

KEITH BUHLER, Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH

Specialization: Ethics, metaethics.

Competence: Ancient, philosophy of mind, philosophy of religion, bioethics, and applied ethics.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Kentucky (in progress, 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

Director: David Bradshaw

Title: *Becoming What We Are: Virtue and Practical Wisdom as Natural Ends in Recent Neo-Aristotelian Ethics*

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, 2007.

TEACHING

1. Business Ethics (upper division), UK F2016
2. Health Care Ethics (upper division), UK 2015-2016
3. Philosophy of Religion (upper division seminar) Asbury summer 2016
4. Philosophy of C.S. Lewis (upper division seminar), Asbury F2016
5. Virtue Ethics and Wisdom (upper division seminar) Asbury S2016
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

EVALUATIONS

Quantitative teaching evaluation average: **3.7 out of 4** (Asbury University and University of Kentucky from 2015-2016)

SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHING

1. 20th Century British Literature, Veritas Academy 2013
2. Plato on Being and Knowing, Torrey Academy 2011
3. Aristotelian Logic, Torrey Academy 2009-2010
4. Foundations of American Thought, Torrey Academy 2009-2012
5. Ancient and Medieval Literature, Torrey Academy 2008-2012
6. 20th Century British Literature, Torrey Academy 2007-2012

OTHER LEADERSHIP AND TEACHING

1. Director of High School Studies, Veritas Academy, 2013-2014
2. Master Tutor, Torrey Academy, 2010-2012
3. Tutor & Lecturer, Wheatstone Academy, 2001-2011.
4. ESL Tutor, Etum Academy, 2010-2012.
5. Tutor, Torrey Academy, 2007-2010.
6. Assistant Director, Wheatstone Academy, 2004-2005.
7. Tutor, Willow Elementary “Junior Great Books” GATE Program, 2001-2002.
8. ESL English Teacher, Biola University Abroad in Mongolia, 2001

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 John Reynolds, President, The Saint Constantine School

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