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#### **EDUCATION:**

- B.A. (Philosophy) Point Loma Nazarene College
  - Magna Cum Laude

### M.A. (Religion) Yale University Divinity School

- Concentration: Philosophy of Religion / Philosophical Theology
- Advisers: Nicholas Wolterstorff (Ph.D. *Harvard University*) and Marilyn McCord Adams (Ph.D. *Cornell University*)

# M.A. (Philosophy) Claremont Graduate University

• Adviser: Patricia Easton (Ph.D. *University of Western Ontario*)

### Ph.D. in Progress (Philosophy) Claremont Graduate University

- Successfully Passed Qualifying Oral Examination on November 11, 2014
- Folio Papers:

"What exactly is Kant's Problem with Ontological Proof?"

"Privately Religious and Publicly Liberal"

"Self-Deception and Theistic Belief"

• Dissertation: Kant's Refutation of Ontological Proof

Committee Members:

Patricia Easton (Ph.D. University of Western Ontario), Chair

Peter Thielke (Ph.D. University of California, San Diego)

Masahiro Yamada (Ph.D. New York University)

Jill Buroker (Ph.D. University of Chicago), External Examiner

### PRIMARY AREAS OF INTEREST:

- Modern Philosophy (esp. Kant)
- Philosophy of Religion (incl. Analytic Theology)
- Political / Moral Philosophy (esp. Public Reason Liberalism and Religion in the Public Square)

#### SECONDARY AREAS OF INTEREST:

• Philosophy of Mind (esp. Self-Deception and Mind-Body Problem)

- Epistemology (esp. Belief)
- Modern and Contemporary Theology

### **EXPERIENCE** (Academic):

Lecturer in Philosophy (Adjunct with a Renewable Three-Year Contract), *California State University, San Bernardino* 

- Fall 2003 Present
- Courses: Introduction to Philosophical Issues; Critical Thinking through Argument Analysis; Moral Choices in Life; Introduction to Philosophy of Religion; Introduction to Knowledge and Reality

Lecturer in Philosophy (Adjunct with a Renewable One-Year Contract), *California State Polytechnic University, Pomona* 

- Spring 2009, Spring 2011 Present
- Courses: Critical Thinking; Introduction to Philosophy; Ethical Problems of Contemporary Life

Lecturer in Philosophy (Adjunct), Azusa Pacific University

- Spring 2013 Present
- Course: Introduction to Philosophy

Maguire Research Assistant, Claremont Graduate University

- Fall 2015
- Award Amount: \$3,000
- Adviser: Dr. Peter Thielke (Pomona College Philosophy Department)
- Maguire Intercollegiate Award: "The fund is devoted to supporting CGU's students through teaching or research assistantships at The Claremont Colleges. A rate of \$3,000 per semester is provided for either TA or RA positions. Specifically, the fund is for creating opportunities for students to work closely with the undergraduate faculty." [From CGU Website]
- Project: I will work with Prof. Thielke to finish at least one chapter of my dissertation on Kant's refutation of the ontological proof.

Adjunct Faculty Member in Philosophy and Theology (Volunteer), *Asia Pacific Theological Seminary* (Philippines)

- July 2015
- Block Course: Apologetics (Graduate Course) [Note: I designed the course as a graduate course in philosophy of religion, rather than a typical course in apologetics.]

# Research Assistant in Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University

- Summer 2014
- Award Amount: \$5,500
- Project: The award was given to help me make some time to continue working on my third and last folio paper: "Self-Deception and Theistic Belief."

