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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** Philosophy, Boston University. 2002.  
Dissertation Topic: "Loving the Fine: Goodness and Happiness in Aristotle's *Ethics*."  
Supervisor: Dr. Klaus Brinkmann.
- M.A.** Philosophy, Boston University. 1999.  
Thesis Topic: "That Before Which Minds and Words Recoil: Brahman in Advaita Vedanta." Supervisor: Dr. Leroy S. Rouner.
- B.A.** English Writing and Philosophy, State University of New York at Potsdam. 1994.  
*Summa Cum Laude*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Professor.** Stonehill College. 2003 – present.

*Asian Philosophies*  
*Indian Philosophy*  
*Philosophy of Religion*  
*Presocratic Thought*  
*Socrates*  
*Plato*  
*Aristotle*  
*Sophomore Learning Communities*  
*Stonehill and How to Fix It* (with John Lanci)  
*Yoga, Mindfulness and Indian philosophy* (with Kristy Kuhn)  
*Freshman Learning Communities* (with John Lanci)  
*The Good, the True, and the Beautiful*  
*The Ancient World: Socrates, Jesus, and the Origins of Western Thought*  
*The Soul, the Self, and the Good Life*  
*Introduction to Philosophy*  
*First-Year Writing Seminar, Philosophy*, pilot  
*First Year Writing Seminar: Gods, Souls and Bodies*  
*Introduction to Moral Reasoning*  
*Contemporary Moral Issues*

**Instructor (full-time).** Boston University. Fall 2002-Spring 2003. Teaching large lecture classes (125 students) and supervising teaching fellows.

*Introduction to Philosophy*  
*Great Philosophers*  
*History of Ethics*

**Adjunct Faculty.** Boston University.

*Medical Ethics*  
*Indian Religions and Philosophies* (team taught)

**Adjunct Faculty.** Suffolk University.

*Introduction to Philosophy*  
*Introduction to Ethics*

**Teaching Assistant.** Boston University. Led two or three weekly discussion sessions, graded and composed exams, and held office hours for the following courses:

*Medical Ethics.* Dr. Grodin (Fall 1998); *Introduction to Ethics.* Dr. Dahlstrom (Spring 1998); *Introduction to Philosophy.* Dr. Rosen (Fall 1997); *Great Philosophers.* Dr. Desmond (Spring 1997); *Logic: Reasoning and Argumentation.* Dr. Webb (Fall 1996)

## ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

**Chair.** Department of Philosophy, Stonehill College. January 2013-present.

**Program Chair.** Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy Annual Conference. December 2010 – October 2013.

**Interim Director.** Moreau Honors Program. Stonehill College. August 2010-May 2011.

**Assistant Director.** Institute for Philosophy and Religion. Boston University. July 2000 - August 2003.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Articles

- “Socrates’ Moral Impiety and Its Role at the Trial: A Reading of *Euthyphro* 6a.” *Polis: The Journal of the Society for Greek Political Thought*, 30(1), 2013: 30-48.
- Review of *Greek Popular Religion in Greek Philosophy* by Jon Mikalson. *Ancient Philosophy*, 2012, 32:2.
- “Trusting the Divine Voice: Socrates and His *Daimonion*.” *Apeiron*, 2012, 45(1), 32-49.
- “A Religious Revolution? How Socrates Undermined the Practice of Sacrifice.” *Ancient Philosophy*, 2011, 31:2. 261-274.
- “Socrates, the Philosopher in the *Theaetetus* Digression (172c-177c), and the Ideal of *Homoiôsis Theôi*.” *Apeiron*, 2011, 44(2): 111-130.
- “Am I My Brother’s Keeper? An Aristotelian Take on Responsibility for Others.” *Responsibility*. Ed. Barbara Darling Smith. *Boston University Studies in Philosophy and Religion*. Vol. 26. Lanham: Lexington Books, 2007.
- “Locke’s Account of Personal Identity: Memory as Fallible Evidence.” *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, 24:1, 2007.
- “Responding to Terror: An Aristotelian Approach.” *Comparative Philosophy in Times of Terror*. Ed. Douglas Allen. Lanham: Lexington Books, 2006.
- “The Matrix and Vedanta: Journeying from the Unreal to the Real.” *More Matrix and Philosophy*, Chicago: Open Court, 2005.
- “Forgiving Judas: Extenuating Circumstances in the Ultimate Betrayal.” *Mel Gibson’s Passion and Philosophy*. Chicago: Open Court, 2004.

### Books

- *Loving the Fine: Goodness and Happiness in Aristotle’s Ethics*. Notre Dame: Notre Dame UP, 2006.
- Editor. *The Stranger’s Religion: Fascination and Fear*. *Boston University Studies in Philosophy and Religion*. Vol. 25. Notre Dame: Notre Dame UP, 2004.
- Editor. *Promise and Peril: The Paradox of Religion as Resource and Threat*. *Boston University Studies in Philosophy and Religion*. Vol. 24. Notre Dame: Notre Dame UP, 2003.

