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I. Education

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- University of TN at Knoxville  
PhD Candidate Philosophy, Fall 2012  
M.A. Philosophy, Summer 2011
- Austin Peay State University  
B.S. Philosophy, *cum laude*, Spring 2007
- Jackson State Community College  
A.S. Psychology, *cum laude*, Spring 2004  
A.S. Education, *cum laude*, Spring 2004

**AOS:** Virtue Ethics, Bioethics, Environmental Ethics

**AOC:** History of Philosophy (Ancient, Renaissance), Topics in Ethics (Business, Medical, Professional, Just War), Introductory Logic & Critical Thinking, World Religions

II. Academic Employment (*performance reviews by employers available upon request*)

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- **Adjunct Philosophy Professor**  
Roane State Community College, Spring 2016-present  
South College, Fall 2015-Spring 2016  
Walter State Community College, Fall 2013-Spring 2014
- **Graduate Teaching Associate**  
University of Tennessee, Fall 2013-Spring 2015 & Fall 2016-Summer 2016
- **Graduate Teaching Assistant**  
University of Tennessee, Fall 2012-Spring 2013 & Fall 2014-Spring 2015

III. Teaching Experience (*performance reviews by students available upon request*)

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- **Adjunct Philosophy Professor, Roane State Community College**  
Phil 121 Elementary Ethics (web based, 1 section, 25 students) Fall, 2016  
Phil 1030 Introduction to Philosophy (eCampus, 3 sections, 25 per) Fall, 2016  
Phil 1030 Introduction to Philosophy (interactive class, 50 students) Spring, 2016  
Phil 121 Elementary Ethics (web based, 2 sections, 25 students per) Spring, 2016
- **Adjunct Philosophy Professor, South College**  
Phil 2000 Critical Thinking (web based, developed) Spring Quarter, 2016  
Phil 2000 Critical Thinking (lecture, 25 students) Winter Quarter, 2016  
Phil 2000 Critical Thinking (lecture, 25 students) Fall Quarter, 2015

- **Adjunct Philosophy Professor**, Walter State Community College  
Phil 2400 Introduction to Ethics (express course, 25 students) Spring, 2014  
Phil 1030 Human Nature and Life (lecture, 2 sections, 25 students per) Fall, 2013
- **Volunteer Philosophy Instructor**, Oak Ridge Institute for Continued Learning  
Phil 471 Issues in Feminism (lecture, 15 students) Spring, 2015  
Phil 472 Issues in Epistemology (lecture, 40 students) Summer, 2014
- **Graduate Teaching Associate**, University of Tennessee (full instructor)  
Phil 244 Professional Responsibility (express course, 25 students) Summer, 2016  
Phil 252 Contemporary Moral Problems (lecture, 25 students) Spring, 2016  
Phil 252 Contemporary Moral Problems (lecture, 25 students) Fall, 2015  
Phil 244 Professional Responsibility (lecture, 25 students) Spring, 2014  
Phil 244 Professional Responsibility (lecture, 25 students) Fall, 2013  
Phil 244 Professional Responsibility (express course, 25 students) Summer, 2013
- **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, University of Tennessee (Responsible for leading 1 day of discussions as an independent instructor, for grading student assignments, and for assisting the professor as needed)  
Phil 320 Ancient Western Philosophy (2 sections, 25 students per) Spring, 2015  
Phil 320 Ancient Western Philosophy (2 sections, 25 students per) Fall, 2014  
Phil 320 Ancient Western Philosophy (25 students) Spring, 2013  
Phil 320 Ancient Western Philosophy (25 students) Fall, 2012
- **Secondary Education Substitute Teacher**, Kelly Educational Staffing Service  
Various elementary schools, Clarksville TN January - May, 2007
- **Work Study Teaching Assistant**, Jackson State Community College (Responsible for grading student assignments and assisting the professor as needed)  
ENG 1020 English Composition II (3 sections, 25 students per) Spring, 2004
- **CPR Instructor**, United States Navy  
CPR Certification Instruction (servicing a crew of over 300) August, 1993-June, 1994

#### IV. Professional Development & Training

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- Roane State Community College  
**Regents Online Degree Program**, *Instructor Training*, Fall 2016  
**"Preventing Sexual Harassment,"** *Certification*, Spring 2016  
**"Information Technology Security Awareness,"** *Certification*, Spring 2016
- South College  
**Conflict Resolution**, *Annual Training*, Spring 2016  
**Exposure Control**, *Annual Training*, Spring 2016  
**Workplace Harassment**, *Annual Training*, Spring 2016  
**Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA)**, *Annual Training*, Spring 2016
- University of Tennessee

**Department of Defense Young Investigator Opportunities, *Workshop*, Fall 2014**  
**Best Practices in Teaching, *Certification*, Spring 2013**

