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### EMPLOYMENT

Professor and Chair of Philosophy, Wayne State University.  
Chair since January 2012; full Professor since 2015; Associate Professor (with tenure) 2007-2015, Assistant Professor 2001-2007, Senior Lecturer 1999-2001, Lecturer 1998-1999.

### EDUCATION

Ph.D. 1998 The University of Texas at Austin  
B.A. 1990 *cum laude*, St. John's University, New York

### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethical Theory, Applied Ethics, LGBT Studies

### AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Early Modern Philosophy (esp. Hume), Social and Political Philosophy

### PUBLICATIONS:

#### Books Authored:

Under Contract: *Debating Religious Liberty, Tolerance, and Bigotry* (counterpoint by Sherif Girgis and Ryan T. Anderson) Oxford University Press, expected February 2017.

*What's Wrong with Homosexuality?* Oxford University Press, 2013.

Finnish edition: *Mitä väärää on homoseksuaalisuudessa?* translated by Kirsi Luoma; Like Publishing, 2014.

*Debating Same-Sex Marriage* (counterpoint by Maggie Gallagher), Oxford University Press, 2012.

#### Books Edited:

*Same Sex: Debating the Ethics, Science, and Culture of Homosexuality*, (Rowman & Littlefield, 1997).

#### Journal Articles and Book Chapters:

“What Marriage Can Be,” under contract for *Justice Through Diversity*, ed. Michael Sweeney; manuscript under review.

- “Same-Sex Marriage and the Definitional Objection,” in Andrew I. Cohen and Christopher Heath Wellman, eds. *Contemporary Debates in Applied Ethics* 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (Wiley-Blackwell, 2014), pp. 277-289.
- “Missing Staircases: Same-Sex Marriage and the Needs of Children” in James P. Sterba and Peter Bornschein, eds., *Morality in Practice* 8<sup>th</sup> ed. (Cengage, 2012); and as “Missing Staircases in the Marriage Debate: Is Same-Sex Marriage Bad for Children?” in Hugh LaFollette, ed., *Ethics in Practice*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., (Wiley-Blackwell, 2014), pp. 233-238. (Excerpted with revisions from *Debating Same-Sex Marriage*.)
- “Job Discrimination and Gay Rights,” in William H. Shaw and Vincent Barry, eds. *Moral Issues in Business*, 11th ed. (Wadsworth, 2009), pp. 650-657.
- “Hume and the Secondary Quality Analogy,” *The Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 6:2 (November 2008), pp. 157-173.
- “By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them: Homosexuality, Biblical Revisionism, and the Relevance of Experience,” in *Remapping the Humanities: Identity, Memory, Community, and (post)Modernity* (Wayne State University Press, 2008), pp. 59-72.
- “Homosexuality, Harm, and Moral Principles,” in Laurence Thomas, ed., *Contemporary Debates in Social Philosophy* (Blackwell, 2007), pp. 79-93.
- “Reframing ‘Morality Pays’: Toward a Better Answer to ‘Why be Moral?’ in Business,” *Journal of Business Ethics* vol. 67 (August 2006), pp. 1-14.
- “Homosexuality and the PIB Argument,” *Ethics* 115 (April 2005), pp. 501-534.
- “Loyalty in Business?” *Journal of Business Ethics* vol. 41 (November/December 2002), pp. 179-185.
- “Naughty Fantasies,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, Vol. 18, Number 1 (January 2002), pp. 213-220.
- “Homosexuality and the Moral Relevance of Experience,” in Hugh LaFollette, ed., *Ethics in Practice*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., (Blackwell, 2001), pp. 241-250.
- “Justice for Glenn and Stacy: On Gender, Morality, and Gay Rights,” in James P. Sterba, ed., *Social and Political Philosophy: Contemporary Perspectives* (Routledge, 2001) pp. 300-318.
- “Analyzing Gender,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, Vol. 17, Number 1 (January 2001), pp. 173-180.
- “Why Shouldn’t Tommy and Jim Have Sex: A Defense of Homosexuality,” originally in John Corvino, ed., *Same Sex: Debating the Ethics, Science, and Culture of Homosexuality*, (Rowman & Littlefield, 1997), pp. 3-16; reprinted in Bruce N. Waller, ed. *Consider Ethics: Theory, Readings, and Contemporary Issues* 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., (Pearson Longman 2008), pp. 297-303; and in James E. White, ed., *Contemporary Moral Problems*, 7<sup>th</sup> ed. (Wadsworth, 2002), pp. 308-318, and 8<sup>th</sup> ed. (2006), pp. 266-277; and in Mark Timmons, ed., *Disputed Moral Issues* (Oxford University Press, 2007), pp. 68-73; and in Bruce N. Waller, ed., *You Decide! Current Debates in Contemporary Moral Problems* (Pearson Longman, 2006), pp. 131-138; and as “In Defense of Homosexuality” in Alan Soble and Nicholas Power, eds., *The Philosophy of Sex* 5<sup>th</sup> ed. (2008), pp. 163-175; reprinted in part as “Homosexuality: The Nature and Harm Arguments,” in Alan Soble, ed. *The Philosophy of Sex*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (Rowman & Littlefield, 1997), pp. 137-148; 4<sup>th</sup> ed. (2002), pp. 135-146; and in Terence Ball and Richard Dagger, eds., *Ideals and Ideologies: A Reader* 4<sup>th</sup> ed. (Longman, 2002), pp. 373-381, 5<sup>th</sup> ed. (2003), and 6<sup>th</sup> ed. (2005); reprinted in part in Robert C. Solomon, *Introducing Philosophy* 7<sup>th</sup> ed. (Harcourt College Publishers, 2000), pp. 571-574; 8<sup>th</sup> ed. (2004), pp. 591-594; and 9<sup>th</sup> edition (2008), pp. 544-547; and in Thomas A. Mappes and Jane S. Zembaty, eds., *Social Ethics: Morality and Social Policy* 6<sup>th</sup> edition (McGraw Hill, 2002), pp. 189-196, and 7<sup>th</sup> edition (2006), pp. 183-191.

