

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Areas of Specialization

Existential Phenomenology and Hermeneutics. Virtue Ethics.

### Areas Of Competence

History of Philosophy: Ancient and Modern/German Idealism.

### Education

Ph.D. Marquette University, 2000. Philosophy  
M.A. Villanova University, 1992. Philosophy  
B.A. SUNY at Plattsburgh, 1989. Philosophy/Mass Communications

### Articles and Book Chapters

- “Towards a Common World: Arendt’s way beyond Hobbes,” *Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology* (in press 2024).
- “Counter Finality and the Living World,” in *Earthly Engagements: Reading Sartre after the Holocene*, ed. Matthew Ally and Damon Boria (Rowman and Littlefield, 2023).
- “Heidegger’s Epicureanism: Death, Dwelling and Ataraxia,” *Gatherings*, Vol. 9 (2019): 60-89.
- “Sartre and Heidegger on Social Deformation and the Anthropocene,” *Sartre Studies International*, Vol. 24, issue 2 (2018).
- “Shame and Virtue,” in *Emotional Experience: Ethical and Social Significance*, ed. John Drummond and Sonja Rinofer-Kreidl (Rowman and Littlefield International, 2017).
- “Progress and the Practico-Inert,” *Sartre Studies International*, Vol. 21, issue 2 (2015)
- “Correlates of the Good Life: Body, Wilderness, and Expertise,” in *Phenomenology and Virtue Ethics*, ed. Kevin Hermsberg and Paul Gyllenhammer (London: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2013).
- “Phenomenology as an Ascetic Practice,” in *Ethics and Phenomenology*, ed. M. Sanders and J. Wisniewski (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2012).
- “Virtue Ethics and Neurosis,” *Schutzian Research: A Yearbook of Worldly Phenomenology and Qualitative Social Science*, Vol. 3 (2011): 151-162.
- “Sartre on Shame: From Ontology to Social Critique,” *Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology*, Vol. 41, no. 1 (2010): 48-63.
- “The Call of Literature and Sartre’s Re-evaluation of Bad Faith,” in *Phenomenology and Literature*, ed. Pol Vandavelde (Würzburg: Königshausen and Neumann, 2010).
- “Normality in Husserl and Foucault,” *Research in Phenomenology*, Vol. 39, no. 1 (2009): 52-68.
- “A Despairing Duty: The Non-Reciprocal Dimension to Sartre’s Ethics,” *Philosophy Today*, Vol. 52, no. 2 (summer 2008): 165-172.
- “The Question of Tolerance in Heidegger’s Account of World-Disclosure,” in *Issues in Interpretation Theory*, ed. Pol Vandavelde (Milwaukee: Marquette University Press, 2006).

- “Three Dimensions of Objectivity in Husserl’s Account of Passive Synthesis,” *The Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology*, Vol. 35, no. 2 (2004): 180-200.
- “The Passivity of Optimizing Practices: A Development of Husserl’s Transcendental Aesthetics,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, 19, no. 1 (2003): 97-105.
- “Phenomenology: Between Coherence and Correspondence. A Critical Study of Sokolowski’s *Introduction to Phenomenology*,” *Recherches husserliennes*, Vol. 17 (2002): 117-130.
- “Between Noema and Fulfillment: Ricoeur’s Theory of Narrative,” *International Studies in Philosophy*, Vol. 33, no.4 (2001): 45-61.
- “Finding a Place for the Universal in Hermeneutic Theory,” *Southwest Philosophical Studies*, Vol. 23 (2001): 21-28
- “On Fulfillment: Uncovering the Possibility of a New Objective Insight,” *Auslegung*, Vol. 24, no. 2 (2001): 185-198.
- “From the Limits of Knowledge to the Hermeneutics of Action,” *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 72, no. 4 (1998): 559-580.

### **Publications as Editor:**

- Co-Editor (with Kevin Hermberg), *Phenomenology and Virtue Ethics* (London: Bloomsbury Pub., 2013).
- Lead Editor. *PhaenEx: Journal of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* 4, no. 1 (spring/summer 2009). <http://www.phaenex.uwindsor.ca>
- Lead Editor. *PhaenEx: Journal of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* 2, no. 1 (spring/summer 2007).
- Co-Editor. Inaugural Edition of *PhaenEx: Journal of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* 1, no. 1 (spring/summer 2006).

