

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

- Ph.D. Vanderbilt University 1987: Philosophy
- M.A. Vanderbilt University 1986: Philosophy
- B.A. Mississippi State University 1982, *cum laude*;
Major: Philosophy; Minor: History

PROFESSIONAL STATUS:

- Professor of Philosophy, Mississippi State University (2005-present)
- Head, Department of Philosophy and Religion (2001-2008)
- Associate Professor of Philosophy, Mississippi State University (1996-2005)
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Mississippi State University (1994-1995)
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, The University of the South (1993-1994)
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Centenary College of Louisiana (1987-1993)

PUBLICATIONS:

Books

- *Apprehension: Reason in the Absence of Rules*, Ashgate Publishing, November, 2002.

Refereed articles and chapters

- "Principlism and the Ethics of Virtue", *Politics and Ethics* 2 #1, 2006.
- "Rational Magic: Thomas Digges' Sixteenth Century Defense of Copernicanism." *The Modern Schoolman* 79, November, 2001
- "Metaphor, History, Consciousness: From Locke to Dennett." *The Philosophical Forum*, XXX #3, 1999, pp. 187-200.
- "Rationality is Still Hard Work: Some Further Notes on the Disruptive Effects of Deliberation." *Philosophical Psychology*, v. 12 #2, 1999, pp. 215-220.
- "Aristotle on the *Arche* of Practical Reasoning." *Journal of Philosophical Research*, vol. 24, 1999, pp. 365-396.
- "Towards a Very Old Account of Rationality in Experiment: Occult Practices in Chaotic Sonoluminescence." co-authored with Glynn Holt, *Idealization in Contemporary Physics*, ed. Niall Shanks, Poznan Studies in the Philosophy of the Sciences and Humanities, vol. 63, 1998, 217-238.
- "Narrative Justification in Philosophy of Science; A Role for History." *Scientific Methods: Conceptual and Historical Problems*, ed. Peter Achinstein, Krieger Publishing, 1994, 137-158.
- "Rationality is Hard Work: An Alternative Interpretation of the Disruptive Effects of Thinking About Reasons." *Philosophical Psychology*, v. 6 # 3, 1993, 251-266.
- "Regularity in Nonlinear Dynamical Systems." co-authored with Glynn Holt,

- *British Journal For the Philosophy of Science*, v. 44, # 1, 1993, 711-727.
- "Avoiding the Analytic Assumption in Theories of Practical Rationality: A Metatheoretical Note." *Contemporary Philosophy*, v. 13 # 7, 1991, 17-19
- "Causation, Transitivity, and Causal Relata." *Journal of Philosophical Research* v. 15, 1990, 263-277.
- "Social Psychology and Practical Reasoning: An Empirical Challenge to the Possibility of Practical Reasoning?" *Philosophical Forum*, v.20 #4, 1989, 311-325.
- "Teleological Explanation: A Species of Causal Explanation." *Philosophical Psychology*, v.1 #3, 1988, 313-325.
- "Metaphors as Imaginative Propositions." *Process Studies*, v.12 #4, 1982, 252-256.
- "Teaching the Definition of Material Implication in Introductory Logic" *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, March 1989, 108-109.

Reviews

- Review of A.F. Falikowski, *Moral Philosophy*, and R.N. van Wyk, *Introduction to Ethics*, in *Teaching Philosophy*, v.14. #3, 1991, 313-316.

Non-refereed chapters

- "Science: Method or History", chapter in video textbook *Research Methods*, published by the Department of Geosciences, Mississippi State University, 1999.

PRESENTATIONS:

Refereed Papers

- "Principlism, the Ethics of Virtue, and the Politics of Bioethics", with Bryan Hilliard, *Politics and Ethics: An Interdisciplinary Exploration of Contemporary Issues*, USM Gulf Park March 24-26, 2005.
- "Two Rival Versions of Objectivity" Mississippi Philosophical Association, May 6, 2000, Starkville, MS.
- "Rational Magic: Thomas Digges 16th Century Defense of Copernicanism" Southeastern Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, April 10, 1999, Tallahassee, Florida.
- "Metaphor, History and Consciousness: from Locke to Dennett" Mississippi Philosophical Association, March 20, 1999, Hattiesburg, MS.
- "Towards a Very Old Account of Rationality in Experiment: Occult Practices and the Tradition of Natural Magic." Symposium Presentation, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Berkeley, March, 1997.
- "Aristotle on the *Arche* of Practical Reasoning", Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, San Francisco, March 1995.
- "Desire in the First Premise of Practical Reasoning? an Historicist Diatribe Against Folk-Psychological Interpretations of Aristotle." Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Atlanta, March 1994.
- "Rational Action, Causation, and Allomorphic Sensitivity; or Of Geckoes and Managing Directors." American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Louisville, April 1992.

