

Justin D. Barnard

Curriculum Vitae
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CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Professor of Philosophy in the Honors Community, 2016 – Present
Union University, Jackson, Tennessee

PRIOR ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor of Philosophy, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, 2008-2016 (**tenured 2011**)
Scholar-in-Residence, Fellows Program, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, 2007-2009
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Crichton College, Memphis, Tennessee, 2004-2007
Lecturer in Philosophy, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, 2002-2004
Instructor & Teaching Assistant, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, 1996-2002

PRIOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS WITH SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

Union University: Jackson, Tennessee

Associate Dean, Institute for Intellectual Discipleship **2011-2016**

- ♦ Created and led faculty development retreat/workshop on pedagogy and formation for interdisciplinary faculty group.
- ♦ Assumed leadership for and expanded offerings in Union University's Town and Gown lecture series by including two satellite campuses through live simulcast – doubling enrollment in general education courses for non-traditional student population.
- ♦ Provided ongoing supervision for freshman first-year-experience course (UNI 195: Gateway) – annual recruiting, training, and coordinating of over 35 faculty and qualified staff members.

Director, Carl F.H. Henry Center for Christian Leadership **2007-2011**

- ♦ Designed, implemented, and directed the pilot for a new first-year-experience course for approx. 450 incoming freshmen (UNI 195: Gateway), creating a unique delivery system for the same.
- ♦ Organized and hosted numerous university-wide lectures, conferences, and public events
- ♦ Co-coordinated major symposium for Muslim and Christian philosophers on religious epistemology in Iran (2010).

Crichton College: Memphis, Tennessee

Dean, School of Arts and Sciences **2005-2007**

- ♦ Initiated and led faculty through major revision of the mission and identity statement for the School of Arts and Sciences.
- ♦ Initiated and led faculty through the creation of new guidelines for faculty review/promotion and tenure.
- ♦ Collaborated with Office of Institutional Effectiveness to provide academic program review information toward reaccreditation.

EDUCATION

Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida

Ph.D. in Philosophy, August 2002

Dissertation: *Rationally Justified Belief and Mental Causation:
An Epistemic Argument Against Physicalism*

Dissertation Advisor: Alfred Mele, Werkmeister Professor of Philosophy

Additional Committee Members: Dana Nelkin, Sam Rickless, Phil Bowers (mathematics)

M.A. in Philosophy, December 1999

Palm Beach Atlantic College, West Palm Beach, Florida

B.A. in Philosophy and Religion, April 1996

Frederick M. Supper Honors Program, *Cum Laude*

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION Philosophy of Religion, Metaphysics, (Analytic) Philosophy of Mind,

AREAS OF COMPETENCE Ancient and Modern Philosophy, Ethics (Bioethics), C.S. Lewis

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES/BOOK CHAPTERS/ESSAYS (* Indicates peer reviewed)

1. "Emojis as a School of Virtue: Stock Responses, Moral Formation, and the Abolition of the Natural World," *Journal of the Union Faculty Forum*, Volume 45 (2025-26): 16-31
2. "Some Reflections on Human Personhood," *Journal of the Union Faculty Forum*, Volume 38 (2018-19): 53-58.
3. "'Comfortable Words': Reforming the Lord's Supper," in *Reformation 500*, edited by Ray Van Neste, B&H Publishing, 2017, 83-92.
4. "Cartesian Epistemology and Religious Belief," *Journal of the Union Faculty Forum*, Volume 35 (Fall 2015): 21-27.
5. "Petrine Apologetics: Hope, Imagination, and Forms of Life," *Review & Expositor: a quarterly Baptist theological journal*, Volume 111, Issue 3 (August 2014): 274-80.*
6. "Brains But No Blood: C.S. Lewis's Obsession with Naturalism," *Renewing Minds: A Journal of Christian Thought*, Issue 4 (Fall 2013): 27-35.
7. "Human Nature and the Veneration of the KJV," in *KJV400*, edited by Ray Van Neste, Borderstone Press, 2012, 191-203.
8. "On Christian Engagement with the Muslim World," in *Center for Ministry Effectiveness and Educational Leadership Newsletter*, Baylor University (Spring 2012, vol. 6 no. 1).
9. "Don't Put the Brain on Trial," *Public Discourse: Ethics, Law, and the Common Good*, October 4, 2011, primary co-author: Jennifer Gruenke, (<http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2011/10/3948>).
10. "Designer Genes," *Public Discourse: Ethics, Law, and the Common Good*, January 4, 2011, (<http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2011/01/1918>).
11. "Compatibilism, *Wantons*, and the Natural Consequence Model of Hell," in *The Problem of Hell: A Philosophical Anthology*, edited by Joel Bunting, Ashgate, 2010.
12. "The Embryo Troubles of Obama's Top Doctor," *Public Discourse: Ethics, Law, and the Common Good*, July 13, 2009, (<http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2009/07/385>).
13. "Cognitive Enhancing Drugs," *Public Discourse: Ethics, Law, and the Common Good*, March 31, 2009, (<http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2009/03/74>).
14. "The Hangman's Duty: C.S. Lewis on Christian Citizenship in Wartime," *C.S. Lewis: Views from Wake Forest: Collected Essays on C.S. Lewis*, edited by Michael Travers, Wayne, PA: Zossima Press, 2008, 51-62.
15. Reprinted in *The Bulletin of the New York C.S. Lewis Society*, 40, no. 3 (May/June 2009): 1-6.

