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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 1992.
B.A. Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA, 1987. Cum laude. Phi Beta Kappa.

EMPLOYMENT

Professor of Philosophy: University of Oregon, Eugene, OR (Fall 2016-present)
Visiting Professor of Philosophy: University of Oregon, Eugene, OR (Fall 2015-Spring 2016)
Professor of Philosophy: Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA (Fall 2005-Spring 2017)
Associate Professor of Philosophy: Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA (Fall 1998-2005)
Assistant Professor of Philosophy: Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA (Fall 1992-Fall 1998).

Co-Editor, *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* and *Hypatia Reviews Online*, 2019-2023.
Director of Ethics Minor, UO winter 2022-present
Associate Head, Philosophy, UO, 2019-2021
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Philosophy, UO, 2016-2019
Chair of the Faculty, PLU (2006-2008)
Vice-Chair of the Faculty, PLU (2004-2006)
Chair of Philosophy, PLU (August 2000-August 2006)
Chair of Women's Studies, PLU (June 1996-June 1999 and spring of 2003).

Courses regularly taught: Pragmatism and American Philosophy; Feminist Philosophy; Social and Political Philosophy; Moral Theory; Philosophy, Animals, and the Environment; Introduction to Women and Gender Studies; Human Nature; Ecofeminism; Food Ethics

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND COMPETENCE

Ethics (with animal and environmental focus), Feminist Theory, American Pragmatism, Social and Political Philosophy.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Pragmatist Feminism and the Work of Charlene Haddock Seigfried, eds. Lee A. McBride III and Erin Mckenna (Bloomsbury 2022).

Living with Animals: Rights, Responsibility, and Respect (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2020).

Livestock: Food, Fiber, and Friends (Athens, GA: University of Georgia Press, 2018).

Author meets critics session at the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Columbus, OH March 2019.

Author meets critics session at Association for the Study of Food & Society (ASFS) and the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society (AFHVS) joint conference, Anchorage, Alaska, June 2019.

Some reviews of *Livestock*:

Tess Varner in *Environmental Values* 28 (4): 513-515 (2019).

Sarah Berger Richardson, *Agriculture and Human Values*, vol. 37: 257-58 (2020).

Nicole Welk-Joerger in *Grad Association for Food Studies*, June 2020.

American Philosophy: From Wounded Knee to the Present, co-authored with Scott L. Pratt (London: Bloomsbury, 2015). [Second edition requested by the press, now in process.]

Book session at Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Michigan, March 2015.
Book session at American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, San Francisco, April 2016.
Some book reviews of *American Philosophy*:
Dwayne A. Tunstall, *Teaching Philosophy*, vol. 39, no. 2, 2016, 259-262.
Alain Beauclair, *The Pluralist*, vol. 15, no. 1, 2020, 102-108.
Gregory F. Pappas, *The Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society* vol. 57, no. 1, 2021, 130-137.

Pets, People, and Pragmatism (New York: Fordham UP, 2013).

Book session on *Pets, People, and Pragmatism*: Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Michigan, March 2015.
Some book reviews of *Pets, People, and Pragmatism*:
Journal of Animal Ethics, vol. 5 (2), 2015, Lidia de Tienda Palop, 188-194.
Environmental Values, Vol. 24, Issue 6, 2015, Roger J. H. King, 828-830.
Pragmatism Today, Vol. 5, Issue 1, 2014, Wojciech Matecki, University of Wroctaw, Poland.
Humanimalia: A Journal of Human/Animal Interface Studies, Vol. 5, No. 1, Spring 2014, Hillary Kelleher.

Jimmy Buffett and Philosophy, eds. Erin McKenna and Scott L. Pratt (Chicago: Open Court Press, 2009).

Animal Pragmatism, eds. Erin McKenna and Andrew Light (Bloomington: Indiana UP, 2004).

Some book reviews of *Animal Pragmatism*:
Organization and Environment, vol. 18 (3), 2005 pp 381-384, Hugh McDonald.
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Newsletter, October 2005, by Jacoby Carter, Purdue University.
The Journal of Speculative Philosophy - Volume 20, Number 1, 2006 (New Series), pp. 56-59, by Ann K. Clark

The Task of Utopia: A Pragmatist and Feminist Perspective (Lanham, MD, Rowman & Littlefield, 2001).

Book sessions on *The Task of Utopia*:
"Breakfast Book Discussion," Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, March 2002.
"Roundtable Discussion," three respondents, Society for Utopian Studies, October 2002.
"The Task of Utopia: A Pragmatist and Feminist Perspective," Summer Institute in American Philosophy (six hour seminar), Eugene, OR, July 2004.
Some book reviews of *The Task of Utopia*:
Utopian Studies, Vol. 13, No. 1, 2002, by Farhang Erfani, Villanova University.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy, Vol. 17, No. 2, 2003, by Maurice Hamington, Lane Community College.
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Newsletter, October 2003, by Cornelis de Waal, Institute for American Thought at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis.