“Hosmer and the ‘Why be Moral?’ Question” (with Bill Shaw), *Business Ethics Quarterly* Volume 6, Issue 3 (1996), pp. 373-383.

“How Not to Argue for Gay Rights,” in Juha Räikkä, ed., *Do We Need Minority Rights?: Conceptual Issues* (Kluwer Law International, 1996), pp. 215-235.

Shorter Essays, Book Reviews, and Encyclopedia Entries:

“Religious Arbitration and Moral Agency” (with Katherine Kim), *What’s Wrong* blog; online November 10, 2015 at <http://whatswrongcvsp.com/2015/11/10/religious-arbitration-and-moral-agency/>.

“Bake Me a Cake: Three Paths for Balancing Liberty and Equality,” *What’s Wrong* blog; online October 15, 2015 at <http://whatswrongcvsp.com/2015/10/15/guest-post-from-john-corvino-bake-me-a-cake-three-paths-for-balancing-liberty-and-equality/>.

“Rejoinder to Dan Johnson: A Plea for Distinctions,” *The Partially Examined Life* blog; online October 13, 2015 at <https://www.partiallyexaminedlife.com/2015/10/13/rejoinder-to-dan-johnson-a-plea-for-distinctions/>.

“The Meaning of Marriage,” *The Philosophers’ Magazine*, vol. 70 (3rd Quarter 2015), pp. 22-24.

“Against Obsessive Celibacy: Debating Social Constructions and Sexual Orientation,” *Commonweal*, online September 17, 2014 at <https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/against-obsessive-celibacy>.

“Thinking Straight: Where Social Conservatives Go Wrong on Sexuality,” *Commonweal*, online July 21, 2014 at <https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/thinking-straight>.

“The Fact/Opinion Distinction,” *The Philosophers’ Magazine*, vol. 65 (2nd Quarter 2014), pp. 57-61.

“What’s Wrong with Gay Marriage?” *The Philosophers’ Magazine* vol. 62 (3rd Quarter 2013), pp. 33-39.

Entry on “Queer Theory,” in Terence Ball, ed., *The Cambridge Dictionary of Political Thought* (forthcoming).

“Review of Timothy F. Murphy’s *Ethics, Sexual Orientation, and Choices about Children*,” *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, online 6.15.2013 at <http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/40530-ethics-sexual-orientation-and-choices-about-children/>.

Entry on “Homosexuality,” in Hugh LaFollette, ed., *The International Encyclopedia of Ethics*, Blackwell, 2013, pp. 2441-2448.

Entry on “Same-Sex Marriage,” in Hugh LaFollette, ed., *The International Encyclopedia of Ethics*, Blackwell, 2013, pp. 4689-4694.

“Honoring Richard Mohr,” in Raja Halwani, Carol Quinn, and Andrew Wible, eds. *Queer Philosophy: Presentations of the Society of Lesbian and Gay Philosophy 1998-2008* (Rodopi, 2012). pp. 219-223.

“Review of Rachel Cohon’s *Hume’s Morality: Feeling and Fabrication*,” *Ethics* 120 (July 2010), pp. 846–851.

Entry on “Homosexuality, Ethics of,” in Alan Soble, ed., *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia* (Greenwood, 2005), pp. 460-468.

Entry on “Orientation, Sexual,” in Alan Soble, ed., *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia* (Greenwood, 2005), pp. 728-734.

Entry on “Social Constructionism,” in Alan Soble, ed., *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia* (Greenwood, 2005), p. 1026-1033.

“Why Baby Gauvin is Not a Victim,” *The Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide*, Vol IX., No. 6 (November-December 2002), pp. 25-26.

“Review of Edward Stein’s *The Mismeasure of Desire*,” *Philosophical Quarterly* Vol. 52 No. 208 (July 2002), pp. 421-422.

“No Slippery Slope,” *The Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide*, Vol. VII, No. 3 (Summer 2000), pp. 37-40. Reprinted as “Should Society Accept Homosexuality?,” in Auriana Ojeda, ed., *Homosexuality: Opposing Viewpoints* (Greenhaven Press, 2004), pp. 86-94, and as “First Gays, Then Polygamists?” in Raja Halwani, Carol Quinn, and Andrew Wible, eds. *Queer Philosophy: Presentations of the Society of Lesbian and Gay Philosophy 1998-2008* (Rodopi, 2012), pp. 29-33.

“Review of Hugh LaFollette’s *Personal Relationships: Love, Identity, and Morality*,” *Philosophical Quarterly* Vol. 48 No. 190 (January 1998), pp. 110-111.

“The Bible Condemned Usurers, Too,” *The Harvard Gay and Lesbian Review*, vol. III, no. 4 (Fall 1996), pp. 11-12; reprinted in *The Octopus*, Vol. III, No. 7 (February 21, 1997), pp. 6-7. Reprinted as “The Bible Does Not Necessarily Condemn Homosexuality,” in Auriana Ojeda, ed., *Homosexuality: Opposing Viewpoints* (Greenhaven Press, 2004), pp. 159-165.