### **Conference Presentations**

- “Sartre and Arendt on Aesthetic Cosmopolitanism,” *North American Sartre Society* (NASS), Molloy University, NY (Oct. 26, 2024).
- “The Problem of the Productive Imagination,” *North American Sartre Society*, UNC, Wilmington (Nov. 3, 2023)
- “Sartre’s way beyond Hobbesian Imperialism,” *Long Island Philosophical Society* (LIPS), St. John’s University (April 1, 2023).
- “The Hobbesian link between Arendt and Sartre: Compelled Silence as an Origin of Imperialism,” *North American Sartre Society*, American University, Washington D.C. (Nov. 5, 2022).
- “Mill and Sartre on Oppression, Individuality, and Virtue,” *Long Island Philosophical Society*, Molloy College, NY (April 30, 2022).
- “Self-Estrangement and the Embodiment of Character,” *North American Sartre Society*, on-line conference (Oct. 30, 2021).
- “Counter Finality and the *Living World*,” *North American Sartre Society*, Univ. of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, VA (Oct. 27, 2018)
- “The Knight of Faith and Silence,” *Symposium: Truth and Communication from Kierkegaard to Social Media*, St. John’s University, Queens, NY (Nov. 17, 2018).
- “Heidegger’s Epicureanism: Death, Dwelling and *Ataraxia*,” Conference on *Heidegger, Dwelling, Thinking and the Ethical Life*, King’s College, Western University, London ON (Oct. 29, 2017).
- “Heidegger’s Epicureanism: Death, Dwelling and *Ataraxia*,” *Interdisciplinary Coalition of North American Phenomenologists* (ICNAP), Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ (May 28, 2017).
- “Alter-Globalization Perspectives of Heidegger and Sartre,” *Long Island Philosophical Society*, St. John’s University, Queens, NY (April 1, 2017).
- “The Politics of Being and the Politics of Shame,” *North American Sartre Society*, UNC, Wilmington (Nov. 5, 2016).

- “Sartre and Burdened Virtue,” Depart. of Philosophy Colloquium Series, Marquette University (Nov. 11, 2015).
- “Sartre and Virtue,” *Long Island Philosophical Society*, St. John’s University (April 18, 2015).
- “The Taste of Being: Existential Psychoanalysis and Virtue,” *Diverse Lineages of Existentialism* (session of the *North American Sartre Society*), St. Louis, MO (June 21, 2014).
- “The Practico-Inert and Transubstantiation: Flynn on the ‘Force of Circumstances,’” *Diverse Lineages of Existentialism* (session of the *North American Sartre Society*), St. Louis, MO (June 19, 2014).
- “World-Disclosure: Is Literacy a Necessary Condition for Virtue?,” *Long Island Philosophical Society*, Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY (April 26, 2014).
- “Truth Arises from a Horizon of Virtue,” *New York Phenomenology Research Group*, New School, NY, NY (March 9, 2013).
- “Expertise as an Existentially Grounding and Socially Responsible Form of Life,” *Interdisciplinary Coalition of North American Phenomenologists*, Ramapo College, Mahwah NJ, (May 24, 2013).
- Invited Speaker: Interdisciplinary Panel on Freedom and Responsibility, Dominican College, Orangeburg, NY (Nov. 9, 2011).
- “Husserl on Body, Soul and Spirit,” *Long Island Philosophical Society*, LIU-Brooklyn Campus (Oct. 15 2011).
- Invited Speaker: Interdisciplinary Panel on the Mind-Brain Dichotomy, Dominican College, Orangeburg, NY (March 28, 2011).
- “Virtue Ethics and Neurosis,” *Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* (EPTC), Concordia University, Montreal (June 1, 2010).
- “Optimizing Practice and Neurosis: A Structural Tension in Virtue Ethics,” *Interdisciplinary Coalition of North American Phenomenologists*, Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ (May 2009).
- “Normality in Husserl and Foucault,” *Husserl Circle*, Marquette Univ., Milwaukee, WI (June 26, 2008).
- “Shame as a Condition of the Lived-Body: From Ontology to Social Critique,” *North American Sartre Society*, University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, VA (April, 2008).
- “Husserl’s ‘Aesthetics of Existence’: Reading Husserl through Foucault,” *Foucault Circle*, Earlham College, Richmond, IN (February, 2008).
- “The Return of the Hero: The Virtue of Normative Resistance for Foucault,” *Long Island Philosophical Society*, Brooklyn, NY (October, 2007).
- “The Normalizing Subject: A Phenomenological Contribution to Disciplined Bodies,” *Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* (EPTC). University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada (May, 2007).
- “Humanity’s Verifying Mission, Willful Ignorance, and Sartre’s City of Ends,” *Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy* (SPEP). Hosted by Villanova University, PA (October, 2006).
- Commentary: A Response to John Hartmann. *Husserl Circle*. Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA (June, 2006).
- “Sartre’s Account of Literature Viewed in Light of Bad Faith.” *Sartre Circle*, held in conjunction with the Eastern Divisional Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Hilton, New York, NY (December, 2005).
- “Conscience as an Attunement to Alterity.” Annual Meeting of the *Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture*: Univ. of Western Ontario, London, Ontario (May, 2005).
- Commentary: “De-materialization of the Sign and the Perceptual Ground of Meaning (A Response to Morgan).” Annual Meeting of the *Husserl Circle* at Georgetown University, Washington D.C. (June, 2004).
- “Sartre’s Notion of Bad-Faith as a Clue to Regaining Respect for Oneself and Others.” Annual Meeting of the *Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture*: University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada (May, 2004).

