

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Claremont Graduate University	<i>Claremont, CA</i>	ABD
Ph.D. Religion		
Program: <i>Philosophy of Religion</i>		
Dissertation Committee: Ingolf Dalferth (Chair), Paul Hurley, Brian Keeley, Masahiro Yamada		
Title: <i>The Peircean Epistemic Defense: Justifying Democracy with a Postsecular Theory</i>		
Claremont Graduate University	<i>Claremont, CA</i>	May 2010
M.A. Philosophy		
Pitzer College	<i>Claremont, CA</i>	May 2005
B.A. Philosophy		
<i>(Other universities attended for B.A. credit: American University in Cairo & UC Santa Cruz)</i>		

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

Modern Philosophy
Philosophy of Religion
Social and Political Philosophy
Ethics

AREAS OF RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Religion and Politics
Secular Theory
American Pragmatism

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Chaffey College	<i>Rancho Cucamonga, CA</i>	May 2013 – Present
<i>Adjunct Professor of Philosophy</i>		
Courses Taught:		
Introduction to Philosophy		
Critical Thinking		
American Philosophy		
Ancient Philosophy		

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

Preparing Future Faculty Certificate	<i>Claremont Graduate University</i>	In Progress
American Association of Philosophy Teachers: Workshop in Effective Pedagogy		Summer 2011

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“Kosher & Halal Butchering: Balancing Religious Freedom and Animal Welfare in a Liberal Democracy” in *Food Justice in US and Global Contexts: Bringing Theory and Practice Together*, Ian Werkheiser and Zachary Piso eds., Springer, forthcoming (expected 2017).

PUBLICATIONS:

Review of Daniel L. Miller, *The Myth of Normative Secularism*, Claremont: American Academy of Religion, 2016, for *readingreligion.org*, forthcoming (expected February 2017).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Halal Butchering: Balancing Animal Rights and Religious Freedom in a Liberal Democracy”
Michigan State University Workshop on Food Justice: Bringing Theory and Practice Together,
East Lansing, MI, May 2014

“Wittgenstein’s *Lebensform*: The Organic Account,” **The Western Commission for the Study of Religion Annual Meeting**, Section: *Philosophy of Religion*, Santa Clara, CA, March 2012

“Effects of Inter-Religious Partnerships on Public Reason,” **The Western Commission for the Study of Religion Annual Meeting**, Section: *Ethics*, Whittier, CA, May 2011

“Public Reason in Malaysia,” **12th Annual Claremont Graduate University Student Research Conference and Art Exhibition**, Claremont, CA, May 2011

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

School of Religion Fellowship *Claremont Graduate University* 2010 – 2016
- Monetary award to support graduate research.

New Leaders Council Fellowship *Orange County Chapter* 2013
- Professional development program specializing in non-profit entrepreneurialism.

Maguire Intercollegiate Grant *Claremont Graduate University* 2010 – 2011
- Monetary award to fund research assistant position at *Claremont Colleges Philosophy*.

Philosophy Department Fellowship *Claremont Graduate University* 2009 – 2010
- Monetary award to support graduate research.

2007 Volunteer Service Award *Orange County Bar Foundation* 2007
- Non-monetary award for participation in SHORTSTOP juvenile crime diversion program.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Claremont Graduate University *Claremont, CA* November 2009 – June 2011
Administrative Assistant (Part-Time) – School of Arts and Humanities
• Assisted in general office work, led prospective student tours, and coordinated new student applications.

Claremont Graduate University *Claremont, CA* June 2010 – June 2011
Research Assistant – Dr. Brian Keeley, Pitzer College
• Designed and managed the *Claremont Colleges Philosophy (CCP)* website. Assistant Editor of the CCP newsletter, the *Hemlock Cup*.

Claremont Graduate University *Claremont, CA* January 2009 – July 2009
Research Assistant – Dr. Patricia Easton, Claremont Graduate University
• Edited a 75-page tribute to former Claremont Graduate University Professor Father Eleutherius Winance on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

Woodcraft Rangers *Los Angeles, CA* August 2007 – June 2008
High School Program Manager

- Developed comprehensive after school enrichment programs at three South Los Angeles high schools: Manual Arts H.S., Huntington Park H.S., and South East H.S.
- Managed three *21st Century* high school grants and one Los Angeles city grant (*NAP/Connections*) with a combined budget of \$720,000.
- Hired, trained, and supervised 35+ *LAUSD* teachers, coordinators, and activity staff to lead programs serving an average of 300 students per day.

VIP Mentors *Orange County, CA* August 2005 – July 2007
Orange County Program Director

- Recruited and trained volunteer attorneys to mentor men, women, and juveniles on parole.
- Responsible for all volunteer recruitment, client solicitation, casework, public relations, event planning, and general office work.
- Maintained and directed an advisory board of attorneys, parole officials, and community members.

Pitzer College *Claremont, CA* December 2001 – May 2005
Founder & Director of the Pitzer College Green Bike Program

- Created a community bicycle program that repairs discarded and dilapidated bicycles and distributes them to students, staff, and faculty at no charge to promote an environmentally friendly alternative to campus driving.
- Completed a fundraising campaign to open a fully functional bicycle repair shop.

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

Member – <i>Chaffey College, Ethics Across the Curriculum Committee</i>	2014 – 2018
Curriculum Chair – <i>New Leaders Council, Orange County Executive Board</i>	2014 – 2015
Communications Co-Chair – <i>New Leaders, Council Orange County Executive Board</i>	2013 – 2014
Member – <i>Read Lead, After School Program Advisory Board</i>	2013 – 2014
Member – <i>Community Builders, Vocational Training Steering Committee</i>	2013 – 2013
Member – <i>Orange County Re-entry Partnership, Executive Board</i>	2007 – 2008
Secretary – <i>VIP Mentors, Orange County Advisory Board</i>	2005 – 2007
Member – <i>Pitzer College, Board of Trustees Committee on Social Justice</i>	2001 – 2004

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Member - Chaffey College Faculty Association	2014
Member - American Philosophical Association	2011
Member - American Association of Philosophy Teachers	2011
Member - American Academy of Religion	2010