16. "The Hangman's Duty: C.S. Lewis on Christian Citizenship in Wartime," *The Chronicle of the Oxford C.S. Lewis Society*, 4, no. 3 (October 2007): 15-29.*
17. "Purgatory and the Dilemma of Sanctification," *Faith and Philosophy*, 24, no. 3 (July 2007): 311-30.*
18. "Some Disenchantment with 'Enchantment'," *Society of American Foresters 2005 Annual Convention Proceedings*, co-author: Edward L. Barnard.

BOOK REVIEWS

1. Review of *Robot-Proof: Higher Education in the Age of Artificial Intelligence*, by Joseph A. Aoun, in *Integration: A Journal of Faith and Learning*, Issue 6 (Winter 2026): <https://iace.education/journal-blog/qfh28dv6kc9qf1mk726ly95asc0kec>
2. Review of *Jesus Christ and the Life of the Mind*, by Mark A. Noll, in *Renewing Minds: A Journal of Christian Thought*, Issue 1 (Spring 2012): 81-85.
3. Review of *Allah: A Christian Response*, by Miroslav Volf, for The Colossian Forum, January 21, 2012, (<http://www.colossianforum.org/2012/01/21/book-review-allah-a-christian-response-2/>)
4. Review of *Religious Faith, Torture, and Our National Soul*, by David P. Gushee, ed., in *Themelios*, 35, no. 3 (November 2010): 513-15.
5. Review of *Buddhism and Science: A Guide for the Perplexed*, by Donald Lopez, in *Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith*, 62, no. 3 (September 2010): 228-29.
6. Review of *Embryo: A Defense of Human Life*, by Robert P. George and Christopher Tollefsen, for the Carl F.H. Henry Institute for Intellectual Discipleship, March 31, 2008, (<http://www.uu.edu/institutes/henry/resources/review.cfm?ID=135>).
7. Review of *The Language of God: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief*, by Francis S. Collins, in *Philosophia Christi*, 9:1 (2007): 225-29.
8. Review of *Finding God in the Land of Narnia*, by Kurt Bruner and Jim Ware, for *The Comet Express* – a newsletter of Crichton College, September 2005.
9. Review of *Physicalism and Mental Causation: The Metaphysics of Mind and Action*, edited by Sven Walter and Heinz-Dieter Heckmann, in *Metapsychology Online Reviews*, December 2003, (http://metapsychology.mentalhelp.net/poc/view_doc.php?type=book&id=2004).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

1. "Sing a New Song" (Psalm 98) and "Let the Peoples Praise Our King" (Psalm 67) – two versified psalms published as hymns in *Join the Everlasting Song* – a new hymnbook published for First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, 2024.
2. "Phos Hilaron," (short story) *Journal of the Union Faculty Forum*, Volume 41 (2021-22): 26-34.
3. "The Ancient Hebrew Culture: Illustrations of Modern Strategic Management Concepts in Action," *Business History*, 54, no. 7 (December 2012): 1099-1117. Co-authors: William J. Ritchie (1st), David E Cavazos (2nd), and Charles White (4th).*
4. "Searching for a Sustainable Ethic," *Journal of Forestry*, 109, no. 6 (September 2011): 361, co-author: Edward L. Barnard.
5. "SCP Members Visit Iran," Newsletter of the Society of Christian Philosophers, Summer 2011.
6. "From Tragedy to Triumph," Newsletter of the Society of Christian Philosophers, Spring 2008.
7. "A Sestina of David," (poem) *Communiqué: An online literary and arts journal*, 1996.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (* Indicates refereed)

1. "Emojis as a School of Virtue: Stock Responses, Moral Formation, and the Abolition of the Natural World," Reflections on C.S. Lewis with Special Reference to *The Abolition of Man*," Calvin University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, March 2023.
2. "Liberating Music: Corporate Singing as Character Formation," co-presenter: Dr. Chris Mathews, Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: The Character of the University, Waco, Texas, October 2019.*