#### Video:

“What’s Wrong with Homosexuality?” Series: Series of eleven short YouTube videos related to content in *What’s Wrong with Homosexuality*. Filmed by Chase Whiteside; posted March 27, 2013. Online at <http://johncorvino.com/portfolio/category/whats-wrong-with-homosexuality/>

“Debating Same-Sex Marriage” Series: Series of nine short YouTube videos related to content in *Debating Same-Sex Marriage*. Filmed by Chase Whiteside; posted September 18, 2012. Online at <http://johncorvino.com/portfolio/category/marriage-debate/>

Educational DVD: “What’s Morally Wrong with Homosexuality?” (writer and presenter), Paradise Valley Media, 2007.

*Corvino has also had appearances on C-SPAN Book TV, MSNBC’s “Scarborough Country,” Michael Coren’s “The Arena,” and FOX2 News Detroit, as well as many radio programs.*

#### Columns:

Corvino’s column “The Gay Moralist” appeared bi-weekly in Michigan’s *Between the Lines* ([www.pridesource.com](http://www.pridesource.com)) from 2002-2007 and then weekly at [365gay.com](http://365gay.com) from 2007-2011. His columns and op-eds have also appeared in other venues, including *The New York Times*, the *Detroit Free Press*, *The Advocate*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Huffington Post*, and *The New Republic*.

DISSERTATION: *Hume’s Moral Realism*, directed by A.P. Martinich

## ACADEMIC PAPERS PRESENTED

- “‘On God’s Authority’: Religious Liberty in a Marriage-Equality World”  
 American Philosophical Association (APA) Committee Session on “LGBT Rights after Same-Sex Marriage,” Washington, DC, January 9, 2016.  
 University of Missouri-Kansas City, November 6, 2015.
- “Comments on Rachel Cohon’s ‘Moralizing a Social Practice: The Obligation to Fulfill a Promise in Hume’s Treatise,’” 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference; Stockholm, Sweden; July 23, 2015.
- “The Definition of Marriage”  
 Princeton University “Minorities & Philosophy” talk, under the title “What Marriage Can Be,” November 19, 2014.  
 Michigan State University, February 14, 2014.  
 California State University, Long Beach, February 6, 2014.  
 University of Alberta, January 31, 2013.  
 Bowling Green State University, December 5, 2013.  
 University of Oklahoma, September 9, 2011.  
 University of Colorado at Boulder, February 2, 2011.  
 APA Eastern Division Meeting, SLGP Session, December 28, 2010.
- “Comments on Raja Halwani’s *Philosophy of Love, Sex, and Marriage*,” APA Pacific Division Meeting, Society for Lesbian and Gay Philosophy (SLGP) Session, April 23, 2011.
- “Just My Opinion?”  
 Humanities Center Brown Bag talk, April 20, 2010.  
 WSU Philosophy Forum Conference keynote, April 11, 2009.
- “Preference and Discrimination,”  
 APA Eastern Division Meeting (main program); New York, NY; December 29, 2009.  
 Society for Practical and Professional Ethics Annual Meeting; San Antonio, TX, February 22, 2008.
- “Hume, Homosexuality, and the Challenge of Relativism,” APA Central Division Meeting, SLGP Session; Chicago IL; April 17, 2008.
- “Hume on the Reality of Moral Distinctions,” APA Central Division Meeting, Hume Society Session; Chicago IL; April 17, 2008.
- “Comments on Rachel Cohon’s ‘Criticizing Hume’s List of Virtues and Vices,’” 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, August 8, 2007.
- “Comments on Geoffrey Sayre-McCord’s ‘Hume on Practical Morality and Inert Reason,’” 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference, Koblenz, Germany, August 10, 2006.
- “Homosexuality, Harm, and Moral Principles,” Chinese University of Hong Kong, June 5, 2006.
- “Reframing ‘Morality Pays’: Toward a Better Answer to ‘Why be Moral?’ in Business”  
 Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (China), May 31, 2006.  
 Nanjing Audit University (China), May 29, 2006.
- “Comments on ‘Gay Identity’ Panel” (papers by Chris LaBarbera, Andy Wible, and William Wilkerson), APA Eastern Division Meeting, SLGP session, New York, NY, December 29, 2005.
- “How to Be a Humean Moral Realist,” WSU Humanities Center, September 20, 2005.