Journal Articles:

"The Dangers of Moral Extensionism****" in *Between the Species*, **summer 2023 (forthcoming).
"Shared Vulnerabilities," in *Pragmatism in Pandemic Times: Deweyan Experiments*, special issue of *Dewey Studies*, ed. Eli Kramer, vol 6. No. 1, fall 2022, 415-450.

- “The Need for Respect and Reciprocity in Philosophy,” SAAP Presidential Address, *The Pluralist*, Vol. 12, No. 1, Spring 2017, 1-14.
- “Loving Pets Means Caring for Livestock, *The Philosopher’s Magazine*, Issue 72, 2016, 79-80.
- “Eating Apes, Eating Cows,” *The Pluralist*, Vol. 10, No. 2, Summer 2015, 133-149.
- “The Present Place and Purpose of American Philosophy,” co-author Scott L. Pratt, *Cognitio* 15:1 fall 2014.
- “Democracy and Dewey’s Notion of Religious Experience,” *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 87, No. 2, spring 2013, 301-310.
- “Philosophical Farming,” with Sarah Curtis and Jon Stout, *Journal of Contemporary Pragmatism*, August 2012, 151-183.
- “Feminism and Farming: A Response to Paul Thompson’s Agrarian vision, in *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*, September 2011, 529-534.
- “We Are Hers,” *The Pluralist*, Vol. 6, No. 3, Fall 2011, 34-43.
- “Chimpanzees and Sign Language: Darwinian Realities versus Cartesian Delusions, with Roger Fouts, *The Pluralist*, Vol. 6, No. 3, Fall 2011, 19-24.
- “Are We a Thoughtful Profession?” in *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society*, Vol. 43, No. 2, Summer 2007, 395-403.
- “Pragmatism and Feminism: Engaged Philosophy,” in the *American Journal of Theology and Philosophy*, Vol. 24, No 1, January 2003, 3-21.
- “Pragmatism and Primates,” in the *American Journal of Theology and Philosophy*, Vol. 22, No 3, September 2001, 183-205.
- “Fragmented Selves and the Loss of Community,” (co-author, J. Craig Hanks), in *The Journal of Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, Vol. 3, No. 3, Fall 1996, pp. 18-23. (peer reviewed)
- “Women, Power, and Meat: Comparing *The Sexual Contract* and *The Sexual Politics of Meat*,” in *The Journal of Social Philosophy*, with response by Carol Pateman, vol. xxvii, no. 1, Spring 1996, pp. 47-80.
- “Some Reflections Concerning Feminist Pedagogy,” in *Metaphilosophy*, vol. 27, nos. 1&2, Jan/April 1996, 178-183.
- “Feminism and Vegetarianism: A Critique of Peter Singer,” in *The Journal of Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, with response by Peter Singer, vol. 1, no. 3, Fall 1994, pp. 28-35.
- “The Occupied West Bank: Sovereignty Betrayed,” *Contemporary Philosophy*, vol. xiv, no. 2, April 1992, pp. 16-18.
- “Mill and Dewey: ‘Individuals’ Compared,” *Social Philosophy Today* series, Spring 1992, pp. 43-58. (peer reviewed)
- “A Personal Interpretation of Metaphysics,” *Claremont Journal of Philosophy*, 1985, pp. 60-68.

Book Chapters:

- “Introduction: Pragmatist Feminism, Changing Philosophy,” in *Pragmatist Feminism and the Work of Charlene Haddock Seigfried*, eds. Lee A. McBride III and Erin Mckenna (Bloomsbury 2022), 1-14.
- “The Importance and Impact of Pragmatist Feminism,” in *Pragmatist Feminism and the Work of Charlene Haddock Seigfried*, eds. Lee A. McBride III and Erin Mckenna (Bloomsbury 2022), 17-40.
- “Pragmatism,” with Maurice Hamington, in *Oxford Handbook of Feminist Philosophy*, eds. Kim Q. Hall and Ásta Kristjana Sveinsdóttir (Oxford UP, 2021), 83-98.
- “Images of Women in the Music and Life of Neil Young,” in *Neil Young and Philosophy*, ed. Doug Berger (Lexington, 2020), 133-150.
- “Philosophy and the Mirror of Culture: On the Future and Function of Dewey Scholarship,” with Scott L. Pratt, in *Oxford Handbook of John Dewey*, ed. Steven Fesmire (Oxford UP, 2019), 675-695.
- “What Makes the Lives of Livestock Significant” in *Pragmatism Applied: William James and the Challenges of Contemporary Life*, eds. Cliff Stagoll and Michael Levine (SUNY Press, 2019), 57-72.
- “William James and Women,” in *Feminist Interpretations of William James*, Eds. Shannon Sullivan and Erin Tarver (Penn State UP, 2016), 79-97.

