

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Professor of Philosophy, Calvin College, 1992-2018; department chair, 2011-2013  
Director, Study in Ghana semester program, fall 2004, 2005, 2010, 2014  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Philosophy, University of Arizona, Jan. – Apr. 2016  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Philosophy, University of Groningen (Netherlands), Sept. – Oct. 2016  
Fellow of the Nagel Institute for Global Christianity, 2013-14  
Interim Vice President for Student Life, Calvin College, 1998-99  
Visiting Lecturer in Philosophy, Free University of Amsterdam, October 1998  
Dean for Natural Sciences and Mathematics and the Contextual Disciplines and Professor of Philosophy,  
Calvin College, 1992-1998; director of Graduate Studies, 1993-94  
Executive Director of the American Philosophical Association and Associate Professor of Philosophy,  
University of Delaware, 1984-1992  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Tutor in the Paracollege, St. Olaf College, 1977-84  
Visiting Fellow of Calvin Center for Christian Scholarship and Visiting Associate Professor of Philosophy,  
Calvin College, 1982-83  
Field Supervisor, St. Olaf College Term in the Far East, 1980-81  
Assistant in Philosophy, Calvin College, 1974-75  
Assistant in Instruction, Princeton University, 1973-74  
Copy editor, William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1969-72

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### EDUCATION

B. A., Calvin College, 1972  
Ph. D., Princeton University, 1981  
Dissertation topic: Coercion, Punishment and the State

Major field: Philosophy  
Department of Philosophy  
Principal advisor: T. M. Scanlon

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### RESEARCH AREAS

Political philosophy, including philosophies of violence and nonviolence  
Ethics of development  
Philosophy of art  
Academic ethics and the moral climate of the university  
African philosophies, traditional and contemporary

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### PUBLISHED BOOKS

*Taking Every Thought Captive: Forty Years of the Christian Scholar's Review*, edited with Don King, Perry Glanzer, Todd C. Ream, and Todd P. Steen (Abilene Christian University Press, 2012)  
*Christianity and Culture in the Crossfire*, edited with Bobby Fong (William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1997)  
*Campus Life and Moral Community: In Place of In Loco Parentis* (Rowman and Littlefield, 1994)  
*Handbook for Administrators of Learned Societies* (published privately by American Council of Learned Societies, New York, 1990)  
*Rights and Wrongs: Coercion, Punishment, and the State* (Susquehanna University Press, 1986)

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### SELECTED SCHOLARLY ARTICLES

"Reasons, Traditions and Virtues: Bernstein's Critique of MacIntyre," *Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 100:4 (2017), pp. 337-352.  
"Spiritual Realities Made Audible and Visible: An Appreciation of the Music of Benjamin Britten," *Christian Scholar's Review* 44:3 (Spring 2015), pp. 237-252.

