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Employment:

Associate Professor of Philosophy. Santa Clara University

Education:

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

Area of Specialization:

Metaphysics, Philosophical Theology

Area of Competence:

Philosophy of Mind, Epistemology

Books:

- [1] *Picturing the Trinity: A Philosophical and Theological Inquiry*. (Cascade, forthcoming).
- [2] *An Introduction to Christian Philosophical Theology: Faith Seeking Understanding*. Co-authored with Stephen T. Davis (Zondervan, 2020).

Papers:

- [3] “Theological models as conceptual iconography,” in J. Rutledge (ed.) *Paradox and Contradiction in Theology* (Routledge, forthcoming).
- [4] “Ordinary parts and their complements”, *Erkenntnis* (forthcoming)
- [5] “Worship, apophaticism, and non-propositional knowledge”, *Journal of Analytic Theology* (forthcoming).
- [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, forthcoming).
- [7] “Can psychology help resolve the problem of imitating a putatively non-present Christ?”, *Theological Puzzles* 10 (2022).
- [8] “Are reduplicative qua-operators superfluous?”, *European Journal of Philosophy of Religion* 13, (2021), 145-162.
- [9] “Kenoticism and essential divine properties”, *Religious Studies* 56 (2020), 409-418.
- [10] “Resisting the remnant-person problem”, *Acta Analytica* 35 (2020), 389-404.
- [11] “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.
- [12] “Marriage, reproduction, and the incarnation”, (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis) in K. Timpe and B. Hereth (eds) *Philosophy of Religion for All* (Routledge, 2019).
- [13] “Filial piety and ritual: a Confucian approach to well-being”, *Science, Religion, and Culture* 6 (2019), 96-102.
- [14] “Defending constituent ontology”, *Philosophical Studies* 175 (2018), 179-187.
- [15] “Against an updated ontological argument”, *Res Philosophica* 95 (2018), 179-187.
- [16] “Does death restriction-harm us?”, *Journal of Value Inquiry* 52 (2018), 429-436.
- [17] “Persons, simplicity, and substance”, *Philosophical Papers* 47 (2018), 299-311.
- [18] “Spiritual experience and imagination”, in R. Nicholls and H. Salazar (eds) *The Philosophy of Spirituality*. (Brill, 2018).

- [19] “Heaven and the problem of eternal separation”, in S. Cushing (ed.) *Heaven and Philosophy* (Lexington, 2018).
- [20] “Wisdom, risk-taking, and understanding”, *Philosophy and Theology* 29 (2017), 419-428.
- [21] “Social trinitarianism unscathed”, (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 5 (2017).
- [22] “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).
- [23] “The compatibility of property dualism and substance materialism”, *Philosophical Studies* 172 (2015), 3211-3219.
- [24] “Unrestricted animalism and the too many candidates problem”, *Philosophical Studies* 172 (2015), 635-652.
- [25] “Atonement and the wrath of God”, (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis) in Oliver Crisp and Fred Sanders (eds) *Locating Atonement* (Zondervan, 2015), 154-167.
- [26] “Against piecemeal skepticism”, *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism* 5 (2015), 253-256.
- [27] “Choosing eternal separation: reply to Gwiazda” (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis), *Sophia* 54 (2015), 217-219.
- [28] “Thinking animals, disagreement, and skepticism”, *Philosophical Studies* 166 (2013), 109-121.
- [29] “Eliminativism, interventionism, and the Overdetermination Argument”, *Philosophical Studies* 164 (2013), 321-340.
- [30] “Defending direct source incompatibilism”, *Acta Analytica* 27 (2012), 325-333.
- [31] “Conservation, discontinuous time, and causal continuity”, *Religious Studies* 45 (2009), 85-93.

Reference Works:

- [32] “Christology and consistency,” in Tim Pawl and Michael Peterson (eds.) *The Cambridge Companion to Christology* (forthcoming).
- [33] “Incarnation”, in Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro (eds.) *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Philosophy of Religion* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2021).
- [34] “Resurrection”, in Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro (eds.) *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Philosophy of Religion* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2021).

