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EDUCATION

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 2006-2012

PH.D. IN PHILOSOPHY, June 2012

Dissertation: The Human Intellect: Aristotle's Conception of Nous in his *De Anima*

Advisors: Hendrik Lorenz and John Cooper

Enrolled in the Interdepartmental Program in Classical Philosophy

M.A. IN PHILOSOPHY, June 2012

Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, CA 2002-2006

B.A. IN LIBERAL ARTS (HONORS), May 2006

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Metropolitan State University of Denver (MSU Denver), Denver, CO

Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy 2011-Present

Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, MO

Research Fellow, The Philosophy and Theology of
Intellectual Humility 2014-2015

AREAS OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH

Areas of Research Interest

Ancient Philosophy (all periods), Medieval Philosophy, Social
Epistemology, Philosophy of Religion

Areas of Teaching Interest

Metaphysics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Ethics

LANGUAGES

Ancient Greek, Classical and Medieval Latin, French

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

- “Why the One Cannot Have Parts: Plotinus on Divine Simplicity, Ontological Independence, and Perfect Being Theology” (~10 000 words), *Philosophical Quarterly* (~10 000 words), forthcoming.
- “When and Why Understanding Needs *Phantasmata*: A Moderate Interpretation of Aristotle’s *De Memoria* and *De Anima* on the Role of Images in Intellectual Activities” (~16 000 words), *Phronesis*, 61.3, June 2016, 337-372.
- “Nous in Aristotle’s *De Anima*” (~5 000 words), *Philosophy Compass* 9.9 (2014), 594-604.
- “Why the Intellect Cannot Have a Bodily Organ: *De Anima* 3.4” (~13 500 words), *Phronesis* 58.4, October 2013, 347-377.
- “There Must Be a First: Why Thomas Aquinas Rejects Infinite, Essentially Ordered, Causal Series” (~9 000 words), *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 21.5 (2013), 838-856.
- One of the ten Most Read articles on the *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* website
- “God, Causality, and Petitionary Prayer” (~12 500 words), *Faith and Philosophy* 31.1 (2014), 24-45.
- “Getting Things Less Wrong: Religion and the Role of Communities in Successfully Transmitting Beliefs,” *Res Philosophica*, 93.3 (2016), 1-16

BOOK REVIEWS

- Review of *The Powers of Aristotle’s Soul*, Thomas Kjeller Johansen (~2 500 words), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, May 2013
- Review of *Alexander of Aphrodisias on the Soul. Part I: Soul as Form of the Body. Parts of the Soul. Nourishment. and Perception.* Victor Caston. translator (~800 words), *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 52.1 (2014), 163-164.
- Review of *Aquinas’s Way to God: The Proof in De Ente et Essentia*, Gaven Kerr (~2200 words), *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, September 2015

PRESENTATIONS

- Upcoming*: “Understanding *Noēsis*: How to Interpret Aristotle’s Views on Comprehending First Principles”
- Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop (invited) May 2017
- Upcoming*: “Why the View of Intellect in *De Anima* I.4 Isn’t Aristotle’s Own”
- Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (SAGP) at the Society for Classical Studies (SCS) Meeting (refereed submission) January 2017
- “Everyone Wants to Live Forever: Augustine vs. the Stoics on Self-Preservation”
- Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, CU Boulder (invited) November 2016
 - Society of Christian Philosophers (SCP) Eastern Regional Conference (refereed submission) October 2016

PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)

- “A Fine Image Worthy of Contemplation: Plotinus's Affirmation of the Body against the Gnostics”

 - Embodied Religion Workshop, *The Experience Project* August 2016
(refereed submission)
- “Sometimes Trust, Sometimes Verify: The Case for Pluralism about Testimony”

 - American Philosophical Association (APA) Pacific Division Meeting (refereed submission) March 2016
- “Science, Religion, and the Role of Communities in Transmitting Knowledge”

 - The Social Epistemology of Religious Belief, Indiana University (invited) October 2015
- “The Intellectual Virtue of Receptivity as an Antidote to False Pride”