- "Is Colonialism Evil?" Forthcoming in *The History of Evil, vol IV: the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries*, ed. Douglas Hedley; series editors Charles Taliaferro and Chad Meister (Acumen Press)
- "African Politics and Moral Vision," *Soundings* 96:2 (Spring 2013), 121-144.
- "Faith and Freedom in Post-Colonial African Politics," in *Jesus and Ubuntu: Exploring the Social Impact of Christianity in Africa*, ed. Mwenda Ntarangwi (Trenton, NJ: Africa World Press, 2011), 26-45.
- "Is There an Ethicist in the House? How Can We Tell?" in Peter Euben and Elizabeth Kiss, ed., *Debating Moral Education* (Duke University Press, 2010), 249-267
- "African Personhood: Morality and Identity in the 'Bush of Ghosts,'" *Soundings* 91:3-4 (Fall/Winter 2008)
- "There Are No Just Wars: David Rodin and Oliver O'Donovan's Divergent Critiques of a Tradition," *Ars Disputandi* vol 8 (2008)
- "Civil Society, Religion and Political Liberalism: A Comparison of the United States, Russia, and Ghana," in Peter Blokhuis, ed., *Civil Society East and West* (Dordt College Press, 2006)
- "Why Tolerance is Intolerable," *Perspectives* 16:10 (December 2001), 14-19.
- "Redemptive Suffering and the Politics of Atonement," in *Atonement: (Russian Society of Christian Philosophers: Proceedings of the Second Symposium (St. Petersburg, Russia: International Scholars Publications, 1999) (published in Russian translation)*
- "Sociological and Theological Perspectives on the Death Penalty: Two Valuable Studies," *Cresset*, Reformation issue 1999, 23-29
- "Cultures and Communities of Higher Learning: Riding on the Bandwagon of Nonconformity," in *The One in the Many: Christian Identity in a Multicultural World*, ed. Thomas Thompson (University Press of America, 1998)
- "Politics, Religion, and Other Crimes Against Civility," *Academe* 82:6 (Nov.-Dec. 1996), 33-37
- "College Life in America: Historical Context and Legal Issues," in Wanda Mercer, ed., *Contemporary Issues in Judicial Affairs* (Jossey-Bass, 1996)
- "Building Moral Community in the University; or, How Come After Four Years of College Tuition Our Kid is More Confused Than Ever About Right and Wrong?," in *Morality and Values in the University*, ed. Jeffrey Gordon, Vincent Luizzi, and Marion Tangum (Southwest Texas State University, 1996)
- "Conversations for Christian Higher Education: Introduction," part of conference proceedings published privately by Calvin College, April 1996
- "Liberalism Revisited: Religion, Reason, Diversity" (review article on John Rawls, *Political Liberalism*), *Christian Century* 111:29 (Oct. 19, 1994), 957-963
- "Ethics from a Theocentric Perspective: A Critical Review of the Thought of James M. Gustafson," *Vera Lex*, 11:2 (1991), 14-18
- "Trust and Obey: Toward a New Theory of Punishment," *Israel Law Review*, 25:3-4 (Summer-Autumn 1991), 332-350
- "Artists, Humanists and Society: Conservatives Have the Wrong Answers and Liberals Ask the Wrong Questions," *Art Journal*, 50:3 (Fall 1991), 45-48
- "Beyond In Loco Parentis? Parietal Rules and Moral Authority," in Steven Cahn, ed., *Studies in Academic Ethics* (Temple University Press, 1990), 177-194
- "A Constitution for a Religious and Moral People: Greenawalt and Perry on Politics and Religion," *Criminal Justice Ethics*, 8:2 (Summer/Fall 1989), 70-78
- "Trust and Punishment in the Family," in Robert C. L. Moffat, Joseph Grcic, and Michael Bayles, ed., *Perspectives on the Family: Studies in Social and Political Theory*, 8 (Edwin Mellen Press, 1990), 127-136
- "When Technology Undermines Freedom" (report on conference on technology and civil liberties held in Wilmington, Delaware, May 1990), *Futures*, 22:9 (Nov. 1990), 971-973
- "Punishment, Criminal Law, and Christian Social Ethics," *Criminal Justice Ethics*, 5:2 (Summer/Fall 1986), 31-54
- "The Moral Status of Nuclear Deterrent Threats," *Social Philosophy and Policy*, 3:1 (Autumn 1985), 93-117; reprinted in John Ahrens, Ellen Frankel Paul, Jeffrey Paul, and Fred Miller, ed., *Nuclear Rights, Nuclear Wrongs* (Basil Blackwell, 1986)
- "Two Voices of the Philosopher," *Proceedings and Addresses of the American Philosophical Association*, 59:1 (Sept. 1985), 75-78
- "Fairness and the Germ Theory of Politics," *Federation Review* (journal of the National Federation of State Humanities Councils), 8:3 (May/June 1985), 1-4
- "Socrates, Meet the Buddha: Philosophy in an International Setting," *Teaching Philosophy*, 8:2 (April 1985), 145-150
- "The Just War Tradition and the Nuclear Debate," *Peace and Change: A Journal of Peace Research*, 10:3/4 (Fall/Winter 1984), 145-154
- "Protestant Statements on Nuclear Disarmament," *Religious Studies Review*, 10:2 (Autumn 1984), 97-102