- "Deterministic Chaos: The Worm in Newton's Apple." with Glynn Holt, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, New Orleans, April 1990.
- "An Example of an External Reason." American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 1989.
- "An Example of an External Reason" Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Miami, March 1988.
- "Social Psychology and Practical Reasoning" Southeastern Graduate Student Conference, University of Georgia, April 1987

Invited Papers

- "Medical Ethics Online: A Workshop on Internet Pedagogy and Collaboration," with Rita Hinton, American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 3, 2000.
- "History of Ideas Online: the Internet Across the Disciplines." with Steve Shelburne, Centenary College, and Bruce Avery, San Francisco State U., 5th annual Emerging Technologies in Education conference, Mississippi State University, July, 1997.
- "From Locke to Dennett: A Brief History of Consciousness." Symposium on Daniel Dennett's *Consciousness Explained*, Tennessee Philosophical Association Nashville, October 1993.
- "The Impact of Non-linear Dynamics on the Concept of a Law of Nature." Mini-Symposium on Non-linear Dynamics, University of Mississippi, October 1990.

Invited Commentary

- "More or Less Agency." commentary on "The Rule of Least Agency", Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Memphis, February 1995.
- Commentary on "Internalism." Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Louisville, April 1990.
- "Evil or Moral Mistake?" commentary on "Malignant vs. Diabolic Wickedness", North Texas Philosophical Association, Dallas, November 1989.

AWARDS:

- Honors Faculty, 2007-present
- 2006 Research Fellow, Linda Hall Library of Science, Technology and Engineering, Kansas City, MO: "Reason, Astronomy, and Trigonometry in the Sixteenth Century: Thomas Digges' *Alae Seu Scalae Mathematicae*.", \$1,200
- 2006 Institute for the Humanities Fellow, MSU: "Reason, Astronomy, and Trigonometry in the Sixteenth Century: Thomas Digges' *Alae Seu Scalae Mathematicae*.", \$4,500
- 2006-2007 MSU Learning Community Award: "Literature, Science, and Philosophy", with Ron Palmer, Institute for Clean Energy Technology, and Lara Dodds, English, \$9,500
- 2006 Academic Excellence Award: "Literature, Science, and Philosophy", with Ron Palmer, Institute for Clean Energy Technology, and Lara Dodds, English, College of Arts & Sciences, MSU, \$500.
- 2000 Humanities and Arts Research Grant, MSU: "Apprehension: Reason in the

- Absence of Rules”, \$3,500
- 2000 Sabbatical award for work on book manuscript *Apprehension*.
- 2000 Outstanding Humanities Faculty Member, MSU
- 1996 Humanities and Arts Research Grant, MSU: “The Strange Case of Thomas Digges’s Copernicanism in 1576: Magic and Science”, \$2,000
- 1995 Schillig Special Teaching Projects Award, MSU: “History of Ideas Online.”, \$2,517.00
- MSU nominee, 1995 NEH Summer Stipend competition: “Aristotle on the *Arche* of Practical Reasoning.”
- NEH Study Grant: "Whether the Aristotelian Tradition Requires Commensurability of Good for Practical Rationality", 1993, \$3,000.
- NEH Summer Seminar Fellowship: "Methodological Debates in 19th Century Physics", directed by Peter Achinstein at Johns Hopkins University, 1992, \$4,000.
- NEH Summer Institute Fellowship: "The Philosophical Uses of Historical Traditions", directed by George Lucas at Clemson University, 1990, \$3,000.
- Mellon Summer Workshop Fellowship: "Between Biology and Philosophy", directed by Ken Waters at Rice University, 1989, \$3,000.
- Centenary College Summer Research Grant, 1989, \$750

TEACHING:

Courses Taught

- History of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy
- History of Modern Philosophy
- Contemporary Philosophy
- Ethics
- Medical Ethics
- Medical Ethics Online (team taught via Internet with faculty from MUW)
- Philosophy of Science
- Theories of Inquiry
- History of Ideas Online (team taught via Internet with faculty from Centenary College and San Francisco State University)
- Seminar: Archaeology and Epistemology (team taught with MSU archaeologist)
- Seminar in Contemporary Philosophy
- Seminar in Modern Philosophy: The Tyranny of Method
- Seminar: Rationality, History, Method
- Science, Technology, and Business (in Centenary graduate management program)
- Philosophical Problems in Classic Literary Texts (team taught with Literature faculty)
- Symbolic Logic (with microcomputer lab)
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to Logic and Rational Method (with microcomputer lab)

Curriculum Development

- Developed and implemented *Literature, Science and Philosophy*, a team-taught interdisciplinary course, offered under the PHI 2990 *Special Topics* rubric, Spring,

