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APPOINTMENTS

2004-present	Washington University in St. Louis, Associate Professor of Philosophy
1997-2004	Washington University in St. Louis, Assistant Professor of Philosophy
Fall 2005	University of Michigan, Visiting Associate Professor of Philosophy (declined)
Fall 2002	Cornell University, Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy (declined)
1999-2000	University of Pittsburgh, Visiting Scholar in Philosophy
Fall 1995	University of Chicago, Instructor in Philosophy
Fall 1995	McGill University, Visiting Instructor in Philosophy (declined)

EDUCATION

1991-1997	University of Chicago AM in Philosophy; PhD in Philosophy with Honors (highest award) dissertation: <i>Stoic Cosmopolitanism and the Political Life</i> advisors: Elizabeth Asmis, Richard Kraut, Ian Mueller, Martha Nussbaum
1996-1997	University of Pittsburgh Visiting Student, Program in Classics, Philosophy, and Ancient Science (Though not formally enrolled, I attended colloquia, a reading group, and a conference.)
Jan-May 1996	University of Cambridge Visiting Student in Classics
1988-1991	University of Chicago AB with Honors in the College and Philosophy (highest awards) thesis: "Power and Passions: Spinoza and the Formation of the Political Community" advisor: Daniel Garber

EXPERTISE

Specialization	Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy
Competence	Ethics (including metaethics, normative ethics, moral psychology, and political philosophy)
Languages	Ancient Greek, Latin, French, German, and Italian (in descending order of my reading ability)

AWARDS AND HONORS

2017	Arts & Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award, WUSTL
2016	Inducted, Sylvania (OH) Schools Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame
2013	Recognition for Excellence in Mentoring, Grad. Student Senate of WUSTL
2012	Recognition for Excellence in Mentoring, Grad. Student Senate of WUSTL
2011-date	Weiner Humanities Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis
2007	Essay picked among the best of the Pacific Meeting, Amer. Philos. Assn.
2005-2010	Humanities Faculty Research Award, Washington University in St. Louis
2004	Recognition for Excellence in Mentoring, Grad. Student Senate of WUSTL
2003	Essay picked among the best of the Pacific Meeting, Amer. Philos. Assn.
1997	Finalist, Junior Fellowship in the Society of Fellows, Harvard University
1996-1997	Mrs. Giles Whiting Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship
1996-1997	Mellon Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (declined)
1994	Mellon Foundation Summer Research Stipend
1991-1995	University of Chicago Century Fellowship
1991	National Finalist, Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities
1991	Elected to the Beta of Illinois chapter of Phi Beta Kappa

RESEARCH PUBLISHED

(including items in press but not yet in print)

Essays

2024	"Socratic Methods." in <i>The Bloomsbury Companion to Socrates</i> , 2nd ed., ed. N.D. Smith, R. Jones, and R. Sharma (London: Bloomsbury Academic).
forthcoming	"Socrates and Coherent Desire (<i>Gorgias</i> 466-468)." in <i>Plato's Gorgias: A Critical Guide</i> , ed. Clerk Shaw (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 75-108.
2022	"Plato's Socrates and his Conception of Philosophy." in <i>The Cambridge Companion to Plato</i> , 2nd ed., ed. D. Ebrey and R. Kraut (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 117-145.
2020	"Plato on the Unity of Politics (<i>Statesman</i> 258d-259d)." <i>Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy</i> 58 (2020): 1-18.
2016	"Plato on Well-Being." in <i>The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy of Well-Being</i> , ed. Guy Fletcher (London: Routledge), 9-19.
2014	"Aristotle on the Choice of Lives: Two Concepts of Self-Sufficiency." in <i>THEORIA: Studies on the Status and Meaning of Contemplation in Aristotle's Ethics</i> , ed. Pierre Destrée and Marco Zingano (Louvain-La-Neuve: Peeters), 111-133.
2013	"Cynics." in <i>The Routledge Companion to Ancient Philosophy</i> , ed. Frisbee Sheffield and James Warren (London: Routledge), 399-408.
2012	"The Unity of the Soul in Plato's <i>Republic</i> ." in <i>Plato and the Divided Self</i> , ed. Rachel Barney, Tad Brennan, and Charles Brittain (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 53-73.
2010	"Die Erfindung kosmopolitaner Politik durch die Stoiker." in <i>Kosmopolitanismus: Zur Geschichte und Zukunft eines umstrittenen Ideals</i> , ed. M. Lutz-Bachmann et al. (Weilerswist: Velbrück Wissenschaft), 9-24.

- 2009 "The Emergence of Natural Law and the Cosmopolis." in *The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Greek Political Thought*, ed. Stephen Salkever (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 331-363.
- 2009 "Politics and Society." in *The Cambridge Companion to Epicureanism*, ed. James Warren (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 179-196.
- 2009 "False Idles: The Politics of the 'Quiet Life.'" in *A Companion to Greek and Roman Political Thought*, ed. Ryan Balot (Oxford: Basil Blackwell), 485-500.
- 2008 "Contemplative Withdrawal in the Hellenistic Age." *Philosophical Studies* 137: 79-89.
- 2006 "Wishing for Fortune, Choosing Activity: Aristotle on External Goods and Happiness." *Proceedings of the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy* 22: 221-256. (due to the editors' error, this was originally published without notes in 21: 57-81.)
- 2006 "Hellenistic Cosmopolitanism." in *A Companion to Ancient Philosophy*, ed. Mary Louise Gill and Pierre Pellegrin (Oxford: Basil Blackwell), 549-558.
- 2006 "Socrates in the Stoa." in *A Companion to Socrates*, ed. Sara Ahbel-Rappe and Rachana Kamtekar (Oxford: Basil Blackwell), 275-284.
- 2005 "Plato on the Rule of Wisdom." in *Spindel Conference 2004: Ancient Ethics and Politics*, ed. Tim Roche (*Southern Journal of Philosophy* 43 s.v.), 84-96.
- 2004 "Minding the Gap in Plato's *Republic*." *Philosophical Studies* 117: 275-302.
- 2003 "Knowing the Whole: Comments on Mary Louise Gill, 'Plato's *Phaedrus* and the Method of Hippocrates.'" in *The Metaphysics of Plato and Aristotle, The Fifth Henle Conference in the History of Philosophy, Part II*, ed. Scott Berman (*The Modern Schoolman* 80,4), 315-323.
- 2003 "Plato's Ethics and Politics in the *Republic*." in *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Summer 2003 Edition*, ed. Edward N. Zalta (URL=<http://plato.stanford.edu>).
- Revised version in *The Stanford Encyclopedia, Fall 2009 Edition*, ed. Edward N. Zalta. Third edition in the *Fall 2017 Edition*.
- 2002 "Epicurus on the Value of Friendship (*Sententia Vaticana* 23)." *Classical Philology* 97: 68-80.
- 2002 "Cosmopolitanism." (with Pauline Kleingeld). in *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Fall 2002 Edition*, ed. Edward N. Zalta (URL=<http://plato.stanford.edu>).
- Revised version in *The Stanford Encyclopedia, Winter 2006 Edition*, ed. Edward N. Zalta. Third edition in the *Fall 2013 Edition*. Fourth edition in the *Fall 2019 Edition*.
- 2000 "Justice and Compulsion for Plato's Philosopher-Rulers." *Ancient Philosophy* 20: 1-17.
- 2000 "Socrates the Cosmopolitan." *Stanford Agora: An Online Journal of Legal Perspectives* 1: 74-87. (URL=<http://agora.stanford.edu/>)
- 1997 "A Defense of Plato's Argument for the Immortality of the Soul at *Republic* X.608c-611a." *Apeiron* 30: 211-238.

