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PhD Candidate

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**Academic Positions**

**Spring 2015 Lecturer,** Department of Philosophy, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois.

**2010-2011 Adjunct Professor,** Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Towson University, Towson, Maryland.

**2010-2011 Adjunct Professor,** Department of World Languages and Philosophy, Montgomery College, Rockville, Maryland.

**2009-2011 Adjunct Professor,** Department of Philosophy, Community College of Baltimore County, Catonsville, Maryland.

**Areas of Specialization and Competence**

**AOS:** 19th and 20th Century Continental Philosophy (esp. Phenomenology/Existentialism), Indian Buddhism, Epistemology.

**AOC:** Hinduism, Chinese Philosophy, Social and Political Philosophy, Ethics.

**Education**

**2011-Present Ph.D.,** Philosophy, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois.

Dissertation: *Adversity and Cliché: The Generation of Sense and Meaning.*

Committee: Anthony J. Steinbock (director), Sara Beardsworth, Douglas L. Berger, Stephen Tyman.

**2007-2009 M.A.,** Philosophy, American University, Washington, D.C.

Thesis: *Overcoming Boundaries Through Intimacy: Reevaluating the Ethical Discourse from the Non-Substantialist Perspective.* Committee: Jin Y. Park (director), Gershon Greenberg.

**2000-2002 B.S.,** Honors Clinical Psychology, Towson University, Towson, Maryland.

Thesis: *The Role of the Therapeutic Relationship within the Theoretical Models of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy.* Director: Jean Ayers.

**1995-2000 A.A.,** General Studies, Harford Community College, Bel Air, Maryland.

**Teaching Experience**

*Courses taught as Sole Instructor, listed by area and then in reverse chronological order.*

**History of Philosophy**

Phil 101 *Introduction to Philosophy*, Montgomery College

Spring & Summer 2010, Summer 2011 (total of 4 sections)

Phil 101 *Introduction to Philosophy,* Towson University

Spring 2011 (total of 2 sections)

Phil 101 *Introduction to Philosophy,* Community College of Baltimore County

Fall 2009-Spring 2011 (total of 8 sections)

**Ethics**

Phil 140 *Introduction to Ethics*, Montgomery College

Spring & Fall 2010, Summer 2011

Phil 240 *Ethics*, Community College of Baltimore County

Fall 2010

**Logic**

Phil 111 *Logic*, Towson University

Fall 2010

**Social and Political Philosophy**

Phil 201 *Social and Political Philosophy*, Towson University

Spring 2011

**Religion**

Phil 131 *Introduction to World Religions*, Community College of Baltimore County

Spring & Summer 2011

**Asian Philosophy**

Phil 308I *Asian Religions: A Philosophical Approach*, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Spring 2015

**Teaching Assistantships**

Relg 210 *Non-Western Religious Traditions*, American University

Spring 2009

Phil 211 *Introduction to Asian Philosophy,* American University

Fall 2008

**Publications**

**Translations:**

Co-translator, “The reversibility which is the ultimate truth” by Jacob Rogozinski in *Continental Philosophy Review*. doi: 10.1007/s11007-016-9366-4.

**Research Presentations**

“Experiencing the Sacred in the Profane: Abhinavagupta’s Implementation of Samsara as a Means to Liberation.” *Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy*, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, October 12, 2012.

**Academic Service**

Conference Organizer, 17th Annual Building Bridges Graduate Conference, *An Interdisciplinary Engagement with Fear*, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, October 17-18, 2014.

Judge, 2015 Undergraduate Creative and Research Activities Forum, Business/Education/Humanities Category, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, April 6, 2015.

Assistant Editor, *Continental Philosophy Review: An International Philosophical Review* (Formerly *Man and World*), Fall 2015 – Spring 2016.

Panel Presentation, *Pathways to Graduate Schools and Career Success*, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, November 17, 2015

Judge, 2016 Undergraduate Creative and Research Activities Forum, Social Science Category, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, April 4, 2016.

**Languages**

French (reading, translation)

Latin (reading, translation)

**Professional Memberships**

The American Philosophical Association

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Merleau-Ponty Circle