Kent State University	January 2013
“The ‘Structure’ of the ‘Strategy’: Levins and the Multiple-Models Approach”	

Philosophy of Science Association, San Diego	November 2012
“Levins Got it Backwards”	
International Society for History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology, Salt Lake City	July 2011
“Finding the Mind”	
Second Annual USF Graduate Philosophy Conference, Tampa	March 2009
“Mindreading and Me: a Critical Look at Introspection”	
First Annual USF Graduate Philosophy Conference, Tampa	March 2008

Honors

Berent Enc Teaching Award	2013
An award for consistent excellence in teaching over a graduate career	
National Science Foundation Travel Grant	2012
A travel grant to present a paper at PSA in San Diego	
University Housing’s Honored Instructor Award	2012, 2011
An award for teaching excellence selected through student nomination	
Capstone Ph.D Teaching Award (Nominee)	2011
Sole departmental nomination for demonstrated excellence in teaching	
Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies Travel Grant	2011
A travel grant to present a paper at a conference, university-wide competition	
ISHPSSB Travel Grant	2011
A travel grant to present a paper at ISHPSSB in Salt Lake City	
UW-Madison Philosophy Department Travel Grant	2009, 2008
Travel grants awarded for the presentation of papers at conferences	
Early Excellence in Teaching Award (Nominee)	2007
Sole departmental nomination for excellence in the first year of teaching	
Phi Beta Kappa	2005

Courses Taught

Washington State University

Biomedical Ethics

Madison College

Reason in Communication

Ethics in Medicine

University of Wisconsin – Madison

Environmental Ethics

Reason in Communication

Elementary Logic

Introduction to Ethics

Introduction to Philosophy

Service

Organizer, Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference	2013
Committee Member, PPPA Undergraduate Studies Committee (WSU)	2013-
Peer Reviewer, <i>Philosophy of Science</i> , <i>Political Research Quarterly</i>	2013-
Assistant Coach, Ethics Bowl (WSU)	2013

Department Course Standards Committee Member (Madison College)	2012
Session Chair, American Philosophy Association – Central	2012
Organizer, Philosophy of Biology Reading Group (UW- Madison)	2011-2012
Co-Founder, Philosophy Instructional Development Group (UW-Madison)	2011
Department Teaching Assistant Trainer/Mentor (UW-Madison)	2009-2012
Co-organizer, Philosophy of Biology at Madison Conference (POBAM)	2012, 2010

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