- “Rose-colored Glasses and Tax Assessors: Comments on Michael Gill’s ‘Humean Comparison and the Analogy Between Color and Virtue,’” 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference, Toronto, Canada, July 21, 2005.
- “Hume’s Hollow Reassurance?” APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 29, 2005.
- “Homosexuality and the PIB Argument,”  
Rice University, April 1, 2005.  
Georgia State Philosophy Department and Jean Beer Blumenfeld Center for Ethics, March 25, 2004.
- “Moral Preferences,”  
Philosophy Dialogue Series, Texas State University, October 29, 2004.  
WSU Humanities Center, November 16, 2004.
- “Hume and the Secondary Quality Analogy,” 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference, Tokyo, Japan, August 2, 2004.
- “When Morality Doesn’t Pay, Can Virtue Ethics Help?”  
University of Texas Ethics Conference: Foundations for Ethical Education in a Post-Enron Age, April 16, 2004.  
Grand Valley State University, October 30, 2003.  
Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum Conference, Austin, Texas, October 25, 2003.
- “Homosexuality, Education, and Public Values”  
Southwest Texas State University, April 10, 2003.  
Wayne State University, March 21, 2003.
- “Homosexuality, Usury, and Biblical Interpretation,” Wayne State University Religious Studies Conference, October 25, 2002.
- “Hume on Miracles,” University of Turku, Finland, August 15, 2002.
- “Two Distinctions in Hume’s Moral Theory;”  
29<sup>th</sup> Annual Hume Society Conference, Helsinki, Finland, August 9, 2002.  
Central Michigan University, November 30, 2000.  
University of Windsor, November 15, 2000.  
Wayne State University, February 17, 2000.  
California State University, Northridge, February 4, 2000.
- “Loyalty in Business,” International Conference Promoting Business Ethics, Chicago, IL, October 26, 2001.
- “Naughty Fantasies”  
Wayne State University LGBT Issues Conference on Sexuality, October 26, 2002.  
Cornell University, October 11, 2002.  
Wayne State University Humanities Center, February 19, 2002  
Southwestern Philosophical Association Meeting, Dallas, Texas, November 4, 2001.  
APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago IL, April 27, 2002.
- “The Boy Scouts and Gay Rights,” Special Session of the APA Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People in the Profession, APA Central Division Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, May 5, 2001.
- Comments on Timothy Costelloe’s “Strawson’s Hume and Hume’s Moral Standards,” APA Central Division Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, May 4, 2001.
- Comments on “What Must a Bisexual Do?” APA Eastern Division Meeting, SLGP session, New York, NY, December 28, 2000.

- “Analyzing Gender,” Southwestern Philosophical Association Meeting, Austin, Texas, November 10, 2000.
- “First Gays, Then Polygamists?” presented to the Humanities Center at Wayne State University, October 27, 2000; the philosophy department at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on February 28, 2000; and to the APA Pacific Division Meeting SLGP Session, Albuquerque NM, April 7, 2000.
- “Business Ethics and the ‘Why be Moral?’ Question,” Society for Business Ethics Annual Meeting, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, August 6, 2000.
- “Comments on Frederick Rauscher’s ‘Moral Realism and the Divine Essence in Hutcheson and Hume,’” Hume Society Meeting, Williamsburg, Virginia, July 27, 2000.
- “Two Kinds of Moral Discovery in Hume,” APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago IL, April 22, 2000.
- “Comments on ‘Issues in Education’ Panel,” APA Eastern Division Meeting, SLGP Session, Boston MA, December 28, 1999.
- “Hume the Intuitionist?” APA Pacific Division Meeting, Berkeley CA, April 2, 1999.
- “Hume on the Color of Virtue,” APA Eastern Division Meeting, Washington DC, December 28, 1998.  
A longer version of this paper was given at:  
The University of Texas at Austin, December 4, 1998  
Wayne State University, November 12, 1998.
- “Not by Reason Alone: Hume’s Response to Wollaston and Clarke in Treatise III.i.1”:  
APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, IL, May 7, 1998.  
Mountain Plains Philosophy Conference, Colorado Springs, CO, October 3, 1997.
- “What Hume Was Really Arguing in ‘Of Miracles’” APA Pacific Division Meeting, Berkeley, CA, April 1997.
- “Homosexuality and Biblical Interpretation”:  
APA Central Division Meeting, Society for Lesbian and Gay Philosophy Session, Chicago, IL, April 25, 1996.  
Coe College (IA), April 23, 1996.
- “A Matter of Sentiment, But Not Just a Matter of Taste: Hume and Moral Truth”:  
APA Pacific Division Meeting, Seattle, April 5, 1996.  
Mountain Plains Philosophy Conference, Santa Fe, October 27, 1995.
- “Hosmer and the ‘Why be Moral?’ Question,” Society for Business Ethics Meeting, Vancouver, August 4, 1995.

INVITED PUBLIC LECTURES (listed alphabetically; within titles, listed in reverse chronological order)

- “Bake Me a Cake: Emerging Conflicts around Religious Liberty, Tolerance, and Discrimination,” WSU Humanities Center Brown Bag Talk, November 3, 2015.
- “Born or Made—and What’s the Difference?”  
Otterbein College (OH), February 4, 2010.  
Michigan State University, November 27, 2007.  
Wayne State University Medical School, March 21, 2006.  
National Institutes of Health, Bethesda MD, June 10, 2005.

