

Eddy Falls

Curriculum Vitae

Department of Philosophy
University of Tennessee-Knoxville
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Education

Ph.D., Philosophy (completion: Spring 2020), University of Tennessee-Knoxville. 2014-present.
Ph.D., Religion, Emory University. 2010.
M.A., Languages and Cultures of Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison. 2005.
A.B.D., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Passed Prelim Exams 2001.
M.A., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin-Madison. 1999.
B.A., double-majored in Philosophy and Medieval Studies, University of Tennessee-Knoxville. 1997.

Areas of Specialization

Metaethics, Buddhist Philosophy

Areas of Competence

History of Modern Philosophy, Logic

Publications

Books

Solutions Manual for John Nolt's Logics. With John Nolt and Scott Nixon. Wadsworth Publishing Company: Boston, Detroit, etc. (1997).

Scholarly Articles

"Tsongkhapa and the Myth of the Given." *Journal of Buddhist Philosophy*. SUNY: 2016.

Reviews

Review of *Empty Words: Buddhist Philosophy and Cross-Cultural Interpretation* by Jay L. Garfield (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2002), in *Buddhist-Christian Studies* 25 (2005): University of Hawai'i Press.

Papers Currently Under Review for Publication

"Kant's First Analogy Proof: The Backdrop Thesis Reconsidered."

"Composition as Identity, Universalism, and Generic Quantifiers."

Presentations

2012 AAR (American Academy of Religions)—Chicago

Buddhist Philosophy Group

“Why Can’t Ultimate Analysis Refute Conventional Things?”

2011 AAR—San Francisco

Buddhist Philosophy Group

Panel: Dialetheism in Buddhist Philosophy

“Tsongkhapa’s Use of Parameterization”

2008 AAR—Chicago

Buddhist Philosophy Group

“Tsongkhapa on the Contents of Distinct Realizations of Emptiness”

2008 International Association of Buddhist Studies—Atlanta

“Anti-realism in Madhyamaka: Tsongkhapa and Gorampa on Sense Perception Across World Spheres”

2006 Georgia Philosophical Society—Atlanta

“Buddhist Mereological Analysis and the Metaphysics of Material Objects”

2004 Conference on South Asia—Madison, WI

“Notes on Tom Tillemans, Logic, and Parameterization”

2001 Conference on South Asia—Madison, WI

“Universal Constructionism and Madhyamaka: An Assessment of Objections by Burton and Searle”

Teaching Experience

Courses Taught

- Asian Religions
- Contemporary Moral Issues
- Critical Thinking
- Elementary Formal Logic
- Environmental Ethics
- Professional Responsibility
- History of Buddhism
- Humanities: The Ancient World
- Humanities: The Medieval and Renaissance World
- Introduction to Philosophy
- 17th and 18th Century Philosophy
- Religions of China
- Tibetan Buddhism
- World Religions

Positions Held

Present

University of Tennessee-Knoxville
Department of Philosophy—Teaching Assistant

Fall 2016 to Spring 2017

University of Tennessee-Knoxville
Department of Religious Studies—Lecturer

Fall 2014 to Spring 2016

University of Tennessee-Knoxville
Department of Philosophy—Teaching Assistant

Spring 2013 through Spring 2014

Pellissippi State Community College-Knoxville
Philosophy—Adjunct Instructor

Fall 2011 through Spring 2013

Roane State Community College-Oak Ridge, TN; La Follette, TN; Scott Co, TN
Philosophy—Adjunct Instructor

Fall 2010 through Spring 2011

University of North Carolina-Asheville
Humanities Program—Adjunct Instructor

Fall 2008 through Spring 2009

University of North Carolina-Asheville
Department of Religious Studies—Visiting Lecturer

Spring 2008

Emory University-Atlanta
Department of Religion—Lecturer

Spring 2006 through Fall 2006

Emory University-Atlanta
Department of Religion—Teaching Assistant

Fall 2004, Fall 2002 to Spring 2003

University of Wisconsin-Madison
Department of Languages and Cultures of Asia—Grader

Fall 2002

Marian College-Fond du Lac, WI

Department of Philosophy—Adjunct Instructor

Spring 2003, Spring 2002, Spring 2001

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Department of Philosophy—Lecturer

Fall 1998 through Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Fall 2002

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Department of Philosophy—Teaching Assistant

Service

February 3, 2018— 2018 Tennessee High School Ethics Bowl

February 13, 2016—2016 Tennessee High School Ethics Bowl

The ethics bowl is a competition for Tennessee high school students, a collaboration of UTK Department of Philosophy and high schools from across the state. Served as a judge for the 2018 ethics bowl; for the 2016 ethics bowl, consulted with the coaches of a team at a local high school in preparation for the event, and served as a moderator at the event, February 13, 2016.

October 6, 2015—Lecture at McClung Museum, University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Part of a series of events organized by the museum around a special Himalayan Art exhibit during Fall 2015. Subject of the lecture was the interaction between tantra and philosophy in Tibetan Buddhism.

September 2015—McClung Museum, University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Knox County Schools Teacher In-Service Training

Gave a short presentation on Tibetan Buddhism to a group of Tennessee high school teachers.

Fellowships, Honors, and Awards

Aquila Prize

University of Tennessee Philosophy Graduate Students Essay Competition

1st Place Essay: “Composition as Identity, Universalism, and Generic Quantifiers”

April 2018

FLAS (Foreign Languages and Area Studies)

Center for South Asian Studies

University of Wisconsin-Madison

2003-2004, summer 2004, 2004-2005

WARF (Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation)

Department of Philosophy

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1997-1998

Language Training

Literary Tibetan (4 years)

French (reading)

References

Kristina Gehrman, Assistant Professor

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John D. Dunne, Distinguished Professor of Contemplative Humanities Center for Healthy Minds
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