3. Panelist on “Liberating Technology?”, Faith and Democracy in America: Christianity and Liberalism Rightly Understood, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, December 2018.
4. “Learning to Love Wisdom through Liturgies of Attention: Reflections on Pedagogy in Philosophy,” Kuyers Institute Conference on Virtue, Practice and Imagination, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 2015.*
5. “Singing as Teaching . . . *To a more profound Alleluia*,” co-presenter: Dr. Chris Mathews, Kuyers Institute Conference on Virtues, Vices, and Teaching, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 2013.*
6. “Murine Eschatology and Epistemological Dwarfism: Love, Hope, and Sight in C.S. Lewis’s Christian Vision of Knowledge,” Houston Baptist University Philosophy Conference, 3rd Annual, Houston, Texas, March 2013.*
7. “Murine Eschatology and Epistemological Dwarfism: Love, Hope, and Sight in C.S. Lewis’s Christian Vision of Knowledge,” Christianity in the Academy Conference, 15th Annual Meeting, Memphis, Tennessee, March 2013.*
8. Commentator on Trevor Hedberg’s “Abortion and Personhood: Can the Infanticide Objection Be Eluded?” Tennessee Philosophical Association, 44th Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee, November 2012.
9. Panelist on James K.A. Smith’s *Desiring the Kingdom*, Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers Biennial Meeting, Union University, October 2012.
10. “Intellectual Discipleship: Affective Formation by Cognitive Renewal,” Christian Life and Witness: From the Academy to the Church, Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky, January 2012.
11. Commentator on Nicholas Jones’s “Diagrams as Locality Aids for Functional Explanations,” Tennessee Philosophical Association, 43rd Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee, November 2011.
12. “Hope and Risk in Open Theism,” 2011 Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Conyers, Georgia, March 2011.
13. “Moral Complicity and Human Embryonic Stem Cell Use,” Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Human Dignity and the Future of Health Care, Waco, Texas, October 2010.*
14. “Hope and Risk in Open Theism,” 13th Biennial Conference of the Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama, October 2010.*
15. “Cartesian Epistemology and Religious Belief,” The Religious Epistemology Seminar: A Dialogue between Muslim and Christian Philosophers, Tehran/Qom, Iran, April 2010.
16. “Disability, Social Justice, and the Limits of Natural Law,” 2010 Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, North Greenville University, Greer, South Carolina, March 2010*
17. “Moral Complicity and Human Embryonic Stem Cell Use,” Evangelical Philosophical Society, 2009 National Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2009.*
18. “In the Teeth of the Evidence: C.S. Lewis’s Religious Epistemology,” 2009 Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Temple Baptist Seminary, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 2009.*
19. Commentator on Christopher Tollefsen’s “Disability and Social Justice,” Making Men Moral Conference, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, February 2009.
20. “Compatibilism, *Wantons*, and the Natural Consequence Model of Hell,” Evangelical Philosophical Society, 2008 National Meeting, Providence, Rhode Island, November 2008.*
21. “Evangelicalism and Inclusivism: An Uneasy Alliance,” 2008 Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, Memphis, Tennessee, March 2008.*
22. “The Hangman’s Duty: C.S. Lewis on Christian Citizenship in Wartime,” *C.S. Lewis: The Man & and His Work, a 21st Century Legacy*, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina, October 2007*
23. “In the Teeth of the Evidence: C.S. Lewis’s Religious Epistemology,” 12th Annual Christianity in the Academy Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, March 2007
24. “Christian Citizenship and War: C.S. Lewis on the Moral Response,” Evangelical Philosophical Society, 2006 National Meeting, Washington, D.C., November 2006.*

25. Commentator on James Montmarquet's "Redemption, Justice and Mercy," Tennessee Philosophical Association, 37th Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee, November 2005.
26. "Some Disenchantment with 'Enchantment'," Society of American Foresters: Philosophy and History Working Group, SAF National Convention, Fort Worth, Texas, October 2005, Co-Presenter: E. L. Barnard
27. "Why Evangelicals Can't Have Their Inclusivist Cake and Eat It Too," Society of Christian Philosophers, Midwest Regional Meeting, Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, Lincoln, Illinois, April 2005*
28. Commentator on Henry Venema's "The Danger of Belonging," Spring 2004 Humanities Symposium: Culture, Community and Belonging, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, March 2004
29. "Purgatory and the Dilemma of Sanctification," Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting, Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky, December 2003*
30. "Can the Physicalist Be a Mental Realist?" Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, November 2002*
31. "War, Christian Citizenship, and the Moral Response: An Argument from Epistemic Moral Clarity," Philosophy Forum, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, November 2002, Commentator: Caleb Miller
32. "On the Compatibility of Physicalism and Classical Theism," Philosophy Forum, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, February 2002
33. "Causal Explanatory Realism," Philosophy Colloquium, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, February 2002
34. "Why Explanatory Exclusion Is Still A Problem," American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, December 2001, Commentator: Lynn Rudder-Baker*
35. "Rights, Threats, and the Trolley Problem: An Analysis of Thomson's Solution," Florida Philosophical Association, 47th Annual Meeting, Deland, Florida, November 2001*
36. "C. S. Lewis's Self-Refutation Argument Against Naturalism," Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting, Columbia, South Carolina, May 2000*
37. "Anomalous Monism, Epiphenomenalism, and the Irrelevance of Causal Relevance," Florida Philosophical Association, 45th Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida, November 1999*
38. "How the Anomalous Monist Lost Her Mind," 3rd Annual UF-FSU Graduate Student Philosophy Conference, Tallahassee, Florida, February 1999*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (through Fall 2026)

Professor of Philosophy, Union University, since Fall 2016

Wisdom (HON 205)

Justice (HON 225)

C.S. Lewis: Life and Works (PHL/CHR 350)

Cultivating a Eucharistic Life (HON 400) – co-taught with Joy Moore

Ancient Chinese Philosophy (PHL 395)

Honors Colloquia on *Mere Christianity* and *The Problem of Pain* (HON 460)

Honors Practicum on Digital Technology and Virtue (HON 250)

Virtue and Vice in the Christian Tradition (CHR 319)

Technology and Human Flourishing (PHL 395)

Human Personhood (PHL 395)

Metaphysics and Epistemology (PHL 331)

Introduction to Philosophy (PHL 240)

Introduction to Christian Ethics (CHR 243)

Associate Professor of Philosophy, Union University, courses taught 2008-2016

Philosophy of Mind (PHL 396)

Music, Philosophy, and Human Nature (MUS/PHL 395) – co-taught with Chris Mathews

Virtue and Vice in the Christian Tradition (CHR 396)

Logic/Critical Thinking (PHL 345)