- "Reformed Pacifism," *Bulletin of the Peace Studies Institute*, 14:1 (Fall 1984), 23-30
- "Intentions, Threats, and Nuclear Deterrence," in Thomas Attig, Michael Bradie, & Nicholas Rescher, ed., *Bowling Green Studies in Applied Philosophy*, V (1983) 111-125
- "Nuclear Politics and Christian Ethics," *Christian Scholar's Review*, 12:3 (1983), 217-225
- "Two Dogmas About Taxation," in Michael Bradie and David Braybrooke, ed., *Social Justice: Bowling Green Studies in Applied Philosophy*, IV (1982), 139-149
- "The Right to Punish and the Right to Be Punished," in H. Gene Blocker & Elizabeth Smith, ed., *John Rawls' Theory of Social Justice: An Introduction* (Ohio University Press, 1980), 239-269

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## SELECTED REVIEWS OF SCHOLARLY BOOKS / REVIEW ARTICLES

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- "When art comes to church: The annual ArtPrize competition in Grand Rapids brings artwork—and artists—into places of worship," *Christian Century*, published online Mar. 14, 2018, in print Mar. 28, 2018. <https://www.christiancentury.org/article/critical-essay/when-art-comes-church>
- "Olivier Messiaen: Music as Prayer" (review of Stephen Schloesser, *Visions of Amen: The Early Life and Music of Olivier Messiaen*, and concurrent audio recording by Hyesook Kim and Stephane Lemelin), *Perspectives*, March/April 2018, pp. 14-17 <https://perspectivesjournal.org/blog/2018/02/28/olivier-messiaen-music-prayer/>
- "Tracing the Traditions of English Church Music: Andrew Gant's lively book tells a history of sacred song," *Christian Century*, published online Sept. 1, 2017; in print Sept. 13, 2017, pp. 37-39 <https://www.christiancentury.org/review/books/tracing-traditions-english-church-music>
- "Faith, Family and Politics in Nigeria" (review essay on Jowhor Ile, *And After Many Days*, and Chigozie Obioma, *The Fishermen*), *Christian Century*, Nov. 14, 2016.
- "Missions and Modernity in Colonial Africa: Most of What You Think You Know is Wrong," *Books and Culture*, Sept. Oct. 2014, pp. 32-33. A review essay discussing Olúfémí Táíwò, *How Colonialism Pre-empted Modernity in West Africa*, and other books on development in Africa.
- "Americans in Africa" (review of Larry Grubbs, *Secular Missionaries*, and Amy Stambach, *Faith in Schools*), *Books and Culture*, November-December 2010
- "Why Aid (Often) Doesn't Work" (review of Richard Rottenberg, *Far-Fetched Facts: A Parable of Development Aid*), , 25-26
- Review article in the section, *Vue des États-unis* ("Perspective from the United States") of Jacques Rançière, *Au bords du politique* (in French), *Bulletin de la société américaine de philosophie de langue française*, 3:3 (Spring 1991), 256-259
- "Keeping Faith in the Christian College, Past and Present (review of Robert Benne, *Quality with Soul*; Arthur Holmes, *Building the Christian Academy*), *Perspectives* 18:1 (Jan. 2003), . 15-20.
- Published reviews of the following books:
- Charles Taliaferro and Jil Evans, *The Image in Mind: Theism, Naturalism and the Imagination*, *Christian Scholar's Review* 33:2 (Winter 2013)
- Paul Gifford, *Christianity, Politics and Public Life in Ghana* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2009), *Calvin Theological Journal* 46:1 (April 2011), 188-192
- Scott H. Moore, *The Limits of Liberal Democracy: Politics and Religion at the End of Modernity*, *Christian Scholar's Review* 39:2 (Winter 2010)
- Bob Woodward, *Bush at War*, *Christian Century* 120:4 (Feb. 22, 2003) p. 50-3, 55-7.
- Bruce Wilshire, *Fashionable Nihilism: A Critique of Analytic Philosophy*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, 2002.10.04
- Bob Woodward, *Bush at War*, *Christian Century* 120:4 (Feb. 22, 2003) p. 50-3, 55-7.
- Richard John Neuhaus, ed., *The Second One Thousand Years: Ten People Who Defined a Millenium*, *Christian Century* 118:30 (Nov. 7, 2001), 31-32.
- David Burch Brown, *Good Taste, Bad Taste, and Christian Taste: Aesthetics in Religious Life*, *Christian Century* 118:28 (Oct. 17, 2001), 34-35
- Martin Marty and Jonathan Moore, *Education, Religion, and the Common Good*, *Christian Century* 118:1 (Jan. 3-10 2001) p. 30-3
- Stuart Hampshire, *Justice is Conflict*, *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 35:1 (March 2001), 119-124
- David Johnston, ed., *Equality*, *Philosophy in Review* 20:6 (December 2000), 427-429
- Thomas Bender and Carl Schorske, ed., *American Academic Culture in Transformation*, *Culturefront* (journal of the New York State Committee on the Humanities), Winter 1998-99, 82-84
- Martha Nussbaum, *Cultivating Humanity*, *Culturefront*, Spring 1998, 95-97
- Mark Noll, *The Scandal of the Evangelical Mind*, *Prism*, 2:5 (May/June 1995), 27
- "Dangerous Curves" (review of George Marsden, *The Soul of the American University*), *Perspectives* 9:9 (Nov. 1994), 19-20