- “The Best Argument Against Same-Sex Marriage (and Why It Doesn’t Work),” WSU Humanities Center Brown Bag Talk, December 11, 2007.
- “Can We Talk Instead of Shout About Gay Marriage?” Institute for American Values Center for Public Conversation (NY), with David Blankenhorn (host), April 4, 2013.
- “Will Gays Change Marriage or Will Marriage Change Gays” Institute for American Values Center for Public Conversation (NY), with David Blankenhorn (host) and Maggie Gallagher, June 7, 2012.
- “Coming Out Skeptical,” Skepticon 3 in Springfield, Missouri, December 19, 2010.
- “Conversation on the Definition of Marriage,” Skyline Church (San Diego), with Pastor Jim Garlow (host), Robert P. Gagnon, Jennifer Roback Morse, and Bishop Gene Robinson, July 29, 2012.
- “Courting the Supremes: How to Persuade the Supreme Court to Embrace Same-Sex Marriage,” University of Pennsylvania Law School Panel, April 13, 2011.
- “Dialogue Between Gays and Evangelicals” (luncheon discussion for InterVarsity Fellowship), Lawrence University (WI), October 17, 2007.
- “Dignity Detroit Annual Dinner Keynote,” May 19, 2012.
- “Does God Exist?” Debate (with Glenn Stanton)  
University of Wisconsin-Platteville, April 13, 2010.  
Missouri State University (Springfield), March 2, 2010.
- “DOMA and Beyond: Strategies for Achieving Marriage Equality” Discussion Panel, University of Michigan Ford School, December 4, 2012.
- “Ethics in Engineering: Why Bother?” Michigan Society for Professional Engineering Annual Conference, Harbor Springs Michigan, May 18, 2002.
- “Fact and Opinion,” Wayne State University Humanities Center Symposium on Truth, September 27, 2013.
- “Freedom of Religious Expression” Panel with Douglas Laycock and Marci Hamilton, The University of Texas at Austin, February 4, 2016.
- “A Gay Man and an Evangelical Walk into a Bar: Frank Conversation in the Culture Wars” (with Matthew Lee Anderson)  
Plush Bar, St. Louis (sponsored by Midrash), October 3, 2013.  
St. Louis College of Pharmacy, April 19, 2012 and October 3, 2013.
- “Gay Sex in a Disenchanted Universe,” Skepticon 6 in Springfield, MO, November 17, 2013.
- “Haters, Sinners, and the Rest of Us: The Gay Debate Today”  
Sam Houston State University, October 26, 2015.  
West Virginia University at Parkersburg, October 12, 2015.  
Odessa College, April 16, 2015.  
Central Washington University, June 3, 2014.  
Providence College, April 27, 2014.  
Indiana University-Purdue University, October 16, 2014.  
University of California-Merced, April 3, 2014.  
Northern Michigan University, April 2, 2014.  
University of Southern Indiana, March 26, 2014.  
Henderson State University (AR), November 7, 2013.



Lafayette College (PA), October 24, 2013.  
Ferris State University, November 14, 2012.  
Miami University (OH), October 16, 2012.  
Linfield College (OR), October 11, 2012.  
Park University (MO), October 2, 2012.  
University of Georgia, September 12, 2012.  
Fort Hays State University (KS), April 17, 2012.  
University of Delaware, April 10, 2012.  
Cranbrook Schools (MI), February 24, 2012.  
Gustavus Adolphus College, February 16, 2012.  
Saddleback College, February 14, 2012.  
University of Pennsylvania, April 13, 2011.  
Radford University, April 12, 2011.  
Towson University, April 11, 2011.  
University of Wyoming (Matthew Shepherd Justice Symposium Plenary), April 7, 2011.  
Oakland University (MI), April 4, 2011.

“Homosexuality, Morality, and Diversity”

NE Pennsylvania Diversity Education Consortium (Wilkes-Barre) April 8, 2010.  
North Central Technical College (WI), October 15, 2009.  
Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College, October 14, 2009.  
Western Technical College (WI), October 13, 2009.  
Monmouth College (IL), October 8, 2009.  
Ferris State University (MI), October 5, 2009.  
Centralia College (WA), May 27, 2009.  
Cabrini College (PA), April 16, 2009.  
Rozsa Center for the Performing Arts (MI), April 7, 2009.  
Michigan Tech University, April 6, 2009.  
NACA-Northern Plains (MN), April 3, 2009.  
University of Nevada, Las Vegas, March 10, 2009.  
Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, March 5, 2009.  
Everett Community College (WA), March 3, 2009.  
University of Kansas, February 12, 2009.  
Vincennes University (IN), October 9, 2008.  
University of Alabama-Birmingham, September 25, 2008.  
Baldwin-Wallace College (OH), September 18, 2008.  
University of Southern Indiana, April 15, 2008.  
Texas A&M University, April 10, 2008.  
Lake Superior State University, April 4, 2008.  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, March 20, 2008.  
St. Louis Community College (Meramac), February 28, 2008.  
University of Illinois (Springfield), December 5, 2007.  
Augustana College (IL), December 4, 2007.  
Canisius College (NY), November 14, 2007.  
Appalachian State University (NC), October 30, 2007.  
Oakland Community College (MI), October 12, 2007.  
University of Missouri, Rolla, October 10, 2007.  
Morehead State University (KY), October 3, 2007.  
Northern Kentucky University, October 2, 2007.  
University of Wisconsin, Platteville, April 3, 2007.  
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, March 9, 2007.  
St. Norbert College (WI), March 7, 2007.  
Fox Valley Technical College, March 6, 2007.  
Lawrence University (WI), February 27, 2007.  
Otterbein College (OH), January 30, 2007.

- Beloit College (WI), November 16, 2006.  
 Carroll College (WI), November 15, 2006.  
 The University of Texas at Dallas, November 9, 2006.  
 The University of Memphis, November 8, 2006.  
 Hawkeye Community College (IA), October 12, 2006.  
 Drake University (IA), October 11, 2006.  
 Central College (IA), October 10, 2006.  
 Buena Vista University (IA), October 9, 2006.  
 Concordia College (MN), October 3, 2006.  
 Pittsburg State University, September 28, 2006.  
 National Institutes of Health, Bethesda MD, June 12, 2006.  
 Valencia Community College, August 4-5 (various campuses), 2006.  
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, March 28, 2006.  
 Southern Methodist University, March 23, 2006.  
 McNeese State University (LA), March 22, 2006.  
 Penn State Erie – The Behrend College, March 16, 2006.  
 Columbia Basin College (WA), February 23, 2006.  
 Oakland Community College, February 17, 2006.  
 Grand Valley State University, October 11, 2005.  
 Michigan College and University Professional Association (CUPA) for Human Resources Conference,  
 luncheon keynote, April 7, 2005.  
 Accenture Michigan Regional Meeting, November 19, 2004.  
 Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, June 21, 2002.  
 American Association for Affirmative Action Annual Conference, April 5, 2002.
- “Homosexuality, Principles, and the PIB Argument,” WSU Law School, September 14, 2006.
- “Maintaining the Gay Moral High Ground”
- Rice University (TX), April 20, 2007.
  - Wayne State University Medical School, April 6, 2007.
  - Texas State University (Texas Out Conference Keynote), October 30, 2004.
  - Southern Methodist University, April 19, 2004.
  - Cornell University, November 13, 2003.
  - University of Texas at Austin, October 23, 2003.
  - P-FLAG Great Lakes Regional Conference (Pontiac, MI), October 18, 2003.
  - Lawrence Livermore National Research Laboratory, June 10, 2003.
- “The Meaning of (Gay) Marriage”
- University of North Florida, January 30, 2015.
  - West Point Academy, November 24, 2014.
  - Northcentral Technical College, October 15, 2014.
  - University of Virginia, September 17, 2014.
  - Contemporary Couples Conference Plenary, Austin TX, May 17, 2014.
  - Eastern Michigan University, September 25, 2013.
  - Salisbury University, November 27, 2012.
  - Centralia College (WA), October 10, 2012.
  - Everett Community College (WA), October 10, 2012.
  - University of Missouri-Kansas City, October 3, 2012.
  - Utah Valley University, September 18, 2012.
  - Rice University (TX), August 29, 2012.
  - PFLAG Detroit, January 8, 2012.
- “Morality in Business,” Christopher Newport University, VA, November 1, 2007.
- “Navigating the Profession as Public Philosophers” (Panel Discussion with Paul B. Thompson), June 13, 2015.

“New Student Convocation Keynote Address,” Wayne State University, August 28, 2012 and August 30, 2011.

“On God’s Authority: Conscientious Objection in the Age of Same-Sex Marriage” (panel with Andrew Koppelman, Sherif Girgis, and Ryan T. Anderson), University of Colorado Boulder, October 22, 2015.

PAD Seminar Panelist, “Communicating Your Research and Scholarship to a Broad Audience,” Wayne State University, April 17, 2014.

“Persuade or Shun: Strategy in the Gay Rights Debate,” Eastern Kentucky University Chautauqua Distinguished Lecture Series, September 25, 2014.

“Philosophy in a Digital Age” APA Panel, Baltimore, MD; December 29, 2013.

“Reason and Sentiment in the LGBT Rights Debate,”

Public Philosophy Network Conference at the University of San Francisco, June 13, 2015.

Keynote for “Equality Research to Action” Conference at Eastern Michigan University, May 2, 2015.

Keynote for “How We Argue and Why We Should” Conference at California State University at Fullerton, March 27, 2015.

“Same-Sex Marriage Debate”

Hillsdale College (with Sherif Girgis), February 3, 2015.

University of Notre Dame (with Sherif Girgis), January 27, 2015.

Princeton University; Robert P. George’s Jurisprudence Class (with Sherif Girgis), April 22, 2014.

University of Pennsylvania Law School (with Sherif Girgis and Trevor Burrus), March 31, 2014.

University of Michigan Law School (with Sherif Girgis), January 27, 2014.

Saddleback College (CA) (with Maggie Gallagher), March 7, 2013.

University of Notre Dame (with Maggie Gallagher), October 25, 2012.

University of South Carolina-Columbia (with Maggie Gallagher), October 23, 2012.

Kansas City Atheist Coalition Conference (with John-Mark Miravalle), October 5, 2012.

Wayne State University (with Maggie Gallagher), September 27, 2012.

Washburn University (with Maggie Gallagher), September 25, 2012.

*Except where noted, all of the following are with Glenn Stanton:*

Chippewa Valley Technical College, April 19, 2011.

Westminster College (MO), October 28, 2010.

St. Charles Community College, October 5, 2010.

University of Detroit Mercy (MI), (with Jeffery Ventrella) March 31, 2010.

Millersville University (PA), March 30, 2010.

St. Olaf College (MN), March 9, 2010.

University of Detroit Mercy (MI), March 3, 2010.

Oregon State University (with Maggie Gallagher), January 21, 2010.

Central Washington University, November 11, 2009.

University of Wisconsin, April 13, 2009.

Wayne State University (MI), April 10, 2009.

Creighton University (NE), April 2, 2009.

Texas Woman’s University, March 2, 2009.

Missouri Southern State University, February 11, 2009.

Missouri State University, February 10, 2009.

Saginaw Valley State University (MI), February 3, 2009.

Texas Tech University, January 29, 2009.

Canisius College (NY), October 30, 2008.

Valencia College (FL), October 21, 2008.

Northern Kentucky University, October 7, 2008.

DePaul University (IL), May 8, 2008.

- James Madison University (VA), April 9, 2008.  
 University of South Florida (St. Petersburg), April 8, 2008.  
 Maryville University (MO), March 26, 2008.  
 Arkansas State University, March 13, 2008.  
 Otterbein College (OH), February 5, 2008.  
 Seattle University, November 8, 2007.  
 Christopher Newport University (VA), November 1, 2007.  
 Louisiana State University, October 23, 2007.  
 Nicolet College (WI), October 17, 2007.  
 University of Wisconsin, Green Bay, October 16, 2007.  
 Chippewa Valley Technical College (WI), October 16, 2007.  
 Westminster College (MO), March 22, 2007.  
 Ferris State University (MI), February 22, 2007.  
 University of North Dakota, January 25, 2007.  
 Mercer University (GA), January 18, 2007.  
 Ripon College (WI), November 2, 2006.  
 Idaho State University, October 21, 2006.  
 University of Idaho-Moscow, October 20, 2006.  
 Boise State University, October 19, 2006.  
 Indiana University at Bloomington, September 12, 2006.  
 Augustana College, April 19, 2006.  
 Central Michigan University, April 18, 2006.  
 Grand Valley State University, February 15, 2006.  
 Wayne State University, February 13, 2006.  
 Kingwood College, November 7, 2005.  
 Hampden-Sydney College, October 20, 2005.  
 Bar Harbor, Maine (with Rev. John Rankin of the Theological Education Institute), October 17, 2005.  
 South Texas College of Law (with Attorney John Stemberger), April 5, 2005.  
 Texas A&M University, March 31, 2005.  
 Eastern Michigan University (with Patrick Gillen of the Thomas More Law Center), October 20, 2004.  
 Saginaw Valley State University, September 23, 2004.  
 Community College of Southern Nevada (with David Rowberry of the Las Vegas Institute of Religion),  
 April 29, 2004.  
 Texas State University (with Randy Hicks of the Georgia Family Council), April 14, 2004.  
 Georgia State University Blumenfeld Center for Ethics (with Randy Hicks of the Georgia Family Council  
 and Juliana Kubala of GSU's Women's Studies Institute), March 24, 2004.
- “Same-Sex Marriage and Comparative Law: The View from Michigan,” Comments at Edward Wise Symposium  
 at the Wayne State University Law School, March 31, 2008.
- “Solidarity Sunday” talk; Dignity San Antonio, October 5, 2014.
- “Teaching in the First Person”  
 Otterbein College (OH), January 30, 2007.  
 Wayne State University, November 7, 2006.
- “Transgender Day of Visibility” (panelist), Five15 in Royal Oak, MI, March 31, 2009.
- “Values, Diversity, and the Workplace”  
 U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Michigan, June 20, 2013.  
 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Detroit MI, June 12, 2013.
- “What Makes Gay Life Worth Living?” University of Michigan, November 30, 2009.

“What Marriage (Equality) Means: Old Questions, New Challenges,” Lone Star College-North Harris, October 26, 2012.

“What’s Morally Wrong With Homosexuality?”

University of North Florida, January 29, 2015.

Penn State Hazelton, April 14, 2011.

College of Mount St. Joseph (OH) April 5, 2011.

St. Louis College of Pharmacy, March 1, 2011.

University of Alaska, Anchorage, February 17, 2011.

Washington and Lee University, February 9, 2011.

University of Colorado at Boulder, February 1, 2011.

Eastern Kentucky University, December 7, 2011.

Lasell College, November 2, 2010.

University of Dayton, October 26, 2010.

Harper College, October 14, 2010.

NE Wisconsin Technical College, October 13, 2010.

Indiana Univ/Purdue Univ. (Indianapolis), October 12, 2010.

Oklahoma State-Stillwater, October 1, 2010.

California Institute of Technology (Pasadena), April 29, 2010

Wright State University (OH), April 20, 2010

Delaware County Community College (PA), April 9, 2010. Drake University (IA), April 6, 2010.

University of Lethbridge (AB), March 5, 2010.

DePauw University (IN), March 4, 2010.

Bergen Community College (NJ), November 16, 2009.

Miami University (OH), November 12, 2009.

Illinois State University, October 20, 2009.

Western Technical College (WI), October 14, 2009.

Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College, October 13, 2009.

Mount Hood Community College (OR), April 28, 2009.

Centralia College (WA), April 27, 2009.

College of St. Benedict/St. John’s University (MN) April 14, 2009.

Rozsa Center for the Performing Arts (Houghton, MI) April 7, 2009.

Western Michigan University, October 23, 2008.

Siena Heights University (MI), October 22, 2008.

Bridgewater State College (MA), October 14, 2008.

Minnesota State University-Mankato, October 6, 2008.

Concordia College (MN), September 30, 2008.

Fountain Street Church (Grand Rapids, MI), April 23, 2008.

St. Ambrose College (IA), March 27, 2008.

Canisius College, November 14, 2007.

Sam Houston State University (TX), October 25, 2007.

University of Michigan, Dearborn, October 9, 2007.

Wayne State University (MI), October 19, 2004; July 26, 2007; September 26, 2007.

Morehead State University (KY), April 10, 2007.

Coe College (IA), October 12, 2006.

Lake Superior State University (MI), March 9, 2006.

Hofstra University (NY), January 27, 2006.

St. Paul’s School (NH), January 26, 2006.

Ripon College, December 1, 2005.

Grand Valley State University (MI), October 11, 2005, October 29, 2003, February 27, 2003, November 29, 2001.

University of Detroit-Mercy, April 18, 2005.

SUNY Brockport, April 14, 2005.

University of Iowa, April 13, 2005.

Central Michigan University, April 7, 2005.

Delta College, January 26, 2005.  
 University of Texas-Dallas, November 11, 2004.  
 Texas State University, October 30, 2004.  
 Wayne State University (MI), March 1, 2000; March 25, 1999, February 20, 2002, October 19, 2004.  
 University of Colorado-Denver, October 12, 2004.  
 University of Missouri-Columbia, October 14, 2004.  
 Muskegon Community College (MI), June 2, 2004, April 17, 2003.  
 “Together in Faith” Conference, American Friends Service Committee, Ypsilanti, MI, May 22, 2004.  
 University of Texas-San Antonio, May 8, 2004.  
 Michigan State University, April 22, 2004.  
 Saginaw Valley State University (MI), April 21, 2004.  
 Southwestern University (TX), October 23, 2003, April 13, 2000, October 12, 1995; November 9, 1993.  
 Grace Dow Library (Midland, MI), June 26, 2003.  
 Southern Methodist University (TX), April 11, 2003, April 17, 1997.  
 Southwest Texas State University, April 10, 2003.  
 Penn State University, April 8, 2003.  
 Temple University, April 7, 2003.  
 First United Methodist Church, Ferndale, MI, December 10, 2002.  
 Bowling Green State University (OH), November 5, 2002.  
 Cornell University (NY), October 10, 2002.  
 University of Texas at Austin, April 10, 2002; April 11, 1996; April 22, 1993; April 15, 1992.  
 University of Tennessee, November 16, 2001.  
 Central Michigan University, November 29, 2000.  
 Georgia Southern University, March 30, 2000.  
 University of Michigan, October 12, 1999.  
 Coe College (IA), April 24, 1996; March 11, 1993.  
 SUNY Stony Brook, November 17, 1993, November 22, 1992.  
 St. John's University (NY), November 24, 1992.  
 Vassar College (NY), November 3, 1992.  
 Texas A&M, October 12, 1992.

“Why I Don’t Like Religious Exemptions,” University of Colorado Boulder, October 21, 2015.

“Why I Miss the Religious Right,” Wayne State University, March 25, 2008.

#### HONORS AND AWARDS (selected)

Distinguished Faculty Fellowship, Wayne State University, 2014-2016.

Distinguished Professor of the Year, Presidents Council of the State Universities of Michigan (awarded to four professors selected from among Michigan’s 15 public universities), May 10, 2012.

Wayne State University Career Development Chair, Fall 2011.

Wayne State University Humanities Center “Gender and Sexuality” Faculty Fellowship, 2010-2011.

Wayne State University President’s Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2006.

Spirit of Detroit Award, 2004 (presented by the Detroit City Council for work on behalf of Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights)

Wayne State University Humanities Center “City and Civic Virtue” Summer Grant, 2002.

College of Liberal Arts Teaching Award, Wayne State University, May 1999

Departmental Teaching Award, The University of Texas at Austin: Spring 1996, Fall 1996, Spring 1997.

A.D. Hutchison Dissertation Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin: Fall 1997- Spring 1998

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### At Wayne State:

Graduate Seminars: Religious Freedom, Tolerance, and Bigotry; Consequentialism and Its Critics; Moral Realism; Moral Preferences; Sexual Ethics; Hume.

Upper-division Undergraduate/Graduate: 20<sup>th</sup> Century Analytic Ethics (now “Foundations of Ethics”); British Empiricism; Philosophy of Sex and Sexual Orientation; and Honors Senior Seminars on “Morality and Objectivity” and “Moral Preferences.”

Introductory: Professional Ethics; Contemporary Moral Issues; Introduction to Ethics; Introduction to Philosophy

### Other Teaching:

Volunteer Faculty Member for Campus Pride Leadership Camp, Towson University (July 2009) and Vanderbilt University (July 2010).

Visiting Lecturer, Nanjing Normal University (China) May 22-June 2, 2006. Lectures on Business Ethics

Assistant Instructor (full teaching duties), The University of Texas at Austin:  
Contemporary Moral Problems, Fall 1995-Spring 1997.

### Essays/Theses/Dissertations Directed:

Erik Roys, M.A. “Ethical Dilemmas in the United States Transplant Organ Allocation Policy: Justice vs. Utility” (Fall 2001)

Lane Wilkinson, M.A. “On the Current Status of the Embedding Problem” (Fall 2008)

Khristy Wilkinson, M.A. “Interpreting Descartes’ Cogito” (Fall 2012)

Joseph Gardai, M.A. “Control and Frankfurt Cases: Does ‘Guidance Control’ Explain Why Alternative Possibilities Are Not Necessary?” (Fall 2013)

Mohammed Abouzahr, Ph.D. “Future Contingents, Freedom, and Foreknowledge” (Fall 2013)

Drew Matzke, “Consequentialism and the Demandingness Objection” (Fall 2013)

Timothy Kirschenheiter, M.A., “An Examination of the Moral Status of Incest, Adult-Child Sex, and Necrophilia” (Spring 2014)

Joseph Dunne (Ph.D. candidate), “‘Here I Stand, I Can Do No Other’: Conscience, Religion, and Legal Exemptions” (in progress)

DEPARTMENTAL, UNIVERSITY, AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (selected)

Chair, Wayne State Department of Philosophy: January 2012 to present.

Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Diversity and Inclusion Council, Fall 2015-present.

Wayne State University Greater Retention and Achievement through Diversity (GRAD) Committee, Fall 2013-Fall 2015.

Wayne State University Presidential Search Advisory Committee, Fall 2012-Spring 2013.

Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies (formerly "Women's Studies") Advisory Board, Wayne State University (WSU), 1999-2010; 2012-present.

Wayne State University Humanities Center Advisory Board, Fall 2004-Summer 2006.

Advisory Board for *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia* (Greenwood Publishers) 2003-2005.

WSU Graduate Recruitment Director, Winter 2001-Winter 2007.

WSU Director of Undergraduate Studies in Philosophy, Fall 2006-Winter 2007; Winter 2010.

Referee for Hume Society International Meeting 2004, 2005, 2006.

Referee for Blackwell Publishers and Oxford University Press

Referee for *Business Ethics Quarterly*, *Journal of Business Ethics*, *Journal of Applied Philosophy*, *Hume Studies*, and *GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies*.

External reviewer for Academic Program Review of the Philosophy Department at the University of Colorado at Denver, 2009.

REFERENCES: upon request

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