Wisdom (HON 205)
Moral Reasoning in Health Care (PHRM 743) – Graduate Course, School of Pharmacy
Gateway to Christian Learning (UNI 195) – Lecturer & Preceptor
Apologetics (PHL 339)
Introduction to Christian Ethics (MCS 537) – Graduate Course
Introduction to Philosophy (PHL 240)
Contemporary Issues in Christian Ethics (CHR 244)
Metaphysics and Epistemology (PHL 331)
History of Christian Ethics (CHR 344)
Intensive Issue Seminar: *Genethics* (CHR 444)
Approaches to Moral Decision-Making (CHR 243)

Guest Lecturer: Methods for Evidence Based Practice (NUR 710)

“Evidence Based Medicine and Soul Formation,” Fall 2013

Guest Lecturer: Beauty (HON 215)

“The 7 Capital Vices in the Christian Tradition,” multiple years

Guest Lecturer: Legal and Ethical Aspects of Nursing (NUR)

“The Moral Priority of Caring for Words,” Fall 2012 & 2013

Guest Lecturer: Faith and Science in Pharmacy (PHRM 701) – Graduate Course

“Religion and Science in Pharmacy,” Fall 2008, 2009, & 2010

Thesis Advisor: Honors Thesis of Alexander Rhody

“A Critique of Social Trinitarian Models in light of Eastern Orthodox Theology,” May 2020

Thesis Advisor: Honors Thesis of Ryan Sinni

“Easting is Meeting: John Calvin and the Real Presence of Christ in the Lord’s Supper,” May 2018

Committee Member: Honors Thesis of Seth Reid

“The Votary of the Blue Flower: A Historical Reflection on Hope in the Life and Thought of C.S. Lewis,” December 2017

Committee Member: Honors Thesis of Zachary Clemmons

“Tasting Notes: An Evangelical Attends (to) Alexander Schmemmann’s Sacramental Banquet,” May 2016

Committee Member: Honors Thesis of Hannah Clardy

“Translation and Discourse Analysis: A Critique of the NIV11 Rendering of 1 Timothy 2:12,” May 2012

Committee Member: Honors Thesis of Jordan Baker

“Dehumanizing Music: An Evaluation of Serial Music as Exemplified in the Works and Writings of Pierre Boulez with Suggestions for a Broader Aesthetic,” May 2010

Scholar-in-Residence, Fellows Program, Second Presbyterian Church, 2007-2009

Christian Worldview – credit-bearing course (2 hrs) through Reformed Theological Seminary

Christianity and Culture – credit-bearing course (2 hrs) through Reformed Theological Seminary

“Be Not Conformed: Cultivating a Christian Vision of Life, Vocation, and Cultural Engagement,” (non-credit bearing, one-year course for post-baccalaureate fellows)

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Crichton College, 2004-2007

Philosophical Legacy of C.S. Lewis (HU 4103)

History and Philosophy of Science (HU 3313)

Honors Tutorial: Humanities – *Renaissance Humanism* (HN 2163)

Philosophy for Theologians (BT 2223)

Topics in Pre-law Studies: *Natural Law* (HU 3513)

Introduction to Philosophy (HU 2222)

Philosophical Apologetics (HU 3300)

Honors Tutorial: Education and Behavioral Science (HN 2123)
 Special Studies in Humanities: *Bioethics* (HU 4333)
 Philosophy and the Christian Faith: *C.S. Lewis* (HU 4332)
 Philosophy of Science (GS 3523) – co-taught with Professor William Thierfelder
 Ethics, 3 sections (HU 4232, HU 3232)
 Honors Tutorial: Humanities – *Law & Justice* (HN 1153)
 Christian Worldview (BT 1020)

Lecturer in Philosophy, Messiah College, 2002-2004:

Philosophy of Mind (PHI 360)
 Philosophy of Religion-Directed Study (PHI 345)
 First-Year Seminar: *God and Evil* (IDS 101)
 Problems in Philosophy (PHI 241)
 Modern Philosophy (PHI 253)
Supervisor: Honors Thesis of Sharon A. Hewitt
 “Influences and Free Will,” December 2002

Graduate Instructor (full responsibility), Florida State University, 1999-2002:

Introduction to Political Philosophy (PHM 2300)
 Teaching Philosophy (PHI 5908) – co-taught with Professor Eddy Nahmias
 Philosophy of Religion (PHI 3700)
 Reasoning and Critical Thinking (PHI 2100)
 Ethical Issues and Life Choices (PHI 2630), with teaching assistant supervision
 Introduction to Philosophy (PHI 1010), 4 sections with teaching assistant supervision