- “Philosophical Farming,” with Sarah Curtis and Jon Stout, in *Pragmatism and Environmentalism*, ed. Hugh P. McDonald (Amsterdam: Rodopi, 2012), 151-183.
- “Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Women and Pets,” in *Contemporary Feminist Pragmatism* (New York: Routledge, 2012) 238-254.
- “Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Evolution and Feminism,” in *150 Years of Evolution: Darwin’s Impact on Contemporary Thought and Culture* (San Diego, San Diego State University Press, 2011), 147-162.
- “A Feminist Looks at Jimmy Buffett,” in *Jimmy Buffett and Philosophy*, eds. Erin McKenna and Scott Pratt (Chicago: Open Court Press, 2009), 141-158.
- “Living on the Edge: A Reason to Believe,” *Bruce Springsteen and Philosophy*, with Scott L. Pratt, eds. Randall E. Auxier and Douglas Anderson (Chicago: Open Court Press, 2008), 161-172.
- “Scully as a Pragmatist Feminist: “truths” are Out There,” *Philosophy and the X-Files*, ed. Dean Kowalski, University of Kentucky Press, 2007, 126-141.
- "The Need for a Pragmatist Feminist Self," in *Feminist Interpretations of Dewey*, ed. Charlene Haddock Seigfried, in the *Rereading the Canon Series*, ed. Nancy Tuana, Pennsylvania State University Press, 2002, 133-159.
- “Negotiating Subject-Positions in a Service Learning Context: Toward a Feminist Critique of Experiential Learning,” co-authored with Tamara Williams, in *Twenty-First Century Feminist Classrooms: Pedagogies of Identity and Difference*, eds. Amie Macdonald and Susan Snachez-Casal, Palgrave, MacMillan, 2002, 135-154.
- "Land, Property, and Occupation: A Question of Political Philosophy," in *Philosophical Perspectives on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*, ed. Tomis Kapitan (New York: M. E. Sharpe, 1997), pp. 185-204.

Commissioned Articles:

- “Feminist Environmental Philosophy: Ecofeminism,” in *Feminism*, ed. Carol Hay for *Macmillan Interdisciplinary Handbooks: Philosophy*, 2017.
- "John Dewey" in *Routledge Dictionary of Nineteenth Century Thought*, 2003.
- "Locke's Political Philosophy," in *Survey of Social Science: Government and Politics*, ed. Joseph Bessette. Salem Press, November, 1995, pp. 1142-1147.
- "Social Contract," in *Survey of Social Science: Government and Politics*, ed. Joseph Bessette, Salem Press, November, 1995, pp. 1827-1832.
- "Women's Ethics," in *Ready Reference Ethics*, ed. John K. Roth. Salem Press. May, 1994, pp. 937-939.
- "Social Contract Theory," in *Ready Reference Ethics*, ed. John K. Roth. Salem Press. May, 1994, pp. 815-817.

Book Reviews:

- ** 2023 (forthcoming)
- Meat Makes People Powerful*, Wilson J. Warren (University of Iowa Press, 2018) in *Agricultural History*, vol. 93 (1) 2019, 187-189.
- Animal Advocacy and Environmentalism: Understanding and Bridging the Divide*, Amy J. Fitzgerald (Cambridge: Polity Press, 2019) in *Environmental Values*, vol. 29 (1) 2019, 118-120.
- “Why is Eating Meat an Economic Choice and Eating Local is an Existential Choice?” Comments on Thompson’s *From Field to Fork*,” *Public Philosophy Journal*, 2018.
- The Drama of Possibility: Experience as Philosophy of Culture*, John J. McDermott, ed. Douglas R. Anderson (New York: Fordham, 2007) in *William James Studies*, vol. 3, no. 1, 2008, 5 pgs.
- Experience as Philosophy: On the Work of John J. McDermott*, eds. James Campbell and Richard E. Hart (New York: Fordham, 2006) in *William James Studies*, Vol. 2, No. 1, 2007, 5 pgs.
- The Reform of Utopia*, Wayne Hudson (Ashgate Publishing, 2003). in *Utpian Studies*, 2005.
- Politics, Persuasion and Pragmatism: A Rhetoric of Feminist Utopian Fiction*, Ellen Peel (Ohio State University Press, 2002) in *Comparative Literature Studies*, 2005.

