

Curriculum Vitae
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Positions held

2007-Present, Mathematics Librarian, Louisiana State University.
 2004-2006, Archivist, Righteous Babe Records, Buffalo, NY.
 2004-2005, Visiting Professor of Philosophy, St. Andrews Presbyterian College,
 Laurinburg, NC.
 1998-2004, 2006 Adjunct Professor of Philosophy: Canisius College, University at
 Buffalo, Daemen College, Medaille College, SUNY Fredonia, Buffalo State
 College, SUNY Plattsburgh.
 1991-2004, Talking Leaves Books: Customer service, book purchasing, book returns to
 publishers.

Education

M.L.S., University at Buffalo, State University of New York, 2006.
 Ph.D., in Philosophy, University at Buffalo, 1999. Dissertation, "Progress in
 mathematics: Descartes's *Geometry*." Professor John Kearns, dissertation
 director.
 B.A., Columbia University, 1984.

Publications: Librarianship

"Efficiency of Scientific Communication: A Survey of World Science," *Journal of the
 American Society for Information Science and Technology* 61(10): 2049-2060.
 "A Survey of Attitudes about Digital Repositories among Faculty at Louisiana State
 University in Baton Rouge," *Journal of Academic Librarianship* 34(5), 2008.
 "A Social Contract for Health Information." *Journal of Information Ethics* 17(2), 2008.

Presentations: Librarianship

"Efficiency of Scientific Communication: A Survey of World Science," Reference
 Department Writers' Showcase, February 2010.
 "Mathematics Collection Development by the Numbers," All-Sciences Poster Session at
 the Special Library Association 2008 Annual Conference, Seattle.
 "A Survey of Attitudes about Digital Repositories among Faculty at Louisiana State
 University in Baton Rouge," Reference Department, LSU Libraries, December
 2007.

Publications: Philosophy

"Torture and Moral Knowledge," *Review Journal of Political Philosophy* 6(1), 2008.
 "Are There Any Environmental Rights?" *Environmental Values* 16, August 2007.
 "Liberty of Ecological Conscience," *Environmental Ethics* 28, Summer 2006.
 "Is Anyone to Blame for Pollution?" *Environmental Ethics* 26, Winter 2004.
 "What is the Goal of Proof?" *Logique et Analyse*, Vol. 179-180, 2004.

Presentations: Philosophy

- "Naturalized Epistemology and Hume on Miracles," LSU Philosophy Department Colloquium, Baton Rouge, LA, September 2010.
- "Health Care Prioritization and Autonomy," Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World conference, Pine Lake, Oneonta, NY, July 2009.
- "Integration, Ergodic Theory, and Inference to the Best Explanation," Society for Exact Philosophy conference, Edmonton, May 2009.
- "Are There Any Gettier Examples in Mathematics?" Mid-South Philosophy Conference, University of Memphis, April 2009.
- "Health Care Prioritization and Autonomy," American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting, Philadelphia, December 2008.
- "Torture and Moral Knowledge," Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World concurrent session at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting, Pasadena, March 2008
- "Two Problems of Health Care Justice," North American Society for Social Philosophy conference, Millersville University, Lancaster, PA, July 2007.
- "Mercury Emissions Trading and Environmental Rights," North American Society for Social Philosophy conference: *Science, Technology, and Social Justice*, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, July 2005.
- "Public Reason and Religious Discourse Revisited," Conference on Value Inquiry: *Reason and Evaluation*, Louisiana State University, April 2005.
- "Liberty of Ecological Conscience," *Finding Our Voices: 1st Midwest Environmental Ethics Conference*, Rock Valley College, November 2004.
- "Problems of Environmental Rights," Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World conference, Western Carolina University, July 2004.
- "What is Sustainability?" *Land Use: Planning for a Just and Sustainable Future*, Pace University, April 2002.
- "Deontological Environmental Ethics" Radical Philosophy Association conference, Loyola University, November 2000.

Teaching: Librarianship

Library Research Methods and Materials: one credit, half semester

Teaching: Philosophy

Introduction to Philosophy

Environmental Ethics

Ethics

Bioethics/Medical Ethics

Introduction to Logic

Introduction to Symbolic Logic (with *Language, Proof, and Logic* text/software)

Philosophy of Science

Philosophy of Technology

Philosophy of Religion

Early Modern Philosophy

Environmental Politics

Theories of Human Nature

Workshop attended

"Introduction to Molecular Biology Information Resources" conducted by National Center for Biotechnology Information, April 2008, Washington University, St. Louis

Computer skills

MathSciNet

National Center for Biotechnology Information databases

Online instant message "chat" reference

Construction of an Access database for an archival collection

Statistical analysis using Excel

Information retrieval in Dialog, Lexis-Nexis, and a variety of end-user systems

Basic HTML writing

Language

Reading knowledge of German

Book reviews

The Human Right to a Green Future: Environmental Rights and Intergenerational Justice, by Richard Hiskes (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2009).
Environmental Ethics, forthcoming.

Scientific Review of the Proposed Risk Assessment Bulletin from the Office of Management and Budget, by National Research Council Committee to Review the OMB Risk Assessment Bulletin (John F. Ahearne, Chair) (Washington: National Academies Press, 2007). *Environmental Politics* 17(5).

The New Environmental Regulation, by Daniel Fiorino (Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2006), *Environmental Politics* 17(1): 168-169.

Regulation through Revelation: The Origin, Politics, and Impacts of the Toxics Release Inventory Program, James Hamilton (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005), *Environmental Politics* 16(1).

Diamond: A Struggle for Environmental Justice in Louisiana's Chemical Corridor, by Steve Lerner (Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2005), *Environmental Politics* 15(4) (August 2006).

Constitutional Environmental Rights, by Tim Hayward (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005), *Environmental Politics* 15(1) (February 2006).

Organizations

American Library Association, Association of College and Research Libraries, Special Library Association, American Philosophical Association, International Society for Environmental Ethics

Committees

Association of College and Research Libraries, Science and Technology Section,
Research Committee, 2009-present

Louisiana State University Faculty Senate Committee on Courses and Curricula, 2009-
present

LSU Libraries Instruction Committee, 2008-present

LSU Libraries Electronic Communication Committee, 2006-present

LSU Libraries Scholarly Communication-Engineering Librarian Search Screening
Committee, 2008

Boards

Squeaky Wheel/Buffalo Media Resources, 2000-2005

Western New York Peace Center, 1997-2000

Green Party of Erie County, 1999-2000