ACADEMIC/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- *Faculty Advisor*: Union Socratic Society (student club), spring 2026
- *Member*: Selection Committee for Founders Scholarship, Scholars of Excellence Weekends at Union University: 2025, 2026
- *Member*: Honors Community Leadership Committee, Union University: 2018-19; 2023-2026
- *Chair*: Judicial Committee, Union University, 2019-2022
- *Member*: Judicial Committee, Union University, 2017-18
- *Member*: Sub-Committee for the Quality Enhancement Plan Team, Union University, Spring 2016
- *Member*: Faculty of the Year Selection Committee, Union University, 2014 (*Chair* in 2015)
- *Judge*: Eaton Speech Contest, Union University, Spring 2014
- *Chair*: CORE Assessment Review Task Force, Union University 2012-13
- *Member*: First Year Experience Task Team, Union University, Fall 2012
- *Member*: CORE Assessment Review Task Force, Union University, 2011-12
- *Chair*: Gateway Implementation Task Force, Union University, 2009-14
- *Faculty Advisor*: Union University Student Chapter of International Justice Mission, 2007-14
- *Member*: Honors “Wisdom” Course Development Team, Summer 2010
- *Facilitator*: Faculty Dialogue Group on Wendell Berry, Center for Faculty Development, Union University, Fall 2009
- *Member*: Teaching and Learning Grants Committee, Union University, Fall 2009
- *Co-Organizer*: Symposium for Church and Academy Lectures: “Being Human in a Post-Human Culture” Featuring Dr. Dennis Hollinger, Crichton College, April 2007
- *Facilitator*: Faculty Development Workshop on Christian Higher Education, Crichton College, October 2006
- *Vice-Moderator*: Faculty Assembly, Crichton College, 2006-07
- *Member*: Academic Council, Crichton College, 2005-2007
- *Member*: Integration of Faith and Learning Committee, Crichton College, Fall 2005-Spring 2006

- *Chair*, Humanities Department, Crichton College, November 2004-May 2005
- *Teaching Assistant Coordinator*, Florida State University, Philosophy Department, 2001-2002
- *Coordinator for Graduate Recruitment*: Florida State University, Philosophy Department, Spring 2000
- *Undergraduate Academic Advisor*, Florida State University, Philosophy Department, 2000-2002
- *Member*: Florida State University, Graduate Policy Committee, Spring 2000
- *President*: Florida State University, Student Philosophical Association, 1998-2000
- *Assistant to the Undergraduate Advisor*: Florida State University, Philosophy Department, Spring 1999
- *Coordinator*: 3rd Annual UF-FSU Graduate Student Philosophy Conference, February 1999

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- *Manuscript Reviewer*: for *C.S. Lewis on Higher Education*, by Stewart Goetz, Bloomsbury Press, fall 2022
- *Peer Reviewer*: for the *Journal of Analytic Theology*, fall 2017
- *Peer Reviewer*: for the journal *Ethics & Medicine*, fall 2015
- *Conference Coordinator*: Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers Biennial Meeting, Union University, October 5-7, 2012.
- *Member-at-Large*: Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers, 2010-12
- *Chair*: Southeastern Region of the Evangelical Philosophical Society, 2009-12
- *Chair*: Christian-Muslim Dialogue Committee, Society of Christian Philosophers, 2008-12
- *Conference Coordinator*: Central Division Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers, Union University, May 8-10, 2008
- *Member*: Central Region Committee of the Society of Christian Philosophers, 2006-2008
- *Conference Support*: Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, November 2002

HONORS AND AWARDS

- *Teaching and Learning Grant*: Center for Faculty Development, Union University, 2026 (with Professor Joy Moore) – amount \$800 (for new course development “Cultivating a Eucharistic Life”)
- *Fellowship*: Selected as 2025-26 Fellow of the Inklings Project, McGrath Institute, University of Notre Dame – amount \$1,500 (for course development on C.S. Lewis)
- *Speaker Grant*: Awarded by the Society of Christian Philosophers to small philosophy departments to host a professional Christian philosopher, 2015-16 – amount \$1,500
- *Travel Grant*: 18th Annual Meeting of the International Association for Critical Realism: Reimagining Social Science & New Conversations in Religion and Science, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, July 2015 – amount \$400
- *Recipient*: Carla D. Sanderson Faculty of the Year Award, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee 2012-13
- *Teaching and Learning Grant*: Center for Faculty Development, Union University, 2011 – amount \$1,000 (for new course development – “Music, Philosophy, and Human Nature”)
- *PEW Research Grant*: PEW Research Program, Union University, 2011-12 – amount \$4,500 (C.S. Lewis’s epistemology)
- *Teaching and Learning Grant*: Center for Faculty Development, Union University, 2011 – amount \$2,000 (for new course development – “Virtue and Vice in the Christian Tradition”)
- *Teaching and Learning Grant*: Center for Faculty Development, Union University, 2008 – amount: \$2,000 (conference travel for course development – pharmacy ethics)
- *APA Travel Stipend*: American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, December 2001
- *APA Travel Stipend*: APA/AAPT Teaching Seminar for Advanced Graduate Students in Philosophy and 13th Biennial Workshop-Conference on Teaching Philosophy, Alverno College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 2000
- *Phi Kappa Phi*: National Honor Society, Spring 1999