Popular

- [35] “Jesus as the Truth: A Christian framework for thinking about conspiracy theories,” (co-authored with Stephen T. Davis) in M. Austin and G. Bock *QAnon, Chaos, and the Cross: Christianity and Conspiracy Theories* (Eerdmans, forthcoming).
- [36] “‘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, forthcoming).
- [37] “Eleanor and the meaning of afterlife”, in Steven Benko and Andrew Pavelich (eds.) *The Good Place and Philosophy* (Open Court, 2020).

Reviews:

- [38] Review of *T&T Clark Handbook of Analytic Theology* (eds. J. Arcadi and J. Turner Jr.), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 2022.
- [39] Review of *The Contradictory Christ* (Jc Beall), *Notre Dame Philosophical Review* 2021.
- [40] Review of *Blackwell Companion to Substance Dualism* (ed. Jonathan Loose, Angus Menuge, and J.P. Moreland), *Philosophia Christi* (2019).
- [41] Review of *Christian Philosophy of Religion*, (ed. Colin Ruloff), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 5, 2017.

Fellowships, Grants, and Prizes:

Fellowship for New Visions in Theological Anthropology, 2022 \$27,000
 Summer stipend for SET Foundations, 2022, \$4000
 Junior faculty development leave grant, 2020, \$2000
 Award grant for the Worship and Divine workshop at Hebrew University, 2019, \$4000
 Award grant for the Hamilton Philosophy Summer program, 2019, \$4000
 Summer stipend for Moscow Center for Consciousness Studies, 2018, \$3000
 Summer stipend for the New York Wisdom seminar at Fordham University, 2017, \$2000
 Summer stipend for the St. Thomas Summer Seminar, 2015, \$2000
 Essay prize for the Paradise Project at Christopher Newport University, 2015, \$1500
 Summer stipend for the Younger Scholars Workshop at UC Riverside, 2015, \$1100
 Philip and Aida Siff Educational Foundation Fellowship (UCSB), 2012-2013
 Ralph W. Church Fellowship (UCSB), 2008-2013
 Salmon Fellowship (UCSB), 2008-2009
 Foundations Fellowship (University of Oklahoma), 2006-2008

Conference Presentations:

- [1] "Divine narratives and ecclesial persistence," LA Theology Conference, scheduled for March 2023.
- [2] "Can psychology help resolve the problem of imitating a putatively non-present Christ?," University of St. Andrews, 2022.
- [3] "Personal identity and divine narrativism," EPS meeting, 2021.
- [4] "Benedictine Humility," Society of Christian Philosophers meeting, online, 2021.
- [5] "Resisting the reduplicative approaches to the incarnation," Society of Christian Philosophers meeting, University of South Florida, 2020.
- [6] "Ordinary parts and their complements," Alabama Philosophical Society, 2019.
- [7] "Silence and second-person knowledge," Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2019.
- [8] "Resisting reduplicative approaches to the incarnation," EPS Far West meeting, California Baptist University, 2019.
- [9] "Kenotic Christology and essential divine properties," annual EPS meeting, 2018.
- [10] "Animalism and remnant-persons," American Philosophical Association Eastern meeting, 2018.
- [11] "Filial piety and the fifth commandment," Westmont College, 2018.
- [12] "Animalism and remnant-persons," Indiana Philosophical Association meeting, Purdue University, 2017.
- [13] "Social Trinitarianism unscathed," Evangelical Philosophical Society Far West meeting, Gateway Seminary, 2017.
- [14] "Against an updated ontological argument," Society of Christian Philosophers conference, Biola University, 2017.
- [15] "Resisting the remnant-person problem," North Carolina Philosophical Society conference, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, 2017.
- [16] "Does death restriction-harm us?," American Philosophical Association Pacific meeting, 2016.
- [17] "Does death restriction-harm us?," Younger Scholars Workshop, UC Riverside, 2015.
- [18] "Does death restriction-harm us?," SoCal Philosophy conference, San Diego State University, 2015.
- [19] "Wisdom, risk-taking, and understanding," Society of Christian Philosophers conference, Azusa Pacific University, 2015.
- [20] "Inquiry, parity, and deference," Center for Christian Thought annual conference, Biola