- A Feminist Cosmology: Ecology, Solidarity, and Metaphysics*, Nancy Howell (Humanity Books, 2000), in the *APA Newsletter on Feminism*.
- Habits of Hope*, Patrick Shade (Vanderbilt University Press, 2001) in *Journal of Speculative Philosophy*.
- Making Sense of Taste*, Carolyn Korsmeyer (Cornell University Press, 1999) in *Philosophy Now*, February/March 2001, 46.
- Risking Utopia: On the Edge of a New Democracy*, Irshad Manji (Vancouver: Douglas and MacIntyre, 1997) in *Utopian Studies*, Spring 2000.
- Ecofeminism: Women, Culture, Nature*, ed., Karen J. Warren (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1997), in *Teaching Philosophy*, June 1998, 21:2, 189-191.
- Ecological Feminist Philosophies*, ed., Karen J. Warren (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1996), in *Teaching Philosophy*, March 1998, 21:1, 103-105.
- Hypatia's Daughters: Fifteen Hundred Years of Women Philosophers*, ed., Linda Lopez McAlister (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1996), in *Teaching Philosophy*, September 1997, 20:30, 326-328.
- Science and Religion in the Era of William James: Eclipse of Certainty, 1820-1880*, by Jerome Croce (Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 1995), in *Religious Studies Review*, vol. 23, no. 1, January 1997.
- The Utopian Mind and Other Papers: A Critical Study in Moral and Political Philosophy*, by Aurel Kolnai, ed., Francis Dunlap (London: Athlone, 1995), in *Utopian Studies*, vol. 7, no. 1, 1996.
- Realism, Utopia, and the Mushroom Cloud*, by Michael Bess (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1993), in *Utopian Studies*, Vol. 6, No. 2, 1995.
- John Dewey and the Paradox of Liberal Reform*, by William Andrew Paringer (Albany: SUNY Press, 1990), in Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Seventh Annual Book Review Issue of SAAP Newsletter, June 1995.
- Women, Family, and Utopia*, by Lawrence Foster (Syracuse: Syracuse UP, 1991), in Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Fifth Annual Book Review Issue of SAAP Newsletter, June 1993.

PRESENTATIONS

Blind review:

- “The Work and Legacy of Charlene Haddock Seigfried,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Colorado, March 2023.
- “Pragmatism and Ethics,” Author Meets Critics Session on Lee McBride’s *Ethics and Insurrection*, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Florida, March 2022.
- “Alice Walker on Consuming and Relating to Other Beings,” Association for the Study of Food & Society (ASFS) and the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society (AFHVS) joint conference, virtual, June 2021.
- “Pragmatism and Insurrectionist Ethics,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, author meets critics session, virtual, March 2021.
- “Pests and Pragmatism,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, March 2020.
- “Approaching History Through the Future: Some Thoughts from a Feminist Pragmatist,” Summer Institute in American Philosophy, Dayton, OH, July 2019.
- Author Meets Critics session for *Livestock: Food, Fiber, and Friends*, Association for the Study of Food & Society (ASFS) and the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society (AFHVS) joint conference, Anchorage, Alaska, June 2019.
- Author Meets Critics session for *Livestock: Food, Fiber, and Friends*, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Columbus, OH, March 2019.
- “Predator, Prey, and Pest: The Need for an Expanded Sense of Relatedness,” Summer Institute in American Philosophy, Dayton, OH, July 2018.

- “The Importance and Impact of Pragmatist Feminism,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Indianapolis, March 2018.
- “Living With Livestock” Minding Animals Conference, Mexico City, January 2018.
- “Horses and Meat: A Complex History,” Living with Horses Conference at the Living With Animals Conference, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY, March 2017.
- “Alain Locke’s Importance for Today,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, author meets critics session, Birmingham, AL, March 2017.
- “The Root of the 1960’s: Pragmatism After the War,” Society for U.S. Intellectual History, Stanford, CA, October 2016.
- “Food Choices Matter: A Response to Paul Thompson’s *From Field to Fork*,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Portland, OR, March 2016.
- “Loving Pets Means Caring for Livestock,” Living With Animals conference, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY, March 2015.
- Authors Meet Critics session for *American Philosophy: From Wounded Knee to the Present*, co-author Scott L. Pratt, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Michigan, March 2015.
- Author Meets Critics session for *Pets, People, and Pragmatism*, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Michigan, March 2015.
- “Philosophy and Farming,” with students Jonathan Stout and Danielle Palmer, Food and Agriculture Conference, Missoula, MT, June 2011.
- “Food, Forestry, “Fun”: Pragmatic Considerations of Hunting in Contemporary North America,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Spokane, WA, March 2011.
- “Farmed Fish and American Pragmatism,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Charlotte, NC, March 2010.
- “A Pragmatist Feminist Account of Jimmy Buffett,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, College Station, TX, March 2009.
- “McDermott: Lessons for a Teacher and Inspiration for Living a Life,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, East Lansing, MI, March 2008.
- “Eating Apes: Virtue Ethics and Pragmatism Applied,” co-authored with Lindsey Webb, Northwest Philosophy Conference, Portland, OR, November 2006.
- "Jane Addams: Engaged Philosopher and Working Utopian," Society for Utopian Studies, San Diego, October 2003.
- "Resisting Species Oppression: Locke and the Baha'i Faith," Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Denver, Colorado, March 2003.
- "Mammalian Brains and Beyond," Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Portland, Maine, March 2002.
- “The Need For Expanding the Moral Community,” North American Society for Social Philosophy, Eugene, OR, July 2002.
- “Pragmatist and Feminist Utopias,” Feminist Session, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2001.
- “The Possibilities of Democracy: Dewey’s Community, Gilman’s Home, Young’s City,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2001.
- “Dewey’s Notion of Religious Experience,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Eugene, Oregon, February 1999.
- "History, Gender and Home: Fragmenting Selves, Spaces, and Communities," (co-author, J. Craig Hanks), Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, Estes Park, Colorado, August 1997. (Presented in my absence due to an emergency.)
- "Impartiality and Sentiment: A Reconsideration of J. S. Mill's Utilitarianism," (co-author, Denis Arnold), The International Society for Utilitarian Studies, New Orleans, March 1997.
- "The Need for a Pragmatist Feminist Self" (12-page version focusing on Dickens' *Bleak House*), Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 1997.
- "Gilman's View of Human Nature: Bringing Fictional and Nonfictional Accounts Together," Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 1997.

