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**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Current Academic Position**

Professor (effective July 1, 2017), Department of Philosophy, St. Thomas University, Fredericton.

**Employment History**

2003–2004: Assistant Professor (part-time), Department of Philosophy, Western University.

2005–2006: Lecturer (tenure-track), Department of Philosophy, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.

2006–2007: Lecturer (with tenure), Department of Philosophy, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.

2007–2008: Senior Lecturer (effective October 1, 2007), Department of Philosophy, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.

2008–2010: Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, St. Thomas University.

2010–2017: Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, St. Thomas University.

**Education**

2004: Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (DAAD), Maximilians-Universität, Munich.

1999–2003: Ph.D., Western University (Dissertation at the Kant Archive, Phillips-Universität, Marburg, Germany).

Thesis title: *Transcendental Arguments and Kant's Critical Refutation of Dogmatism and Empiricism*

Supervisors: Lorne Falkenstein, Western University

Manfred Kuehn, Phillips-Universität, Marburg, Germany

1998–1999: Austausch Programm, Albert Ludwigs-Universität, Freiburg, Germany.

1996–1998: Master of Arts, McMaster University

Thesis title: *The Ontological Status of Bodies: A Study of the Levels of Discourse in Leibniz's Metaphysics*

Supervisor: Wilfred Waluchow, McMaster University

1992–1996: Honours Bachelor of Arts, Brock University

## **Publications**

### ***Books***

- 2025 *Must Beliefs and Evidence Agree? A Debate*. New York: Routledge (co-authored with Elizabeth Jackson).
- 2022 *Logic Works: A Rigorous Introduction to Formal Logic* (coauthored with Lorne Falkenstein and Molly Kao). New York: Routledge.
- 2021 *Hume's Enquiry: Expanded and Explained*. New York: Routledge (co-authored with Tyron Goldschmidt).
- 2016 *Berkeley's Principles: Expanded and Explained*. New York: Routledge (co-authored with Tyron Goldschmidt).
- 2008 *Kant's Transcendental Arguments: Disciplining Pure Reason*. London: Bloomsbury.

### ***Edited Books***

- 2025 *Evidentialism at 40: New Arguments, New Angles* (co-edited with Kevin McCain and Matthias Steup). New York: Routledge.
- 2025 *Hume and Contemporary Epistemology* (co-edited with Verena Wagner). New York: Routledge.
- 2024 *Seemings: New Arguments, New Angles* (co-edited with Kevin McCain and Matthias Steup). New York: Routledge.

- 2022 *Tetens's Writings on Method, Language, and Anthropology: The Philosophical Works of Johannes Nikolaus Tetens, Volume I*. London: Bloomsbury (co-translated and co-edited with Courtney D. Fugate and Curtis Sommerlatte).
- 2021 *Epistemic Dilemmas: New Arguments, New Angles* (co-edited with Kevin McCain and Matthias Steup). New York: Routledge.
- 2020 *Epistemic Duties: New Arguments, New Angles*. New York: Routledge (co-edited with Kevin McCain).

### Articles

- 2025 "Extreme Evidentialism" (coauthored with Kevin McCain). In: Kevin McCain, Scott Stapleford and Matthias Steup (eds), *Evidentialism at 40: New Arguments, New Angles*, 53–72. New York and London: Routledge.
- 2025 "Hume on Pyrrhonian Scepticism and Suspension of Judgement" (coauthored with Verena Wagner). In: Scott Stapleford and Verna Wagner (eds), *Hume and Contemporary Epistemology*, 49–71. New York and London: Routledge.
- 2024 "Appearances and the Problem of Stored Beliefs" (coauthored with Kevin McCain). In: Kevin McCain, Scott Stapleford and Matthias Steup (eds), *Seemings: New Arguments, New Angles*, 63–74. New York and London: Routledge.
- 2021 "Epistemic Dilemmas, Epistemic Quasi-Dilemmas, and Quasi-Epistemic Dilemmas" (coauthored with Kevin McCain). In: Kevin McCain, Scott Stapleford and Matthias Steup (eds), *Epistemic Dilemmas: New Arguments, New Angles*, 77–85. New York and London: Routledge.
- 2020 "Bound by the Evidence." (coauthored with Kevin McCain). In: Kevin McCain and Scott Stapleford (eds), *Epistemic Duties: New Arguments, New Angles*, pp. 113–124. New York and London: Routledge.
- 2019 "Was Berkeley an Extracranialist?" *Philosophical Forum* 50 (2): 225–238 (coauthored with Alexander Wentzell).
- 2019 "What's the Point of a Dreaming Argument?" *Think: Philosophy for Everyone* 52 (18): 31–34.
- 2018 "Intraspecies Impermissivism." *Episteme: A Journal of Individual and Social Epistemology* 16 (3): 340–356.