- University, 2015.
- [21] “Composition and the will of God”, Philosophy of Paradise conference, Christopher Newport University, 2015.
 - [22] “Atonement and the wrath of God”, Los Angeles Theology Conference, Biola University, 2015.
 - [23] “Structure and the grounding problem”, American Philosophical Association Pacific meeting, 2014.
 - [24] “Against the replacement argument”, Mountain-Plains Philosophy conference, University of Nevada-Reno, 2014.
 - [25] “Wisdom and knowledge”, Embodied Reason conference, California Baptist University, 2014.
 - [26] “Defending direct source incompatibilism”, Society of Christian Philosophers, Fordham University, 2011.
 - [27] “Defending direct source incompatibilism”, Graduate Philosophy conference, University of Oklahoma, Norman, 2011.
 - [28] “Conservation, discontinuous time, and causal continuity”, North Texas Philosophical Association conference, University of North Texas-Denton, 2008.
 - [29] “Incompatibilism without PAP”, Society of Christian Philosophers conference, University of California, Riverside, 2008.
 - [30] “Physicalism and reason: an incompatibility of causal explanations”, Rocky Mountain Philosophy conference, University of Colorado-Boulder, 2007.
 - [31] “Necessity of the past and infallibility”, North Texas Philosophical Association conference, University of North Texas-Denton, 2007.
 - [32] “Foreknowledge and backtracking counterfactuals”, Society of Christian Philosophers conference, Azusa Pacific University, 2007.
 - [33] “The skeptical threat in a non-absolutist view”, Kansas Philosophical Society meeting, Pittsburg State University, 2007.
 - [34] “Kierkegaard’s critique of natural theology”, Society of Christian Philosophers conference, University of Notre Dame, 2006.

Invited Presentations:

- [1] “Silence, worship, and knowledge”, Lost Sheep of Philosophy of Religion conference, Utah Valley University, 2020
- [2] “Dialogue, Debate, and Narrative: Philosophical Methods in the Classroom,” main speaker for Hamilton Philosophy Conference on Pedagogy, 2019.
- [3] Main speaker for Moscow Center for Consciousness Studies Summer Conference, Malta, 2018.
 - [a] “Complex Theories of Personal Identity”
 - [b] “Varieties of Four-dimensionalism”
 - [b] “Recent Developments in Animalism”
 - [c] “Hylomorphism and Personal Identity”

Panel:

Panel for *Introduction to Christian Philosophical Theology*, American Academy of Religion 2020.
 Panelists: Stephen T. Davis, Thomas McCall, Carl Mosser, Mary Jo Sharp.

Teaching Award:

Recipient of the *Paul Wienpahl Award for Excellence in Teaching* (UCSB), 2012

- Career award to the best graduate instructor in the philosophy department.

Academic Activities:

- [1] Fellow for New Visions in Theological Anthropology, University of St. Andrews, 2022.
- [2] Participant for Science-Engaged Theology Foundations, 2022.
- [3] Participant for the Worship and the Divine workshop at Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 2019.
- [4] Participant for the New York Wisdom Summer Seminar, Fordham University, 2017.
- [5] Participant for the 2015 St. Thomas Summer Seminar at the University of St. Thomas.
- [6] Participant of the Younger Scholars Workshop on the Immortality Project, 2015.
- [7] Participant for the Paradise Project Workshop at Christopher Newport University, 2015.
- [8] Participant for the Logos Analytic Theology Workshop at the University of Notre Dame, 2012.

Professional Service:

Journal Referee: *Journal of Philosophy*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (x2), *Philosophical Studies* (x3), *Philosophical Quarterly* (x2), *Erkenntnis* (x2), *Analysis* (x2), *Journal of Analytic Theology*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Res Philosophica*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *Ergo*, *Acta Analytica*, *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism*, *Philosophical Papers* (x2), *Religious Studies*, *Ratio*, *Dialectica*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Theoria*, *Axiomathes*, *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Bioethics*, *Modern Theology*