

Keith Buhler

Curriculum Vitae

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CONTACT

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RESEARCH

Specialization: Ethics, metaethics.

Competence: History of philosophy (especially ancient, medieval), philosophy of mind, philosophy of religion, bioethics, and applied ethics.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Kentucky (defense scheduled for 2016)
M.A. Philosophy, University of Kentucky, 2015
M.A. Applied Orthodox Theology, University of Lebanon, 2014
B.A. Humanities, Biola University, 2004

DISSERTATION

Becoming What We Are: Virtue and Practical Wisdom as Natural Ends in Recent Neo-Aristotelian Ethics, (Director: David Bradshaw)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. "Organic Naturalism: Teleological Realism in the Foundation of Ethics" (submitted for initial review)
2. "The Case for Agnosticism about Causal Closure" (submitted for initial review)

3. "Practical, Rational Motivation" (in progress)

PRESENTATIONS

1. "The 'Cosmic Question:' Teleology in Thomas Nagel's *Mind and Cosmos*, University of San Diego, 2016.
2. "Fairy Tale Nihilism: The Empty Hero in *Kung Fu Panda* and *The Great and Powerful Oz*", Baylor University Faith and Film Conference, 2014.
3. "Is the Cosmos Causally Closed? Inductive Arguments Can't Show It," Oxford University, 2014.
4. "Socratic Spiritual Direction," SOPHIA Conference, 2014.
5. "I Wouldn't Imagine That if I Were You: Moral Imaginative Resistance in a Virtue Ethics," University of South Carolina & Rhodes College, 2014.

CONFERENCE COMMENTS AND SERVICE

1. Comments on David Skowronski's "Inductive Reasoning in Naturalism and Supernaturalism." 2016
2. Comments on Andrew Greenlee's "Combating the Normativity Challenge to Virtue Ethics," Rhodes College, 2014
3. Session Chair, *Special Divine Action* Conference, Oxford University, 2014
4. Referee for Kentucky Graduate School Conference submissions, 2013

INVITED PUBLIC TALKS

1. "Morality: Rule-following or New Life?," Wesleyan Society, 2014.
2. "Reading Great Books in Classical Education," Veritas Academy, 2013.
3. "The Goodness of the Tao: CS Lewis' *Abolition of Man*," Torrey Academy, 2012.
4. "Is Vainglory Pride? Dorothy Sayers' *Gaudy Night*," Torrey Academy, 2012.
5. "Does Love Cover a Multitude of Sins?," Hope Academy, 2011.
6. "Hope and the Cycle of Desire," Hope Academy, 2011.

7. "The Divided Self," Hephatha Lutheran Church, 2011.
8. "The Art of Conversation; Conversation with Art," Wheatstone Academy, 2011.
9. "The Virtue of Constancy," Hope Academy, 2009.
10. "Life Experience as a Text: Learning From Initiatives," Torrey Honors Institute, Biola University, 2007.

TEACHING

Asbury University and University of Kentucky quantitative teaching evaluation average, 2015-2016: **3.7 out of 4**

1. Business Ethics (upper division), UK F2016
2. Philosophy of C.S. Lewis (upper division seminar), Asbury F2016
3. Philosophy of Religion (upper division seminar) Asbury summer 2016
4. Virtue Ethics and Wisdom (upper division seminar) Asbury S2016
5. Health Care Ethics (upper division), UK 2015-2016
6. Introduction to Philosophy, UK and Asbury 2014-2016
7. Ethics, UK 2013-2014
8. Logic, UK S2013
9. Philosophy of Science (as teaching assistant) Biola University, summer 2004

SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHING

20th Century British Literature, Veritas Academy 2013
 Plato on Being and Knowing, Torrey Academy 2011
 Aristotelian Logic, Torrey Academy 2009-2010
 Foundations of American Thought, Torrey Academy 2009-2012
 Ancient and Medieval Literature, Torrey Academy 2008-2012
 20th Century British Literature, Torrey Academy 2007-2012

OTHER LEADERSHIP AND TEACHING

2013-2014 Director of High School Studies, Veritas Academy
 2010-2012 Master Tutor, Torrey Academy
 2001-2011 Tutor & Lecturer, Wheatstone Academy, Fullerton, CA.
 2010-2012 Tutor, Etum Academy, Fullerton, CA
 2007-2010 Tutor, Torrey Academy, La Mirada CA
 2004-2005 Assistant Director, Wheatstone Academy

2001-2002 Great Books Tutor, Willow Elementary, Long Beach, CA.

2001 English Teacher, Biola University Abroad, Mongolia.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

“Preparing Future Faculty,” Morris Grubbs. 2016.

COURSEWORK

In Ethics

S2016 Seminar on Post-Kantian Ethics: Fichte and Hegel on Right. Dan Breazeale.

F2015 Metaethics (Dissertation residency). David Bradshaw.

S2014 Seminar on Ethics and Bodily Autonomy. Anita Superson.

S2014 Ethical Naturalism (Independent study). David Bradshaw.

F2012 Ethics from Hobbes to Feminism. Anita Superson.

F2015 Seminar on Metaethics and Motivation. Anita Superson.

F2014 Virtue and After Virtue (Independent study). David Bradshaw.

In Ancient Philosophy

S2016 Seminar on Plato’s Forms and the Death of Gods (audit). Eric Sanday

S2014 Seminar on Plato’s *Philebus* and *Timaeus*. Eric Sanday.

S2013 Seminar on Plato’s *Parmenides*. Eric Sanday.

S2013 Aristotle and Aristotelians on Mind (Independent study). David Bradshaw.

F2012 Ancient Greek Metaphysics. Eric Sanday.

In Philosophy of Mind

F2013 Seminar on Mind and Imagination. Clare Batty.

S2009 Philosophy of Mind. JP Moreland.

F2012 Seminar on Kantian Idealism. Stefan Bird-Pollan.

In Metaphysics, Epistemology, etc.

F2013 Seminar on Metaphysical Naturalism. David Bradshaw.

S2013 Philosophy of Religion. David Bradshaw.

S2013 Seminar on Metaethics and Normative Language. Tim Sundell.

F2013 Symbolic Logic. Tim Sundell.

F2008 Metaphysics of Substance and Property. JP Moreland.

AFFILIATIONS

Torrey Honors Institute (Academic Honors Society) 2011-present

American Philosophical Association, 2014-present

Society of Orthodox Philosophers in America, 2014-present

International Society for MacIntyrean Enquiry, 2015-present

National Association of Scholars, 2016-present

LANGUAGES

Reading proficiency in Ancient Greek

Speaking fluency in Spanish

REFERENCES

David Bradshaw, Professor of Philosophy University of Kentucky, 1415 Patterson dbradsh@uky.edu / 859.257.7107	John Reynolds, President, The Saint Constantine School 6000 Dale Carnegie Lane Houston, TX, 77036 johnmarkreynolds@gmail.com / 832.975.7075
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