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## POSITIONS

Chair of Philosophy (May 2016-present)  
Interim Chair of Philosophy (August 2015-April 2016)  
Tenured Full Professor of Philosophy, University of South Alabama (8/2013-present)  
Tenured Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of South Alabama (8/2004-8/2013)  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of South Alabama (8/1999–8/2004)  
Post-Doctoral Research Fellow in Epistemology in Amsterdam with the Faculteit der  
Wijsbegeerte (Philosophy) at the Vrije Universiteit (Free University) (1998-1999)

AREAS OF RESEARCH: Metaphysics, Ethics, Logic, and Philosophy of Science

## PAPERS (continued)

- "Justification and the Social Nature of Knowledge", *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 69, 1 (July 2004): 156-172
- "Truth, Justification, and the Epistemic Way", *Journal of Philosophical Research* 28 (2003): 287-309
- "Is Hume's Epistemology Internalist or Externalist?", *Dialogue* 40, 1 (January 2001): 125-146
- "Hume's Iterative Probability Argument: A Pernicious Reduction", *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 38, 2 (April 2000): 221-238
- "Knowledge from Gossip?", *Philosophia* 27, 3-4 (November 1999): 537-539
- "Hume: Radical Sceptic or Naturalized Epistemologist?", *Hume Studies* 24, 1 (April 1998): 31-52
- "Chisholming Away at Plantinga's Critique of Epistemic Deontology", *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 76, 1 (March 1998): 90-96
- "Should We Abandon Epistemic Justification?", *Southwest Philosophy Review* 3, 1 (January 1997): 129-136
- "William Alston's Epistemology of Religious Experience: A 'Reformed' Reformed Epistemology?", *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 35, 2 (April 1994): 89-110

## BOOK/PROCEEDINGS CONTRIBUTIONS

- "Hume's Certain Doubts: Why We Should Worry To Bill Studies in Skepticism The Mystery of Skepticism: New Explorations (forthcoming)
- "Decisions that Change Who We Are", in *The Americans and Philosophy*, edited by Robert Arp and Kevin Guilfooy (Chicago: Open Court, 2018), 105-116.
- "Dangerous Conscience?" in *The Americans and Philosophy*, edited by Robert Arp and Kevin Guilfooy (Chicago: Open Court, 2018), 171-181.
- "I Can't Be Sure of Anything Anymore", in *The X-Files and Philosophy: The Truth is in Here*, edited by Robert Arp (Chicago: Open Court, 2017), 217-223.
- "Is The X-Files Bad For Us?", in *The X-Files and Philosophy: The Truth is in Here*, edited by Robert Arp (Chicago: Open Court, 2017), 293-299.
- "The Challenge of Religious Diversity" (co-authored with Philip L. Quinn), *The World of Philosophy* edited by Steven M. Cahn (New York: Oxford University Press, 2016), 192-193 [reprinted from *The Philosophical Challenge of Religious Diversity*
- "Supervenience, Materialism, and Scepticism: Critiquing Some Key Epistemological Underpinnings of Chalmers' Dualistic Philosophy of Mind", *Knowledge and Belief: 26<sup>th</sup> International Wittgenstein Symposium*, edited by Winfried Loeffler and Paul Weingartner (Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society, Kirchberg am Wechsel, Austria, 2003), 224-226 (refereed)
- "Exclusivism, Pluralism, and Anarchy", *God Matters: Readings in the Philosophy of Religion*, edited by Ray Martin and Chris Bernard (New York: Longman, 2003), 524-534 (invited)
- "Religious Epistemology: An Introduction", in *Philosophy of Religion: A Contemporary Reader and Guide*, edited by William Lane Craig (Edinburgh University Press, 2001), 7-16 (also editor for the Religious Epistemology section; invited)
- "Introduction" (co-authored with Philip L. Quinn), in *The Philosophical Challenge of Religious Diversity* (Oxford University Press, 2000), 1-28

## REVIEWS

- Review of Graciela De Pierris, *Ideas, Evidence, and Method: Hume's Skepticism and Naturalism concerning Knowledge and Causation* (co-authored with Allan Hillman), *Notre Dame Philosophical Review* (February 2016): <http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/64878-ideas-evidence-and-method-humes-skepticism-and-naturalism-concerning-knowledge-and-causation/>
- Review of Paul Russell, *The Riddle of Hume's Treatise: Skepticism, Naturalism, and Irreligion*, *Mind* 124, 494 (April 2015): 675-679
- Review of Robert Fogelin, *Hume's Skeptical Crisis: A Textual Study*, *Mind* 124, 493 (January 2015): 331-334.
- Review of Frederick F. Schmitt, *Hume's Epistemology in the Treatise: A Veritistic Interpretation*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Review* (September 2014): <http://ndpr.nd.edu/news/50338-hume-s-epistemology-in-the-treatise/>
- Review of Louis Loeb's



## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- "Hume's Sceptical Internalism", Colloquium Paper, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association in Berkeley, California (March 1997).
- "Should We Abandon Epistemic Justification?", Southwestern Philosophical Society Meeting (November 1996).
- "William Alston's Attack on Epistemic Justification", 1996 Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference at Oklahoma State University (September 1996).
- "Is Hume's Epistemology Internalist or Externalist?"; 21<sup>st</sup> International Hume Conference in Nottingham, United Kingdom (July 1996).
- "Hume's Scepticism about Reason and Naturalized Epistemology", Colloquium Paper, Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association in Seattle, Washington (April 1996).
- "Hume: Radical Sceptic or Naturalized Epistemologist?"; 22<sup>nd</sup> International Hume Conference in Park City, Utah (July 1995). Also presented at the University of Notre Dame Faculty Colloquium (April 1995).

## OTHER CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- Commentator on Ben McCraw's "Internalist Epistemic Virtue: A Neo-Stoic Model" Southeastern Epistemology Conference (October 2017)
- Chair of Session at Southeast Epistemology Conference (October 2017)
- Chair of Session at Southeast Epistemology Conference (October 2016)
- Chair of Session at 4<sup>th</sup> Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop (May 2016)
- Chair of Session at 6<sup>th</sup> Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop (May 2014)
- Chair of Session at 5<sup>th</sup> Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop (May 2013)
- Chair of Session at 3<sup>rd</sup> Orange Beach Epistemology Workshop (May 2011)
- Invited Participant at Princeton University's "Knowledge, Faith and Disagreement: The Epistemological Significance Of Religious Pluralism: A Workshop" (April 2008)
- Chair of Session at Phil Quinn Memorial Conference (December 2005)
- Chair of Session on Hume and Cognitive Science at 14<sup>th</sup> International Hume Conference at Keio University in Tokyo, Japan (August 2004)
- Chair of Epistemology Sections at Knowledge and Belief: 26<sup>th</sup> International Wittgenstein Symposium, Kirchberg am Wechsel, Austria (August 2003)
- Commentator on Anthony Perovich's "Alan Donagan on the Relation of Religion to Morality", 43<sup>rd</sup> Wheaton Philosophy Conference (November 1996).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Courses taught at Goshen College, Indiana University of South Bend, St. Mary's College, University of Notre Dame and University of South Alabama
- Classical Philosophy (team taught on-line); Introduction to Ethics; Introduction to Philosophy (regular and online); Epistemology/Theory of Knowledge; Ethical Implications of Scientific Progress; God and Evil in Logic and Literature; Native American Thought; Philosophy of Religion; Philosophy of Science; Renaissance and Enlightenment; Skepticism in Film and Philosophy; World Religions (online)
- Directed Studies at the University of South Alabama
- Animal Rights; Early Modern Philosophy; Environmental Ethics; Epistemology; Ethics; Native American Thought; Natural Law; Philosophy of Religion; Problem of Evil; Religious Diversity; Recent Religious Epistemology; Skepticism in Film and Literature

## CREATIVE PRODUCTIONS

Photograph cover for *Hume's Radical Scepticism and the Fate of Naturalized Epistemology* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2013)  
Photograph cover for *Studies in American Culture* (October 2017).

## ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

Native American Studies Summer Professor (2015)  
Mortar Board Top Prof Award (2011)  
Award for Teaching Excellence for College of Arts and Sciences 2007 (\$3,000)  
University of South Alabama Research Council 2003-04 Research Grant for travel to conferences while writing *Hume's Radical Scepticism* (\$1500)  
Arts and Sciences Summer 2003 Research Award (\$3625)  
Arts and Sciences Support and Development Grant to attend the 2003 Rutgers Epistemology Conference (\$650)  
Junior Faculty Teaching Award for College of Arts and Sciences 2003 (\$1,000)  
Junior Faculty Scholarship Award for College of Arts and Sciences 2002 (\$1,000)  
Pacific Division of the APA (1997): Graduate Student Award and Travel Grant for "Hume's Sceptical Internalism" (\$300)  
Pacific Division of the APA (1996): Graduate Student Award and Travel Grant for "Hume's Scepticism about Reason and Naturalized Epistemology" (\$300)

## SERVICE

### DEPARTMENT

Chair, Promotion Committee of Dr. Ted Poston (2014-2015)  
Chair, Departmental Search Committee (2014-2015)  
Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee of Dr. T. Allan Hillman (2013-2014)  
Member, Promotion Committee of Dr. Harrison Miller (History; 2013-2014)  
Member, Tenure Committee of Dr. Ted Poston (2011)  
Member, Pre-Tenure Review of Dr. Alan Hillman (2011)  
Member, Pre-Tenure Review of Dr. Ted Poston (2009)  
Chair, Departmental Search Committee (2007-2008)  
Member, Search Committee (2007)  
Chair, Tenure Committee of Dr. Eric Loomis (2006)  
Library Liaison (1999-2006)  
Member, Departmental Search Committee (2005-2006)  
Departmental Secretary (Fall 2000; Spring 2002; Spring 2005)  
Chair, Pre-Tenure Review of Dr. Eric Loomis (2004)  
Member, Departmental Search Committee (2000-2001)  
Member, Curriculum Committee (2000-present; Chair 2002-2003)  
Member, Evaluation Committee (2000-present)  
Member, Merit Committee (2000-present; Chair 2001-2002)

## COLLEGE

Chair, Tenure Committee (2013-2014)  
Member, Promotion Committee (2013-2014)  
Member, Summer Research Grants (2010-2011)  
Member, Tenure Committee (2008-2009)  
Chair, Sabbatical Committee (2006-2007)  
Member, Tenure Committee (2004-2005)  
Member, Summer Research Grants (2004-05)  
Member, Arts and Sciences Support and Development Committee (2000-01; 01-02)  
Member, APPC (October 2002-2003; took over after Dr. Youngblood's illness)

## UNIVERSITY

Member, Course Fee Review Committee (2014-2017)  
Member, University Writing Committee (2006-2007)  
Member, Master's Committee for Pritham Chenchelgudem "Global Ethics and Public Relations: International Code of Ethics – A Content Analysis"; Defense Date: 11/13/04  
Member, Master's Committee for Jessica L. Ross "The Role of Public Relations Practitioners in the Creation and Implementation of Corporate Social Responsibility Codes"; Defense Date: 6/16/06  
Member, British and Irish Studies Program CCSA (2002-2008)  
Member for Arts & Sciences, University Honor Code (2004)

## PROFESSION

President of the Alabama Philosophical Society (October 2002-October 2003)  
Vice President of the Alabama Philosophical Society (October 2001-October 2002)  
Secretary/Treasurer of the Alabama Philosophical Society (October 2000-October 2001)  
Referee for the American Philosophical Quarterly, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Broadview Press, Erkenntnis, Faith and Philosophy (4x), History of Philosophy Quarterly, Hume Studies (9x), International Journal for the Study of Skepticism, Journal of Ethics, Journal of Philosophical Research (2x), Journal of the History of Philosophy, McGill-Queen's University Press, Oxford University Press, Palgrave Macmillan, Philo, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Philosophy Compass, Philosophical Papers, Philosophical Quarterly, Religious Studies, Sophia (2x) and Synthese (3x)  
Reviewer for the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (2002)  
Program Committee for 32<sup>nd</sup> International Hume Conference in Toronto (2005)  
Referee for 2006 Southwestern Philosophical Society Meeting  
Referee for 36<sup>th</sup> (2009), 38<sup>th</sup> (2011), 41<sup>st</sup> (2104), 42<sup>nd</sup> (2015) and 43<sup>rd</sup> (2016) International Hume Conferences

## EDUCATION

PhD, Philosophy 1998 University of Notre Dame  
Dissertation: Knowledge and Norms: A Defense of Epistemic Justification  
Director: Philip L. Quinn  
MA, Philosophy 1994 University of Notre Dame  
BA, Summa Cum Laude 1991 Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois  
Major: Philosophy (Departmental Honors)