

Curriculum Vitae

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- Education:**
- Ph.D.* Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California, Philosophy, coursework completed, Dissertation: “Towards Grand Ends: Grasped and Practiced”, Advisor Dr. Charles Young
 - M.A.* Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California, Philosophy, 2003
 - M.A.E.C.* St. John’s College, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Eastern (Asian) Classics, 1997
 - M.A.L.A.* St. John’s College, Annapolis, Maryland, (Classical Western) Liberal Arts, 1996
 - A.B.* Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, Political Science, 1984
 - H.S. Diploma* The Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, New Jersey, 1980
- Current Positions:**
(with courses taught)
- Professor, Coordinator of Philosophy & Religious Studies, *Introduction to Philosophy, Ethics, Moral Choices/Applied Ethics, Logic, Eastern Philosophy, Business Ethics, Political Philosophy, Critical Thinking*, Mercer County Community College
 - Founder & Principal, Bettering Bearings, LLC, A Judgment & Governance Advisory: Epistemic & Ethical judgment formation and preservation for individuals, businesses and agencies, and artificial intelligence
- Conferences:**
- “Judgment Preservation Beyond Explainability: Institutional Answerability in AI-Mediated Action”, The Cairo International Workshop: Ethics and Artificial Intelligence, British University of Egypt, Cairo, Egypt, Fall 2026
 - “From Efficient Administration to Competent Oversight: A Governance Adequacy Framework for Public-Sector LLMs”, International Conference on Implementation of Large Language Models (LLMs) in the Public Sector: Issues of Ethical Governance and Sustainability. Sorbonne University, Abu Dhabi, UAE, Fall 2026
 - “From Artificial Intelligence Literacy to Judgment Literacy: Adequacy Floors for Artificial Intelligence-Mediated Information Use”, Annual Meeting Conference for the Association of Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T), Bangkok, Thailand, Fall 2026
 - “Epistemic Delegation Risk in Conversational Search: Reliance Failure Beyond Retrieval Error”, Annual Meeting Conference for the Association of Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T), Bangkok, Thailand, Fall 2026
 - “From Tool to Milieu: Artificial Intelligence and the Re-Bearing of Human-Technics Relations” Philosophy of Technology and AI: Traditions, Transitions, and Tensions Conference, University of Bonn, Germany, Fall 2026
 - “Business Ethics After Compliance: Judgment Infrastructure, Answerability, and the Responsible Use of Technology”, 50th Anniversary Conference of the Hoffman Center for Business Ethics, Bentley University, Massachusetts, USA, Fall 2026
 - “Bioethics Beyond Balancing: Adequacy Floors, Non-Compensable Constraints, and Answerable Judgment”, Big Bioethics Workshop, South Dakota State University, Fall, 2026
 - “Moral Psychology as Judgment Ecology: A Bettering Bearings Account of AI-Mediated Moral Formation”, 2026 International Society for Moral Psychology Conference, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA Fall 2026
 - “Bettering Bearings and Moral-Based Public Administration: Judgment as Governance Infrastructure”, 11th Annual International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives, Durban, South Africa, Fall 2026

