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Education:

1975-1981 University of Pittsburgh, Ph.D.
1976-1977 Ruhr-Universität, Bochum, Germany
1973-1975 University of Pittsburgh, M.A.
1968-1972 Haverford College, B.A.

Academic Honors and Awards:

2004-2005 Fulbright-University of Vienna Distinguished Chair in the
Humanities and Social Sciences
2001-2002 Visiting Fellow, Philosophy Programme, School of Advanced
Studies, University of London
1996 ACLS Travel Grant
1994-1995 NEH Fellowship for College Teachers
1993 Humanities Center Senior Research Fellowship, UNH
1986-1987 Mellon Faculty Fellowship, Harvard University
1986-1987 Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities, University of Pennsylvania,
declined
1985 NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, Cornell University
1982-1983 Fulbright Senior Research Fellowship, West Germany
1982-1983 Amherst College Trustee Faculty Fellowship, declined
1982 DAAD Summer Research Fellowship, declined
1978-1979 Teaching Fellow, University of Pittsburgh
1976-1977 Fulbright Doctoral Fellowship, Germany
1973-1976 Teaching Assistant, University of Pittsburgh
1972 High Honors in Philosophy, Haverford College

Employment:

University of New Hampshire, Professor, 1998-
Associate Professor of Philosophy, 1991-98
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 1988-91
Tufts University, Visiting Assistant Professor, 1987-1988
Harvard University, Visiting Assistant Professor, Summers 1987-90
Amherst College, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 1979-1986

Languages: Fluent in German; reading ability in French and Dutch

Administrative Responsibilities:

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Philosophy Department, 2005-06
Director, UNH London Program, 2001-2002
Department Chair, 1994-2000
Provost's Agenda Committee, 1998-1999
Fulbright Evaluation Panel, 1998-2000
Honors Committee, 1998-2001
Chair, Liberal Arts Committee to Review Standards and Procedures for Promotion and Tenure, 1995-96
New Hampshire Higher Education Articulation Panel, 1996
Project Director, THE SCIENTIST AS HUMANIST Summer Seminar for Secondary School Teachers, 1990-1993
University Research Committee, 1991-1992
Department Representative to the Academic Senate, (UNH) 1989-91
Chair, Academic Standards and Curriculum Committee, 1990-91
Department Representative to Linguistics Program, (UNH) 1989
Co-coordinator, Technology, Science, and Values Program, (UNH) 1989, 1990-1992
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Child Care, (Amherst College) 1984
Judicial Board, (Amherst College) 1983-1985
Chair, Department of Philosophy, (Amherst College) 1981-1982
Liaison to Five-College Linguistics Program, (Amherst College) 1981-1982
Computer Committee, (Amherst College) 1981-1982
Housing Committee, (Amherst College) 1980-1982

Professional Activities:

Committee on International Cooperation, APA, 2007-2010
President, New Hampshire Chapter, Fulbright Association, 2005-
National Selection Panelist, Fulbright Fellowships to Germany, 2002-2003
President, Northern New England Philosophy Association, 2000-2001
APA Eastern Division Program Committee, 2000-2002
National Selection Panelist, NEH Fellowships for College Teachers and Independent Scholars, 1996-97
Project Director, THE SCIENTIST AS HUMANIST, an NSF-funded project for enriching secondary school science education, 1991-93
Project Director, THE SCIENTIST AS HUMANIST, an NEH-funded project for enriching secondary school science education, 1992
Project Co-Director, THE SCIENTIST AS HUMANIST, a public-private collaborative project for enriching secondary school science education Co-director of the Summer Seminar for Secondary School Teachers, 1990
Member, Five-College Propositional Attitudes Task Force, 1980-1986

Participant, APA Seminar on Teaching Philosophy, Boston, March 1985
 Invited conference participant, La Logica della Filosofia, sponsored by the
 Internationale Hegel Vereinigung and the Instituto per gli Studi Filosofici,
 Capri, Italy, May 1983
 Referree for *Journal of Philosophical Logic*, *Archiv für die Geschichte der Philosophie*,
TOPOI, *Philosophical Psychology*, *The Owl of Minerva*, *Journal of the History of*
Philosophy, *International Journal for Philosophical Studies*, Society for
 Philosophy and Psychology, Beacon Press, MIT Press, St. Martin's Press,
 Oxford University Press, Cornell University Press, Hackett Publishers,
 Harvard University Press
 Outside Referee for Promotion and Tenure for MIT, Tulane University, Carleton
 University, Kent State University

Books:

Hegel's Theory of Mental Activity, (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1988)
 Chapters 2 & 3 reprinted in Japanese in *A Hegel Reader, II*, ed. & trans., Na-
 Otake Cato and Yutaka Zakota, (Tokyo: Hosei University Press, 1997):
 171-212.
 Full text available online at:
<http://pubpages.unh.edu/%7ewad/HTMA/HTMAfrontpage>
Reality, Knowledge, and the Good Life: An Historical Introduction to Philosophy, (New
 York: St. Martin's Press, 1991)
Knowledge, Mind, and the Given: A Reading of Sellars' "Empiricism and the Philosophy
of Mind," (With Timm Triplett) (Cambridge, MA: Hackett Publishing,
 2000)
Wilfrid Sellars, Philosophy Now Series, (Chesham, Bucks: Acumen Publishing
 and Montreal & Kingston: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2005)

Refereed Articles:

"Problems in Airaksinen's Dialectic of Feeling," *Philosophy and Phenomenological*
Research, Vol. XLIV, No. 1 (Sept. 1983), pp. 85-94
 "Meaning and Interpretation in History," *History and Theory*, Vol. XXII, No. 3
 (1983), pp. 253-263
 "Meaning and Intentions in Historical Interpretation," *Berkshire Review*, V. 19
 (1984), pp. 64-75
 "Hegel on Representation and Thought," *Idealistic Studies*, Vol. XVII, No. 2, (May
 1987), pp. 123-132
 "Hegel on Reference and Knowledge," *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, Vol.
 XXVI, No. 2 (April 1988), pp. 297-307
 "On Sophist 255b-e," *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, Vol. 5, No. 4 (October 1988),
 pp. 385-94
 Guest Editor and "Introduction," *Topoi*, Special Issue on Self-Consciousness and

- Self-Knowledge, Vol. 7, No. 1 (March 1988)
- "Burgeoning Skepticism," *Erkenntnis*, Vol. 33 (1990), pp. 141-164
- Guest Editor, *Philosophical Topics*, Special issue on 19th Century Philosophy, Vol. 19, No. 2 (Fall 1991)
- "The Dialectic of Teleology," *Philosophical Topics*, Vol. 19, No. 2 (Fall 1991), pp. 51-70
- "Hegel's logic and philosophy of mind," in *The Routledge History of Philosophy*, Vol. VI: The Age of German Idealism. London: Routledge, 1993. pp. 216-253
- "Who sees with equal eye, . . . Atoms or systems into ruin hurl'd:' Comment on Brian McLaughlin" *Philosophical Studies* Vol. 71, No. 2 (Aug. 1993) pp. 191-200
- "Experience and the Swamp Creature" *Philosophical Studies*, Vol. 82, No. 1 (April 1996) pp. 55-80
- "Sellars, Wilfrid" Biography, Title Overview of *Science, Perception and Reality*, and Bibliography in *World Philosophy, rev. ed.* Pasadena: Salem Press, 2000, pp. 1763-1770
- "Wilfrid Sellars" *Dictionary of Literary Biography. Vol 279: American Philosophers, 1950-2000.* Gale, 2003, pp. 326-336
- "Folk Psychology, Theories and the Sellarsian Roots" in *The Self-Correcting Enterprise: Essays on Wilfrid Sellars* Poznan Studies in the Philosophy of Science and the Humanities, 93 Amsterdam and New York: Rodopi, 2006, pp. 53-84
- "Is Sellars's Rylean Hypothesis Plausible? A Dialogue" (With Timm Triplett) in *The Self-Correcting Enterprise: Essays on Wilfrid Sellars* Poznan Studies in the Philosophy of Science and the Humanities, 93 Amsterdam and New York: Rodopi, 2006, pp. 85-114
- "McDowell, Sellars, and Sense Impressions" *European Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (August 2006) pp. 182-201; reprinted in *John McDowell: Experience, Norm, and Nature*. Ed. Jakob Lindgard. European Journal of Philosophy Book Series. Oxford; Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing, 2008.
- "Does Observational Knowledge Require Metaknowledge? A Dialogue on Sellars" (With Timm Triplett) *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, Vol. 15, No. 1 (March 2007) pp. 23-51

Reviews:

Book Notes in *The Review of Metaphysics*:

Vol. XXV, No. 1 (1972): 121: K. Campbell, *Body and Mind*

Vol. XXV, No. 1 (1972): 143: S. Spicker, *The Philosophy of the Body*

Vol. XXV, No. 2 (1972): 376: D. M. Rosenthal, *Materialism and the Mind-Body Problem*

