

Work History:

Current Position 1992-present:

Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy & Religion and Mississippi State University, Tenure granted 1996.

Previous Positions

Visiting Scholar, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2007.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Washington State University, 1989-1992.

Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University Department of Philosophy: August 1985-May 1988

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Empowerment: The Theory and Practice of Political Genealogy. Lanham, MD: Lexington/Rowman and Littlefield, 2013.

Political Genealogy After Foucault: Savage Identities. New York: Routledge, 2001.

Articles:

"Moral Literacy," *Teaching Ethics*. Vol. 11, number 2, Spring 2011, 125-141.

Invited Review Essay, on *A Brief History of Liberty*, by David Schmitz and Jason Brennan (Wiley-Blackwell, 2010), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (Fall, 2010).

"Breach of Faith: Towards a Political Genealogy of Trust," *Forum on Public Policy*, Spring 2008.

"The Politics of Fascism, or Consuming the Flesh of the Other," in *Extreme Beauty: Aesthetics, Politics and Death*, eds. James Swearingen and Joan Cutting-Gray, (London: Continuum International Publishing Group, 2002) 159-177.

Invited Review of *Bergson and Philosophy*, by John Mullarky (University of Notre Dame Press, 2000); *International Philosophical Quarterly* (XLI: 3, September, 2001), 378-380.

"'Shadow-Narratives' of Personhood: MacIntyre and the Masks of Genealogy," *The Personalist Forum* 15: 2, Fall 1999.

"Hegel and Foucault: Toward a History Without Man," *Clio: Journal of Literature, History, and Philosophy of History*, 29: 1, Fall, 1999, 1-22.

"Language Obscures Social Change," in *Rhetoric in an Anti-Foundational World:*

Language Culture and Pedagogy, ed. Michael Bernard-Donals and Richard R. Glejzer (Yale University Press, 1997), 101-127. Co-authored with Melanie Eckford-Prossor.

Articles continued:

"The Cultivation of Individuality: Foucault Reading Mill," in *A Partir De Michel Foucault*, special issue of *Daimon: Revista de Filosofia*, commemorating 10th anniversary of Foucault's death. Numero 11 - Julio-Diciembre 1995, 27-38.

"Corrugated Subjects: Foucault's Three Axes of Personhood," *The Personalist Forum* Vol. VIII, No. 1 Spring 1992 Supplement, 31-41.

"Dasein and the Analytic of Finitude," in *Crisis in Continental Philosophy, Selected Studies in Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy* (SUNY Press, 1990), pp. 107-117.

"Postmortem Thought and the End of Man," in *The Question of the Other*, eds. Dallery and Scott (SUNY Press, 1989), 213-223.

"Crossing (Out) the Boundary: Foucault and Derrida on Transgressing Transgression," *Philosophy Today*, Fall 1987, 223-233.

"Hobbes, Locke, and Hume: The Phenomenological Grounds of Political Freedom," *Apeiron, Journal of WV Philosophical Society*. Fall 1982, 45-53.

Other:

Instructor's Manual for 6th edition of textbook, *Twenty Questions*, eds, Bowie, Michaels, Solomon. Wadsworth 2006.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

"Political Genealogy: Theory in Search of a Method," *Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, IL, April 3-6, 2014.

"Cyborg Citizenry: The Futility of Trust in a Post-Representational World," Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, New Orleans, LA, August 30-September 2, 2012.

"Re-Coiling at the Thought: Charles Scott and the End(s) of (his) Philosophy," for "Changing the Face of Philosophy" Conference, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, April 20-21, 2012.

"From Characters to Character: Developing Moral Literacy and Intellectual Propriety," AAC&U "Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility" Conference, October 13-15, 2011, Long Beach, California. (Co-authored with Joseph Trullinger)

"The Bad Mother: Dualism and the Denigration of the Earth," Mississippi Philosophical Association Annual Conference on Ethics and Environmentalism," Mississippi State University, April 2010.

“The Politics of Declaration,” for *Midwest Political Science Association Conference* in Chicago, April 2009.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS continued:

“Keeping the Faith: A Political Genealogy of Trust,” for the Oxford Round Table on “The Waning of Trust in Government,” Oxford University, August 5-10, 2007.

“Malcolm X and the Politics of Declaration,” for the *International Association of Philosophy and Literature Conference*, Helsinki, Finland, June 3-8, 2005.

“Moral Literacy: Teaching Ethics through Philosophy and Literature,” *Hawaii International Arts and Humanities Conference*, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 8-11, 2004.

“Tracking the Noble Savage: Genealogy and the Origins of Modern Political Identity,” for the *International Association of Philosophy and Literature*, Atlanta, GA, May 2-5, 2001.