- "Fragmented Selves and the Loss of Community," (co-author, J. Craig Hanks), Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, Estes Park, Colorado, August 1996.
- "The Need for a Pragmatist Feminist Self" (12-page version without Dicken's *Bleak House*), Fifth Annual Conference of the Institute for the Study of Postsecondary Pedagogy, New Paltz, NY, November, 1995.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: The Home," Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, Estes Park, Colorado, August 1995.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Women, Economics, and Democracy," Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Boston, March, 1995.
- "Feminism and Vegetarianism: A Critique of Peter Singer," with response by Peter Singer, Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, Estes Park, Colorado, August, 1994.
- "Women, Meat, and Power" Northwest Women's Studies Association Conference, Tacoma, Washington, April, 1994.
- "Dewey—A Process Model of Utopia," Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Vanderbilt University, March, 1993.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Pragmatist Philosopher," Society for the Study of Women Philosophers, Eastern Division APA Meeting, Washington, DC, December, 1992.
- "Iris Marion Young: City Life as Utopia," Utopian Studies Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, November 1992.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Getting Beyond Herland," Second Annual Women's Studies Symposium--Feminism and Multiculturalism, Purdue University, March, 1992.
- "Dewey's Democracy: Dewey's Utopia," Utopian Studies Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 1991.
- "The Occupied West Bank: Sovereignty Betrayed," Annual Conference of the Institute for Advanced Philosophic Research," Estes Park, Colorado, August 1991.
- "Democratic Imagination," Seventh International Conference on Social Philosophy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, August 1991.
- "Imagination: The Task of Philosophy," St. Louis University Graduate Student Conference, St. Louis, April 1991.
- "Imagination: The Task of Philosophy," Graduate Student Conference at Loyola University, Chicago, March 1991.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: An Informed Utopian Vision," North Central Women's Studies Association, Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana, March 1991.
- "The Freedom of Possibilities: Rousseau's Social Contract," National Graduate Student Conference at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, October 1990.
- "Mill and Dewey: 'Individuals' Compared," Sixth International Conference on Social Philosophy, Vermont, August 1990.

Invited:

- "Wild and Wilderness," with Tess Varner, Scholars Circle at Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Florida, March 2022.
- "Seigfried Scholars Circle," with Lee McBride, Feminist Pragmatist Colloquium, Rochester, NY, November 2019.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Story and Context in Philosophy," Society of U.S. Intellectual History, Dallas, October 2017.
- "*Philosophers at Table: The Meaning of the Stomach*," Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Memphis, TN, October 2017.
- "Cows, Chickens, and Pigs: Food, Fiber, and Friends" (or Eating Persons), *Personalist Society* group session, Central APA, St. Louis, MO, February 2015.
- "The Present Place and Purpose of American Philosophy," 15th International Meeting on Pragmatism, Center for Pragmatism Studies, Sao Paulo, Brazil, November 2013.

- “Feminism and William James,” (Panel of three running a four hour seminar), Summer Institute in American Philosophy, Eugene, OR, July 2013.
- “Vegetarians and Cattle Ranchers, PETA and the AKC: Can They be Allies?,” for Society of Philosophy in America (SOPHIA), Eastern APA, Atlanta, GA, 2012.
- A response to *Idealism, Pragmatism, and Feminism: The Philosophy of Ella Lyman Cabot*, by John J. Kaag (Lanham: Lexington Books, 2011) at the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, New York City, March 2012.
- “Pets, People, and Pragmatism,” Rhodes College, April 2011.
- “The Continuity of Human Beings and Other Animal Beings,” Coss Dialogue respondent, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Spokane, WA, March 2011.
- “How to be an American Philosopher?” (Panel of three running a six hour seminar), Summer Institute in American Philosophy, Eugene, OR, July 2010.
- “Feminist and Farming: A Response to Paul Thompson’s Agrarian Vision,” Food in Bloom in Conference, Bloomington, IN, June 2010.
- “Charlotte Perkins Gilman: How Gender Alters the Story of Evolution,” Darwin Symposium, San Diego State University, November 2009.
- “American Feminism,” Summer Institute in American Philosophy (Panel of three running a six hour seminar), Eugene, OR, July 2009.
- “Philosophical Farming,” Southern Illinois University Colloquium Series, February 2009.
- “Pets as Persons,” for Personalist Society, Eastern APA, Philadelphia, PA, December 2008.
- “Teaching and the APA,” for Special Session, Eastern APA, Washington, D.C., December, 2006.
- “Factory Farms: The Necessity of Emotions in Farmed Animals” for International Society for Environmental Ethics and Society for Philosophy and Technology joint session at the Central Division APA, Chicago, April 2005.
- “The Task of Utopia: A Pragmatist and Feminist Perspective,” Summer Institute in American Philosophy (six hour seminar), Eugene, OR, July 2004.
- “Dewey, Democracy, and Education” Eastern European Pragmatist Forum, Potsdam, Germany, June 2004.
- “Pluralism and Tolerance at Home, WA: A Pragmatist Approach to Anarchy” Pacific APA, joint session sponsored by the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy and the North American Society of Social Philosophy, Pasadena, CA, March 2004.
- “Utopia in the Face of Terrorism,” Pacific APA, session sponsored by the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Seattle, WA, March 2002.
- “Pragmatism and the Moral Standing of Animals,” Summer Institute in American Philosophy (four hour seminar), Burlington, VT, July 2001.
- “Pragmatism and Primates,” (long version) Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought, Highlands, North Carolina, June 2000.
- “Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Women, Economics, and Democracy,” Claremont McKenna College, April 2000.
- “Pragmatism and Primates,” (short version) Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy at the Pacific American Philosophy Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 2000.
- “Dewey's Notion of Religious Experience,” Third International Conference on Philosophical Theology, Bad Boll, Germany, August 1998.
- “The Social Self: Charlotte Perkins Gilman,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy at the Pacific American Philosophical Association, Los Angeles, California, April 1998.
- “Architecture and Communal Living: Pictures of Home,” plenary address for Communal Studies Association conference, Tacoma, WA, October 1997.
- “History, Gender, and Home: Fragmenting Selves, Spaces, and Communities,” (co-author, J. Craig Hanks), Society for Philosophy and Geography, Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association, Atlanta, December 1996.
- “Pragmatism, Feminism, and Education,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Pacific meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, California, March 1995.