Reprinted in *Essays on Plato's Psychology*, ed. Ellen Wagner (Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books, 2001), 297-322.

Brief Reviews and Encyclopedia Articles

- 2010 "Cosmopolitanism" and "Justice." in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome*, 7 vols., ed. Michael Gagarin (Oxford: Oxford University Press), 2:307-308 and 4:164-166.
- 2007 Gretchen Reydam-Schils, *The Roman Stoics: Self, Responsibility, and Affection*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 45: 490-491.
- 2006 "Epictetus," "Marcus Aurelius Antoninus," and "Panaetius of Rhodes." in *The Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2nd ed., ed. Donald Borchert (Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA), 3:261-263, 5:705-707, and 7:78-80.
- 2004 Thanassis Samaras, *Plato on Democracy*. *Classical Review* n.s. 54: 71-72.
- 2003 Richard Sorabji, *Emotion and Peace of Mind: From Stoic Agitation to Christian Temptation*. *Classical Philology* 98: 97-102.
- 2002 Morag Buchan, *Women in Plato's Political Theory*. *Ancient Philosophy* 22: 189-193.
- 2000 Katerina Ierodiakonou, ed., *Topics in Stoic Philosophy*, and Susanne Bobzien, *Determinism and Freedom in Stoic Philosophy*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 38: 430-432.
- 1999 Adolf Friedrich Bonhöffer, *The Ethics of the Stoic Epictetus: An English Translation*, trans. William O. Stephens, and Epictetus, *Discourses Book 1*, trans. with commentary by Robert F. Dobbin. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 37: 671-673.
- 1999 Robert Mayhew, *Aristotle's Criticism of Plato's Republic*. *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 99.2.11. (URL=<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/>.)
- 1999 Lawrence C. Becker, *A New Stoicism*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 37: 162-164.

RESEARCH PRESENTED

- July 2023 "Stoics on Uncertainty." Philosophy in Assos, in Behram, Turkey.
- May 2023 On David Ebrey, "Misology and the Method of Hypothesis." Conference in Honor of Richard Kraut, Northwestern University.
- Mar 2023 "Plato on Goods, From Socrates to Glaucon and Back." Ancient Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago.
- Dec 2022 "Plato on Goods, From Socrates to Glaucon and Back." Philosophy Colloquium, University of Missouri-St. Louis.
- May 2022 "Plato on Goods, From Socrates to Glaucon and Back." West Coast Plato Workshop, Stanford University.
- Apr 2022 "Stoic Anti-Slavery." Program in Classics, Philosophy, and Ancient Science Workshop in Stoic Ethics, University of Pittsburgh.
- Apr 2022 "Plato on Goods, From Socrates to Glaucon and Back." Philosophy Colloquium, WUSTL.

- Jan 2022 On Allison Piñeros Glasscock, "Loving Learning: Plato's Philosophical Dogs and the Education of the Guardians." Symposium at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.
- Dec 2021 "Diogenes, Cosmopolitan or Anarchist?" Colloque International: Diogène le Cynique, Université catholique de Louvain (via zoom).
- May 2021 "Meno on the Value of Wisdom." Wayne State Plato Symposium (via zoom).
- Apr 2021 "Meno on the Value of Wisdom." Philosophy Colloquium, University of Colorado-Boulder (via zoom).
- Feb 2021 "Stoic Anti-Slavery." Workshop in Politics, Ethics, and Society, WUSTL (via zoom)
- July 2020 "Stoic Anti-Slavery." Tahoe Workshop in Ancient Philosophy (via zoom).
- Feb 2020 "Stoic Anti-Slavery." Notre Dame Workshop on Ancient Philosophy.
- Nov 2019 "Contingency and Animality in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics." Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy's Annual Conference, Christopher Newport University.
- Nov 2019 "Final Goods for the sake of *Eudaimonia*." Workshop on Aristotle on Teleology, Indiana University.
- Oct 2019 "Stoic Anti-Slavery." Philosophy Colloquium, University of Illinois.
- May 2019 "Anti-Protagoreanism in the *Protagoras*." Twelfth Annual West Coast Plato Workshop, San Diego State University.
- May 2019 "Stoic Anti-Slavery." Conference on Approaches to Social Justice in Greek and Roman Philosophy, Wesleyan University.
- Apr 2019 "Plato's Socrates and his Conception of Philosophy." Philosophy Colloquium, Clark University.
- Mar 2019 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Philosophy Colloquium, Indiana University.
- Jan 2019 Comments on Giulia Bonasio, "*Kalokagathia* and the Unity of the Virtues in the *Eudemian Ethics*." Eastern Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association.
- Oct 2018 "Plato's Socrates and his Conception of Philosophy." Twelfth Biennial Conference of the Chicago Consortium in Ancient Philosophy: Plato's Philosophy: Eros, Polis, Cosmos.
- Sept 2018 On Katie Rapier, "Borderline Personality Disorder: The Superheroes Virtue Ethics Needs." Workshop in Politics, Ethics, and Society, Washington University in St. Louis.
- Sept 2018 "Plato's Socrates and his Conception of Philosophy." Conference in Honor of Hugh Benson, University of Oklahoma.
- May 2018 "Meno on the Value of Knowledge." Tahoe Ancient Philosophy Workshop.
- Feb 2018 "Meno's Progress, or How to Love Wisdom." Fifth UCR Ancient Philosophy Conference, University of California-Riverside.
- Feb 2018 "Meno's Progress, or How to Love Wisdom." Philosophy Department Colloquium, WUSTL.
- Nov 2017 "A Knower Knows Everything." Workshop on Plato's *Charmides* and *Euthydemus*, Wake Forest University.