- *1998-99 Outstanding Teaching Assistant: Florida State University*

ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- *Participant: “Connecting Through Story” faculty development opportunity funded by a grant from the Lilly Network of Church-Related College and Universities, Union University, 2025-26*
- *Participant: “Remembering the Call: Innovative Approaches to Collegial Mentoring,” a peer mentoring program for senior faculty funded by a grant from the Lilly Network of Church-Related Colleges and Universities, Union University, 2024-25*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Living Accountably, Waco, Texas, October 2021 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 43 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: The Character of the University, Waco, Texas, October 2019 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 43 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Stewardship of Creation, Waco, Texas, October 2018 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 42 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Bible and Reformation, Waco, Texas, October 2017 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 36 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Higher Learning, Waco, Texas, October 2016 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 39 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Spirit of Sports, Waco, Texas, October 2015 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 36 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: 18th Annual Meeting of the International Association for Critical Realism: Reimagining Social Science & New Conversations in Religion and Science, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, July 2015*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Faith and Film, Waco, Texas, October 2014 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 36 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Kierkegaard, A Christian Thinker for Our Time?, Waco, Texas, October 2013 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 42 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Technology and Human Flourishing, Waco, Texas, October 2012 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 45 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: The 10 Books that Most Influenced C.S. Lewis, sponsored by the C.S. Lewis Society of Madison, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2012.*
- *Participant: Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers Summer Seminar on Emotions w/ Robert Roberts, University of Notre Dame, May 2012.*
- *Participant: Stuck With Virtue: Public Policy, Berry College, Rome, Georgia, November 2011 (w/ Dr. Micah Watson, accompanied 11 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture: Educating for Wisdom in the 21st Century University, Waco, Texas, October 2011 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 41 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: Stuck With Virtue: A Conference on Science and Virtue, Berry College, Rome, Georgia, November 2010 (w/ Dr. Scott Huelin, accompanied 30 Union honors students at this event).*
- *Participant: 65th Annual Meeting of the American Scientific Affiliation: Science, Faith, and Public Policy, Washington D.C., July 2010.*
- *Participant: Seminar on the Seven Deadly Sins (Capital Vices) in the Christian Tradition, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 2010.*
- *Participant: Baptist Association of Philosophy Teachers Summer Seminar on Open Theism w/ William Hasker, University of Notre Dame, May 2010.*
- *Participant: Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity 16th Annual Summer Conference, “Global Bioethics: Emerging Challenges Facing Human Dignity,” Chicago, Illinois, July 2009.*
- *Participant: Seminar on Academic Leadership in Baptist Universities, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, May 2009.*

- *Fellow*: Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU) 2007 Leadership Development Institute, Sumas, Washington, June 2007.
- *Participant*: Tennessee Association for Institutional Research 19th Annual Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, August 2006
- *Participant*: CCCU Disciplinary Workshop on Philosophy: “What Does It Mean to Be a Christian Philosopher Today?” Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, July 2005
- *Participant*: Provost’s Seminar, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, Fall 2002
- *Participant*: APA/AAPT Teaching Seminar for Advanced Graduate Students in Philosophy and 13th Biennial Workshop-Conference on Teaching Philosophy, Alverno College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 2000
- *Fellow*: FSU Preparing Future Faculty Program, 1999-2000
- *Participant*: Speaker Series, FSU Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE), 1999-2000
- *Certification*: FSU PIE Instructional Technology Series, October 1999
- *Participant*: Florida State University Teaching Conference, Fall 1996, 1999

INVITED LECTURES & TALKS

1. “Liturgy, Imagination, and Meaning in *Till We Have Faces*,” A History of Imagination: *The Allegory of Love @ 90* – a conference sponsored by the C.S. Lewis Society of Chattanooga, hosted by Anglican Church of the Redeemer, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 2026
2. “Three Lessons from Legion,” *Equip: Youth Apologetics Conference*, Union University, September 2025
3. “Introducing C.S. Lewis’s *Till We Have Faces*,” in conjunction with a seminar on *Till We Have Faces* at C.S. Lewis Study Center, Northfield, Massachusetts, October 2024
4. “Following Jesus in an Age of Anxiety,” *Equip: Youth Apologetics Conference*, Union University, September 2024
5. “Discernment in Apologetics: Learning from Jesus,” *Equip: Youth Apologetics Conference*, Union University, September 2022
6. “Human Dignity as Vocation,” Life 139 Forum, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, September 2021
7. “The Green Commission?” invited by Biome (student group) for Earth Day, Union University, April 2021.
8. “Imagination and the Character of Leadership in the Culture of Higher Education,” Leadership University Seminar, Union University, September 2019.
9. “Reflections on Technology and Virtue,” St. Patrick Presbyterian Church, Collierville, Tennessee, August 2018.
10. “Remarks on Phone-Free Day,” Union University, April 2018.
11. “Following @TheRealJesus Without Twitter: Christian Faith in the Age of Instagram,” Conversations a la Carte Series at All Saints Anglican Church, April 2018.
12. “Unplugged: Christian Faith in a Digital Age,” (a four-week lecture series), First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, September-October 2017.
13. “Some Reflections on Human Personhood,” Special Symposium on Fetal Personhood, School of Medicine, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, February 2017.
14. “Moral Complicity and Human Embryonic Stem Cell Use,” Interdisciplinary Research Conference, Palm Beach Atlantic College, West Palm Beach, Florida, March 2016.
15. “Babylon 2.0: Cultural Captivity as a Call for Repentance,” The Gospel, Sexuality, and Culture, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, September 2015.
16. “After *Obergefell*: Living Wisely in an Age of Unreason,” Department of Music, Union University, September 2015.
17. “*The Green Book*’s Revenge: The Cultural Consequences of Rejecting Reality,” Town and Gown Lecture Series, “One Flesh: Sex, Marriage & Society,” Union University, April 2015.
18. “Fundamentals of Technology II: Thinking about Technology and Values,” Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, March 2015.
19. “The Parable of the Cheeky Servant,” Union University Chapel, Jackson, Tennessee, November 2014