"Ethics and the Travel Industry," Travel and Tourism Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana, October 1991.

Invited and paid:

- "Living With Animals: A Pragmatist and Ecofeminist Perspective," Concordia College, September 2022.
- "The Ethics of Cross-fostering Apes: Comments on "Lucy", Eugene Opera, September 2021.
- "Livestock Ontology," for the Ideas Matter series at Oregon State University, April 2019.
- "Cows and Chicks: An Ecofeminist Pragmatist Perspective on Livestock," Undergraduate Lecture, Philosophy Department, University of Oregon, May 2016.
- "Relationships of Respect: Pets and Livestock," Luther College, March 2016.
- "Cows and Chicks: An Ecofeminist Pragmatist Perspective on Livestock," Scott and Heather Kleiner Colloquium, University of Georgia, February 2016.
- "Relationships of Respect: Pets and Livestock," Green Mountain College, September 2015.
- "Varieties of Ecofeminism" University of Massachusetts Lowell, September 2015.
- "Relationships of Respect: Pets, People, and Pragmatism," Georgetown College, April 2015.
- "Horses and Pragmatism," Texas A&M University, Equine Science Symposium, February 2013.
- "Using Our Best Friends: Cats and Dogs in Biomedical Research," Purdue University, Bioethics Symposium, September, 2012.
- "Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Women and Pets," Plenary address at Seattle University's Philosophy Club Conference, May 2010.
- "Eating Apes, Eating Cows," Philosophy Speaker Series at Texas A&M University, College Station, TX, March 2008.
- "Animals and Community," Second Annual Conference in Contemporary Philosophy, University of Toledo, April 2005.
- "Eating Apes, Eating Cows" for Pragmatism and Social Transformation, 3-day Roundtable Discussion, Webster University, St. Louis, September, 2004.
- "Pragmatism and Animal Liberation," the Eleventh Annual Applied Philosophy Lyceum: Philosophy at the Crossroads, Middle Tennessee University, February, 2002.
- "The Plight of Nonhuman Primates: What are Our Ethical Obligations?" public lecture series of the Highlands Institute of American Religious and Philosophical Thought, two-day lecture and seminar, August 2001.
- "Pragmatism and Feminism," Women's Dialogue of the Highlands Institute of American Religious and Philosophical Thought, two-day seminar, June 2001.
- "Feminism and Vegetarianism: An Encounter with Rush Limbaugh," University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Washington, November 1996.
- "Envisioning the Future: A Process Model of Utopia," National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) speaker at Albertson College of Idaho, March 1995.
- "Feminist Pedagogy," NEH speaker at Albertson College of Idaho, March 1995.
- "Women, Power and Meat: Comparing The Sexual Contract and The Sexual Politics of Meat," Central Washington University, Ellensburg, Washington, April 1994.

Local Public Talks:

- "Pets, People, and Livestock: Human Interaction with Other Animals", at Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, January 2019.
- "Living with Livestock Respectfully," Ideas on Tap public series for University of Oregon Natural History Museum, April 2017.
- "Leading an Ethical Life: The Role of Experience and Visions of the Future," University Park Retirement Home, January 1999.
- "Feminist Ethics," Puyallup Lions, February 1998.

Commentaries:

Response to “Corporate Environmental Responsibility: A Kantian Approach,” by Keith Bustos, Eastern APA, Baltimore, MA, December, 2007.