“Tolerance as a Hermeneutic Virtue.” Inter-American Congress of Philosophy: Catholic University of Peru, Lima, Peru (January 2004).

“The Passivity of Optimizing Practices: A Development of Husserl’s Transcendental Aesthetics.” Annual Meeting of the *Southwestern Philosophical Society* in Kansas City (November, 2002).

“The Need for Dialogue in Heidegger’s Notion of World-Disclosure.” Annual *Mid-South Philosophy Conference* at the University of Memphis (February, 2002).

“On Husserl’s Notion of Fulfillment: Filling in the Intersubjective Void.” Annual Meeting of the *Husserl Circle* at Seattle University (June, 2000).

“Finding a Place for the Universal in Hermeneutic Theory.” Annual Conference of the *New Mexico/West Texas Philosophical Society*, Irving, TX (April, 2000). My paper was distinguished by receiving the annual *Larry Taylor Award*, which is given to the best paper by a young scholar.

### **Teaching Experience**

Associate Professor: St. John’s University (2009-Present).

Assistant Professor: St. John’s University (2003-2009).

Visiting Assistant Professor: Northern Illinois University (2001-2003).

Lecturer: Marquette University (Fall 1996-Summer 2001).

### **Courses Taught at St. John’s University**

(St. John’s offers a BA in philosophy. Regular teaching load is 3/3 with approx. 70-80 students each semester. The usual course assignment is two courses in the Core program and one elective course).

\*Philosophy of the Human Person (Core Program)

\*Ethics (Core Program)

\*Metaphysics (Core Program)

\*Aesthetics

\*Existentialism

\*Contemporary (Continental) Philosophy

### **Honors/Awards**

2019 Faculty Merit Award: SJC, St. John’s University

2018 (Spring) Research Leave: SJC, St. John’s University.

2012-2013 Teaching Reduction for Research: SJC, St. John’s University.

2011 (Fall) Research Leave: SJC, St. John’s University.

2009-2011 Vincentian Research Fellow: Vincentian Chair of Social Justice, St. John’s University.

2004, 2007 Summer Research Grants: Internal Grants, St. John’s University.

2005-2006 Teaching Reduction for Research: CPS, St. John’s University.

2005, 2009 Faculty Recognition Awards: CPS, St. John’s University.

1998-2000 Arthur J. Schmitt Fellowship: Private Fellowship Awarded through the Graduate School at Marquette University to Ph.D. Candidates.

### **Professional Activities**

2009-2017: Managing Editor of *PhaenEx: Journal of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* ([www.phaenex.uwindsor.ca](http://www.phaenex.uwindsor.ca)).

2007-2009. Chair of the Editorial Board of *PhaenEx*.

2006-Present. Peer-Reviewer for *PhaenEx*.

2005-Present. Peer-Reviewer for the annual meeting of the *Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture* (EPTC).

2009-Present: Peer-reviewed submissions for *Continental Philosophy Review*, *Phenomenological Studies*, *Journal of Social Ontology*, *Phenomenology and Cognitive Sciences*, *Canadian Philosophical Association*.

**Current Projects:**

Monograph: *An Existential account of Virtue* (working on the formal proposal)

Essay: "The Problem of the Production Imagination for Sartre."

Essay: "Mill and Sartre on Oppression, Virtue, and Individuality."