- 2017 "The Worst Argument in the World—Defended." *Think: Philosophy for Everyone* 47 (16): 15–23.
- 2017 "Seeing a Flower in the Garden: Common Sense, Transcendental Idealism." In: E. Robinson and C. Surprenant (eds), *Kant and the Scottish Enlightenment*, pp. 326–341. New York and London: Routledge.
- 2016 "Epistemic Value Monism and the Swamping Problem." *Ratio: An International Journal of Analytic Philosophy* 29(3): 283–297.
- 2015 "Epistemic Versus All Things Considered Requirements." *Synthese: An International Journal for Epistemology, Methodology and Philosophy of Science* 192(6): 1861–1881.
- 2015 "Why There May Be Epistemic Duties." *Dialogue: Canadian Philosophical Review* 54(1): 63–89.
- 2014 "Completing Epistemic Oughts." *Philosophical Forum* 45(2): 133–148.
- 2014 "Tetens' Refutation of Idealism and Properly Basic Belief." In: G. Stiening and U. Thiel (eds), *Johann Nikolaus Tetens (1736-1807): Philosophie in der Tradition des europäischen Empirismus*, pp. 147–168. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
- 2013 "Imperfect Epistemic Duties and the Justificational Fecundity of Evidence." *Synthese: An International Journal for Epistemology, Methodology and Philosophy of Science* 190(18): 4065–4075.
- 2012 "Epistemic Duties and Failure to Understand One's Evidence." *Principia: An International Journal of Epistemology* 16(1): 147–177.
- 2010 "A Refutation of Idealism from 1777." *Idealistic Studies* 40(1/2): 139–147.
- 2009 "Locke on Sensitive Knowledge as Knowledge." *Theoria: A Swedish Journal of Philosophy* 75(3): 206–231.
- 2008 "Strawson and Schaumann on the Metaphysics of Transcendental Idealism." *South African Journal of Philosophy* 27(3): 95–102.
- 2008 "Kant's Analogy of the Sphere." In: *Recht und Frieden in der Philosophie Kants: Akten des X. Internationalen Kant-Kongresses* Vol. II, 751–761. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter.
- 2007 "Reid, Tetens and Kant on the External World." *Idealistic Studies* 37(2): 87–104.
- 2007 "On the Contradiction in Conception Test of the Categorical Imperative." *South*

- African Journal of Philosophy* 26(3): 306–318.
- 2006 “Kant’s Transcendental Arguments as Conceptual Proofs.” *Philosophical Papers* 35(1): 119–136.
- 2005 “Transcendental Arguments: Superfluity and Scepticism.” *Theoria: A Swedish Journal of Philosophy* 71(4): 333–367.
- 2005 “Ontological and Phenomenological Distinctness in Kant’s Refutation.” In: *Two Hundred Years After Kant*, ed. H. Ayatollahy. Tehran: Allameh Tabataba’i University.
- 2001 “Against Platonism in Mathematics: A Critique of Brown.” *De Philosophia* 16(2): 55–68. (Graduate journal)
- 2000 “Transcendental Impossibility and Non-Euclidean Geometry.” *Western Journal of Graduate Research*, 9(1): 70–81. (Graduate journal)
- 1999 “Aristotle’s *De Anima*.” In: *Varieties of Universalism: Essays in Honour of J.R.A. Mayer*, ed. D. Goicoechea, Z. Zeman, and M. Zlomislic. Port Colborne: Thought House Publishing Group.