20. "Gadgets @ Hearth & Home: Virtues, Vices, and Devices in Family Life," and "Beyond the Great Techno-Commission: Evangelicalism's Obsession with Technological Efficiency," *Humanitas* Forum on Christianity and Culture, Cookeville, Tennessee, September 2014.
21. "Teaching as Shepherding," Fall Faculty Workshop w/ Dr. C. Ben Mitchell, Union University, August 2014.
22. "Gadgets @ Hearth & Home: Technology and Family Life," and "PowerPoint Praise?: Technology and Church Life," Four-week series on Technology ("Following Christ in the Age of Twitter") w/ Dr. C. Ben Mitchell, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, February 2014.
23. "Politics and Eschatology," Four-week series on Engaging the Public Square w/ Dr. C. Ben Mitchell and Dr. Micah Watson, Northbrook Church, Jackson, Tennessee, January 2014.
24. "Mere Epistemology: Christian Wisdom about Knowing from C.S. Lewis," Town and Gown Lecture Series, "Aslan's Apologist: Celebrating the Intellectual Legacy of C.S. Lewis," Union University, November 2013.
25. "The New Adam: Toward a Theology of *Imago Dei*," Luther Rice University Bioethics Conference: Being Human 2.0: Biotechnology and the Reinventing of Humanity, Atlanta, Georgia, September 2013.
26. Three-week Series on Technology w/ Dr. C. Ben Mitchell, Christ Community Church, Jackson, Tennessee, September-October 2013.
27. "Being Human±" Idlewild Presbyterian Church (adult Sunday school class), Memphis, Tennessee, August 2011.
28. "A Prescription for the End of Pharmacy," School of Pharmacy Preceptor Appreciation Banquet, Union University, March 2011.
29. "Unnatural Selection: Technological (r)Evolution by Consumer Desire," Town and Gown Lecture Series, Union University, March 2011.
30. "Will There Be iPods in Heaven? Christian Discipleship in the Digital Age," *Humanitas* Forum on Christianity and Culture, Cookeville, Tennessee, December 2010.
31. "Ministry and Household Management: I Timothy 3:4-5," Church and Convention Ministry Scholarship Coffee Talk, Union University, September 2010.
32. Five-week Series on Christianity and Culture w/ Dr. C. Ben Mitchell, Evangel Church, Memphis, Tennessee, September-October 2010.
33. "The Ethics of Laughter," Society for Critical Imagination, Union University, February 2010.
34. "Christian Worldview and Technology," Town & Gown Lecture Series: "Faith and Practice," Union University, February 2010.
35. "Philosophy, Autonomy, and Tolerance: (oh, and chocolate cake too!)," Special Preview Day for Milan High School Freshman, Union University, November 2009.
36. "Consequences, Casuistry, and Character: Modes of Moral Reasoning in Medicine," Symposium on Medical Ethics, Jackson-Madison General Hospital, Jackson, Tennessee, October 2009.
37. "Eschatology & Ethics: Envisioning the Christian Life Without a Bracelet." Word Within the Word Conference, Union University, April 2009.
38. "Tough Questions in Life and the Bible," Young Adult Retreat for Christ United Methodist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, April 2009.
39. "What Sort of People Ought You to Be?" – A study of I and II Peter, College Retreat for Christ United Methodist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, January 2009.
40. "So you think you know . . . Marketing Yourself," Career U 2008: Arts and Sciences Track, Union University, October 2008.
41. "Dust, Glory, and God's Unfailing Love," Faculty/Staff Chapel, Union University, September 2008.
42. "An Incompatibilist Account of Free Will," Philosophy Seminar, Lambuth University, Jackson, Tennessee, March 2008.
43. "Leadership Without Ambition: Faithfulness in the midst of Cultural Captivity," AMEN Bible Study, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, October 2007.
44. "What is Reformed Theology?" Mid-week Series (5 weeks), Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, January-February 2007.

45. "The Rich Young Ruler: Diagnosing a Tragedy," International Christian Fellowship Fall 2006 Retreat, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, October 2006.
46. "Think Critically," Crichton College Student Orientation, Memphis, Tennessee, July 2006.
47. "Epistemology and Christian Belief," Fellows Program, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, March 2006.
48. "Philosophical Apologetics," Fellows Program, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2005 and September 2006.
49. "Therapeutic Cloning: Balm of Gilead or Rhetoric of Molech?" Crichton College Trezevant Manor Lecture Series, Memphis, Tennessee, July 2005 and Crichton College Wesley Highland Terrace Lecture Series, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2005.
50. "The Cross of Reason," *Why I Am A Christian*, Alternate Chapel Series, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, April 2003.
51. "Two Pitfalls of Naturalism," InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Florida State University Chapter, Tallahassee, Florida, Fall 1999.