Invited paper: “Chronos and Logos: Caught between the Spaces of History,” for the *Society for the Philosophy of History, APA Pacific Division Meeting*, San Francisco, March 27-30, 2001.

Guest Speaker, “Liberals, Conservatives, and Other Fine Young Cannibals,” Mississippi State University Honors Program Speakers Forum, 2001

“The Politics of Identity,” *East China Normal University, Shanghai, China*, People to People Ambassador Program, October 23, 2000.

“‘Shadow-Narratives’ of Personhood: MacIntyre and the Masks of Genealogy,” *International Conference on Persons*, Sante Fe, New Mexico, August 8-10, 1999.

Invited paper: “Fascism’s *Trompe L’œil*: Macro-Narcissism and the Logic of Genocide,” *American Comparative Literature Association*, Montreal, Canada, April 7-9, 1999.

“Hegel and Foucault: Toward a History Without Man,” *Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy*, Lexington, KY, October 16-18, 1997.

“In the Margins of Fascism: Consuming the Flesh of the Other,” *The International Association for Philosophy and Literature*, “Marginal Regions/Textual Margins,” Mobile, AL, May 6-10, 1997.

“Assaulting the Other: On Violence and Cultural Identity,” *The International Association for Philosophy and Literature*, “Dramas of Culture,” George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, May 8-11, 1996

“Being There: Empathy and the Ethics of Violence,” 1995 *Southern Humanities Annual Conference*, Millsaps College, February 16-18, 1995.

Invited paper, “Freud and the Language of Metaphor,” *Society of Philosophy, Counseling, and*

Psychotherapy, American Philosophical Association Central Div. Meeting, Kansas City, May 4-7, 1994.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS continued:

"Subterranean Investments: Reflections on Desire and the Emergence of Fascism," *Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology*, Atlanta, March 31-April 2, 1994.

"Earth as Body: Cartesian Dualism and the Metaphors of Environmentalism." *Southern Humanities Annual Conference*, Memphis, TN, Feb. 17-20, 1994.

"The Political Spectrum," *Mississippi Philosophical Association*, Univ. of Mississippi, May 1, 1993.

"Freud and the Language of Metaphor," *Mid-South Philosophy Conference*, Memphis State University, February 26-27, 1993.

"Sex in Outer Space: Feminist Reflections on Science Fiction," *Southern Humanities Annual Conference*, "Inner Space, Outer Space: Humanities, Technology, and the Postmodern World," Univ. of Alabama, Huntsville, February 12-14, 1993.

Invited Speaker, Topic: "Philosophy and Postmodernism," *Faculty Lecture Series*, University of Idaho, Moscow, ID, April 17, 1992.

Invited Speaker, *American Institute of Architecture Students*, Symposium on "The Education of an Architect;" Topic: "Architecture, Truth, and Reality," Washington State University, Pullman, WA, April 9, 1992.

Commentator: 43rd Annual *Northwest Conference on Philosophy*, University of Washington, November 14-16, 1991; paper: "Zarathustra's Postmodern Politics" by Andrew Light.

"Corrugated Subjects: The Three Axes of Personhood," *International Conference on Persons*, Oxford University, Mansfield College, Oxford, England, September 11-14, 1991.

"Foucault and the Myths of Power," *Inland Empire Philosophy Colloquium*, Gonzaga U. April 1991.

"Autonomy, Identity, Constraint: The Subject of Political Freedom," *42nd Annual Northwest Conference on Philosophy*, University of Oregon, Nov. 9-10, 1990.

Commentator, *Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association*, New Orleans, LA, April 27-30, 1990; paper: "Hegel's Conception of the Volksstaat," by Jeffrey L. Hoover.

Commentator, *Pacific Division Meeting of the APA*, Los Angeles, CA, March 27-31, 1990; paper: "The Derrida-Ricoeur Debate: Locating the Differences," by David Ingretsen.

"Dasein and the Analytic of Finitude," Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the *Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy*, Northwestern University, October 13-15, 1988.

Respondent in a Special Session entitled "The Politics of Images," Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the *International Association of Philosophy and Literature*, Univ. of Notre Dame, April 21-23, 1988.

"Postmortem Thought and the End of Man," Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the *Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy*, University of Notre Dame, October 15-17, 1987.

"Lukacs: On Totality and Revolution," The West Virginia Philosophical Society, West Virginia Wesleyan University, Spring 1983.