- Ira Chernus and Edward T. Linenthal, ed., *A Shuddering Dawn: Religious Studies and the Nuclear Age*, *Journal of American Academy of Religion*, 61:1 (Spring 1993), 133-136
- Review (in French) of Jacques Rançière, *Au bords du politique*, in the section, *Vue des États-unis* ("Perspectives from the United States"), of the *Bulletin de la société américaine de philosophie de langue française*, 3:3 (Spring 1991), 256-259
- "Theology in a Technological World" (review of Carl Mitcham and Jim Grote, ed., *Theology and Technology: Essays in Christian Analysis and Exegesis*), in Frederick Ferré, ed., *Research in Philosophy and Technology*, 10: *Technology and Religion* (JAI Press, 1990), 351-353
- Margaret Battin, *Ethics in the Sanctuary*, *Christian Century*, 108:2 (Jan. 16, 1991), 54-55
- Arthur Danto, *The Philosophical Disenfranchisement of Art and The State of the Art*, *Art Journal*, 47:4 (Winter 1988), 379-381
- "Nuclear Issues Resources" (review article on 23 recent books), *Christian Century*, 100:26 27 (Sept. 14 21, 28, 1983), 819-825, 850-854
- Hadley Arkes, *First Things: An Inquiry Into the First Principles of Morals and Justice*, lead review in *American Political Science Review*, 82:2 (June 1988), 605-606
- Mark Coppenger, *A Christian View of Justice, Faith and Philosophy*, 5:1 (Jan. 1988), 95-97
- Ian Clark, *Waging War: A Philosophical Introduction*, *Philosophical Books*, 1989
- Edward Laarman, *Nuclear Pacifism: "Just War" Thinking Today*, *Journal of Social Philosophy*, 18:2 (Summer 1987), 62-63
- "Two Important Resources on Nuclear Arms" (Jonathan Schell, *The Fate of the Earth*, and Alan Geyer, *The Idea of Disarmament*), *Christian Century*, 99:36 (Nov. 17, 1982), 1171-1174
- Other book reviews published in *Christian Scholar's Review*, *Journal of Idealistic Studies*, *Reformed Journal*, *Christian Scholar's Review*, *Books and Culture*, and *Christian Century*