MISCELLANEOUS

- *Facilitator*: "Beginnings," Pastorate on Genesis 1-11, All Saints Anglican Church, Jackson, Tennessee, October 2026
- *Invited Panelist*: Interfaith Dialogue with Rabbi John Kaplan on grace and redemption at B'nai Israel Congregation, Jackson, Tennessee, June 2026.
- *Invited Speaker*: "Becoming a Person of Integrity," for Fellowship of Christian Athletes gathering at Union University, March 2026
- *Invited Panelist*: "Formed 2025: Flourishing Today," a conference sponsored by Anglican Church of the Redeemer, Chattanooga, Tennessee, September 2025
- *Invited Speaker*: on Psalm 15 for "Bridges" (men's college bible study) at Union University, November 2024
- *Guest Preaching*: on Psalm 1 at First Baptist Church, Amherst, Massachusetts, October 2024
- *Invited Speaker*: "Living into Sabbath Rest," for Fellowship of Christian Athletes gathering at Union University, October 2024
- *Invited Panelist*: "Formed 2024: Technology and the Christian," a conference sponsored by Anglican Church of the Redeemer, Chattanooga, Tennessee, September 2024
- *Podcast Guest*: on nihilism in police work, *Remaining Sane: Finding Peace in our Chaos* with Will Madison (UU alumnus), September 2023
- *Podcast Guest*: on technology, *The Small Town Podcast* with Connor Johnson, Jackson, Tennessee, July 2019.
- *Panelist*: for a talk-back with audience after performance of *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, November 2017.
- *Life Group Leader*: First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, 2016-Present
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series, "Music and Culture," October-November 2015.
- *Sunday School Teacher*: Occasional Substitute, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, 2015-16.
- *Invited Participant*: The Colossian Forum Writer's Workshop, Holland, Michigan, June 2015.
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series, "One Flesh: Sex, Marriage & Society," April 2015.
- *Guest Debater*: "Is Abortion Immoral? A Debate," Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, April 2015.
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series, "Libraries, Literacy & Books," February 2015.
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series, "Sports and Culture," October-November 2014.
- *Leader*: College and Career Group, Study of Bonhoeffer's *Life Together*, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Tennessee, Fall 2013.
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series, "Aslan's Apologist: Celebrating the Intellectual Legacy of C.S. Lewis," October-November 2013.
- *Convener & Lecturer*: Town and Gown Lecture Series, "The Seven Deadly Sins," February 2013.

- *Co-Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series: “Christian Perspectives on Death and Dying,” September-October 2012 and 2013.
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series: “Theology, Food, and Culture,” March-April 2012
- *Sunday School Teacher*: Series on *James*, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Tennessee, February – May 2011
- *Convener*: Town and Gown Lecture Series: “Technology and Culture,” February-March 2011
- *Moderator*: “Living With Someone Else’s Liver,” A Symposium on the Science and Ethics of Organ Donation, Union University, November 2010
- *Radio Interview*: on Francis Collins’s NIH appointment, The Paul Edwards Program, WLQV Detroit, July 2009.
- *Panelist*: Life 139 Symposium on Abortion, Union University, April 2009.
- *Convener*: Town & Gown Lecture Series: “Bioethics: Happiness, Health, and Human Nature,” Union University, January 2009
- *Radio Interview*: on bioethics, The Dan Reaves Show, WNWS 101.5 Jackson, Tennessee, January 2009.
- *Panelist*: “A Call to Care: Jena 6,” Union University, October 2008.
- *Debate*: “Is There a God?” Worldview Week, Evangelical Christian School, Memphis, Tennessee, January 2008.
- *Co-Organizer* (local): Erasing Hate Tour, Memphis, Tennessee, February 2007 (in partnership with thematthewshouseproject.com).
- *Discussion Facilitator*: book discussion - *To Everyone an Answer: A Case for the Christian Worldview* (edited by Beckwith, Craig, and Moreland) Fellows Program, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, January 2007.
- *Guest Sunday School Teacher*: Mini-series on *Jonah*, BASIC Class, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2006.
- *Book Review Presentation*: review of *Bioethics: A Primer for Christians* (by Gilbert Meilaender) Good Reading Dinner Group, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2006.
- *Guest Sunday School Teacher*: “Does God Exist?” and “Can An Intelligent Person Believe in God?” International Christian Fellowship Class, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, August/September 2006.
- *Guest Sunday School Teacher*: “The Call of Moses: Exodus 3:1-14” International Christian Fellowship Class, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, July 2006.
- *Cast Member*: Played role of Fr. Spike in *Screwtape*, Crichton College, Memphis, Tennessee, Spring 2005.
- *Panelist*: Theological Forum on Inclusivism and Exclusivism, Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, Lincoln, Illinois, April 2005.
- *Regular Sunday School Teacher*: Chapel Class, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis, Tennessee, March 2005 – May 2006 (lectured on *Titus*, *James*, *Jonah*, select parables in addition to other occasional addresses, e.g., Advent, Lent, Trinity Sunday).
- *Panelist*: Alternate Chapel on Christian Responses to War With Iraq, Messiah College, Grantham, Pennsylvania, October 2002.
- *Panel Respondent*: on Richard V. Horner’s “Paradoxes of Christian Scholarship,” Gulf States Colloquium on Faith and Scholarship, Christian Study Center of Gainesville, Gainesville, Florida, March 2002.
- *Leader*: Small Group Ministry, Four Oaks Community Church, Tallahassee, Florida, 1997-2002.
- *Member*: Children and Youth Ministry Team, Four Oaks Community Church, Tallahassee, Florida, 2000-2002 (produced an Advent Devotional Guide for families, December 2001).
- *Facilitator*: “Food For Thought,” a weekly luncheon and discussion for faculty and students (a ministry of InterVarsity Graduate Student and Faculty Ministries and the Florida State Episcopal University Center), Tallahassee, Florida, 2001-2002.
- *Leader*: Dead Theologians Society (a ministry of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Florida State University Chapter), Tallahassee, Florida, Spring 2000.