- “Higher Education Governance beyond Efficiency: Student Formation, Public Administration, and Artificial Intelligence”*, 11th Annual International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives, Durban, South Africa, Fall 2026
- “Knowledge Integrity Under Artificial Intelligence: Judgment, Research Ethics, and University Governance”*, 11th Annual International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives, Durban, South Africa, Fall 2026
- “Adequacy and Justified Choice under Incomplete Betterness”*, Fourth Annual Workshop on Value Theory, Lund University, Lund Sweden, Fall 2026
- “Responsible Delegation and Epistemic Standing: Does AI Reliance Risk Higher-Order Defeaters?”*, 2026 British Society for the Theory of Knowledge Biennial Conference (BSTK), Exeter College, University of Oxford, United Kingdom, Fall 2026
- “Preserving and Forming Human Judgment in Administrative AI: Adequacy Floors for Lawful and Accountable Public Governance”*, International Institute of Administrative Science, European Group for Public Administration (EGPA) 2026 Conference at the Sapienza University of Rome, Italy, Fall 2026
- “Judgment-Preserving Governance for Large Language Model Deployment in Engineering and Organizational Systems”*, 2nd International Conference on Intelligent Systems and Computational Strategies in Engineering and Technology (ICICET 2026), University Canada West, Vancouver, Canada, Fall 2026
- “Judgment in a World of Becoming”*, 2026 International Whitehead Conference, Beijing Normal–Hong Kong Baptist University (BNBU), Zhuhai, China, Summer 2026
- “Institutional Judgment Under Mixed Normativities”*, The European Conference on Arts & Humanities (ECAH2026), University College, London, United Kingdom, Summer 2026
- “Agentic AI Without Machine Agency: Fitting Individuation, Judgment Preservation, and Responsibility Flow”*, Australasian Association of Philosophy, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand, Fall 2026
- “When AI Ethics Is Captured: Preserving Judgment Against Explanation, Theatre and Checklist Governance”*, 5th International Conference on Ethics of Artificial Intelligence (5ICEAI), University of Zagreb, Croatia, Summer 2026
- “Democratic Judgment Infrastructure in the Digital Age: Affective Polarization, Trust, and Epistemic Agency”*, Epistemic Dimensions of Democratic Deliberation Conference, Rijeka University, Croatia, Summer 2026
- “Judgment Literacy as Infrastructure for AI-Driven Management: Adequacy Floors for Responsible Organizational Decision-Making”*, 2026 International Conference on Contemporary Management Department of Business Administration, Da-Yeh University, Taiwan, Summer 2026
- “From Noosphere to Judgment Ecology: Governing Artificial Intelligence-Augmented Collective Thought”*, International Conference on Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence: Noosphere and Humanity. Institute of Science, Technology and Society, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, Summer 2026
- “Delegation Without Abdication: Agentic AI, Human Judgment Formation, and the Ethics of What Should Remain Human”*, Featured at Ethics and Agentic AI Symposium, Centering AI in Society and Ethics (CASE) Initiative at North Carolina State University, Summer 2026
- “Judgment Without Understanding? Artificial Intelligence-Mediated Agency and Epistemic Responsibility”*, 6th International Conference on Philosophy of Mind: Artificial Intelligence, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Porto, Portugal, Spring 2026
- “Judgment Literacy as Infrastructure for Sustainable Artificial Intelligence”*

Governance", The 13th Annual NJBDA Symposium: Building Accessible & Sustainable AI Ecosystems: People, Data, Ethics, & Infrastructure, Rowan University, New Jersey, Spring 2026
 "Engineering Judgment Under Uncertainty: From Expertise to Adequacy", Ethics, Epistemology, and Engineering Workshop, Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium, University of Delaware, Spring 2026
 "She-Lunking Plato's Cave" in the "Perennial Conversations and Questions within the Western Tradition", 16th Annual Association for Core Texts and Courses International Conference, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Theme: "Engaging Worlds: Core Texts and Cultural Contexts". Spring 2010

Journal Articles:

"From Ethical AI Principles to Judgment Infrastructure: A Bettering Bearings Approach for Latin America and the Caribbean", Proceedings of the 2nd Latin American Ethics on Artificial Intelligence (LAAI), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Fall 2026
"Judgment Preservation in Augmented Intelligence Systems: A Governance Model for Delegated Artificial Intelligence Action", Journal of the International Society for the Systems Sciences, Vol. 70 No. 1, 2026
"Irreplaceable Persons and the Phenomenology of Adequate Regard", Special issue: Phenomenologies of Unique Value, Duquesne Studies in Phenomenology, Forthcoming

