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**Education**

Ph.D. State University of New York at Buffalo  
B.A. Nyack College

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**Areas of Specialization/Expertise**

- Ethics
- Philosophy of Religion
- Aesthetics
- Existentialism
- American Pragmatism

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**Current Areas of Research**

- Kierkegaard and the Arts
- Religious Epistemology and the Imagination

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**Courses Taught**

- Ethics
- Introduction to Philosophy
- The Modern Skeptic
- Aesthetics
- Introduction to Logic
- Introduction to Social and Moral Philosophy
- Existentialism
- Foundations of Inquiry
- Philosophy of Religion
- History of Ethics
- Knowledge and Truth
- History of American Philosophy

- Moral Issues
- Philosophy of Literature
- Knowledge and Reality
- Critical Thinking

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### Membership in Professional Societies

- American Philosophical Association
- Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy
- The Charles S. Peirce Society
- Society of Christian Philosophers

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### Publications & Presentations

#### Books

- *The Visionary Kierkegaard*. Forthcoming, Spring 2011. I.B. Tauris Publishers, London. (Palgrave Macmillan, U.S.A.)

#### Chapters in Books

- "Pluralism, Belief, and the Super Best Friends." In *South Park and Philosophy: The Blackwell Philosophy and Popular Culture Series*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 2007. 224-235.
- The Imagination of Faith 'As If.'" Forthcoming In *Matter '09: An Anthology*. Shechem Press, 2010.

#### Academic Journals

- "A Rethinking of Contemporary Religious Tolerance." (with J. Delaney), *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association: Philosophy and Intercultural Understanding*, Volume 77 2003.
- "Existence Communication and the Arbitrary Nature of Language." *Language, Ethics and Ontology*. Oneonta: Oneonta Philosophy Studies, 1997.

#### Book Reviews

- Review of *Pragmatic Moral Realism*. By Sami Pihlstrom. Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Newsletter, #104, November 2006.
- Review of *Becoming John Dewey: Dilemmas of a Philosopher and Naturalist*. By Thomas Dalton. Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Newsletter, # 98, July 2004. pp. 58-61.

#### Refereed Conference Presentations

- "The Imagination of Faith 'As If.'" Matter '09 Conference. Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, TX. September 17-19, 2009.
- "What's So 'Christian' About Wisdom?" Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting. Assumption College, March 27-28, 2009.
- "A Moral Compass for Neurath's Boat: Pragmatic Concerns for Applied Ethics." Society of Christian Philosophers, Eastern Regional Meeting. Niagara University, April 18-19, 2008.
- "A Hero's Courage: Facing Supererogation," Conference on the Cardinal Virtues, D. B. Reinhart Institute for Ethics in Leadership, Viterbo University, La Crosse, Wisconsin. March 27-29, 2008
- "A Rethinking of Contemporary Religious Tolerance," (with J. Delaney) American Catholic Philosophical Association 2003 Annual Meeting, October 31-November 2, 2003 in Houston, TX. Hosted by the University of St. Thomas.

- “Evil, Free Will, and Divine Intervention,” State University of New York at Buffalo Graduate Philosophy Association Intra-Departmental Conference, May 4, 2002.
- “Biblical Authority and the Appropriateness of a Rhetorical Response to Scripture,” (with S. Julian), Christian Scholarship in the Light of Scripture: Hermeneutical Issues. Redeemer College, August, 1999.
- “Existence Communication . . .” Oneonta Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, April, 1997.

#### **Departmental Talks and Invited Presentations**

- “Mind, Brain, and the Problems of Reductive Physicalism,” Mount Ida College, February 21, 2008.
- “A Hero’s Courage,” Belmont University, February 4, 2008.
- “Real Puzzles,” University of South Carolina, Lancaster, April 5, 2007.
- “Analogical Arguments,” St. Ambrose College, March 26, 2007.
- “The Evolutionary Argument Against Naturalism,” Buffalo State College Lecture Series, Arts & Humanities Month, Oct. 31, 2006.
- “Evolution and Intelligent Design, Naturalism and Supernaturalism,” *Evolution vs. Intelligent Design*, Niagara University Open Forum, November 15, 2005.
- “Socrates and Kierkegaard,” Socrates Month, Buffalo State College, October 7, 2004.
- “Pragmatic Values,” Academic Tuesdays, Buffalo State College, March 23, 2004.
- “The Boundaries of Respect in Social Diversity,” (with J. Delaney) Buffalo State College Lecture Series, Arts & Humanities Month, October 21, 2003.
- “Virtues and Religious Belief,” Society for University at Buffalo Catholic Philosophers Spring Lecture Series, February 26, 2003.