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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, Tucson, AZ

Ph.D. in Philosophy, 2019

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence; Applied Ethics; Philosophy of Mind

Areas of Competence: Philosophy of Science; Philosophy of Religion; Logic

VIRGINIA TECH, Blacksburg, VA

M.A. in Philosophy, 2010

Sole winner of the *William Preston Thesis Award* in the division of Humanities and Fine Arts (competing against all M.A. theses completed in every department within the division) – an award given annually by Virginia Tech to the “best original research with potential to benefit all people.”

NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA*, Sarasota, FL

B.A. in Philosophy, 2007

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

(Note: Courses I have taught in an online modality, *at least once*, are marked below by an asterisk.)

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

August 2024 – Present

School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies

Tempe, AZ

Assistant Teaching Professor of Philosophy (2024 – Present)

Lincoln Center Affiliate (2025 – Present)

Faculty Coach, ASU Ethics Bowl (2025 – Present)

- Ethics Bowl (Spring '26, Fall '25 – Lincoln Center)
- Special Topics: Developing a Novel Version of the Argument from Evil (Fall '25)
- Applied Ethics* (Spring '26, Fall '25)
- Philosophy of Mind (Spring '26, Fall '25)
- Symbolic Logic* (Summer '25)
- Theory of Knowledge (Spring '25)
- Special Topics: John Rawls' Use of Reflective Equilibrium (Spring '25)
- Introduction to Philosophy* (Spring '25)
- Business & Professional Ethics* (Fall '25, Spring '25, Fall '24)
- Bioethics* (Summer '26, Spring '26, Fall '25, Fall '24)

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

August 2022 – May 2024

Department of Philosophy

Tampa, FL

Visiting Assistant Professor of Instruction (2022 – 2024)

- Biomedical Ethics* (Summer '24, Spring '24, Fall '23, Spring '23)

* The public honors college of the state university system of Florida.

- Philosophy of Mind (Spring '24, Summer '23, Spring '23)
- Introduction to Philosophy* (Fall '22)

VALENCIA COLLEGE

Humanities & Social Sciences Dept.

Associate Faculty (2022 -)

Visiting Professor of Philosophy (2021 - 2022)

Certified Digital Professor (2020 -)

Adjunct Professor of Philosophy (2019 - 2021)

February 2019 – August 2022

Kissimmee, FL

- Ethics and Critical Thinking* (Spring '22, Fall '21, Summer '21, Spring '21, Fall '20, Summer '20, Spring '20, Fall '19, Summer '19, Spring '19)
- Philosophy* (Spring '22, Fall '21, Summer '21, Spring '21, Fall '20, Summer '20, Spring '20, Fall '19)
- Introduction to Humanities (Spring '20, Fall '19)

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Department of Philosophy; Cognitive Science Program

As Instructor of Record

- Logic and Critical Thinking* (Fall '17, Fall '16, Fall '14, Fall '13)
- Introduction to Philosophy of Science* (Summer '17)
- Introduction to Symbolic Logic* (Summer '16)
- Contemporary Moral Problems* (Summer '18, Summer '15, Summer '14, Summer '13)
- Justice and Virtue* (Summer '12)

August 2011 – December 2018

Tucson, AZ

As Graduate Teaching Assistant

- Brains, Minds, and Computers (Spring '17)
- Philosophical Perspectives on the Individual (Spring '16, Fall '15, Fall '12)
- Consciousness and Cognition (Spring '14)
- Symbolic Logic (Spring '14)
- Logic and Critical Thinking* (Spring '13)
- Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation (Spring '12)
- Philosophical Perspectives on Society (Fall '11)

RADFORD UNIVERSITY

Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies

Instructor

- Symbolic Logic (Spring '11)
- Ethics and Society (Spring '11)

January 2011 – May 2011

Radford, VA

VIRGINIA TECH

Department of Philosophy

August 2010 – May 2011

Blacksburg, VA

Instructor

- Knowledge and Reality (Spring '11, Fall '10)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Under Review

- “What Is Reflective Equilibrium Good For?”
- “A Naturalistic Argument Against Scientific Realism”
- “The Moral Impermissibility of Creating AGI”
- “A Recipe for AGI (It’s Not Transformers)”
- “Theists Must Reject Most Arguments for Dualism”

In Preparation

- The Problem of Evil as the Problem of Pain* (book manuscript in progress)
- “Theism and the Is-Ought Gap”
- “Theism and the Principle of Sufficient Reason”
- “A Proof from Considerations of Personal Identity That the Mind Is Nonphysical”
- “Moral Luck and the Blameworthiness of Thwarted Attempts”
- “Natural Selection and Biological Laws”
- “Unstructured Metaphysics”
- “Animal Abuse and Drug Use”
- “Inconsistent Positions on Prostitution and Pornography”

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

“The Ethics of Hippocampal Prosthesis as a Potential Future Treatment for Alzheimer’s Disease”, presented at the *Sixth Annual Medical Humanities Conference* at Western Michigan University (September 16, 2016).

SERVICE & COMMITTEE WORK

Committee Member (Fall 2025 - Present): ASU’s SHPRS New Major in *AI & Philosophy* Exploratory Committee

Committee Member (Fall 2024 - Present): ASU’s SHPRS Awards & Scholarship Committee

Committee Member (Fall 2024 - Spring 2025): ASU’s Graduation Committee (representing SHPRS)

Mentor (Ongoing): *New College Network* (serving as an academic mentor for current students at my alma mater)

Faculty Judge (Spring 2024): *Graduate Student Research Symposium*: Oral Presentations Panel (University of South Florida)

EDITORIAL WORK

Copy-editing of Dr. Terry Horgan's *Essays on Paradoxes* (2017, Oxford University Press).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Digital Professor Certification, Valencia College

Completion of a series of courses designed to culminate in the certification of a faculty member as a "Digital Professor."

- This designation indicates the completion of 20 hours of professional development in the areas of pedagogy, student engagement, and technology in online teaching and learning.

REFERENCES

Dr. Alex Levine
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