**Faculty Positions: Past (Lecturer/Instructor/Visiting/Adjunct):
 (with courses taught)**

William Patterson University, *Liberal Arts Colloquium: On Justice, Identities*
 Middlesex College, *Ethics, Introduction to Philosophy*
 The College of New Jersey, *Symbolic Logic, Contemporary Moral Issues, Introduction to Philosophy*
 Rider University, *Plato & Aristotle, Ethics, Social Philosophy, Business Ethics*,
 Rutgers University at Camden, *American Philosophy, Contemporary Moral Issues, Special Topics in Philosophy – Asian Philosophy, Modern Social & Political Philosophy, Graduate Seminar: Comparative Virtue Ethics – Aristotle & Confucius*
 West Chester University, *Introduction to Philosophy, Critical Thinking & Problem Solving*
 Bucks County Community College, *Ethics, Basic Problems of Philosophy*,
 Montclair State University, *Introduction to Philosophy & Introduction to Religion*
 Rowan University, *Symbolic Logic, Introduction to Philosophy, Logic of Everyday Reasoning, Philosophy & Society, Business Ethics*
 Burlington County College, *Logic & Introduction to Philosophy*
 Felician College, *Applied Ethical Reasoning & Business Ethics*
 California State University, San Bernardino, *Introduction to Philosophy of Religion, Introduction to Philosophy, , Introduction to Ethical Issues , Introduction to Asian Philosophy & Humanities – American Ideas in American Culture Capstone On Expertise & Mastery*
 Cerritos College, *Introduction to Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of Cultural Diversity, Critical Thinking & Argumentative Writing*
 University of La Verne, *Values & Critical Thinking*
 St. John's College - Santa Fe, *All College Seminar, Community Seminars*

Grants:

Princeton University CCFP Fellowship, 2026
 Teagle Foundation Cornerstone: Learning for Living Grant, Pathways Courses Co-Leader, 2025
 Smithsonian Museums on Main Street Grant: Voices and Votes: Democracy in America, Exhibit Site Program Director. 2022
 Macquire Fellowship, Claremont Graduate University
 Tuition Fellowship, Claremont Graduate University
 Eastern Studies Fellowship, St. John's College – Santa Fe, NM

Graduate Studies Grant, St. John's College - Annapolis, MD
Army R.O.T.C. Scholarship, Davidson College

- Teaching Training:** Leadership Academy, MCCC
Professional Teaching & Training Scholar, Claremont Graduate University
Teaching Assistant, Philosophy of Science, Pitzer College
Preparing Future Faculty Fellow, Claremont Graduate University
Teaching Practica Program Certificate, CGU Philosophy Department
Certified Touchstones Seminar Leader, St. John's College - Annapolis
- Professional Organizations:** American Philosophical Association
American Association of Philosophy Teachers
American Philosophy of Science Association
Association for Core Texts and Courses
Association for Informal Logic & Critical Thinking
Association for the Study of Higher Education
Australasian Association of Philosophy
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum
Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO)
- Research Languages:** Chinese (Classical), German, Greek (Attic)
- Other Academic Roles:** Coordinator, Philosophy and Religious Studies, College Liaison, Trenton Civic Trust; Coach, Mercer APPE IEB Ethics Bowl Team, 2025 Two-Year College National Championship - Quarter-Finalist; Philosophy S.P.A. Club Advisor
- Past: Chair, Social Science Department; Chair, Academic Integrity Committee; Co-Chair, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee; Coordinator of Political Science; Co-Chair, Liberal Arts Program Group, Team Co-Leader, Teagle Humanities Grant Faculty Chair, Civics Initiative, Mentor, Princeton University GradFutures / Community College Teaching Programs; Faculty Search Committee Chair, Faculty Advisor. 5 Star Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, Teacher, Local High School Honors Sections; Professor. NJ Prisons System, Reviewer, Beacon Conference for Undergraduate Scholarship.
- Popular articles:** [*"Hume, AI, and the Boundaries of What Can Be Thought"*](#) Substack
[*"The Machine Cannot Think From Your Place: Arendt belongs near the center of our conversation about AI"*](#), Substack
[*"The Chair Is Not in Your Mind: John Locke, Artificial Intelligence, and the Appearance of Judgment"*](#), Substack
[*"The Way Forward Is the Mean: After the State of Scholarship Report"*](#), Substack
[*"Artificial Intelligence and the New Scope Temptation: How Seeing More Is Not So Easily Knowing Better"*](#), Substack
[*"From Plato's Cave to Metric Capture: Why Judgment Still and Especially Matters Today"*](#), Substack
[*"The New Printing Press? Revisiting the Printing Press Analogy in the Age of Generative Artificial Intelligence"*](#), Substack
[*"Stop Using the First Exposed as Your Test Lab: Why Artificial Intelligence deployment needs an exposure ethics review before the damage becomes the evidence?"*](#), Substack
[*"We Need Plato Now—But Not as a Blueprint"*](#), Substack
- Previous Employment:** US Army staff officer, business owner, company division and department head working in operations, sales, production, information technology, transportation and accounting, retail store and region manager, a community center director, college registrar, as well as a member of and reporter to multiple boards.