“Understanding, Reciprocity and Pluralism or Arrogance, Assimilation, and Atomism?” comments on “Addams on Peace and International Understanding” by Marilyn Fischer and “Reciprocal Relations Between Races” by Shannon Sullivan, Pacific APA, special session on Jane Addams, March 2002.

"The Reflective Life: Challenging What Counts as Theory," comments on "Moral Theory and the Reflective Life," by Stuart Rosenbaum, Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Toronto, March 1996.

"Parental Obligation or Communal Responsibility?" comments on "Children and the Ethics of Divorce," Society for Philosophy and the Family, Pacific meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, March 1995.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Visiting Scholar at the Center for John Dewey Studies, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, September 2008-May 2009.

American Philosophical Association: Committee on Public Philosophy 2013-2016; Committee on the Status of Women, Chair, 2007-2010; Assoc. Chair July 2006-2007; Committee on Teaching Philosophy (starting 2001), Chair for 2002/03; APA Board Member 2002/03; Lifetime APA member.

Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy:

Past President, March 2016-2018; President March 2014 to 2016; Vice-President March 2012-2014; Edited the SAAP Conference Proceedings for *The Pluralist*, vol 8, no. 3, Fall 2013 and vol. 9, no 3, Fall 2014;

Executive Committee spring 2004-2006; Program co-chair for 2005/06, Program Committee, 2004/05; Chair of the Greenlee Prize Committee (2002/03), Nominating Committee (1999-2001, 2020-2022), organizer of sessions for Pacific APA (1999-2001), coordinated and chaired a session on American philosophy for the 46th Annual Northwest Conference on Philosophy (November 1994), started and help coordinate a Northwest reading group on American philosophy. Ran the Summer Institute in American Philosophy (SIAP) in 2017 and co-coordinated a virtual SIAP in 2021.

SOPHIA (Society for Philosophers in America), Board member, 2014-2017.

Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World—Co-Chair 1996 conference; on program committee 1997 conference, member of Executive Board (one-year position, 1996-1997), served on the *Journal of Philosophy in the Contemporary World*--Editorial Board.

Communal Studies Association--program committee for 1997 conference.

North American Society for Social Philosophy: Co-organizer of group meetings at Pacific APA (2001-2003), Treasurer (1997-2000), arranged two sessions for group meeting at the Central APA, Chicago, April 1996, review papers for *The Journal of Social Philosophy*.

Dewey Studies, advisory board.

American Journal of Theology and Philosophy, editorial board.

Journal of Speculative Philosophy, editorial advisory board.

Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society, Consulting Editor.

Hypatia and *Ethics*--review papers for journal publication.

Reviewed *Kindred Spirits* for University of Georgia Press; reviewed a book series proposal for University of Georgia Press; reviewed *Foucault and Animals* for Fordham University Press; reviewed *Philosophical Perspective on Animal Minds, Morals and Ethics* for SUNY, reviewed *Feminist Subjects and Feminist Action: A Pragmatic Post-structuralist Account of Oppression and Resistance*, reviewed *Feminist Interpretations of Jane Addams* for the Rereading the Canon Series, Penn State Press; reviewed *Global Ethics* for Wadsworth Publishing; reviewed *Philosophy Americana* for Fordham University Press; reviewed introduction to, and proposal for, republishing Jane Addams's *Democracy and Social Ethics* for Vanderbilt University Press.

Review articles on animals and ethics for a variety of journals (especially for *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics* and *Environmental Values*).

Western Washington Undergraduate Philosophy Conference--founder (1995) and coordinator for five years.

Conducted an external review (with a colleague from Macalester) for the philosophy department at Gustavus Adolphus.

Outside reviewer for tenure and promotion at University of Central Florida, Rhodes College, John Jay College, Green Mountain College, UMass Lowell, and Indiana University Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI).

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Oregon:

Associate Head, Philosophy, Fall 2019-Spring 2021.

Philosophy Department Graduate Committee member, Fall 2019-Spring 2021.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Philosophy Department, Fall 2016-2019.

Philosophy Department Undergraduate Committee, Chair, Fall 2016-2019.

Philosophy Department Merit Review Committee, 2018-2020.

Chair of search committee for Philosophy/ENVT position (2017/18).

Member of search committee for ethics positions (2016/17).

Philosophy Department Committee on Diversity and Inclusiveness, Chair, Fall 2015-2017, member 2017-18.

Philosophy GE Assignment Committee, 2016-2019, 2020-2021.

Philosophy Curriculum Committee, 2016-2021.

Department Steward for United Academics, 2016-present.

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, 2017-present.

PhD and MA committees:

-Co-director, Bjorn Kristensen's PhD dissertation in Environmental Studies and Philosophy at UO.

-Co-director, Kit Conner's PhD dissertation in Philosophy at UO.

-Committee member, Maggie Newton, PhD dissertation in Philosophy at UO.

-Committee member, Shunji Ukai, PhD dissertation in Philosophy at UO.

