CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:

August 2011 – present	*Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion*, University of West Georgia
August 2006 – July 2011	*Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religion*, University of West Georgia
August 2004 – July 2006	*Teaching Assistant*, Baylor University
August 2002—July 2004	*Research Assistant*, Baylor University

EDUCATION:

August 2002 – July 2006	Baylor University Ph.D., Philosophy; Dissertation: Kierkegaard's Practice of Edification: Indirect Communication, the Virtues, and Christianity (director: Dr. Robert C. Roberts, Distinguished Professor of Ethics) M.A., Philosophy
July 1998 – May 2002	Princeton Theological Seminary Th.M., Philosophical Theology M. Div.
August 1994 – May 1998	Palm Beach Atlantic University B.S., summa cum laude, Suppers Honors Program Major: Finance Minor: Russian Studies

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION: Kierkegaard, Philosophy of Religion / Philosophical Theology

AREAS OF COMPETENCE: Ancient Philosophy, Virtue Ethics, Comparative Religion

PUBLICATIONS

I. Book

Kierkegaard, Communication, and Virtue: Authorship as Edification (forthcoming May 2013, Indiana University Press)

II. Refereed Articles and Book Chapters

"Antitheory and Edification: Williams and Kierkegaard on Some Possibilities for Philosophy" (December 2012, *International Philosophical Quarterly*)

"Kierkegaard as a Christian Psychologist," *Journal of Psychology and Christianity* 30:4 (Winter 2011), 274-83 (co-authored with C. Stephen Evans)

"To Believe or Not to Believe: Toward a Hermeneutic of Trust," *International Kierkegaard Commentary: The Point of View*, ed. Robert L. Perkins (Macon, GA: Mercer University Press, 2010), 78-103

"Kierkegaard and the Classical Virtue Tradition," *Faith and Philosophy* 27:2 (April 2010), 153-73

"Indirect Communication, and the Special Case of Christian Communication," in *Kierkegaard and Christianity* (Acta Kierkegaardiana v.3), eds. A. Burgess, A. Khan, R. Králik, P. Šajda, and J. Turnbull (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2008), 218-28

"What *The Book on Adler* Can Teach about the Author and the Authorship," in *International Kierkegaard Commentary: The Book on Adler*, ed. Robert L. Perkins (Macon, GA: Mercer University Press, 2008), 97-120

"Aristotle, Aquinas, and Kierkegaard on Prudence," in *International Kierkegaard Commentary: 'Christian Discourses' and 'The Crisis and a Crisis in the Life of an Actress*,' ed. Robert L. Perkins (Macon, GA: Mercer University Press, 2007), 165-89

"Doubts about Doubting: Kierkegaard's Response to Skepticism in *Works of Love*," *Southwest Philosophy Review* 21:2 (July 2005), 23-35

"Being Anxious for Nothing: Heidegger and Kierkegaard on Anxiety," *Dialogue: Journal of Phi Sigma Tau* 47:2-3 (April 2005), 67-78.

"Motivation and Job Satisfaction," *Management Decision* 36:4 (1998), 226-31.

III. Book Reviews

(forthcoming) *Kierkegaard and Theology*, by Murray Rae (T & T Clark), for *Scottish Journal of Theology.*

Sylvia Walsh, *Kierkegaard: Thinking Christianly in an Existential Mode* (Oxford University Press, 2008), in *Scottish Journal of Theology* 65:2 (January 2012), 238-39.

Marcus Pound, *Theology, Psychoanalysis, and Trauma* (London: SCM Press, 2007), in *Review of Metaphysics* 63:3 (March 2010), 717-19.

Mark Dooley, *The Politics of Exodus: Kierkegaard's Ethics of Responsibility* (New York, NY: Fordham University Press, 2001), in *Dialogue: Journal of Phi Sigma Tau* 46: 2-3 (April 2004), 121-23.