- 2007, with Ron Palmer.
- Developed PHI 4213/6213, *Theories of Inquiry*. Spring, 1999.
- Developed *Medical Ethics Online*, an intercollegiate collaboration with philosopher Rita Hinton, Mississippi University for Women. Fall, 1998.
- Developed *History of Ideas Online*, an interdisciplinary intercollegiate team-taught course offered on the Internet by myself, Steve Shelburne in literature at Centenary College, and Bruce Avery in literature at SFSU. Spring, 1996.
- Reinstated PHIL 316, Philosophy of Science, at University of the South. Spring, 1994.
- Developed new topic for PHI 3133, Seminar: Rationality, History, Method. Fall, 1995.
- Instituted PHIL 235, Medical Ethics, at University of the South. Spring, 1994.
- Instituted the 290 rubric, Interdisciplinary Studies, at Centenary College. Spring, 1991.
- Instituted PHIL/ENG 290, Philosophical Problems in Classic Literary Texts, at Centenary College. Spring, 1991.

SERVICE AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY:

Lectures

- “The Rationality of Scientific Discovery” Wildlife and Fisheries Seminar Wed, Oct 15, 2008
- “Virtue: Doing Right and Feeling Good” Appalachian Leadership Honors Program, February 26, 2008.
- “Unruly and Unprofessional: Now That’s Ethical Teaching” MSU Graduate TA Workshop, August 13 2007.
- “Caveat Experimentator; or Occultism in Experimental Practice”, Cognitive Science Group, MSU, September 15, 2006.
- Panel discussant, “The Role of Teaching in Tenure and Promotion”, MSU September 22, 2006
- “Don’t Think–Feel: Social Psychology and Practical Reasoning”, Cafe Scientifique, MSU April 18, 2006
- “Careers in Religion”, University Common Ministries, Starkville, April 13, 2006
- “Cognitive Virtues”, Cognitive Science Group, MSU, January 26, 2001.
- “Objectivity”, Graduate Student Association of the Wildlife and Fisheries Dept., MSU, April 6, 2000.
- Panel discussant, “The Value of Science” Department of Geosciences video course *Research Methods*, taped October 13, 1999.
- “Why Facts are Made and Not Found: Experiment and the Creation of Phenomena.” Graduate Student Association of the Wildlife and Fisheries Dept., MSU, April 29, 1997.
- Panel discussant, “Putting Your Course Online”, PBS Adult Learning Satellite Course, MSU, November, 1997.
- “Philosophy in the Professions.” Career Class, MSU April 24, 1997
- “History of Ideas Online”, presentation to the MSU Arts and Sciences Advisory

Board, May 12, 1996.

- “The Invisibility of Contemporary Philosophy and the Non-Unified University,” Lion’s Club, Holiday Inn, Columbus, MS, February 10, 1995.
- "Culture, History, Standards: Changing the Terms of the Multicultural Debate" University Honors Forum, Mississippi State University, November 1994.
- "Philosophical Aspects of Multiculturalism", Tuesday Topics, Duggar Hall Mississippi State University, September 1994.

Consulting

- Advisory Board, Appalachian Leadership Honors Program, 2006-present.
- Advisory Board, Institute for the Humanities, 2001-2008
- Internal Advisory Board, Cobb Institute of Archaeology, 2001-2008.
- Associate Faculty, Applied Cognitive Science Program, 1999-present.
- Associated Colleges of the South/Mellon Interdisciplinary Internet Course Pilot. Duties include setting up WWW course server, advising on interdisciplinary and intercollegiate collaboration, advising on web content delivery techniques, evaluating outcomes. 1997-2000.

Internal administrative and committee work

- Head of Department, 2001-2008
- Judge, Social Sciences section, Graduate Student Association Research Symposium, April 4, 2008.
- Appointed member, 2002 Arts & Sciences decanal search committee.
- 1998 Research Awards review panel for Arts and Sciences, Spring, 1998
- Acting Department Head, Summer, 1997
- Chair, Department Five Year Self-Study committee, Oct., 1996-Feb., 1997
- Arts and Sciences Computer Task Force, 1996-present
- Internal review committee, History Dept. 5 year self-study, Spring, 1996
- Departmental website developer and administrator, 1996-present
- Departmental representative to A&S Department Heads meeting, Fall, 1995
- Department Library Representative, 1994-1999, Mississippi State
- Academic advising of majors, 1994-present, Mississippi State; 1988-1993, Centenary
- Economic Policy Committee, 1992, Centenary (elected office)
- Humanities Division Chairman, 1988-1989, Centenary (elected office)
- Library Committee Chairman, 1989-1992, Centenary
- Acting Department Head, Spring, 1988, Centenary

External

- Editorial Board, *Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, 1991-present
- Session chair, 1992 & 1989 Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology
- Grant reviewer, NEH Division of Interpretive Grants, 1992
- Manuscript reviewer: Prentice-Hall (ongoing), SUNY press, 1992

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- American Philosophical Association
- History of Science Society
- Philosophy of Science Association
- Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy

REFERENCES:

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