-Institutional member, Hugo Seguin, second comp. exam and dissertation for PhD in ENVIS.

-Institutional member for Deanna Chappell, PhD, Education Studies, UO (completed 2021).

-Committee member, Lauren Eichler's PhD dissertation in Philosophy at UO, "Dehumanization and Genocide." (completed 2019)

-Committee member, Erin Crnkovich, MA thesis committee in Food Studies at UO (completed 2018).

-Outside reader for Southern Illinois University—"Earth as *Patria*: A New Martiano Approach to Climate Change." (completed 2015)

-Outside reader for Emily Humbert's dissertation at Southern Illinois University—"Canine Based Training Programs in Prisons as a Pragmatic Approach to Ethics." (completed 2021)

History papers and/or Literature reviews:

Celena Simpson, Paul Showler, Maggie Newton, Kit Conner, Shunji Uka, Bjorn Kristensen

Philosophy honors theses and Clarks Honors College theses:

Tim Schatz, Alexandra Dennen, Chloe Simmons, Aaron Georis

PLU:

Faculty Representative to the Board of Regents, 2012-2014

Interim Director of the First-Year Experience Program, 2012-2013

Tree Committee, 2012-2014

Governance Committee, Fall 2009-2012

PLU 2020: Long Range Planning Report—summer writing team, 2010 and 2011

Chair of the Faculty, 2006-2008

Vice-chair of the Faculty, 2004-2006

Ad Hoc Steering Committee on General Education, 2006-2008.

AACU team on general education, Spring 2006

Ad Hoc Steering Group on General Education, 2005-2006.

Ad Hoc Working Group on General Education, 2004-2005.

Assoc. Provost Selection Committee, summer 2005.

Philosophy Department, Chair (August 2000-2006).

Rank and Tenure Committee (2002-2005), Chair for 2004/05.

Environmental Studies Committee (2003-2014)

Eastvold Planning Team

Women's Studies, Chair (June 1996-June 1999 and spring of 2003).

Women's Studies Executive Committee (Fall 1994-Spring 1996): served as library liaison and coordinated the Feminist Scholarship Series.

Governance Committee (2001/2002)

Faculty Affairs Committee (1998/1999).

Campus Life Committee (Fall 1995-Spring 1998).

Admission and Retention Committee (1995/1996, 1996/1997).

Center for Teaching and Learning (Fall 1993-Spring 1996).

Prism (on editorial board 1993/1994, Editor 1994/1996).

Center for Peace, Justice, and the Environment (1992-1999).

Diversity Committee (Fall 1995).

AAUW Representative (1996-1999).

Faculty advisor for Philosophy Club, Feminist Student Union, Vegetarian Alliance.

Served on search committee for Vice-President of Student life (Fall 1998).

Served on search committee for new position in Counseling and Testing (Summer 1996).

Served on grievance committees (J-term 1997, Fall 1996, Summer 1996, Summer 1994, Spring 2002).

Member of Arete (1992-present).

Member of Classics committee (1992-1998, 2004-present).

Advising: Freshmen, Philosophy majors and minors, Women's and Gender Studies majors and minors.

Freshman registration: summer 1997, 1998.

OTHER TEACHING

Claremont McKenna College—Visiting Assoc. Prof., Spring 2001: Philosophy Seminar and Tutorial for the Philosophy, Politics, and Economics major; advised one Senior thesis.

Phillips Academy, Andover—Teaching Fellow in Philosophy, 1987/88. Ethics, Law and Morality, Perspectives on the Holocaust.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Presidential Fellowship in Humanistic Studies, UO, 2021-2022.

Oregon Humanities Center, subvention grant, 2017.

PLU Faculty Excellence Award for Service, December, 2011.

PLU's K. T. Tang Faculty Excellence Award for Research, December, 2002.

Grant from the Wiancko Charitable Foundation to the Environmental Studies Program to support student/faculty research, summer 2008, summer 2010, and summer 2014.

Kelmer-Roe Student/Faculty Research Grant, 2006/07, 2008/09, 2014/15.

NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, *Pragmatism: A Living Tradition*, Director: Russell Goodman, Albuquerque, NM, summer 2007.

NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, *Social Responsibility*, Director: Peter French, Boulder, CO, summer 1995.

PLU Center for Teaching and Learning, Teaching Award, Spring 2004.

Innovative Teaching Awards, Pacific Lutheran University, 1994,1995, 1998. 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2010.

Regency Advancement Award, Pacific Lutheran University, 1993, 1999, 2002.

Inspirational Woman of Pacific Lutheran University, 1997, 1998, 2012.

Purdue Research Foundation Summer Grant—1992; Purdue Research Foundation Grant, 2-year award, offered March 1992 (declined to take position at PLU); David Ross Summer Grant, Purdue Univ., 1991; Purdue Univ. Fellowship, 1988- 1990.

Olin Teaching Award, Phillips Academy, 1988.

Phi Beta Kappa, Undergraduate Award, 1986; Graduate Award 1987; Member, 1987.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Philosophical Association

Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy