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## EMPLOYMENT

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Professor of Philosophy, Beloit College, 2021-present  
Associate Professor of Philosophy, Beloit College, 2011-2021  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Beloit College, 2005-2011

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Memphis, 2005  
Dissertation: "The Persistence of the Past: Heidegger and Bergson on Time"  
M.A. in Philosophy, University of Memphis, 2000  
B.A. in Philosophy and English with honors, *summa cum laude*, Millsaps College, 1996

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Areas of Specialization: 20<sup>th</sup> Century Continental Philosophy, Phenomenology, Existentialism,  
Philosophy of Time, Critical Philosophy of Race  
Areas of Competence: 19<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy, Early Modern Philosophy, Aesthetics, Africana  
Philosophy, Environmental Philosophy

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Books

*The Origin of Time: Heidegger and Bergson* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 2015).

### Articles and chapters

"From Time to Temporality: Heidegger's Critique of Bergson." In *The Bergsonian Mind*, 332-349. Edited by Mark Sinclair and Yaron Wolf. New York: Routledge, 2021.

"Two Kinds of Postracialism: Declaration and Aspiration," *Critical Philosophy of Race* 9, no. 2 (2021): 270-294. <https://doi.org/10.5325/critphilrace.9.2.0270>

"Bergson, Henri (1859–1941)." *The Encyclopedia of Philosophers*. London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2019. <https://www.doi.org/10.5040/9781350989979-0002>

"*The Archaeology of Knowledge: Foucault and the Time of Discourse.*" In *Understanding Foucault, Understanding Modernism*, 79-94. Edited by David Scott. New York: Bloomsbury Academic, 2017.

"Bergsonian Intuition: Getting Back into Duration." In *Rational Intuition: Philosophical Roots, Scientific Investigations*, 151-173. Edited by Lisa M. Osbeck and Barbara S. Held. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014.

"'When Are We When We Think?' Arendt's Temporal Interpretation of Thinking and Thoughtlessness." *Philosophical Topics* 39 (2013): 71-90.

"Bergson on Memory." In *Understanding Bergson, Understanding Modernism*, 325-326. Edited by Paul Ardoin, S. E. Gontarski, and Laci Mattison. New York: Bloomsbury Academic, 2013.

"Untimely Speculations." In *Philip K. Dick and Philosophy: Do Androids Have Kindred Spirits?* 271-281. Edited by D. E. Wittkower. Chicago: Open Court, 2011.

"On the Verge of *Being and Time*: Before Heidegger's Dismissal of Bergson." *Philosophy Today* 54 (2010): 138-152.

"Time in Continental Philosophy." In *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2nd edition, 488-493. Edited by Donald Borchert. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2006. With Leonard Lawlor.

## Translations

Henri Bergson, "Remarks on the Theory of Relativity (1922)." *Journal of French and Francophone Philosophy - Revue de la philosophie française et de langue française* 28, no. 1 (2020): 167-172. <https://doi.org/10.5195/jffp.2020.904>

Maurice Merleau-Ponty, *Institution and Passivity: Course Notes from the Collège de France (1954-1955)*. Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press, 2010. With Leonard Lawlor.

Gilles Deleuze, "Reversing Platonism." In Leonard Lawlor, *Thinking Through French Philosophy: The Being of the Question*, 163-177. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2003.

## Book reviews

Review of *Interpreting Bergson: Critical Essays*, Alexandre Lefebvre and Melanie White, eds. *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, June 2020. <https://ndpr.nd.edu/news/interpreting-bergson-critical-essays/>

## PRESENTATIONS

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- “The Open Soul and Intuition as a Way of Life,” North American Society for Early Phenomenology, San Diego University, June 4, 2023
- “Faculty Time,” 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Alumni Conference, University of Memphis, May 2, 2015
- “When Are We When We Think? Arendt’s Temporal Interpretation of Thinking and Thoughtlessness,” Hannah Arendt Circle, University of Arkansas, March 28, 2009
- “What Philosophers Ignore about Time,” Faculty Forum, Beloit College, February 18, 2009
- “Durability and Destruction: Arendt and Environmental Impact,” What Would Arendt Say Today? University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, October 29, 2007
- “Perchance to Dream: The Phenomenology of Sleep and the Oneiric in Merleau-Ponty’s *Passivity Lectures*,” International Merleau-Ponty Circle, September 27, 2007
- “Pure Duration or Originary Temporality? (A Debate that Never Took Place),” Research in Progress Series, University of Memphis, May 6, 2005
- “Interrogations of the Flow: Thinking Through Time-Consciousness with Husserl and Bergson,” Husserl Circle, 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Georgetown University, June 12, 2004
- “‘I Must Because I Must’: Bergson’s Interpretation of Kant’s Categorical Imperative,” Special Conference on Values, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, April 2, 2004
- “Immanence in Consciousness and Immanence in Life: Time and Memory in Husserl and Bergson,” Collegium Phaenomenologicum, Città di Castello, Italy, July 12, 2003
- “Temporality and Fanon’s Project in *Black Skin, White Masks*,” Graduate Student Conference on Race and Philosophy, Villanova University, March 23, 2002

## COURSES

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### Beloit College

- INIT 100    *The Nature of Time*
- PHIL 100    *Logic*
- PHIL 110    *Introduction to Philosophy*
- PHIL 205    *Philosophy of the Enlightenment*
- PHIL 232    *Philosophy of Art*
- PHIL 234    *Existentialism*
- PHIL 238    *Hegel, Kierkegaard, Marx, Nietzsche*

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- PHIL 240 *Phenomenology*
- PHIL 240 *Philosophy of Nature* (cross-listed with Environmental Studies)
- PHIL 260 *Critical Philosophy of Race* (cross-listed with Critical Identity Studies)
- PHIL 275 *Africana Philosophy* (cross-listed with Critical Identity Studies)
- PHIL 380 *Foucault Seminar*
- PHIL 380 *Heidegger Seminar*
- PHIL 380 *Philosophies of Time*
- PHIL 385 *Colloquium in Philosophy* (co-taught with philosophy faculty)

University of Memphis

- PHIL 1101 *Introduction to Ancient Philosophy*
- PHIL 1102 *Introduction to Modern Philosophy*
- PHIL 1611 *Elementary Logic*
- PHIL 3411 *Contemporary Moral Problems*

SERVICE AND OTHER EXPERIENCE

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Beloit College

- Crom Visiting Philosopher Series co-organizer, 2009-present
- Appeals Committee, 2014-2017, 2022-present
- Personal Harassment Committee, 2021-2023
- ACM FaCE Workshop on Environmental Studies, Summer 2022
- Faculty Status and Performance Committee, 2012-2014, 2019-2021
- Professional and Program Development Committee, 2017-2018
- Chair, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, 2014-2017
- Writing Program Committee, 2015-2016
- Mellon Foundation project, "Decolonizing Pedagogies," 2016
- Inclusive Living and Learning cell group, 2015-2016
- Health and Wellbeing working group, Spring 2015
- Sustained Dialogue, Fall 2014
- Mellon Foundation project, "Critical Engagement of Social Identities," 2014
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness workshop, 2013
- Curriculum Oversight and Administration Committee, 2010-2011
- Chair, Arts and Humanities Division, 2010-2011
- Upward Bound and Help Yourself ethics workshop, 2010-2011
- Philosophy and Film series co-organizer, 2007-2010
- International Education Committee, 2008-2010
- Faculty development seminar, "Human Rights and Transitional Justice in South Africa," 2009
- Information Services and Resources Advisory Committee, 2007-2009
- Institutional Review Board, 2006-2008
- Teagle Foundation project, "Assessing the Value Added by Academic Majors," 2006-2008
- McNair Scholars Program mentor, 2006

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University of Memphis

Editorial Assistant, *Chiasmi International*, 2003-2004

Organizing Assistant, Spindel Conference, 2002

Editorial Assistant, *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 1999-2001

AWARDS

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Bert Bornblum Dissertation Fellowship, 2004-2005

Graduate Service Award, 2004

Hillary K. Johnson Teaching Award, 2003-2004

College of Art and Science nominee for Graduate Assistant Teaching Award, 2003-2004

Phi Beta Kappa, 1996

LANGUAGES

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Proficiency in French and German

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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North American Society for Early American Phenomenology (NASEP)

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP)

American Philosophical Association (APA)

REFERENCES

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Available upon request