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Curriculum Vitae

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics (Value Theory, Normative Ethics, Metaethics)

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Medical Ethics, Political Philosophy, Epistemology, Logic

APPOINTMENTS

Southern Methodist University, Lecturer in Philosophy	Aug 2023—present
Creighton University, Visiting Professor	Aug 2022—May 2023
Creighton University, Resident Assistant Professor	Aug 2021—May 2022
Creighton University, Lecturer in Philosophy	Jan 2021—May 2021

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, University of Nebraska, Lincoln	May, 2020
MA in Philosophy, University of Nebraska, Lincoln	May, 2017
BA in Philosophy and Psychology, University of Wisconsin, Madison	May, 2009

PUBLICATIONS

“Reasons Internalism and the Problem of Depression,” *Utilitas* 2021

TEACHING – AS INSTRUCTOR

Southern Methodist University

Business Ethics	Fall 2023
Technology, Society and Value	Fall 2023

Creighton University

Business Ethics	Fall 2022, Spring 2023
Philosophical Ethics	Spring 2021, Spring 2022
Knowledge, Reality, and the Good life	Fall 2021, Fall 2022

University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Introduction to Philosophy	Spring 2016, Spring 2019, Spring 2020
Philosophy and Current Issues (Ethics)	Summer 2013, Fall 2015, Fall 2018
Logic and Critical Thinking	Summer 2014
Medical Ethics	Summer 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2019
Political Philosophy	Summer 2015

TEACHING – AS TEACHING ASSISTANT

University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Introduction to Philosophy	1 Semester
Philosophy and Current Issues (Ethics)	8 Semesters
Philosophy and Critical Thinking	1 Semester
Medical Ethics (Grader only)	1 Semester

DISSERTATION

DESIRE SATISFACTION THEORIES AND THE PROBLEM OF DEPRESSION

I argue that desire satisfaction theories of well-being have a difficult time explaining the badness of being clinically depressed. Such theories say that a person is well-off to the extent that they are getting what they want. People with clinical depression want very few things, but are getting them. After clarifying the problem, I consider a number of possible responses, and, for each response, argue that it either fails outright, or requires modifications to the desire satisfaction theory which make the theory unattractive for other reasons.

COMMITTEE: Joseph Mendola, John Brunero, Mark van Roojen, Aaron Bronfman

REFERENCES

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GRADUATE COURSES TAKEN

Theory of Knowledge	History of Modern Philosophy
Ethical Theory	Ancient Philosophy
Advanced Ethics	Formal Logic
Philosophy of Language	Metaphysics
Social & Political Philosophy	Greek Philosophy
Advanced Epistemology	Philosophy of Mind

APA PRESENTATIONS

“Reasons Internalism and the Problem of Depression,” American Philosophical Assoc., Pacific Division Meeting, 2017

PRESENTATIONS AT OTHER CONFERENCES

“Desire Satisfaction Theories, Depression, and Authenticity,” Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, 2018

“Goldman on Depression and Irrationality,” Central States Philosophical Association, 2015

PRESENTED COMMENTS

“Comments on Adam Shriver’s ‘Is Hedonism a Version of Axiological Monism?’”
Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference, 2018

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

Department Travel Grant, 2018

Graduate Student Travel Stipend, American Philosophical Association, 2017

Department Travel Grant, 2017

Hinman Research Fellowship, 2016

Department Travel Grant, 2015

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee, <i>Utilitas</i>	2022, 2023
Referee, <i>Journal of Value Inquiry</i>	2021
Husker Dialogues Group Facilitator	2018
Rocky Mountain Regional Ethics Bowl Judge	2017
Referee, Central States Philosophical Association	2015
Graduate Student Representative	2014-2015
Graduate Student Colloquium Coordinator	2015