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Ph.D., Philosophy (2013). University of California, Santa Barbara

Area of Specialization:

Philosophy of Religion, Metaphysics

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Character Ethics, Philosophy of Mind

Publications:

Book:

- [1] *Monotheism and the Trinity* (Cambridge University Press, 2026).
- [2] Edited volume. *Exemplars, Imitation, and Character Formation: A Philosophical, Psychological, and Christian Inquiry* (Routledge, 2024).
- [3] *An Introduction to Christian Philosophical Theology: Faith Seeking Understanding*. Co-authored with Stephen T. Davis (Zondervan, 2020).

Papers

- [4] “Christology and consistency,” in Tim Pawl and Michael Peterson (eds.) *The Cambridge Companion to Christology* (2025).
- [5] “The obscurity and shock of a No-Thing God,” *International Journal of the Philosophy of Religion* (2024).
- [6] “Achievement through humility: wild lessons from Benedictine monasticism”, (co-authored with John Baptist Santa Ana) in R. Nicholls and H. Salazar (eds) *Mind Over Matter* (Brill, 2024).
- [7] “Model Exemplars,” in *Exemplars, Imitation, and Character Formation* (Routledge, 2024).
- [8] “The will of God and ecclesial persistence,” (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis) in O. Crisp and F. Sanders *Confessing the Church* (Zondervan, 2024).
- [9] “Depicting doctrine: Theological models as conceptual iconography,” in J. Rutledge (ed.) *Paradox and Contradiction in Theology* (Routledge, 2023).
- [10] “Ordinary parts and their complements”, *Erkenntnis* 88 (2023).
- [11] “Worship, apophaticism, and non-propositional knowledge”, *Journal of Analytic Theology* 11 (2023).
- [12] “Can psychology help resolve the problem of imitating a putatively non-present Christ?”, *Theological Puzzles* 10 (2022).
- [13] “Are reduplicative qua-operators superfluous?”, *European Journal of Philosophy of Religion* 13, (2021), 145-162.
- [14] “Kenoticism and essential divine properties”, *Religious Studies* 56 (2020), 409-418.
- [15] “Resisting the remnant-person problem”, *Acta Analytica* 35 (2020), 389-404.

- [16] “Conceptual and methodological considerations for the study of wisdom arising from adversity” (co-authored with W. Chopik, E. Jayawickreme, U. Renz), *Journal of Value Inquiry* 53 (2019), 393-396.
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- [18] “Filial piety and ritual: a Confucian approach to well-being”, *Science, Religion, and Culture* 6 (2019), 96-102.
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- [21] “Does death restriction-harm us?”, *Journal of Value Inquiry* 52 (2018), 429-436.
- [22] “Persons, simplicity, and substance”, *Philosophical Papers* 47 (2018), 299-311.
- [23] “Spiritual experience and imagination”, in R. Nicholls and H. Salazar (eds) *The Philosophy of Spirituality*. (Brill, 2018).
- [24] “Heaven and the problem of eternal separation”, in S. Cushing (ed.) *Heaven and Philosophy* (Lexington, 2018).
- [25] “Wisdom, risk-taking, and understanding”, *Philosophy and Theology* 29 (2017), 419-428.
- [26] “Social trinitarianism unscathed”, (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 5 (2017).
- [27] “Composition and the will of God”, (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis) in R. Byerly and E. Silverman (eds) *Paradise Understood* (Oxford University Press, 2017).
- [28] “The compatibility of property dualism and substance materialism”, *Philosophical Studies* 172 (2015), 3211-3219.
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- [31] “Against piecemeal skepticism”, *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism* 5 (2015), 253-256.
- [32] “Choosing eternal separation: reply to Gwiazda” (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis), *Sophia* 54 (2015), 217-219.
- [33] “Thinking animals, disagreement, and skepticism”, *Philosophical Studies* 166 (2013), 109-121.
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Reviews:

- [39] Review of *The Divine Nature: Personal and A-Personal Perspectives* (eds. S. Kittle and G. Gasser), *International Journal of Philosophy of Religion* 2023.
- [40] Review of *T&T Clark Handbook of Analytic Theology* (eds. J. Arcadi and J. Turner Jr.), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 2022.
- [41] Review of *The Contradictory Christ* (Jc Beall), *Notre Dame Philosophical Review* 2021.
- [42] Review of *Blackwell Companion to Substance Dualism* (ed. Jonathan Loose, Angus Menuge,

- and J.P. Moreland), *Philosophia Christi* 2019.
- [43] Review of *Christian Philosophy of Religion*, (ed. Colin Ruloff), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 5, 2017.

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- [44] “Broadening Plantinga’s Advice,” in C. Woznicki (ed.) *Advice to Christian Philosophers* (Hanover Press, 2024).
- [45] “‘I know there is good in you’: Luke, Anakin, and Confucian Filial Piety,” in J. Eberl and K. Decker (eds.) *Star Wars and Philosophy Strikes Back* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2023).
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- [47] “Eleanor and the meaning of afterlife,” in Steven Benko and Andrew Pavelich (eds.) *The Good Place and Philosophy* (Open Court, 2020).

Works in Progress

- Monograph. *Picturing the Trinity: A Philosophical and Theological Inquiry*. (Cascade, under contract).
- Article: “Emulating Role Models for Courage” (invited, *Improving Character*, Wiley-Blackwell)