 - Epistemic Vices, Durham University, (refereed submission) September 2015
 - Capstone Conference, *The Philosophy and Theology of Intellectual Humility*, Saint Louis University May 2015
- “Unity Itself: Plotinus, Divine Simplicity, and Perfect Being Theology”

 - Classical Theism Workshop, Classical Theism Project, University of St Thomas (refereed submission) July 2015
- “Composite Dualism and Survival”

 - Intermediate State Writing Workshop, McCall, ID, the Immortality Project, (refereed submission) July 2015
 - Summer School on *Minds: Human and Divine*, Hochschule für Philosophie, Munich, Germany (refereed submission) July 2012
- “Aristotle on the Truth of Perception and Understanding”

 - APA Eastern Division Meeting (refereed submission) December 2014
 - Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (SAGP) at the APA Central Division Meeting (refereed submission) February 2014
 - Front Range Ancient Philosophy Workshop (invited) March 2012
- “How to Traverse the Infinite: Aristotle's Response to Zeno's Dichotomy Paradox”

 - Boston University (invited) January 2014
- “Theological Realism and the Pessimistic Induction”

 - Logos 2013, Theorizing about God – Realism in Theology, University of Notre Dame (refereed submission) May 2013
 - SCP Mountain Pacific Regional Conference (refereed submission) March 2013
- “Causality and Ontological Dependence: Why Thomas Aquinas Rejects Infinite, Essentially Ordered, Causal Series”

 - SCP Mountain Pacific Regional Conference (refereed submission) January 2011
 - 28th Annual Meeting of the SAGP with the Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science (SSIPS) Annual Conference (refereed submission) October 2010

COMMENTS

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| <i>Upcoming</i> : Commentary on Don Morrison, "Divine moral psychology in the <i>Timaeus</i> and the <i>Laws</i> ," Classical Philosophy Colloquium, Princeton University | December 2016 |
| Commentary on Scott O'Connor, "The Generation & Destruction of Matter in Aristotle's <i>Physics</i> I.9" 2015 Ancient Philosophy Society Meeting, Lexington, Kentucky | April 2015 |
| Commentary on Kendall Englund, "Aquinas on Intentionality and Intelligible Species: A Problem for Primitive Accounts," Central APA | February 2015 |
| Commentary on Eric W. Hagedorn, "What makes it Ockham's Razor?: The Pessimistic Consequence of Ockham's Theological Metaontology," Central APA | February 2014 |
| Commentary on Timothy O'Connor's "Could There Be a Complete Explanation of Everything?" SCP Mountain Pacific Regional Conference | March 2013 |
| Commentary on Zenon Culverhouse's "Dunameis in Plato's <i>Meno</i> ," West Coast Plato Workshop | May 2012 |

SELECTED GRANTS AND AWARDS

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| Principal Investigator, "Intellectual Deference as a Key Component of Intellectual Humility" (\$72 000 research grant), <i>The Philosophy and Theology of Intellectual Humility</i> , Saint Louis University | 2014-15 |
| Summer Stipend (\$3000), Embodied Religious Experience, <i>The Experience Project</i> , Notre Dame/UNC Chapel Hill | 2016 |
| Workshop Grant (\$1350), Intermediate State Writing Workshop, <i>The Immortality Project</i> , UC Riverside | 2015 |
| Workshop Grant (\$1500), Classical Theism Workshop, <i>Classical Theism Project</i> , University of St Thomas | 2015 |
| First Prize (\$1000 Award), Summer Seminar Article Competition, 2011 St. Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion | 2012 |
| Graduate Fellowship, Princeton University | 2006-2011 |

SELECTED RESEARCH WORKSHOPS AND PANELS

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| Summer School and International Conference on <i>Minds: Human and Divine - Explorations at the Interface Between Philosophy of Mind and Philosophy of Religion</i> , Hochschule für Philosophie, Munich, Germany | July-August 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One of ten junior scholars selected for three-week workshop and conference | |
| Selected Participant, St. Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion, University of St. Thomas | June 2011 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One of twenty junior scholars selected for three-week workshop and grant | |
| Metaphysical Mayhem 2010, Rutgers University | May 2010 |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER:

PHI 3610: Metaphysics and Mysticism in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy

An advanced undergraduate course exploring the implications that different views of ultimate reality have for conceptions of, speech about, and attitudes towards the divine. Thinkers considered include Xenophanes, Plato, Aristotle, Plotinus, Ibn Sina, al-Ghazali, Ibn Rushd, Bonaventure, and Julian of Norwich. Spring (S) 14

PHI 3610: Augustine: His Life and Works

An advanced undergraduate course examining Augustine's thought through a close reading of the *Confessions* followed by selections from his polemical works, sermons, *The City of God*, and *On the Trinity*. Fall (F) 13

PHI 3330: Epistemology

An advanced undergraduate course exploring the nature of trust and testimony and their roles in forming our beliefs and practices through historical and contemporary sources including Plato, Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, David Hume, Thomas Reid, Jennifer Lackey, John Greco, and Linda Zagzebski. F 15

PHI 3000: Ancient Philosophy

An advanced undergraduate course covering ancient philosophy from the Pre-Socratics to the Hellenistic period, with a focus on Plato and Aristotle. F 16, S 16, F 15, F 13, S 12, F 11

PHI 2040: Philosophy of Religion

A midlevel undergraduate course examining competing accounts of the nature and value of religious beliefs and practices F 16, F 12

PHI 1030: Introduction to Ethics

An introductory undergraduate course, focusing on the ethical theories of major figures, historical and contemporary; different versions of the course have considered, inter alia, Aristotle, Epictetus, Thomas Aquinas, Immanuel Kant, J.S. Mill, and Susan Wolf F16(x2), S14(x3), S13(x4), F12(x3)

PHI 1010: Introduction to Philosophy

An introductory undergraduate course examining the Socratic dialogues and other seminal philosophical texts such as Descartes's *Meditations*, Augustine's *Free Choice of the Will*, and the ethics of belief as discussed by Blaise Pascal, W.K. Clifford, and William James. S16 (x3), F15 (x2), F13(x2), S12(x3), F11(x3)

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY (As Assistant in Instruction):

PHI 301: Aristotle and His Successors (advanced undergraduate) F 07

PHI 205: Introduction to Ancient Philosophy (introductory undergraduate) S 10

PHI 203: Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology (introductory undergraduate) F 09

SERVICE**DEPARTMENTAL:**

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| Chair, Recruitment and Retention Committee, MSU Denver Philosophy | 2016-2017 |
| Administrative Assistant Search Committee, MSU Denver Philosophy | 2016 |
| Faculty Search Committee, MSU Denver Philosophy | 2012-2013 |
| Majors Fair Representative, MSU Denver Philosophy | 2011, 2012 |

UNIVERSITY:

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| Member of the Budget Committee of the Faculty Senate, MSU Denver | 2015-2017 |
| Member of the Faculty Senate, MSU Denver | 2014, 2015-2017 |
| Peer Reviewer, Departmental Program Assessment, MSU Denver | 2013 |
| Reviewer for Undergraduate Research Conference awards competition, MSU Denver | 2013 |
| Graduate Member of the Executive Committee of the Council of the Princeton University Community | 2009-2010 |
| Graduate Member of the Council of the Princeton University Community | 2009-2010 |

PROFESSIONAL:

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| Editor of Aristotle: Philosophy of Mind and its subcategories, <i>PhilPapers</i> | 2013-present |
| Organizer, Princeton Ancient Philosophy Graduate Conference | 2009-2010 |
| Organizer, Princeton-Rutgers Ancient Philosophy Conference | 2007-2008 |
| Referee: | |
| <i>British Journal for the History of Philosophy</i> | 2016 |
| <i>History of Philosophy Quarterly</i> | 2016 |
| <i>American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly</i> | 2012-2016 |
| <i>Faith and Philosophy</i> | 2016 |
| <i>American Philosophical Quarterly</i> | 2014-2015 |
| <i>Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie</i> | 2015 |
| <i>Canadian Philosophical Association</i> | 2015 |
| <i>Modern Theology</i> | 2014 |
| <i>Eirene. Studia Graeca et Latina</i> | 2014 |
| Princeton-Rutgers Graduate Philosophy Conference | 2007-2010 |