"Hobbes, Locke, and Hume: The Grounds of Political Freedom," The West Virginia Philosophical Society, Marshall University, Spring 1982.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

New Courses Developed:

First Year Experience Seminar: Real World Ethics
Contemporary Philosophy and Architecture
Contemporary Continental Philosophy
Current Trends in Political Philosophy (Seminar)
History/Philosophy of Philosophy/History (Seminar)
ON-LINE Business Ethics
Existentialism and Postmodernism (offers Graduate-level credit)
Nineteenth Century Philosophy
Justice in Contemporary Society
Feminist Interpretations of Western Social and Political Philosophy
Philosophy of Law

Regular Service Courses:

Honors Introduction to Philosophy
History of Western Philosophy, Part I
Introduction to Philosophy
Business Ethics (required of Business and Accounting majors)

Other courses taught:

Aesthetics
Introduction to Logic

Critical Thinking
Ethics and Contemporary Social Issues
Ancient and Medieval Philosophy
Writing and Reasoning
Introduction to Philosophy/Writing Intensive
Introduction to Ethics

SELECTED AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

MSU College of Arts and Sciences Humanities Teacher of the Year for 2010-2011.

MSU 2010 Will Clarke State Pride Faculty Award for Teaching, Research, and Service.

Humanities and Arts Research Program (HARP) Award, to fund sabbatical research at UC Berkeley on anthology, Essays in Political Philosophy. Fall 2007.

Honors Faculty, Mississippi State University, 2006.

Philosophy Delegation to the People's Republic of China, October 19 - November 2, 2000; sponsored by Beijing Normal University and People to People Ambassador Program; delegation leader: Dr. William Mc Bride, Department of Philosophy, Purdue University.

Finalist for Mississippi State University Alumni Association Lower-Division Teaching Award, 2000.

Sabbatical Leave: Department of Philosophy and Religion, Mississippi State University, for Spring, 1999; for work on manuscript on Michel Foucault and political philosophy (published by Routledge Press, 2001).

Humanities and Arts Research Program Award, Mississippi State University. Project title: "Crisis and Critique: Thinking Through the History of Philosophy." Summer, 1998.

PHI KAPPA PHI, International Academic and Leadership Honor Society. Spring 1996.

MSU nominee: NEH Summer Stipend competition, "Foucault's Work on 'Governmentality' and its Implications for Contemporary Political Philosophy." Fall, 1995.

Faculty Development Seminar: "Boundaries and Borderlands: The Search for Recognition and Community in America," July 20-30, 1995, Williams College, Williamstown, MA; sponsored by American Assoc. of Colleges & Universities, NEH, and Ford Foundation.

Invited Seminar Leader: Collegium Phaenomenologicum, Perugia Italy, Summer 1993. Topic: "Origin, History, Power: The Work of Michel Foucault."

Humanities and Arts Research Program Award, Mississippi State University. Project title: "Bookmarks: The Relationship between the Materiality of Books and the Formation of Culture, Desire and Selfhood." Summer, 1993.

NEH Fellow: Summer Seminar for College Teachers, Summer 1991, "A Genealogy of Postmodernism: Nietzsche, Heidegger, Derrida and Rorty." Director: Bernd Magnus, University of California, Riverside.

SELECTED SERVICE:

Mississippi State University

University Grievance Committee

- 2013-present

College of Arts and Sciences Tenure and Promotion Committee

- 2013-present

MSU Public Artist Incentive Program Committee

- 2010-2012

External Committee Member, Tenure and Promotion Committee, School of Architecture

- 2011-2012

Chair, Department Head Search Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2008-2009

Tenure and Promotion Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

-2008-present

University Committee on Courses and Curricula

- 2005-2008

Assessment Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2005-2008

Chair, Promotion Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2004-2005

Coordinator for Recruitment, Tracking, and Placement, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2003-2008

Chair, Search Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2003 -2004

Department of Philosophy and Religion Tenure and Promotion Committee

- 2003-2004

MSU Freshman Retention Programs Department Representative

- 2002-2008

Faculty Sponsor, MSU Speech and Debate Club

- 2002-2004

Chair, Five-Year Review Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2001-2002

Chair, Search Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion

- 2000-2001

College of Arts and Sciences Tenure and Promotion Committee

- 2000-2001

Institute for the Humanities Outstanding Humanist Selection Committee

- 1998-present

College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate

- 1999 -2001
Department of Philosophy and Religion Library Representative
- 1998-2001
Department of Philosophy and Religion Tenure and Promotion Committee
- 1999/2000
University Library Committee
- 1997-2000

SERVICE continued:

Academic Excellence Committee, College of Arts and Sciences
- 1996-2000
5 year Review Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion
- 1996/997
College of Arts and Sciences Task Force on Cultural Diversity
- 1995-1996
Faculty Sponsor, MSU Philosophy Club
- 1993-1996.

Professional and Academic Organization Membership:

American Philosophical Association
Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
International Association for Philosophy and Literature
Le Centre Michel Foucault, Paris, France.
Southern Humanities Council
Mississippi Philosophical Association

References available upon request