- Nov 2017 "Chrysippus on Viewing Oneself as a Citizen of the World." Workshop on Self-Knowledge and Cosmopolitanism: Perspectives from the Ancient Stoa, University of Utrecht.
- Apr 2017 "Sensory Transformation and Disability: Comments on Bedny, O'Callaghan, and Paul." Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association.
- Apr 2016 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Philosophers' Forum, University of Mississippi.
- Feb 2016 Comments on Douglass Reed, "Bodily desires and the disembodied soul in the *Phaedo*." Central Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association.
- Oct 2015 "Aristotle on Final Goods and *Eudaimonia*." Annual Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, New York City.
- June 2015 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Tahoe Workshop in Ancient Philosophy.
- Apr 2015 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Philosophy Colloquium, The Graduate Center of City University of New York.
- Mar 2015 "Animality and Contingency in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics." Conference on Epicureanism, University of Tennessee.
- Feb 2015 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Philosophy Colloquium, Northern Arizona University.
- Dec 2014 "Animality and Contingency in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics." Working Group in Ancient Philosophy, University of California-Berkeley.
- Oct 2014 "Socrates on Coherent Desire (*Gorgias* 466-468)." (with Clerk Shaw). St. Louis Ethics Workshop.
- Apr 2014 Comments on Matthew Margulis, "On Quine's Skeptical Philosophy: Its Ancient Roots and Constancy." Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Coastal Carolina University.
- Apr 2014 "Living like a Dog." Plenary Address, Celebration of Inquiry, Coastal Carolina University.
- Nov 2013 "Toward Some Greek Thoughts on Completion." St. Louis Ethics Workshop.
- Oct 2013 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Philosophy Colloquium, Mt. Holyoke College.
- Oct 2013 "Socratic Lawfulness (*Gorgias* 504d)." Philosophy Colloquium, St. Louis University.
- Sept 2013 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Philosophy Colloquium, Duquesne University.
- June 2013 "Contingency and Animality in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics." Tahoe Workshop in Ancient Philosophy.
- Apr 2013 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Philosophy Colloquium, University of Illinois-Chicago.
- Apr 2013 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Philosophy Colloquium, University of Tennessee.
- Apr 2013 "'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools." Philosophy Work-in-Progress Seminar, University of Tennessee.
- Mar 2013 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Austin J. Fagothey, S.J. Conference on Plato's *Republic*, Santa Clara University.

- Feb 2013 "The Pyrrhonist's Attitudes: Comments on Perin, *The Demands of Reason*." Author Meets Critics Panel at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, New Orleans.
- Dec 2012 "Contingency and Animality in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics." St. Louis Ethics Workshop.
- Oct 2012 "Contingency and Animality in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics." Ninth Biennial Conference of the Chicago Consortium in Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy.
- Oct 2012 "Socrates the Stoic? Rethinking Protreptic, Eudaimonism, and the Role of Plato's Socratic Dialogues." Ancient Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago.
- Sept 2012 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Philosophy Colloquium, Harvard University.
- May 2012 "Socrates the Stoic? Rethinking Protreptic, Eudaimonism, and the Role of Plato's Socratic Dialogues." Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Northwestern University.
- Feb 2012 On Elizabeth Belfiore, "Rebuke and Anger in Plato's *Apology*." Seventeenth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Nov 2011 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Keynote Address, Sixth Annual Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.
- May 2011 "'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools." Philosophy Department Colloquium, University of Washington.
- May 2011 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Conference on "Happiness, Law, and Philosophy," Saint Louis University.
- Apr 2011 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Scientia Workshop, University of California-Irvine.
- Feb 2011 "*Eudaimonia* in Plato's *Republic*." Conference on "Eudaimonia and Virtue: Rethinking the Good Life," University of Miami.
- Feb 2011 "Socratic Lawfulness (*Gorgias* 504d)." Sixteenth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Feb 2011 "Greek Thoughts on Justice." Master of Liberal Arts Seminar Series, Washington University in St. Louis.
- Nov 2010 "'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools." Philosophy Forum, University of Missouri-St. Louis.
- Nov 2010 "'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools." Philosophy Colloquium, Lewis & Clark College.
- Sept 2010 "Plato on the Unity of Politics (*Statesman* 258e-259c)." Political Theory Workshop, Washington University in St. Louis.
- May 2010 "Greek Advice for Those Who Need It Most." Conference on Greek Philosophy and Ordinary Virtue, Northwestern University. Title later changed to "'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools."
- Feb 2010 On Brad Inwood, "How Unified is Stoicism Anyway?" Fifteenth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.

- Dec 2009 "Plato's Rejection of Protagorean Ethics." Symposium on "Plato and Naturalism," Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.
- Dec 2009 On Christina Tarnopolsky, "Plato's Mimetic Republic: A Preliminary Treatment of Plato's Preliminary Treatment of the Gennaion Pseudos." Political Theory Workshop, Washington University in St. Louis.
- May 2009 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Séminaire de philosophie ancienne: Philia et Dikè, University of Paris I and University of Lille III.
- Feb 2009 "Plato on the Unity of Politics (*Statesman* 258e-259c)." Fourteenth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Nov 2008 *Stoic Cosmopolitanism*. Seminar on Stoic Politics, University of Toronto.
- Oct 2008 "The Unity of the Soul in Plato's *Republic*." Third Western Ontario Colloquium in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy.
- June 2008 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Penn-Leiden V: Valuing Others, University of Leiden.
- Feb 2008 Comments on Kamtekar, "The Defense of Justice in Plato's *Republic*." Thirteenth Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Oct 2007 "Socrates on Coherent Desire (*Gorgias* 466-468)." (with Clerk Shaw). Philosophy Department, University of Utah.
- Oct 2007 "Philosophers Rule: Plato's Aims in the Republic." Lecture to the Honors Program, University of Utah.
- Oct 2007 "Socrates the Stoic? Rethinking Protreptic, Eudaimonism, and the Role of Plato's Socratic Dialogues." Philosophy Department, Duke University.
- Sept 2007 "Socrates the Stoic? Rethinking Protreptic, Eudaimonism, and the Role of Plato's Socratic Dialogues." Philosophy Department, University of Kansas.
- Apr 2007 "Contemplative Withdrawal in the Hellenistic Age." Invited Symposium at the Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco.
- Mar 2007 "Fear and Death in Plato's *Apology*." (with Emily Austin). Fifteenth Annual Conference of Philosophical Collaborations, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.
- Mar 2007 On Susan Bickford, "Rethinking Socratic Citizenship." Workshop in Politics, Economics, and Society, Washington University in St. Louis.
- Feb 2007 "Socrates and Coherent Desire (*Gorgias* 466-468)." (with Clerk Shaw). Twelfth Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Dec 2006 "The Stoic Invention of Cosmopolitan Politics." Conference on "Cosmopolitan Politics," Johann Wolfgang Goethe Universität, Frankfurt-am-Main.
- Oct 2006 "Socrates the Stoic? Rethinking Protreptic, Eudaimonism, and the Role of Plato's Socratic Dialogues." Philosophy Department, Temple University.
- Mar 2006 "Stoic Psychopathology." Invited Symposium at Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Portland. The contents of this essay later found a home in "'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools."
- Feb 2006 On Mitchell Miller, "The Pleasures of the Comic and of Socratic Inquiry: Aporetic Reflections on *Philebus* 48a-50b." Eleventh Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.

- Nov 2005 "Socrates the Stoic? Rethinking Protreptic, Eudaimonism, and the Role of Plato's Socratic Dialogues." Philosophy Department, University of Massachusetts-Amherst.
- Jul 2005 "Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends." Conference of "New Voices in Ancient Philosophy," Cambridge University.
- Apr 2005 On Jennifer Whiting, "Psychic Contingency in Plato." Conference on the Divided Soul in Plato, University of Toronto.
- Feb 2005 On Hugh Benson, "Plato's Dialectic." Tenth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Feb 2005 On John Cooper, "The Emotional Life of the Wise." Conference in Moral Psychology, Franklin & Marshall College.
- Dec 2004 "On Harte on Plato on Parts and Wholes." Author Meets Critics session at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Boston.
- Oct 2004 "Wishing for Fortune, Choosing Activity: Aristotle on External Goods and Happiness." Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy, College of the Holy Cross.
- Oct 2004 On Fred D. Miller, Jr., "Plato on the Rule of Reason." Twenty-Third Spindel Philosophy Conference, University of Memphis: Ancient Ethics and Political Philosophy.
- Apr 2004 On Stefano Franchi, "Aristotle and Passivity." Colloquium at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Chicago.
- Feb 2004 "Socrates the Stoic? The Euthydemus and the Plurality of Socratic Philosophies." Ninth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Nov 2003 *Stoic Cosmopolitanism*. Seminar on Stoic Ethics, Departments of Classics and Philosophy, University of Michigan.
- Sept 2003 "Wishing for Fortune, Choosing Activity: Aristotle on External Goods and Happiness." Work-in-Progress Session, Philosophy-Neuroscience-Psychology Program, Washington University in St. Louis.
- Apr 2003 "Minding the Gap in Plato's Republic." Philosophy Department, University of Missouri-Columbia.
- Mar 2003 "Minding the Gap in Plato's Republic." Symposium at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco.
- Mar 2003 "Minding the Gap in Plato's Republic." Philosophy Department, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.
- Feb 2003 On Catherine Osborne, "Hedonism in the Protagoras." Eighth Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy.
- Apr 2002 "Advising the Cosmopolis." Meeting of the Society of Ancient Greek Philosophy at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Chicago.
- Apr 2002 "Minding the Gap in Plato's Republic." Fourth Biennial Chicago Conference in Ancient Philosophy, in Honor of Ian Mueller: Philosophy and Science in the Ancient Greek World.
- Apr 2002 On Mary Louise Gill, "Plato's Phaedrus and the Method of Hippocrates." Fifth Henle Conference in the History of Philosophy, Saint Louis University: The Metaphysics of Plato and Aristotle.

- Mar 2002 "Aristotle on Happiness and External Goods." (with Matthew Cashen). Tenth Annual Conference of Philosophical Collaborations, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.
- Oct 2001 "The Nicomachean Politics." Philosophy Department, University of Missouri-St. Louis.
- Jun 2001 "Advising the Cosmopolis." Symposium on Philosophy and Public Life in Ancient Greece and Rome, University of Jyväskylä, Finland.
- Mar 2001 "Advising the Cosmopolis." Philosophy Department, St. Louis University.
- Feb 2001 "The Good, The Cosmos, and De Finibus III." Philosophy Department, Washington University.
- Aug 2000 "The Possibility of Cosmopolitanism." Work-in-Progress Session, Philosophy Department, Washington University.
- Apr 2000 On Constance Meinwald, "Episodes in the History of the Idea of Consent." Symposium at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Chicago.
- Apr 2000 "Seneca, Torn Between Two Cities." Third Biennial Chicago Conference on Ancient Philosophy: Roman Stoicism.
- May 1999 On Naomi Reshotko, "The Good, the Bad, and the Neither Good Nor Bad in Plato's Euthydemus." Colloquium at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, New Orleans.
- May 1999 "The Stoic as a Citizen of the Cosmos" [on Marcus Aurelius]. Meeting of the North American Society for Social Philosophy at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, New Orleans.
- Apr 1999 "The Stoic as a Citizen of the Cosmos" [on Marcus Aurelius]. Berkeley Workshop in Ancient Philosophy.
- Apr 1999 "The Stoic as a Citizen of the Cosmos" [on Marcus Aurelius]. Chicago Area Workshop in Ancient Philosophy.
- Mar 1999 "A Connoisseur's Guide to Being and Knowledge: Republic V.476e ff." (with Chase Wrenn). Seventh Annual Conference of Philosophical Collaborations, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.
- Dec 1998 On John Armstrong, "Virtue and Conventional Goods in Plato's Laws." Colloquium at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Washington, D.C.
- Dec 1998 "Epicurus, Sententia Vaticana XXIII." Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy at the Annual Meeting of the American Philological Association, Washington, D.C.
- Feb 1998 "Justice and Compulsion for Plato's Philosopher-Rulers." Third Annual Arizona Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy, University of Arizona.
- Oct 1997 "Justice and Compulsion for Plato's Philosopher-Rulers." Philosophy Department, Washington University in St. Louis.
- Oct 1997 "Cosmopolitanism and Patriotism in Cicero's De Officiis." Sixteenth Annual Joint Conference of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy and the Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science, Binghamton University.

Jul 1997	"Cosmopolitanism and Patriotism in Cicero's <i>De Officiis</i> ." Fourteenth Annual Conference of the North American Society for Social Philosophy, Queen's University.
Mar 1997	"Cosmopolitanism and Patriotism in Cicero's <i>De Officiis</i> ." Program in Classics, Philosophy, and Ancient Science, University of Pittsburgh.
Feb 1997	"Aristotle on Lives." Philosophy Department, University of California-Santa Barbara.
Jan 1997	"Aristotle on Lives." Philosophy Department, Washington University in St. Louis.
Dec 1996	"Aristotle on Lives." Chicago Area Workshop in Ancient Philosophy.

RESEARCH PENDING

Books

in progress	<i>The Eudaimonist Alternative</i> . About three quarters of the planned eighteen-chapter manuscript have been drafted.
in progress	<i>Stoic Cosmopolitanism</i> . under contract with Cambridge University Press.

Articles

drafted	"Anti-Protagoreanism in the <i>Protagoras</i> ."
drafted	"'Virtue Ethics' and the Problem of Advising Fools."
drafted	" <i>Eudaimonia</i> in Plato's <i>Republic</i> ."
drafted	"Plato on Goods."
drafted	"Socrates the Stoic."
in progress	Revised version of "Plato's Ethics and Politics in the <i>Republic</i> ." for <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> , ed. Edward N. Zalta (URL= http://plato.stanford.edu), by December 2023.
in progress	"The Cynics in Ancient Greek Philosophy." for <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> , ed. Edward N. Zalta (URL= http://plato.stanford.edu), by November 2023.
in progress	"Cynic Politics: Cosmopolitan or Anarchist?" to be presented at a conference on Ancient Cynicism at the Université catholique de Louvain, November 2023 and for <i>The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Cynicism</i> .
in progress	"Stoics on Uncertainty." for a conference in honor of Elizabeth Asmis, University of Chicago (November 2023) and for <i>The Oxford Handbook of Stoicism</i> , ed. Dominic Bailey. draft due January 2024.
under review	"Stoic Anti-Slavery."
under review	"Meno on the Value of Knowledge."

TEACHING

Undergraduate Courses

Most recent semester (number of times taught)

Fall 2022 (8)	Text and Tradition: Early Western Political Thought (Readings from Thucydides, Plato, Cicero, Sallust, Augustine, Aquinas, Dante, Castiglione, and Machiavelli)
Fall 2020 (20)	Introduction to Philosophy (under various titles)
Spr 2023 (9)	Present Moral Problems

Fall 2021 (12) Ancient Philosophy

Graduate Surveys

Most recent semester (number of times taught)

Spr 2022 (7) Plato
 Spr 2023 (6) Aristotle
 Spr 2020 (5) Hellenistic Philosophy
 Fall 2008 (2) Twentieth-Century Metaethics

Seminars

Spr 2021 Plato's Ethics
 Fall 2020 Conceptions of Philosophy (undergraduate philosophical writing)
 Spr 2015 Consequentialism, For and Against (co-taught with Julia Driver)
 Spr 2014 Aristotle's Metaphysics
 Fall 2011 Eudaimonisms
 Spr 2011 Friendship (co-taught with Michael Sherberg for the IPH)
 Fall 2006 Epicureanism
 Spr 2005 Rhetoric and Anti-Rhetoric (co-taught with Ryan Balot for the IPH)
 Spr 2004 Socratic Ethics
 Fall 2001 Akrasia (proseminar for incoming graduate students in philosophy)
 Fall 2000 Stoic Ethics
 Spr 1999 Cosmopolitanisms (co-taught with Pauline Kleingeld)
 Fall 1995 Weakness of Will (for specially tracked undergraduate majors at Chicago)

Independent Studies

Fall 2022 Stoic Ethics (undergraduate)
 Fall 2020 Plato's *Republic* (graduate, Classics)
 Fall 2019 Ethics (graduate, Doctor of Liberal Arts)
 Fall 2019 Plato's *Republic* and Aristotle on friendship (undergraduate)
 Spr 2018 Cynic and Stoic Ethics (graduate)
 Spr 2018 Philosophical Reflections on Death (undergraduate, IPH)
 Spr 2017 The Ethics of Plato and Aristotle (graduate)
 Spr 2015 Epicureanism (undergraduate)
 Spr 2015 Plato's *Symposium* (undergraduate, IPH)
 Spr 2015 More Perfectionism (graduate)
 Fall 2014 Perfectionism (graduate)
 Spr 2011 Hellenistic Philosophy (undergraduate)
 Fall 2010 Plato (undergraduate)
 Fall 2006 Aristotle (undergraduate)
 Fall 2006 Happiness, Duty, and God (University College [division of continuing education])
 Spr 2006 Ancient Skepticism (undergraduate)
 Spr 2006 Stoic Ethics (undergraduate)
 Spr 2004 Natural Law in Ancient Thought (graduate)
 Fall 2003 Epicurus and the Fear of Death (undergraduate)
 Spr 2003 Plato's *Protagoras* (graduate)
 Fall 2002 Plato's *Gorgias* (graduate)
 Spr 2002 Anscombe's *Intention* (graduate)

Spr 2002	Stoic Ethics (University College)
Fall 2001	Akrasia (graduate)
Spr 2001	Philosophy as the Art of Life (undergraduate)
Spr 1999	Plato's <i>Theaetetus</i> (undergraduate)
Fall 1997	Epicureanism (graduate)

Dissertations Supervised

in progress	Chris Colacchia, on negative emotions and well-being
2023	Jeremy Henry, <i>Socrates the Expert</i>
2017	Anna Christensen, <i>Better Off Dead: Suicide in Plato's Philosophy</i>
2015	Nicholas Baima, <i>Truth, Knowledge, and the Value of False Belief in Plato</i>
2014	Jason Gardner, <i>Bio-Enhanced Constructivism</i>
2012	Martin Turner, <i>Moral Disagreement and Moral Realism</i>
2011	Jill Delston, <i>A Hybrid Theory of Global Justice</i> (co-supervised with Larry May)
2009	Emily Austin, <i>Fear and Death in Plato</i>
aborted	Matt Reardon, on the cognitive science of Stoic apathy
2007	Clerk Shaw, <i>Plato and Epicurus on Pleasure, Perception, and Value</i>
2007	Matthew Cashen, <i>Happiness, Eudaimonia, and Eudaimonist Ethics</i> (co-supervised with Larry May)

Dissertations Advised (and Examined)

2023	Graham Renz, on hylomorphism
2020	Nick Schuster, on virtue, continence, incontinence, and vice
2016	Jonathan Nelson, on an argument in Plato's <i>Phaedo</i> , St. Louis University
2015	Tyler Paytas, on partiality
2015	Lauren Olin, on humor
2014	Nate Adams, on political authority
2010	David Bauman, on integrity
2010	Carrie Vodehnal, on practices in ethical theory
2009	Sarit Smila, on education in virtue

Dissertations Examined

2021	Cameron Evans, <i>Oppression and the Limits of Moral Progress</i> , PNP, WUSTL.
2020	Christiane Merritt, " <i>Nouns that Cut Slices</i> ": <i>The Ontology and Ethics of Stereotypes and Implicit Bias</i> , PNP, WUSTL.
2015	David Winchell, <i>Paradigmatic Self-Deception</i> , Philosophy, WUSTL.
2014	Heleana Theixos, preliminary exams in ethics and moral psychology, philosophy, University of Miami.
2013	Anna Deters, <i>Inconstant Stoics: Heroic Selfhood in the Eighteenth Century Moral Imagination</i> , English Department, WUSTL.
2008	Nicholas Eliopoulos, <i>Civic Friendship in Plato's Republic</i> , Philosophy Department, Monash University.
2008	Richard Hutchins, "Reading Plato's <i>Alcibiades</i> in Late Antique Athens and Alexandria," Classics Department (Master's Thesis), WUSTL.
2008	Mary Orwig, "How to Bury Your Mother and Eat a Banana: Politics and Parody in Aristophanic Comedy," Classics Department (Master's Thesis), WUSTL.

- 2007 Syed Mohamed Mehdi, *The Political Dimension of the Contemplative Life: Engagement and Disengagement in Plato, Seneca and Gandhi*, Philosophy Department, McGill University.
- 2006 Jonathan Pirnia, "Medical Knowledge and Roman Jurists," Classics Department (Master's Thesis), WUSTL.
- 2005 Lisa Satanovsky, *Reflective Life in Education*, Education Department, WUSTL.
- 2002 Brooks Siegal, *Between Character and Choice*, Philosophy Department, WUSTL.

Masters' Theses Supervised

- 2022-2023 Patrick Andrews, on Plutarch's *Coniugalia Praecepta* (Classics)
- 2020-2021 Fernando Barreto de Moraes, on the Platonic *Alcibiades I* (Classics)

Undergraduate Honors Theses Supervised

- 2020-2021 Jackie Baik, on madness in Greek tragedy (IPH)
- 2012-2013 Brian Pflaum, on Epicurean ethics
- 2010-2011 Eric Rosenbaum, on akrasia and responsibility (IPH)
- 2006-2007 Semeon Krits, on neo-Stoic ethics
- 2005-2006 Caroline Wechselbaum, on Plato's *Republic*
- 2003-2004 Jeff Chai, on Epicurus on pleasure
- 2002-2003 Aaron Chait, on Socrates on harm
- 2002-2003 Jeff McCollum, on Pyrrhonism
- 2001-2002 Nick Adams, on nationalism
- 1998-1999 Rebecca Katz, on the fear of death (aborted)

Undergraduate Honors Theses Examined

- 2019 Alec Michael, on fictionalism and fictions
- 2017 Natalie Runkle, on Origen (IPH)
- 2012 Philip Chodrow, in ancient philosophy (at Swarthmore)
- 2012 Michael Gluk, in ancient philosophy (at Swarthmore)
- 2012 James Parks, on Nietzsche's ethics
- 2011 Daniel Weltman, on political accession
- 2010 Ian Mosley, on Seneca's *De Ira* (Classics)
- 2010 Grace Fox, on overcriminalization
- 2010 Max Schulman, on modal fictionalism
- 2005 Nathan Gutt, on punishment
- 2005 Roman Goldstein, on the justice of forcibly medicating psychotics
- 2004 Deborah Tobolowsky, on moral responsibility
- 2001 Nea Hildebolt, on Kierkegaard

MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE

Department

- 2019-2023 colloquium coordinator
- 2022-2026 advisor, undergraduate majors in philosophy in the class of 2026

2019-2022	advisor, undergraduate majors in philosophy in the class of 2022
2019-2020	member, faculty search committee for three open positions
Spring 2019	member, graduate admissions and recruitment committee
Spring 2018	member, graduate admissions and recruitment committee
Fall 2017	member, MTE implementation committee
2016-2017	(sabbatical leave)
2015-2016	Graduate Advisor (inc. placement director and admissions chair)
2010-2012	Graduate Advisor (inc. placement director and admissions chair)
2011-2012	chair, faculty search committee for ancient philosophy
Spring 2010	Graduate Advisor
2009	(sabbatical leave)
Fall 2008	chair, library committee
Fall 2008	member, undergraduate program review committee
Spring 2008	(parental leave)
Fall 2007	Graduate Advisor
2006-2007	Graduate Advisor
2006-2007	member, faculty search committee for ancient philosophy
2005-2006	Graduate Advisor
2005-2006	member, faculty search committee for ancient philosophy
2004-2005	member, faculty search committee for early modern philosophy
Spr 2005	coordinator, University College and Summer School
Spr 2005	advisor, undergraduate majors in the Class of 2007
Fall 2004	(parental leave)
2003-2004	member, faculty search committee for ethics
2003-2004	coordinator, University College and Summer School
2003-2004	advisor, "Philosophia," undergraduate philosophy club
2003-2004	member, ethics reading group
2002-2003	member, faculty search committee for early modern philosophy
2002-2003	member, faculty search committee for ethics
2002-2003	coordinator, University College and Summer School
2002-2003	advisor, undergraduate majors in the Class of 2003
2002-2003	advisor, "Philosophia," undergraduate philosophy club
2002-2003	member, ethics reading group
2001-2002	coordinator, University College and Summer School
2001-2002	advisor, undergraduate majors in the Class of 2003

2001-2002 advisor, "Philosophia," undergraduate philosophy club
2001-2002 member, ethics reading group

2000-2001 member, faculty search committee for early modern philosophy
2000-2001 member, graduate recruitment committee
2000-2001 coordinator, University College and Summer School
2000-2001 advisor, undergraduate majors in the Class of 2003
2000-2001 advisor, "Philosophia," undergraduate philosophy club
2000-2001 member, ethics reading group

1999-2000 (sabbatical leave)

1998-1999 member, graduate recruitment committee
1998-1999 coordinator, University College and Summer School
1998-1999 advisor, "Philosophia," undergraduate philosophy club
1998-1999 member, ethics reading group

1997-1998 coordinator, "History Salon," reading group in the history of philosophy
1997-1998 member, ethics reading group

University

2022-2023 convener, Ancient Philosophy Workshop

2020-2023 member, Arts and Sciences Faculty Council Curriculum Committee

2020-2021 faculty advisor, Project Think (student group to teach philosophy)

2019-2020 faculty advisor, Project Think (student group to teach philosophy)

2018-2019 faculty advisor, Project Think (student group to teach philosophy)

Spring 2018 member, Moog Scholars selection committee
2017-2018 faculty advisor, Project Think (student group to teach philosophy)
2017-2018 instructor, Summer Humanities Institute on art and politics

2016-2017 (sabbatical leave)
2016-2017 faculty advisor, Project Think (student group to teach philosophy)

2015-2016 chair, faculty library committee
2015-2016 member, faculty search committee for Classics
2015-2016 faculty advisor, Project Think (student group to teach philosophy)
2015-2016 member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities

2014-2015 member, faculty search committee for Classics
2014-2015 member, faculty search committee for Psychology
2014-2015 member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities

2013-2014 member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities

2012-2013 member, faculty search committee for Psychology
2012-2013 member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities

2011-2012 member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities

Spring 2011	member, Moog Scholars selection committee
2010-2011	member, faculty search committee for the Biggs Chair in Classics
2010-2011	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
Spring 2010	member Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
Spring 2010	panelist, Liberal Arts Education and the Humanities, for the Democratic Citizenship Initiative
2009	(sabbatical leave)
Fall 2008	member, New Curriculum Review Committee
Fall 2008	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
Spring 2008	(parental leave)
Fall 2007	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
2006-2007	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
2006-2007	member, faculty search committee for Greek History in Classics
2006-2007	member, Humanities Research Review Cmte. for Undergraduate Research
2006-2007	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics
2005-2006	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
2005-2006	member, faculty search committee for Biggs Chair in Classics
2005-2006	faculty associate, Rubelmann Third Floor (freshman residence hall)
2005-2006	member, Humanities Research Review Cmte. for Undergraduate Research
2005-2006	member, selection committee for Phi Beta Kappa
2005-2006	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics
2004-2005	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
2004-2005	member, faculty search committee for Biggs Chair in Classics
2004-2005	advisor, Performing Arts Dept.'s production of <i>The Trojan Women</i>
2004-2005	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics
2003-2004	member, Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
2003-2004	member, faculty search committee for the Biggs Chair in Classics
2003-2004	member, faculty committee to select and recruit Mylonas honorary scholars
2003-2004	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics
2002-2003	member, planning committee for the IPH
2002-2003	member, faculty search committee for the Biggs Chair in Classics
2002-2003	member, faculty committee to select and recruit Mylonas honorary scholars
2002-2003	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics
Fall 2002	discussant, academic orientation for incoming undergraduates
2001-2002	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics
2001-2002	discussant, Assembly Series discussion with honorary scholars
Fall 2001	discussant, academic orientation for incoming undergraduates
2000-2001	member, faculty search committee for Classics (Latin literature)
2000-2001	member, faculty search committee for Jewish Studies (Rabbinic Judaism)

2000-2001 Fall 2000	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics discussant, Fireside Chat at Brookings College
1999-2000	(sabbatical leave)
1998-1999	member, selection committee for the Biggs Residency in the Classics

Profession

2022-present	co-founding coordinator, St. Louis Ancient Philosophy Workshop
1997-present	founding coordinator, St. Louis area Greek philosophy reading group
2011	co-organizer, Thirty-Fourth (Texas) Ancient Philosophy Workshop, St. Louis
2017	panelist, mentoring workshop at the Meeting of the APA Central
2012-2014	chair, Program Committee for the 2014 Meeting of the APA Central
2010-2011	member, Nominating Committee for the Central Division of the APA
2006-2007	member, Program Committee for the Central Division of the APA
1998-present	member, Society for Classical Studies (earlier Amer. Philological Ass'n.)
1997-present	member, American Philosophical Association
2016-present	member, Hellenistic Philosophy Society
2006-present	member, International Plato Society
1997-present	member, Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy
2017	mentor, for Fulbright Scholar Alexander Sanzhenakov
2023-present	member, editorial board, <i>Apeiron</i>
2015-present	consulting editor, <i>Journal of the American Philosophical Association</i>
2013-present	member, editorial board, <i>Polis</i>
2023	referee for <i>Ancient Philosophy</i> , <i>Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy</i> , Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, and one promotion case (Franklin & Marshall College)
2022	referee for Cambridge University Press and one tenure case (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
2021	referee for <i>Journal of the American Philosophical Association</i> (twice), <i>Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy</i> , and two tenure cases (Duquesne University and the University of Rhode Island)
2020	referee for Bloomsbury Press, <i>British Journal for the History of Philosophy</i> , <i>Medicines</i> , <i>Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy</i> , Oxford University Press
2019	referee for <i>Ancient Philosophy</i> , <i>Philosophers' Imprint</i> , Wiley-Blackwell
2018	referee for Central States Philosophical Association, <i>Ancient Philosophy</i> , and one tenure case (University of Arkansas)
2017	referee for <i>Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy</i> , and one tenure case (Yale-NUS College) and one promotion case (Swarthmore College)
2016	referee for <i>Journal of the History of Philosophy</i> , Cambridge University Press, and one tenure case (Fordham University)
2015	referee for <i>Apeiron</i> , <i>Journal of the History of Philosophy</i> , <i>Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy</i> ; external reviewer, philosophy working group at Pitzer College

- 2014 referee for *Apeiron*, Canada Research Chairs, *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *The Journal of Value Inquiry*, and two tenure cases (Colgate and McMaster Universities)
- 2013 referee for the Israel Science Foundation, MacArthur Foundation, and Oxford University Press
- 2012 referee for tenure case (Trent University)
- 2011 referee for *Transactions of the American Philological Association*, and one tenure case (Duquesne University)
- 2010 referee for Acumen Press and *The Monist*
- 2009 referee for Broadview Press and *The Philosophers' Imprint*
- 2008 referee for *American Political Science Review*, *Ancient Philosophy*, *Classical Philology*, *Philosophical Explorations*, and Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology
- 2007 referee for *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, and one tenure case (University of Massachusetts-Amherst)
- 2006 referee for *Ancient Philosophy*
- 2005 referee for *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Phoenix*, and one tenure case (University of Memphis)
- 2004 referee for the National Endowment for the Humanities, *Dialogue*, *The Journal of Ethics*
- 2003 referee for Cambridge University Press, *Ancient Philosophy*, *Ethics*
- 2002 referee for the *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
- 2001 referee for *Social Theory and Practice*
- 2000 referee for the Central States Philosophical Association, *Ancient Philosophy*, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*
- 1999 referee for the University of Missouri Research Board, *Classical Philology*, *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research*
- 1998 referee for *Survey of Ophthalmology* (twice)

Community

- 2020 consultant for howstuffworks.com, "Why Are We Still Talking About Plato 2,100 Years Later?"
- 2017 American Philosophical Association Member Interview (<https://blog.apaonline.org/2017/04/21/apa-member-interview-eric-brown/>)
- 2013 visiting lecturer, Forum of the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples (Florida)
- 2012 visiting teacher, Ft. Leonard Wood Professional Development Seminar on Stoic Ethics
- 2008 visiting lecturer, Forum of the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples (Florida)
- 2004 visiting lecturer, Forum of the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples (Florida)
- 2003 visiting lecturer, Clayton (Missouri) High School Latin IV & V

PERSONAL

- 26 Feb 1970 born a U.S. citizen in Cincinnati, Ohio
- 18 Sept 1994 married Amy Ravin in Toledo, Ohio
- 29 Dec 2003 daughter Madeline R. Brown born in St. Louis, Missouri

21 June 2007 son Nathaniel R. Brown born in St. Louis, Missouri

REFERENCES

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APPENDIX: Statement on Research

My expertise in ancient Greek and Roman philosophy encompasses a broad range of topics and philosophers, but I have a special interest in analyzing and assessing the philosophical ethics of ancient Greece and Rome. I have pursued this interest in three large projects, and I have agreed to undertake a fourth that is more tangentially related to ethics.

My **first** project centers on the Stoic claims that the cosmos is like a polis and that a person should live as a citizen of the cosmos. These claims contrast with the traditional Greek conviction that a person should live as an engaged citizen of the local polis, and they stand at the head of a tradition of "cosmopolitanism" that has been recently revived. Yet no one has provided a systematic account of what the Stoics meant. I fill this lacuna with a book that examines the cosmopolitanism of four Stoics: Chrysippus, Cicero (an Academic who adopts Stoic views in *De Officiis*), Seneca, and Marcus Aurelius. I explain how these Stoics use the cosmopolite as a metaphor for the good human being (much as Kant uses the citizen in the Kingdom of Ends), and I explore their general account of how one should show ethical concern toward all human beings. Finally, and most importantly, I argue that each of these Stoics contributes to the ongoing debate concerning our obligations to help compatriots as compared to our obligations to help foreigners.

This first project is essentially complete. The final draft of *Stoic Cosmopolitanism* will be copy-edited soon for publication by Cambridge University Press. I have also finished some survey articles that situate my conclusions (see "Cosmopolitanism" and "Hellenistic Cosmopolitanism"); I have explored some of the Socratic and Cynic background to Stoic cosmopolitanism ("Socrates the Cosmopolitan," "Socrates in the Stoa," "Cynic"); and I have written several related encyclopedia articles ("Epictetus," "Marcus Aurelius Antoninus," "Panaetius of Rhodes;" "Justice" and "Cosmopolitanism") and book reviews. I have also further developed a few ideas in *Stoic Cosmopolitanism* for other occasions, as for the volume of essays on Aristotle's conception of friendship and its aftermath ("Cosmopolitans and Unmet Friends"), for *The Cambridge Companion to Greek Political Theory* ("The Emergence of Natural Law and the Cosmopolis"), and for the proceedings of a conference on cosmopolitan politics in Frankfurt, Germany (for which I discuss the political significance of early Stoic cosmopolitanism).

For the last several years, the bulk of my attention has shifted to a **second** project, to articulate afresh how ancient Greek ethics is an alternative to modern moral philosophy. Traditionally, the difference has been explained in one of two unsatisfying ways. Recent advocates of the ancient approach say, vaguely, that the ancients start from agents and their virtue while the moderns start from actions and their rightness. This contrast has something to be said for it, but not enough. The main problem is that one cannot identify a virtue without an account of what actions it requires or an account of what goods it tracks. Hence, it is better to

follow those who characterize Greek ethics as "eudaimonist." On this view, the Greeks are distinctive because they say that one should act always for the sake of one's own success (Greek: *eudaimonia*) and that virtuous actions are at least necessary for success. Unfortunately, this remains controversial as an account of Greek ethics and indeterminate as a potential rival to modern moral philosophy.

I argue for a fresh interpretation of the ancient alternative by introducing a distinction. On my view, the Greeks themselves faced an alternative between two kinds of eudaimonism. Some said that one should always act to *bring about* one's own success. This theory evaluates actions and agents in terms of consequences, and so I call it *consequentialist eudaimonism*. (*Caveat lector*: I use the adjective 'consequentialist' broadly, without the presumption of agent-neutrality that is characteristic of many philosophers' use of the term.) But I maintain, *pace* many scholars, that most Greek philosophers did not construe eudaimonism this way. The more common ancient view is that because success is nothing more and nothing less than virtuous activity, one should always *instantiate* success, that is, one should always act virtuously. The philosophers who embraced this view gave it more content by insisting that one acts virtuously if and only if one acts from wisdom and that one has wisdom if and only if one has a coherent set of practical and theoretical commitments. This *Socratic eudaimonism* is the interesting and viable alternative to modern moral philosophy.

For about a dozen years I have been developing these claims in a series of essays, which I am now reworking as a book titled *The Eudaimonist Alternative*. This work of historical scholarship develops and defends my account of ancient ethics in four main parts. In the first two I discuss how Plato's Socratic dialogues explore both consequentialist and Socratic eudaimonism and how Plato further develops the Socratic version in the *Republic* and beyond. I then draw from Plato, Aristotle, and the Stoics to test the prospects of Socratic eudaimonism, before I finally examine the origins and prospects of two consequentialist versions of ancient eudaimonism. In a final chapter, I outline Socratic eudaimonism directly, and I articulate its problems and potential. Here is a table of contents and status report:

INTRODUCTION

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| 1. The Eudaimonist Alternative | partly drafted |
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PART ONE

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| 2. Socrates' Suicide and the Invention of Eudaimonism | partly drafted |
| 3. Socrates and Coherent Desire | drafted |
| 4. Socrates the Stoic? | drafted |
| 5. The Socratic Art of Living | partly drafted |

PART TWO

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| 6. Justice and Compulsion for Plato's Philosopher-Rulers | drafted |
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| 7. Minding the Gap in Plato's <u>Republic</u> | drafted |
| 8. Eudaimonia in Plato's <u>Republic</u> | drafted |
| 9. Good, Best, and Out of this World | partly drafted |
| PART THREE | |
| 10. Wishing for Fortune, Choosing Activity | drafted |
| 11. Aristotle on Final Goods and <u>Eudaimonia</u> | drafted |
| 12. Some Greek Thoughts on Completion | partly drafted |
| 13. The Problem of Advising Fools | drafted |
| PART FOUR | |
| 14. The Peripatetic Detour | partly drafted |
| 15. Cicero and Some Greek Thoughts on Incompletion | partly drafted |
| 16. The Hedonist Alternative | partly drafted |
| 17. Contingency and Animality in Cicero's Critique of Epicurean Ethics | drafted |
| CONCLUSIONS | |
| 18. Reclaiming the Ethics of Coherence | partly drafted |

I plan to continue developing the unpublished chapters of this book and to finish a draft of the whole manuscript before 2030.

After I complete that manuscript, I will dedicate myself more fully to a **third** project, which is to argue more directly for Socratic eudaimonism. I have begun outlining a book, tentatively called *Living Socratically*, to reconstruct Socratic eudaimonism by drawing on ancient and contemporary materials. I envision here a shorter work of philosophical argument, unburdened by historical scholarship and aimed at philosophers and students interested in normative ethics. I hope to finish this book quickly, during my next sabbatical, tentatively scheduled for 2030-2031.

Behind these three projects in ancient ethics lies a broad interest in the systematic philosophy of the ancient Greeks and a special concern to explore the assumptions that underwrite their ethics. For Socratic eudaimonism to be fully plausible, there needs to be some defense of wisdom as coherence, which also requires an account of coherence that encompasses practical and theoretical attitudes, and there needs to be some defense of human nature as a constraint on what a human being can coherently believe. These issues are joined, I believe, to ancient obsessions with wholes and parts, which I have begun to explore (for an "Author Meets Critics" session in December 2004, and in the papers "Knowing the Whole" and "The Unity of the Soul in Plato's *Republic*"). In part to explore them further, I have agreed to translate Plato's *Sophist* and write a commentary on it. I should be working on this **fourth** project from Summer 2031 forward, and while I expect it to engross me directly in ancient metaphysics and related concerns, I do not suppose that it will take me entirely away from ethics.