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## OTHER PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- "From Just War to Just Peace," *The Banner*, April 2017, pp. 36-37.
- "Captives of the Prophet: the 1996 Uganda Kidnappings" (review of Susan Minot, *Thirty Girls*), in *Books and Culture*, July-Aug. 2015, p. 30.
- "Refuge in Uganda: A Poor Nation Opens Its Doors," *Christian Century*, Dec. 10, 2014, pp. 32-35
- "Religious Rights: Christians and Muslims in Kenya," *Christian Century*, June 15, 2010, 10-11
- "The Unacknowledged Ethicists on Campus," *Chronicle of Higher Education*, Jan. 24, 2010 (on-line copy at [chronicle.com/article/The-Unacknowledged-Ethicists/63681/](http://chronicle.com/article/The-Unacknowledged-Ethicists/63681/))
- "Truth, Reconciliation, and Human Rights: A Reflection on South Africa's Transition to Multiracial Democracy," *Perspectives*, 24:3 (March 2009) 5-13.
- "Visions of Amen: Olivier Messaien's Transcendent Music," *Christian Century* 125:26 (Dec. 30, 2008), 24-26.
- "On Music and the Firmament: A Messaienian Vision," *Books and Culture*, November 2008, p. 43.
- "'Just War on Terror' Revisited," lead article in *Perspectives*, 21:12 (Dec. 2006)
- "Voting as a Lenten Discipline," *Sightings*, an on-line publication of the Martin Marty Center at the University of Chicago, March 15, 2006
- "Pomp and Circumstance: Bush as Commencement Speaker," *Christian Century* 122:10 (May 17, 2005), p. 7.
- "The Church and the Future of Russia," *Spark* (Calvin College Alumni magazine), fall 2000.
- "Should Killers be Killed?" *The Banner*, September 25, 2000
- "What Does it Mean to Be Reformed?," *The Banner*, December 1999
- "What Makes Reformed Colleges Distinctive?," *The Banner*, September 13, 1999, 24-26
- "The Market for Your Soul," *The Banner*, May 24, 1999, 24-26
- "Choosing the Right College," *The Banner*, March 1, 1999, 24-26
- "All Creation Hums with God's Song," *The Banner*, December 7, 1998, 24-26
- "Six Reminders for Teachers and Others," *The Banner*, September 14, 1998, 25-26
- "Finding a Church on the Road: A Modest Proposal," *The Banner*, June 8, 1998, 24-26
- "Lent: The Season We Ignore," *The Banner*, March 25, 1998, 24-26
- "What's Special About Perugino?," Perspectives essay for *Grand Rapids Press*, Jan. 18, 1998
- "The Power of Christmas Music," *The Banner*, Dec. 22, 1997, 24-26
- "South Africa: An Experiment in Reconciliation," *The Banner*, Sept. 29, 1997, 24-27
- "Endowment Worth Keeping," Perspectives essay for *Grand Rapids Press*, May 28, 1995
- "Church Unplugged: Seekers and Finders," *Christian Century*, 111:21 (July 13-20, 1994), 668-670
- "Monks Sell Millions" (essay on best-selling recording of Gregorian chant), *Christian Century*, 111:18 (June 1-8, 1994), 583-584
- "If You Can Fake That ': A Reflection on the Morality of Teaching," *Teaching Excellence*, 5:5 (1993), 10-11