### Instructor of Philosophy (Adjunct), National University

- December 2011
- Course: World Religions (Upper-Level / Online Course)

# Lecturer in Philosophy (Adjunct), Mount Saint Mary's College

- Fall 2010
- Course: Moral Values and Ethical Decisions

## Research Assistant in Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University

- Spring 2009
- Award Amount: \$3,000
- Research Topic: Causation in 17<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy
- Research Director: Dr. Patricia Easton

# Instructor of Philosophy (Adjunct), San Bernardino Valley College

- Fall 2001 Summer 2008
- Courses: Introduction to Philosophy; Introduction to Critical Thinking; Introduction to Logic; Introduction to Ethics; Introduction to Philosophy (Hybrid)

# Instructor of Philosophy (Adjunct), East Los Angeles College

- Spring 2003
- Course: Introduction to Philosophy

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

"Privately Religious and Publicly Liberal." Paper presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Religions in Conversation Conference: <u>Religion and Politics: Governance, Power, and the Sacred, Claremont Graduate University</u>, February 27 - 28, 2015

"Worrisome Implications of a Buddhist View on Selflessness: A Response to Prof. Kalmanson." Response presented at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Philosophy of Religion Conference: <u>Self or No-Self: The Debate about Selflessness and the Sense of Self,</u> *Claremont Graduate University*, February 20 - 21, 2015

"What exactly is Kant's Problem with Ontological Proof?" Paper presented at the Conference on Early Modern Philosophy (sponsored by The Philosopher's Guild of Claremont), *Claremont Graduate University*, May 3, 2013.

#### **WORKS IN PROGRESS:**

- "What exactly is Kant's Problem with Ontological Proof?"
- "Privately Religious and Publicly Liberal"
- "Self-Deception and Theistic Belief"
- Dissertation: Kant's Refutation of Ontological Proof

### **AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Maguire Research Assistantship (Fall 2015), *Claremont Graduate University* [Award Amount: \$3,000] – "The fund is devoted to supporting CGU's students through teaching or research assistantships at The Claremont Colleges. A rate of \$3,000 per semester is provided for either TA or RA positions. Specifically, the fund is for creating opportunities for students to work closely with the undergraduate faculty." [From CGU Website]

Fernandez Prize in Philosophy (May 2015), *Claremont Graduate University* [Award Amount: \$500] – It is a recognition for demonstrating excellence in my work and service for the philosophy department during the 2014 – 2015 academic year.

Research Assistantship in Philosophy (Summer 2014), *Claremont Graduate University* [Award Amount: \$5,500]

Student Mentorship in Philosophy (2011 – 2012), *Claremont Graduate University* [Award Amount: \$1,000]

Research Assistantship in Philosophy (Spring 2009), *Claremont Graduate University* [Award Amount: \$3,000]

James & Anahita Lovelace Fellowship 2000 – 2002, *Claremont Graduate University* Minority Fellowship 2001 – 2002, *Claremont Graduate University* 

Tuition Scholarship 1998 – 2000, Yale University

Magna Cum Laude, Point Loma Nazarene College (PLNC)

Member, Sigma Phi Mu [The Honor Society of PLNC]

President's Scholarship 1996 – 1997, Point Loma Nazarene College

Dean's List 1996 – 1997, Point Loma Nazarene College

G.P.A. Scholarship 1994 – 1996, *Liberty University* 

National Dean's List Award 1994 – 1995

Dean's List 1994 – 1996, Liberty University

Vice-President's List 1994, Southwestern Community College

### **ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE:**

# Student Mentor in Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University

- 2011 2012 Academic Year
- Award Amount: \$1,000
- Duties: Organizing / Hosting Conferences and Talks in Philosophy
- Supervisor: Dr. Patricia Easton

### Reference Clerk (Part-Time), Corona Public Library

- April 2003 January 2004
- Worked at the reference desk: assisted library patrons in using library resources and searching for research materials
- Selected and ordered books for the philosophy and psychology sections of the library

## Reference Clerk (Part-Time), Upland Public Library

- July 2001 September 2003
- Worked at the reference desk: assisted library patrons in using library resources and searching for research materials
- Selected and ordered books for the philosophy and psychology sections of the library

# Library Assistant (Part-Time), Honnold -Mudd Library of the Claremont Colleges

- August 2000 May 2002
- Worked at the copy center of the library: assisted customers of the copy center
- Operated high quality photocopiers, binding machines, fax machine, cash register machine, etc.

