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PhD in Philosophy, University of California, San Diego  
M.A. in Philosophy, University of California, San Diego  
B.A. in Philosophy (second major in Psychology), University of Redlands

Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 2011-present  
Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 2002-2011  
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 1999-2002  
Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, Xavier University (Ohio), 1992-1999  
Associate in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of California, San Diego, 1991-92  
Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, University of Redlands, Fall 1989

Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of the Pacific, 2002-2006 and 2018-present  
Supervisor, Social Sciences & Humanities Administrative Hub, University of the Pacific, 2023-present  
Co-Chair, Department of Economics, University of the Pacific, 2022-23  
Assistant Provost of Student Academic Support & Retention, University of the Pacific, 2014-2016  
Assistant Provost of Academic Affairs, University of the Pacific, 2012-2014  
Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences and Director of General Education, University of the Pacific,  
2004-2012

*Assistant Provost of Student*



Co-directed with the Dean of Students the First-Year Experience Committee to improve student success

Worked with the Office of Student Life to coordinate academic programming in residence halls for Pacific e<sup>TM</sup>





"The Utility of Religious Illusion: A Critique of J.S. Mill's Religion of Humanity," *Utilitas*, Volume 12, No. 2, July 2000, pp. 137-154.

"Ridding Reason of a Transcendent God: Feuerbach's Completion of Kant," Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Seattle University, fall 2005.

"Protecting Freedom & Promoting Virtue in J.S. Mill's Liberalism," University of Redlands, Oct 2003.

"Ridding Reason of a Transcendent God: Feuerbach's Completion of Kant," University of Redlands, spring 2002.

"Philosophical Counseling for Counselors," American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, March 2001.

"Religious Illusion in J.S. Mill's Religion of Humanity," Transylvania University, October 1998.

"Protecting Liberty and Promoting Virtue in Mill's On Liberty: A Rejoinder to Fitzjames Stephen," University of Toledo, November 1996.

"Hegel's Missing Moral Virtues?" for The Ohio Philosophical Association, April 1996.

"Infusing Personal and Social Responsibility Into University-Wide Learning Competencies," AAC&U Academic Renewal Conference "Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility: A Twenty-First Century Imperative," October 2011

"Ethics and Ethical Self-Reflection in a University-Wide Capstone Course" (poster-session), AAC&U Academic Renewal Conference, October 2009.

Workshop titled "Ethics and Narrative" for the AAC&U Core Commitments Summer Institute, July 2008.

"Building Campus Partnerships in an Academic Seminar," Annual National Resource Center Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2007.

"Don't Try This Alone: Educating Students to Become Citizen Leaders," Annual AAC&U Conference, January 2007.

"Renovating Pacific's Full-First Year Mentor Program," Annual National Resource Center Conference on the First-Year Experience, February 2006.

"Pacific Mentor Program: Connecting Liberal Learning and Citizenship," Annual AAC&U Conference, January 2006.

"Pacific Seminar 1: Opportunities and Obstacles," First Year Experience Spring Convocation, California State University, Sacramento, January 2011.

"The Pacific Seminars and LEAP," an invited LEAP Faculty Workshop presentation for the AAC&U Academic Renewal Conference "Shaping Faculty Roles," April 2009.

Pre-conference workshop on "Educating for Personal and Social Responsibility in General Education" for AAC&U Conference "Integrative Designs for General Education and Assessment," February 2008.

Panel presentation on the Pacific S





2008 conference workshop 'The Capacity and Preparatory Review  
Workshop: "Seeing the Big Picture: Thinking Systematically About Educating Students for