V. Conference Presentations, Publications

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- 2016 (*in progress*)  
"An Analysis of the Role of Credit in Knowledge." University of Tennessee  
"An Analysis of the Role of Music in Aristotelian Virtue." University of Tennessee  
"An Analysis of Pure Cognitivism." University of Tennessee
- 2015 "Ethical Reasoning and the Tennessee High School Ethics Bowl: A *Primer*."  
University of Tennessee, Developed with Alex Feldt (PhD)
- 2014 "Ethics for Everyone! A *Basic Introduction to Ethics for Ethics Bowl Competitions*." University of Tennessee
- 2012 "Can Narratives be Fertile or Suitable Grounds for Moral Responsibility?"  
PGSA Conferences, University of Tennessee
- 2011  
"Philosophy of Dance." Divergent Connections, Pellissippi State Community College  
"Philosophy of Dance." Maryville Arts Coalition Fundraiser  
"Can there be such a thing as a 'Green' Christian?" Knox Life Church
- 2006 "State of War: *Economic Inequalities Arising From Lockean Idealism of Proxy Property*." Annual Southeastern Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Austin Peay State University

VI. Awards & Recognitions

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2016	( <i>Nomination</i> ) <b>Harold Love Outstanding Community Service Award</b> Tennessee Higher Education Commission
2015-6	<b>Graduate Teaching Associateship</b> , University of Tennessee
2014-5	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistantship</b> , University of Tennessee
2013-4	<b>Graduate Teaching Associateship</b> , University of Tennessee
2012-3	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistantship</b> , University of Tennessee
2004-6	( <i>Consecutively</i> ) <b>Dean's List</b> , Austin Peay State University
2004	<b>Work Study Teaching Assistantship</b> , Jackson State Community College
2000-4	( <i>Consecutively</i> ) <b>Dean's List</b> , Jackson State Community College
1994	<b>Montgomery GI Bill</b>
1992	<b>National Defense Service Medal</b>

VII. Memberships & Affiliations

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2005	Phi Beta Kappa (undergraduate arts & sciences honors society)
2004	The National Scholars Honor Society
2004	The National Dean's List
2003	Phi Theta Kappa (international honors society)

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## VIII. Mentorship

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2015 **"A New Foundation for Plato's Forms"** with undergraduate student Jon Hershey, submitted March 27th for the Mark & Inge Moore Undergraduate Essay Contest, University of Tennessee (Mr. Hershey was announced the winner, April 2015).

## IX. Community Service

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2015-6 **High School Ethics Bowl Director**, University of Tennessee

- In this capacity, I trained Alex Feldt (PhD) to be the new Ethics Bowl Organizer, oversaw funding initiatives (including a 3 year commitment of a \$14,000.00 per year charitable donation from Regions Bank), volunteer recruitment, venue selection & negotiation, and traveled to 6 high schools to give talks on Ethics to ethics bowl students and coaches.

2014-5 **Volunteer Philosophy Instructor**, Oak Ridge Institute for Continued Learning

- Responsible for selecting topics of general interest in the field of philosophy, developing content, and delivering that content to approximately 15 to 50 students (retired or elderly).

2013-5 **High School Ethics Bowl Organizer**, University of Tennessee

- In collaboration with Ryan Windeknecht (PhD), responsible for expanding University presence in the greater Knoxville area through public, scholarly competitions. Under our leadership, we grew the number of participating area High Schools from Nine (in 2012) to over Twenty Two (in 2015) with, on average, 5 participating high school students on each team. As an organizer, we were responsible for recruiting event volunteers (Judges, coaches, and so forth), selecting an appropriate venue, organizing food, drinks, trophies and other concessions, and for traveling to approximately 50 high schools (over 2 years) to discuss ethics with hundreds of high school students. Finally, we were also responsible for coordinating the THSEB program with the organizers and directors for the National High School Ethics Bowl and the Parr Center for Ethics.

2014 **Consultant for "The Leading Edge" student leadership conference**, East TN State University

2014 **Panel Judge for the 2nd Annual International Ethics Olympiad**, Austin East High School

2012 **High School Ethics Bowl Judge**, Austin East High School

2011-2 **Volunteer Instructor for "Philosophy for Kids,"** Pond Gap Elementary

- In collaboration with Mark Benson (director at Pond Gap) and 6 other philosophers from UT, taught ethics to elementary age students (4 to 6) by exploring morality through fables and other children stories (e.g. Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Frog Prince, etc).

## X. Graduate Coursework (69 Graduate credit hours in Philosophy, and 12 in Psychology)

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PHIL (435) Intermediate Formal Logic

PHIL (443) Advanced Business Ethics

PHIL (446) Advanced Bioethics

PHIL (520) Aristotle

PHIL (520) Hellenistic Philosophy

PHIL (522) Sartre's Being & Nothingness  
PHIL (522) Locke / Hume  
PHIL (528) Moral & Epistemic Autonomy  
PHIL (533) Orientation to Medical Ethics  
PHIL (540) Future Generations  
PHIL (544) Moral Responsibility of Scientists  
PHIL (545) Ethics & Animals  
PHIL (573) Topics in Metaphysics  
PHIL (575) Advanced Survey of Epistemology  
PHIL (601) Freedom & Moral Responsibility  
PHIL (624) Ethics of Belief  
PHIL (624) Topics in Contemporary Philosophy  
PHIL (624) Rationality & Disagreement  
PHIL (626) Topics in Metaphysics / Epistemology  
PHIL (640) Moral Particularism  
PHIL (640) Professional Responsibility  
PHIL (640) Topics: Ethics/Value Theory  
PHIL (644) Physician Assisted Suicide & Euthanasia

PSYC (524) Brain / Behavioral Development  
PSYC (565) History / Systems of Psychology  
PSYC (567) Group Dynamics & Method  
PSYC (613) Existential / Phenomenological Psychology

#### XI. Teaching References

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