PRESENTATIONS**:**

"Socrates and Solomon: Toward a Compatible Conception of Wisdom," presented at the Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers biennial conference, Union University (Jackson, TN, October 2012)

"Toward a Kierkegaardian Conception of Virtue," presented at the International Kierkegaard Conference: "Kierkegaard's Late Upbuilding Discourses," Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre (Copenhagen, Denmark, May 2012)

"Kierkegaard, Philosophy, and Edification," presented at The Society for Philosophy of Religion 2011 annual meeting (Hilton Head, SC, February 2011)

"Williams and Kierkegaard on Reductionism in Ethics," presented at the Sixth International Kierkegaard Conference, "Why Kierkegaard Still Matters," St. Olaf College (Northfield, MN, June 2010)

"To Believe or Not to Believe: Reading *The Point of View,*" presented on the Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture group panel at the American Academy of Religion annual meeting (Montreal, Canada, November 2009)

"Kierkegaard on Communication," presented at the fall meeting of the Georgia Philosophical Society (Decatur, GA, November 2008)

"Does Kierkegaard Have a Point of View?" presented on the main program at the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association (Pasadena, CA, March 2008)

"Kierkegaard and the Classical Virtue Tradition," presented at the Southeast Commission for the Study of Religion (Atlanta, GA, March 2008)

"Blunt Readings of Kierkegaard," presented at the spring meeting of the Georgia Philosophical Society (Athens, GA, March 2007)

"Edification as a Philosophy of Pedagogy," presented at the 28th Annual Association of Integrative Studies Conference (Atlanta, GA, October 2006)

"Doubts about Doubting: Kierkegaard's Response to Skepticism in *Works of Love* (revised)", presented at the Søren Kierkegaard Society meeting at the Central Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association (Chicago, IL, April 2006)

"Kierkegaard's Bad News about Christian Love," presented at the Pacific Regional meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (Newberg, OR, April 2005)

"Love for the Other in Kierkegaard," presented at Loyola University's graduate philosophy conference (Chicago, IL, March 2005)

"Doubts about Doubting: Kierkegaard's Response to Skepticism in *Works of Love*," presented at the Eighth Annual Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference (Oxford, England, November 2004).

"Earnestness and the Task of Existence," presented at the Tenth Biennial BAPT (Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers) Meeting (Dallas, TX, October 2004)

"Rorty and Kierkegaard on the Nature of Human Finitude," presented at the Pacific Regional meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (La Mirada, CA, February 2004).

OTHER CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Comments on Ellen Charry's "The Doctrine of God as a Guide for the Emotions," Christian Positive Psychology Conference, Regent University (Virginia Beach, VA, October 2012)

Comments on R. Zachary Manis's "Kierkegaard and Contemporary Philosophy," Sixth International Kierkegaard Conference, "Why Kierkegaard Still Matters," St. Olaf College (Northfield, MN, June 2010)

COURSES TAUGHT:

- Logic
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to Philosophy: Studies in Irish Philosophy
- Introduction to Religion
- Introduction to Religion Honors
- Introduction to World Religions
- Critical Thinking
- Philosophy and Religion
- Ancient and Medieval Philosophy
- Religious Texts
- Philosophy of Religion
- World Religions
- Christian Thought
- Christian Thought: Studies in Irish Christianity
- Senior Seminar (Kierkegaard: The Danish Socrates)
- Independent Studies
    - Jewish Philosophy
    - Human Freedom and Divine Foreknowledge
    - Virtue Ethics

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**:**

June 2010	Summer Fellow, Hong Kierkegaard Library, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN
January 2010	College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Research Grant, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, GA
November 2009 – 2012	Participant in Science for Ministry Initiative, John Templeton Foundation, Princeton, NJ