Vol. XXV, No. 2 (1972): 378: D. Van de Vate, *Persons, Privacy, and Feeling*

- Review of Justus Hartnack, *Immanuel Kant: An Explanation of his Theory of Knowledge and Moral Philosophy*, in *Teaching Philosophy*, Vol. I, No. 2 (1975): 207-208
- Review of Stanley Rosen, *G. W. F. Hegel*, in *Teaching Philosophy*, Vol. I (1975)
- Review of Otto Pöggeler, *Hegel*, in *The Owl of Minerva, the Journal of the Hegel Society of America*, Vol. 9, No. 3 (1978): 3-5
- Review of Crawford Elder, *Appropriating Hegel*, in *The Owl of Minerva, The Journal of the Hegel Society of America*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (Dec. 1982) and No. 3 (March 1983)
- Review of Michael Rosen, *Hegel's Dialectic and Its Criticism*, in *The Philosophical Review*, Vol. XCIII, No. 3 (July 1984): 450-454
- Review of *Hegel's Philosophy of Action*, ed. by L. Stepelevich and D. Lamb, in *The Owl of Minerva*, V. 16, No. 2 (Spring 1985): 212-15
- Book note on R. C. Solomon's *From Hegel to Existentialism* in *Ethics*, Vol. 93, No. 3: 627
- Review of William Lycan, *Consciousness*, in *The Philosophical Review*, Vol. 99, No. 2 (April 1990): 263-266
- Book note on Maxine Greene, *The Dialectic of Freedom*, in *Ethics*, Vol. 100, No. 3 (April 1990): 696-697
- Review of Michael Forster, *Hegel and Skepticism*, in *The Philosophical Review*, Vol. 101, No. 2 (April 1992): 401-404.
- Review of Allan Olson, *Hegel and the Spirit*, in *The Philosophical Review*, Vol. 103, No. 1 (January 1994): 194-195.
- Review of Roberto Casati and Achille C. Varzi, *Holes and Other Superficialities*, in *Philosophical Psychology*, Vol. 8, No. 3 (September 1995): 316-318.
- Review of Michael Wolff, *Das Körper-Seele-Problem*, in *Bulletin of the Hegel Society of Great Britain*, Nos 37/38 (1998): 109-112.
- Review of EpistemeLinks.com in *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Philosophy and Computers*, Vol. 98, No. 2 (Spring 1999): 70-71.
- Review of Christoph Halbig: *Objectives Denken: Erkenntnistheorie und Philosophy of Mind in Hegels System*, in *Internationales Jahrbuch des Deutschen Idealismus*, 3 (2005): 295-301.
- Review of Johannes Haag, *Erfahrung und Gegenstand: Das Verhältnis von Sinnlichkeit und Verstand*, in *Internationales Jahrbuch des Deutschen Idealismus*, Forthcoming.

Translation:

- Translation of W. Jaeschke, "Christianity and Secularity in Hegel's Concept of the State," *The Journal of Religion*, Vol. 61, No. 2 (April 1981), pp. 127-145
- Stolzenberg, Jürgen, 'Hegel's Critique of the Enlightenment in "The Struggle of the Enlightenment with Superstition"', in: K. R. Westphal, ed., *The Blackwell Guide to Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit*, 2008, forthcoming.

Papers Delivered:

- "Kant, Hegel, and the Objectivity of Teleology," University of Pittsburgh, December 1978
- "Kant and Hegel on Teleology," Haverford College, March 1979
- "Hegel on Reference and Knowledge," University of Massachusetts Philosophy Colloquium, April 1980
- "The Dialectic of Teleology," Hegel Society of America Biennial Meeting, October 1980
- "Hegel on Reference and Knowledge," Pacific Division, American Philosophical Association, March 1981
- "Does God Exist?" debate at Mount Holyoke College, April 1981
- "Hegel's Dialectic of Feeling," Five-College Philosophy Colloquium, June, 1981
- "Hegel's Philosophy of Psychology," University of Gøteborg, Sweden, May 1983
- "Sellars' Theory of Meaning," University of Gøteborg, Sweden, May 1983
- "Hegel on Representation and Thought,"
University of Turin, Italy, May 1983;
University of Milan, Italy, May 1983;
Eastern Division, American Philosophical Association, December 1983;
Middlebury College, March 1985
University of Rochester, February 1987
- "Meaning and Intentions in Historical Interpretation," Little Three Colloquium, Williams College, January 1984
- "Hegel's Conception of the Self," University of Cincinnati, February 1986
- "Hegel's Reconception of the Philosophy of Mind," Philosophy Department Colloquium, Amherst College, April 1986
- "Hegel on Reference and Knowledge," University of Arkansas, January 1987
- "Burgeoning Skepticism," Philosophy Department Colloquium, Harvard University, May 1987
- "Why I am not Daniel Dennett," University of New Hampshire, January 1988
- "Representation, Consciousness, and Apperception in Kant,"
University of New Hampshire Philosophy Colloquium, September 1989
Northern New England Philosophy Association, October 1989
Central Division, American Philosophical Association, April 1990
- Comment on Andrew Buchwalter, "Hegel and the Doctrine of Expressivism"
Eastern Division, American Philosophical Association, December 1989
- "Mentalism and Instrumentalism," Bates College, May 1990
Northern New England Philosophy Association, October 1990
Pacific Division, American Philosophical Association, March 1991
- "Are You Glad Your Mother Didn't Have an Abortion?" UNH Philosophy Department Colloquium, October 1990
Society for Value Inquiry, December 1990

- "Who sees with equal eye, . . . Atoms or systems into ruin hurl'd:" Comment on Brian McLaughlin" UNH Philosophy Symposium, February 1992
- "Experience and the Swamp Creature," University of Cincinnati Philosophy Colloquium, March 1992
- "Intelligence, Intentionality, and the Swamp Creature" Eastern Division, American Philosophical Association, December 1992
- "The Scientist as Humanist Summer Institute for High School Teachers: Assessing its Impact on Teachers' Knowledge and Practice" Co-authored with Joseph Onosko and Dianne Kaplan deVries. American Educational Research Association, Spring 1993
- "The Rationality Premise" University of Utrecht, The Netherlands, August 1993
- "Comment on Kolb" UNH Philosophy Symposium: Kant & Hegel, October 1993
- "Stich's Marginalization of Rationality" Pacific Division, American Philosophical Association, April 1994
- "What's Wrong with Immediate Knowledge: Alston on Sellars on Knowledge" Presented in collaboration with Timm Triplett to UNH Philosophy Colloquium, May, 1995
- "The Salience of Sensations and thoughts as an Argument against Sellars's Myth of Jones" (with Timm Triplett) The University of Massachusetts Alumni Philosophy Colloquium, October 1995
- "What's Wrong with Immediate Knowledge: Alston on Sellars on Knowledge" Presented to the Eastern Division of APA, December, 1995
- "Sellars as Systematic Philosopher," (with Timm Triplett) Society for Systematic Philosophy, December 1995
- "Is Knowledge Constructed or Given?" (with Timm Triplett) UNH Center for the Humanities Seminar Series, April 1996
- "Introduction to the Philosophy of Wilfrid Sellars" (with Timm Triplett)
- "Sellars's Principle of Observational Knowledge" (with Timm Triplett) Hungarian Academy of Sciences Conference on the Philosophy of Wilfrid Sellars, Dunabogdany, Hungary, October-November 1996
- "Sellars, Animals, and Thought" Presented to the Eastern Division of APA, December, 1996
- "The Space of Reasons and the Status of the Mental," Inaugural Lecture, University of New Hampshire, May 1999
- "Looking Beyond the Technical: The First Step in Integrating Ethics into Technical Education," Conference: Integrating Ethics into Technical Education, Raritan Valley Community College, June 1999
- Society for Applied Philosophy, UK, London, December 2001
- "Intentionality and Knowledge in Sellars and Some Critics,"
Virginia Tech, November 2000
University of East Anglia, UK, November 2001
- Keynote Speaker, 8th Annual May 4th Philosophy Graduate Student Conference,