# Library Assistant (Part-Time), Yale University Library

- September 1998 May 2000
- Worked directly under the Divinity School librarian as an administrative assistant
- Worked as a data entry clerk for the different departments of the Yale Divinity School library

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:**

Textbook Reviewer (May 2014), *The World of Philosophy: An Introductory Reader* (proposal / under consideration) by Steven M. Cahn (New York: Oxford University Press) [Honorarium: \$250 worth of books from Oxford University Press]

Textbook Reviewer (November 2013), *Philosophy: The Quest for Truth* (9<sup>th</sup> edition) by Louis P. Pojman and Lewis Vaughn (New York: Oxford University Press, 2014) [Honorarium: \$125 worth of books from Oxford University Press]

Textbook Reviewer (Summer 2012), *The Ethical Life: Fundamental Readings in Ethics and Moral Problems* (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition) by Russ Shafer-Landau (New York: Oxford University Press, 2012) [Honorarium: \$300 worth of books from Oxford University Press]

Textbook Reviewer (Summer 2012), *An Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology* (proposal / under consideration) by Jack S. Crumley II (Peterborough: Broadview Press) [Honorarium: \$190 worth of books from Broadview Press]

### LANGUAGES:

English, Tagalog, German (Reading), Koine Greek (Reading)

### LIST OF GRADUATE COURSES:

Yale University:

Kant (Allen W. Wood, Ph.D. Yale University)

Kant's Ethics (Wood)

Hegel's Phenomenology (Wood)

Kierkegaard's Either / Or (Karsten Harries, Ph.D. Yale University)

Nietzsche and Tragedy (Harries)

Philosophy of Religion (Nicholas Wolterstorff, Ph.D. Harvard University)

Concept of God (Wolterstorff)

St. Anselm of Canterbury (Marilyn McCord Adams, Ph.D. Cornell University)

Medieval to Reformation (Adams)

Hegel's Aesthetics (Pierre Keller, Ph.D. Columbia University)

Berkeley, Hume, Reid (Keith DeRose, Ph.D. *University of California, Los Angeles*)

Philosophical Theology of Paul Tillich (David H. Kelsey, Ph.D. *Yale University*)

Systematic Theology I (Kelsey)

Modern and Contemporary Christian Thought (Cyril O'Regan, Ph.D. *Yale University*)

Literature and Legacy of Genesis (Larry Lyke, Ph.D. Harvard University)

Greek Exegesis: Ephesians (Judith Gundry-Volf, Dr. Theol. *Universität Tübingen*)

# Claremont Graduate University:

Epistemology (John M. Vickers, Ph.D. Stanford University)

Philosophy of Language (Vickers)

Logic II (Vickers)

Logical Positivism (Vickers)

Tutorial Reading: Philosophy of Science (Vickers)

Logic and Argumentation (Charles Young, Ph.D. *Johns Hopkins University*) Seminar on Aristotle (Young)

Self-Deception and Epistemic Rationality (Dion Scott-Kakures, Ph.D. *University of Michigan*)

Descartes, Cartesianism, and Desgabes [audit] (Patricia Easton, Ph.D. *University of Western Ontario*)

Cartesian Metaphysics: Mind-Body Problem (Easton)

Kant (Easton)

20<sup>th</sup> Century Ethics (Kurt Norlin, Ph.D. *University of California, Irvine*)

Folio and Dissertation Research Seminar (Easton / Young)

Early Analytic Philosophy [audit] (Masahiro Yamada, Ph.D. New York University)

Early German Idealism [audit] (Peter Thielke, Ph.D. *University of California, San Diego*)

### PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE LIST:

Dr. Patricia Easton (Associate Provost for Student and Enrollment Services / Dean of Students and Professor of Philosophy, *Claremont Graduate University*)

Dr. Jill Buroker (Professor of Philosophy, California State University, San Bernardino)

Dr. Masahiro Yamada (Chair / Associate Professor of Philosophy, *Claremont Graduate University*)

Dr. Matthew Davidson (Chair / Professor of Philosophy, California State University, San Bernardino)