June – July 2005 Summer Fellow, Hong Kierkegaard Library, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Post-tenure Review Appeals Committee, 2012 – present
Departmental Faculty Status Committee, 2012 – present
Disciplinary Appeals Committee, 2011 – 2012
Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, 2011 – 2012
Ad Hoc Committee on Learning Outcomes in Core Area B, 2010 – 2011
Ad Hoc Committee on Learning Outcomes in Core Area E, 2010 – 2011
English and Philosophy Department Advisory Committee, 2010 – 2011
Major Events Steering Committee, 2010 – 2011
Learning Resources Committee, 2009 – 2011
Task force on Associate Deans, Department Chairs, Academic Program Directors and the Coordinators of Interdisciplinary Programs, 2009
General Education Committee, 2008 – 09
Philosophy Program Search Committees, 2008, 2009 – 10, 2012
Departmental Ad Hoc Committee on Satisfactory Progress, 2008
Exit Interview Committee for graduate student in psychology, Jason Ighani, 2008
Student Life Committee, 2007- 09
Faculty Sponsor, West Georgia Philosophical Society, 2007 – 2011
Faculty Advisor to philosophy majors, 2006 – present

OTHER EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITES

Advisor of student presentations, Kevin King, "Divine Revelation and Instrumental Religion," and Caroline Money, "Morality, A Sense of Obligation," English and Philosophy Undergraduate Conference, March 2012

"Teaching Critical Thinking," tutor-training workshops for EXCEL Center, April 23, 2009, January 14, 2010

"Critical Thinking Skills," presentation to two sections of UWG 1101, October 9, 2009

Chair, Humanities Division of Research Day, March 5, 2009, March 2, 2010

"Critical Thinking Skills," presentations in EXCEL Center's Success Seminars series, September 25, 2007, September 29, 2009

Advisor of student presentation, Geoff Lundeen, Research Day, Humanities Division (First place) and Big Night presentation, "Søren Kierkegaard's 'Anti-Intellectualism'," March 5, 2009, April 1, 2009

Advisor of student presentation, Donny Smith, "Suicide as the Fundamental Philosophical Problem," Research Day, Humanities Division, March 5, 2009

Editor, Senior Seminar anthology “Kierkegaard: The Danish Socrates,” January 2009

Guest lecturer on St. Augustine’s *Confessions*, Dr. Emily Hipchen’s English 4106: Studies in Genre: Autobiography, November 4, 6, 2008

Co-chair, Humanities Division of Research Day, March 6, 2008

Advisor of student presentation, Timothy Wright, “The Sacred Whore,” Research Day, Humanities Division, March 2, 2008

Guest lecturer on Kierkegaard’s *Fear and Trembling*, Dr. Kate Briggs’s graduate seminar in psychology, September 4, 2007

Co-advisor (with Dr. Julie Bartley) of student presentation, Ellie Busse and Ashley Manning, “Geo-Logic: Breaking Ground between Philosophy and the Earth Sciences,” Georgia Academy of Science, Albany, GA, March 31, 2007

“Religious and Spiritual Diversity,” presentation to Resident Assistants, February 25, 2007

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Moderator of panel session following viewing of the film, “Little Town of Bethlehem,” public event held at UWG, February 28, 2012

"Science and Religion: Friends, Foes, or Something Else?" presentation for the Religious Studies Institute, First Baptist Church, Carrollton, GA, August 15, 2010

“Faith and Science,” a presentation (co-presented with Dr. Marjorie Snipes) for youth, First Baptist Church, Carrollton, GA, April 11, 2010

“Kierkegaard, Christianity, and a Peculiar Kind of Philosophy,” presentation at the Neva Lomason Library, Carrollton, GA, as part of the “College of Arts and Sciences at the Library” series, December 5, 2010

“The Resurrection,” presentation for the Religious Studies Institute, First Baptist Church, Carrollton, GA, March 14, 2010

“What Kierkegaard Can Teach the South,” presentation for the Religious Studies Institute, First Baptist Church, Carrollton, GA, March 9, 2008

Advisor, Religious Studies Institute, First Baptist Church, Carrollton, GA, 2007 - present

Reading Group Leader, C.S. Lewis’s *The Problem of Pain*, summer 2007; C.S. Lewis’s *Mere Christianity*, summer 2008; William Young’s *The Shack*, summer 2009

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Philosophical Association
American Academy of Religion

Søren Kierkegaard Society (secretary-treasurer, 2010-2013)
Society of Christian Philosophers
Society for Philosophy of Religion

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