### ***Book Reviews and Miscellany***

- 2017 (*Philosophical Review*). **Miriam Schleifer McCormick**. *Believing Against the Evidence: Agency and the Ethics of Belief*. New York and London: Routledge, 2015. Pp. xiv + 144.
- 2012 Articles on Knowledge, Metaphysics, Necessity, Principle of Sufficient Reason, Proof (with Giuseppe Motta). In: *The Bloomsbury Companion to Kant*, ed. Dennis Schulting.
- 2010 (*Philosophy in Review*). **Tom Sorell, G.A.J. Rogers, Jill Kraye, eds.** ‘Scientia’ in *Early Modern Philosophy: Seventeenth-Century Thinkers on Demonstrative Knowledge from First Principles*. *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*, vol. 24. Dordrecht: Springer, 2010. Pp. xv + 139
- 2009 (*Philosophy in Review*). **Kurt Mosser**. *Necessity and Possibility: The Logical Strategy of Kant’s ‘Critique of Pure Reason*. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2008. Pp. xxiv + 226
- 2008 (*Review of Metaphysics*). **Paul Guyer**. *Kant*. New York: Routledge, 2006. Pp. xiii

+ 456.

2007 (*Philosophy in Review*). **Paul Guyer**, ed. *The Cambridge Companion to Kant and Modern Philosophy*. New York: Cambridge University Press 2006. Pp. xv + 722.

2006 (*Philosophy in Review*). **Kenneth R. Westphal** *Kant's Transcendental Proof of Realism*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 2004. Pp. x + 299.

## Service and Administrative Experience

President's Advisory Committee on the Budget (2025–2026)

Chair of the Senate Curriculum Committee (2024–2027)

Committee for Academic Promotions and Tenure (2021–2024)

Chair of the Senate Student Academic Grievance Committee (2017–2018, 2019–2021)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – Native Studies (2017)

Search Committee for Chair of Native Studies (2017)

Recruiting lectures at Rothesay High School, Saint John High School and Tobique First Nations (2017)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – Humanities (2016)

Recruiting lectures at Rothesay High School and Saint John High School (2016)

Organizer, Atlantic Region Philosophers' Association Annual Meeting (2015)

Departmental Committee for applications for renewal, tenure and promotion – Philosophy (2015)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – ESL (2015)

Department Chair (2015–2016)

Senate Student Academic Grievance Committee (2015–2016)

Recruiting lecture at Rothesay High School (2015)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – ESL (multiple jobs), English (2014)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – ESL (multiple jobs) (2013)

Recruiting lecture at Fredericton High School (2012)

Academic Transition Day Lecture (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012)

Departmental Committee for applications for renewal, tenure and promotion – Political Science (2012)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – ESL (5 jobs) (2012)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – Political Science (2012)

Part-Time Appointments Committee – Philosophy (2012)

Department Chair (2012–2014)

Chair, Hiring Committee, Department of Philosophy (2012)

Harassment Education Committee (2012–2014)

Interim Study Abroad Committee (2011)

Departmental committee for applications for renewal, tenure and promotion (2011: promotion, 2011: renewal).

Chair, Hiring Committee, Department of Philosophy (2009)

Senate Admissions and Academic Standing Committee (2008–2009, 2009–2010, 2009–

2010, 2010–2011, 2011–2012, 2013–2014)  
 Recruiting at Fredericton High School (2010)  
 Minute taker for all Departmental meetings (2008–2009)  
 Chair, Publicity Committee for the School of Social Sciences (2006, 2008)  
 Publicity Representative, Department of Philosophy (2007)  
 Convener of Hoernlé Visiting Speakers Series (2005–2008)  
 Curriculum Counselor, School of Social Sciences (2005–2008)  
 Liaison Officer for Community Engagement Showcase (2006)  
 Consultancy for Bard College (New York), Student Exchange Program (2006)

## **Courses Taught**

Introduction to Western Philosophy I and II (first-year course)  
 Free Will (first-year course)  
 Atheism (first-year course)  
 Robot & Animal Ethics (first-year course)  
 Rationalism (second-year course)  
 Empiricism (second-year course)  
 Introduction to Logic I (second-year course)  
 Introduction to Logic II (third-year course)  
 Analytic Philosophy I (third-year course)  
 Analytic Philosophy II (third-year course)  
 Epistemology (third-year course)  
 Kant's Theoretical Philosophy (third-year course)  
 Hegel (third-year course)  
 Ancient Greek and Early Modern Philosophy (second-year)  
 Introduction to Meta-Ethics (first-year course)  
 Locke's Epistemology (graduate course)  
 Hegel's 'Phenomenology of Spirit' (graduate course)  
 Scottish Commonsense Philosophy (graduate course)  
 Philosophy of Religion (second-year course)