### Other

- Co-creator and co-editor of *Global Philosophy* ([www.globalphilosophyresources.com](http://www.globalphilosophyresources.com)), a site which provides resources for faculty who want to diversify their courses, 2017.
- Contributor to *Thrive Global* (<https://journal.thriveglobal.com/>), 2017.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

- “Trusting the *Daimonion*: Faith and Reason in the Case of Socrates,” Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Religion, Reason and Faith workshop, September 2017, University of Ottawa.
- “Escaping *The Analects*: Why We Need to Teach More Contemporary Asian Texts,” APA Committee on Asian and Asian-American Philosophers and Philosophies panel at the Central American Philosophical Association meeting, Kansas City, MI, March 2017.
- “Using Meditation to Help Us Teach the Bhagavad-Gita,” Teaching Religion panel at the American Academy of Religion annual meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 2016.
- “Integrating Hatha Yoga and Indian Philosophy in a College Course” (Poster presentation), with Kristy Kuhn and Rachel Santos. The 8th Annual Association for Contemplative Mind in Higher Education Conference, Amherst, MA, October 2016.

- “How Can We Critique What We Haven’t Understood? Teaching Cross-cultural Philosophy in Introductory Classes.” Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy panel at the American Academy of Religion annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2015.
- “On Behalf of Euthyphro: A Less Rationalistic Understanding of Piety.” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy Annual Conference, New York City, October 2013.
- “Did Socrates’ Moral Theology Contribute to His Trial and Conviction?” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy Annual Conference, New York City, October 2012.
- “Socrates’ Moral Impiety: A Reading of *Euthyphro* 6a.” (Not the same paper as the one below.) Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy Annual Conference, New York City, October 2011.
- “Socrates’ Moral Impiety: A Reading of *Euthyphro* 6a.” Association for Core Texts and Courses Seventeenth Annual Conference, New Haven, CT. April, 2011.
- “The Religion of Socrates.” Philosophy Forum, State University of New York at Potsdam. March , 2011.
- “A Religious Revolution? How Socrates Undermined the Practice of Sacrifice.” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy panel at the American Philosophical Association meeting, Boston MA, December 2010.
- “Texts and Contexts: What Athens Teaches Us about Plato’s *Apology*.” Association for Core Texts and Courses Sixteenth Annual Conference, New Brunswick, NJ, April, 2010.
- “Trusting the Voice: Socrates and His *Daimonion*.” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy Annual Conference, New York City, October 2009 (Not the same paper as “Hearing Voices” below).
- “Socrates, the Philosopher in the *Theaetetus* Digression (172c-177c), and the Ideal of *Homoiôsis Theôi*.” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy Annual Conference, New York City, October 2008.
- “Hearing Voices: Socrates and his *Daimonion*.” Association for Core Texts and Courses Fourteenth Annual Conference, Plymouth MA, April, 2008.
- “Is It Always Good to Know? Launching from Aristotle’s *Metaphysics* 1.2 (982b15-983a20).” Association for Core Texts and Courses Thirteenth Annual Conference, Williamsburg, VA, March, 2007.
- “Responding to Terror: An Aristotelian Approach.” University of Maine at Orono, November 2006. (Invited presentation, revised version of “Living with Fear” below)
- “Loneliness and Community in Academia: In Honor of Leroy S. Rouner.” Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Pacific Grove, CA, June, 2006.
- “I Don’t Remember My First Day of School, So Am I Still the Same Person? Locke’s Account of Personal Identity.” International Conference on Philosophy, Athens, Greece, June 2006.
- “From Frustration to Insight: Teaching Plato’s *Meno*.” Association for Core Texts and Courses Twelfth Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2006.
- “The Balancing Act of Student/Professor Relationships: Too Hot, too Cold, or Just Right?” Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Pacific Grove, CA, October 2005.
- “I’m a Coach, Not a Bartender: Education in Plato’s *Meno*.” Ninth East-West Philosophers’ Conference, Honolulu, HI, May 2005.
- “Am I My Brother’s Keeper? An Aristotelian Take on Responsibility for Others.” Institute for Philosophy and Religion, Boston University, Boston, MA, February 2004.
- “Living with Fear: Aristotle and the Human Condition.” Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Pacific Grove, CA, May 2003.

## WORKSHOPS ON PEDAGOGY

- Gave presentation and led discussion on team teaching. Endicott College, November 2009.
- With senior colleague, led informal workshop on troubleshooting pilot learning communities. Endicott College, March 2009
- Participated in semester-long seminars on Problem Based Learning (Fall 2008) and How to Teach Critical Thinking (Spring 2006)

### **ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

- Collegium: A Colloquy on Faith and Intellectual life, 2009
- NEH Summer Institute Stipend, "Religion and Politics in India: Culture, History, and the Contemporary Experience," 2004.
- Humanities Foundation Award, Boston University, 2001
- Research Fellow, Institute for Philosophy and Religion, Boston University. 2001-2002.
- Presidential University Teaching Fellow, Boston University. 1996-1999.
- Presidential Fellowship, Boston University. 1995-1996.

### **LANGUAGES**

Swedish, Ancient Greek