- "Who Would Have Believed?" (reflections on religion in the former Soviet Union), *Perspectives*, 9:3 (March 1994), 5-6
- "Why Are There Still Lines at the Teller Windows? Coping with the Information Revolution on Campus," in Ann Okerson and Dru Mogge, ed., *Gateways, Gatekeepers, and Roles in the Information Universe* (Association of Research Libraries, 1994), 111-116; excerpted under the same title in *Chronicle of Higher Education*, Jan. 19, 1994
- "Emerging technologies for scholarly research and communication," in James Williams & Anne Woodsworth, ed., *The Economics of Information* (London: Ashgate Publ., 1993)
- "Yardley is Wrong About Arts Funding," *The Washington Post*, Op-Ed page, July 13, 1989
- "Pornography and the Helms Amendment: The Disease Won't Kill Us, but the Cure Might," invited editorial distributed to 85 Gannett News Service affiliates Sept. 7, 1989; revised version published as "Battle Lines Drawn over Arts, Humanities Funding," *University of Delaware Update*, Nov. 2, 1989
- "B-2: Winning Weapon of the Last War," *Christian Century* 106:25 (Aug. 30-Sep. 6, 1989), 772-3
- "Response by David Hoekema" (invited essay) in Mark Frankel, ed., *Science, Engineering and Ethics: State of the Art and Future Directions* (American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1988), 68-71
- "Art and Censorship," in Lee Kimball, ed., *Stiffelio: Colloquium on the Ethical Issues Surrounding Verdi's Most Controversial Opera*, (Wilmington, DE: Opera Delaware, Nov. 1989)
- "The Usefulness of the Humanities: Why Not Major in Something Practical, Like Philosophy?", *National Forum*, 67:3 (Summer, 1987), 38-43
- "A Practical Christian Pacifism," *Christian Century*, 103:31 (Oct. 22, 1986), 917-919
- "Aftereffects: Legacy of Hiroshima and Nagasaki," *Reformed Journal*, 35:5 (Aug. 1985), 10-13
- "Microcomputer Use for Learned Societies and Scholars," *Proceedings and Addresses of the American Philosophical Association*, 58:5 (June 1985), 741-747
- "The Path That Leads Toward Home: Where Prayer and Action Are United in our Lives," *The Other Side*, 20:4 (April 1984), 8-10
- "Capital Punishment: The Question of Justification," *Christian Century*, 96:11 (Mar. 28, 1979), 338-342; reprinted in Boyd Litzinger, ed., *The Heath Reader* (D. C. Heath and Co., 1983), and elsewhere
- "Vietnam Veterans Memorial: A Wall for Remembering," *Commonweal*, 110:13 (July 15, 1983), 397-399; reprinted in *Reference Shelf 1986* (H. W. Wilson Co.) and in *America's Vietnam Experience* (Berlin, Germany: Cornelson Verlag, 1991)
- About 60 other published articles in assorted periodicals

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND OFFICES HELD

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- Elected to Board of Directors, International Development Ethics Association, 2014-2017
- Chair, Committee on Academic Careers and Placement, and member of Board of Officers, American Philosophical Association, 2011-14
- Member, Committee on Professional Ethics, American Association of University Professors, 2002-2010
- Fellow, Society for Values in Higher Education; elected to Board of Directors, 1986-89, 1994-2000, 2008-2011; elected President of the Society, 1999-2002
- Publisher, *Christian Scholars Review* (elected by editorial board of the journal), 1998-present
- Local arrangements organizer for Africa Network annual meeting, October 2012; member of program planning committee
- Editor, *Proceedings and Addresses of the American Philosophical Association*, 1984-92
- Member of Board of Directors, Friends of St. Andrew's Biblical Theological Institute (Moscow)
- Member of Editorial Board of *Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal*; appointed Chair, 2005
- Member, Society of Christian Philosophers; elected to Board of Directors, 1995-98; Program Committee member, 1983, 1985, 1986
- Member, Board of Directors, Grand Rapids Bach Chorale, 2013-present
- Member, Board of Directors, Grand Rapids Bach Festival, a program of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, 2014-present
- Elected to Board of Directors, Grand Rapids Art Museum, 1995-98; chair, Program Committee; member, Management Committee
- Elected to Board of Directors, Interfaith Dialogue Association, 1995-98
- Chair, Policy Planning Committee, National Humanities Alliance, 1988-90; member of NHA Board of Directors, 1986-1990
- Member, Board of Trustees, Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium, 1989-92
- Elected to Executive Committee, Conference of Secretaries, American Council of Learned Societies, 1985-88; appointed to ACLS Standing Committee on Admissions, 1986-87