- Kent State University, March 2001
- "Sellars, Privileged Access, and the Theory-theory," European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Fribourg, Switzerland, August 2001
- "Epistemic Trust" AHRB Graduate Research Seminar, Oxford University, March 2002
- "Folk Psychology, Theories, and the Sellarsian Roots" University College London Philosophy of Mind Seminar, May 2002;
University of Sussex, Cognitive and Computing Sciences June 2002;
University of Manchester, October 2002
- "Folk Psychology, Theories, Sellars and Eliminativism" University of Liverpool, October 2002
- "Intentionality and Knowledge in Sellarsian Perspective" University of Hertfordshire, October 2002
- "Forms of Trust" University of Hertfordshire, October 2002;
NNEPA, October 2002;
UNH Philosophy Colloquium, February 2003
- "Can Machines Think?" New Hampshire Technical Institute, February 2003
- "Just War" Interview with John Walters, *The Front Porch*, New Hampshire Public Radio, April 2003
- "Comment on Schellenberg" Eastern Division, American Philosophical Association, December 2003
- "Response to Kreines" Pacific Division, American Philosophical Association, March 2004
- "McDowell, Sellars, and Sense Impressions", 'McDowell between Wittgenstein and Hegel' Conference at University of Warwick, England, May 2005
- "The Necessity of the Normative: the Resilience of the Manifest Image in Sellars's Scientific Realism" University College Dublin;
Trinity College Dublin, February 2005;
University of Vienna, April 2005;
University of Kent, May 2005;
University of Munich, June 2005;
University of Konstanz, University of Jena, July 2005
- "Sellars, Gordon, Privileged Access, and the Theory-Theory" University of Salzburg, June 2005
- Workshops on Sellars held at University of Munich, June 2005;
University of Konstanz, University of Jena, July 2005; Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, June 2006
- "Sellars as German Idealist" Université de Provence, June 2006; Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, June 2006; Universität Köln, June 2006;
- "EMPIRICISM AND THE PHILOSOPHY OF MIND AFTER 50 YEARS: Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Sellars's Lectures in the University of London" Institute for Philosophy, School of Advanced

Studies, University of London, June 2006

"Brandom and the Spirit of Hegel" Northern New England Philosophy Association, October 2006

"Rosenberg and the Mirror of Philosophy" Author-meets-critics session on Jay F. Rosenberg's *Accessing Kant*, North American Kant Society, December 2006

Work in Progress:

"Sense-Certainty and the 'This-Such'" Argues that Hegel's *Phenomenology of Spirit* supplies a deficit in Kant's and Sellars's treatment of intuition. In press with Cambridge University Press

"Getting Beyond Idealisms" An examination of the complex relation between Sellars and idealism in its various forms, including the substantial idealism of the empiricists, the formal idealism of Kant, and the absolute idealism of Hegel. Under Review.

"Brandom, Sellars, and Observational Reports: Brandom's Two-Ply Error" (Jointly authored with Paul Coates) Submitted; Under Review

"Brandom and the Spirit of Hegel" A critique of Brandom's interpretation of Hegel's concept of Spirit. Solicited for *Brandoms Expressive Vernunft Zwischen Kant Und Hegel*. Projected publication 2007.

Is the Given a Myth? Dialogues on Sellarsian Philosophy. (With Timm Triplett) Debates on the adequacy of Sellars' positions in epistemology and philosophy of mind.

"Forms of Trust" Distinguishes several different forms of trust and argues for the priority of trust as a relation between persons

"Representation, Consciousness, and Apperception in Kant," An attempt to say just what the principle of the unity of apperception amounts to.

References:

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Courses Taught:

University of Pittsburgh

Introduction to Logic
Introduction to Philosophy
History of Ancient Philosophy
History of Early Modern Philosophy
Ethics
Existentialism

Amherst College

Introduction to Philosophy
19th & 20th Century Philosophy
Early Modern Philosophy
Metaphysics
Epistemology
The Mind-Body Problem
Philosophy of History
Symbolic Logic
Interdisciplinary Courses:
 Mind
 Romanticism and the
 Enlightenment

Harvard University

Existentialism
Introduction to Philosophy
Mind and Qualia

Universität Wien

Philosophy and Cognitive Science
Reading "Empiricism and the
 Philosophy of Mind"
Kant, Sellars, and the
 Transcendental

Tufts University

Introduction to Philosophy
Existentialism
Early Modern Philosophy
Kant Seminar
Morals and Society

UNH

Computer Power and Human
 Reason
Symbolic Logic
Philosophy of Psychology
Introduction to Philosophy
Moral Theory
Society and Morals
Kant and Hegel
High Technology: Connectionist
 Thinking
Eighteenth Century Philosophy
Philosophy Workshop
Humanities: Reason, Chance, and
 Necessity
Topics: Sellars's "Empiricism and
 the Philosophy of Mind"
Existentialism
Humanities and the Sciences
Humanities: The Twentieth Century
Ancient Philosophy
Consciousness
Philosophy of Language
Recent Anglo-American Philosophy
Early Modern Philosophy
Cosmology
Nineteenth Century Philosophy
Kant Seminar