Member, Professional Society Ethics Group, American Association for Advancement of Science, 1986-92;  
member of planning committee for joint conference with National Science Foundation on ethics and  
the professions, Feb. 1988  
Member, Board of Directors, Philosophy Documentation Center, 1984-92  
Member of International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, American Section  
(Amintaphil), American Philosophical Association, International Association for Advancement of  
Christian Higher Education

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## SELECTED LECTURES AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

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- “Healing Conflict in Africa: the Cases of South Africa and Uganda,” lecture series for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, MI, May 2017
- “What Does ‘Freedom’ Mean in Development Ethics?” Symposium presentation for Center for Philosophy of Freedom, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, January 26, 2017
- “Churches and Peacemaking in Northern Uganda: the example of the Acholi Religious Leaders Peace Initiative,” invited address at Uganda Martyrs University, Nkozi, Uganda, Nov. 9, 2016
- “Priorities for Africa: Better Plumbing and Better Philosophy,” invited address to African Students Association, National University of Groningen, Netherlands, Oct. 21, 2016
- “Aids and obstacles to social reform in Africa,” guest presentation for graduate seminar on “Ethnicity, Culture, and Politics,” National University of Groningen, Netherlands, Sept. 21, 2016
- “Rethinking Christian Assessments of War and Violence,” lecture series for Calvin Association for Lifelong Learning, Grand Rapids, MI, April – May 2016
- “Church and Mosque in Ghana: Adversaries or Allies?” invited lecture for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, MI, Oct. 20, 2015
- “Architecture, Aesthetics, and the Social Function of Art,” invited presentation for MA seminar in architecture at Kendall College of Art and Design, Sept. 24, 2015
- “The Churches and the LRA Conflict in Northern Uganda,” Institute of African Studies seminar series, Nov. 27, 2014 (video recording of the presentation and discussion following archived <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XJH580yBVz8&list=PL5anwAaEOVs6g2szyZVuAdEsnjrMYDPji&index=1> )
- Values in Higher Education, Senior Fellows Breakfast, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota, July 18, 2014; also presented as submitted paper at International Development Ethics Association, Tenth International Conference, University of Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica, July 22, 2014
- “The Church in Africa Today: Why the Missionaries are Headed in Our Direction Now,” lecture series for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, MI, Oct. 2013
- “African Politics and Moral Vision,” invited lecture at University of Nairobi, Philosophy Department lecture series, April 28, 2010.
- “Issues of morality and identity in Amos Tutuola’s *My Life in the Bush of Ghosts*,” invited lecture for Michigan State University philosophy speaker series, April 2008
- “Truth, Reconciliation and Human Rights: A Reflection on South Africa's Transition,” paper presented at African Studies Association, New York, Oct. 20, 2007.
- “The Inevitable War That Wasn’t: Violence and Nonviolence in the New South Africa,” presented at Central Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association, April 20, 2007, as part of a forum on “Darfur, South Africa, and Peacekeeping”
- “Is a Non-Theological Just War Theory Possible?” presented at Theological Café, seminar series of the School of Religion and Theology, University of Kwazulu-Natal, May 16, 2006
- “Rodin and O’Donovan on Just War,” seminar presentation to School of Philosophy, Howard College, University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa, May 10, 2006
- “The Future of the American Philosophical Association,” invited panel presentation at Eastern Division APA convention, Dec. 28, 2005
- “Art as Insult and Innuendo: Aesthetic Functions of the Fante Asafo Shrine,” Institute of African Studies seminar, Dec. 1, 2005, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana
- “Civil Society, Religion and Political Liberalism: A Comparison of the United States, Russia, and Ghana,” at conference on “Christian Responsibility in Civil Society” sponsored by International Association for Promotion of Christian Higher Education, Moscow, July 20-25, 2005

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