

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## Paul Draper

### EDUCATION

Degrees in Philosophy, University of California, Irvine: Ph.D. 1985, M.A. 1982, and B.A. 1979.

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

#### *Purdue University*

2006-            Professor of Philosophy.  
2012-18        Director of Graduate Admissions, Department of Philosophy

#### *Florida International University*

2003-06        Director, M.A. in Liberal Studies Program.  
2001-06        Professor of Philosophy.  
2001-05        Chair, Department of Philosophy.  
1997-99        Interim Associate Director, B.A. in Liberal Studies Program.  
1992-2001     Associate Professor of Philosophy.  
1987-92        Assistant Professor of Philosophy.

#### *Other Universities*

2011-12        Skeptical Theism Fellow, University of Notre Dame.  
2010-11        Alvin Plantinga Fellow, University of Notre Dame.  
1986-87        Lecturer in Philosophy, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh.  
1985-86        Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Notre Dame.

### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of religion, philosophy of science.

### BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

Subject Editor, *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.  
Editorial Board, *Religious Studies*.  
Board of Editorial Consultants, *Faith and Philosophy*.  
Editorial Advisory Board, *Claremont Journal of Religion*.  
Editorial Board, *Science, Religion, and Culture*.  
Editorial Board, Philosophy of Religion section, *Philosophy Compass*.

## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

- Engage Grant from the College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University, Spring, 2023.
- Pantheism and Panentheism Project Summer Stipend, 2018.
- Skeptical Theism Fellowship, Center for Philosophy of Religion, UND, 2011-2012.
- Alvin Plantinga Fellowship, Center for Philosophy of Religion, UND, 2010-2011.
- Templeton/American Scientific Affiliation Lecture Series Grant, 2002-2003.
- Matriculation Merit Salary Award, Florida International University, 2001.
- Excellence in Advising Award, Florida International University, 2000.
- Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) Science and Religion Course Award (with Carl Craver) for “Science and the Soul,” 2000.
- Teaching Incentive Program Salary Award, Florida International University, 1994.
- Summer Research Award, Florida International University, 1994.
- Summer Research Award, Florida International University, 1991.
- Outstanding Achievement and Performance Award, FIU, 1990.
- Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Center for Philosophy of Religion, UND, 1985-86.
- U. C. Regents Dissertation Fellowship, 1985.
- U. C. Regents Fellowship, 1979-80.
- Graduation with Honors (*Summa cum Laude*), 1979.
- Phi Beta Kappa (elected in third year), 1978.

## CURRENT RESEARCH

- A monograph for OUP called *Atheism and the Problem of Evil*.
- An entry on the problem of evil for the *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (with Michael Tooley).
- An entry on agnosticism for the *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (with Liz Jackson).
- An entry on atheism for the *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.
- A paper on agnosticism (with Nesim Aslantatar).

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Edited Books and Journal Issues*

- 2020 Guest editor, inaugural issue of *Religious Studies Archives*. Published February 11. <<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/religious-studies/archive-collection/perennialism-and-religious-experience>>. “Perennialism and Religious Experience” (introductory essay), pp. 1-7.

- 2019 *Current Controversies in Philosophy of Religion*, Routledge. Published May 8th.
- 2017 *Renewing Philosophy of Religion: Exploratory Essays*, co-edited with J. L. Schellenberg, Oxford University Press.  
“Introduction” (with J. L. Schellenberg), pp. 1-11.
- 2010 *A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, co-edited with Charles Taliaferro and Philip L. Quinn, Wiley-Blackwell. (Rated “essential” by *Choice*.)  
“Introduction to the Second Edition” (with Charles Taliaferro), pp. 1-2.
- 2007-8 *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*, the Secular Web,  
<<http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/debates/great-debate.html>>.  
Includes a general introduction and four section introductions.
- 2007-11 Editor-in-Chief, *Philo: A Journal of Philosophy*, volumes 10.2-14.2.
- 1995 Guest editor, *Topoi* 14.2 (September, 1995). *Topos: Is Theism a Theory?*  
“Introduction,” pp. 83-86.

### ***Journal Articles and Book Chapters***

- 2022 “The Why and the How of Renewal in Philosophy of Religion” (with J. L. Schellenberg), *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 14.1: 1-21.
- 2020 “In Defense of the Requirement of Total Evidence,” *Philosophy of Science* 87.1: 179-190. Published in January.
- 2019 “What If God Makes Hard Choices?” *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion* 9: 18-30. Published October 29th.
- 2019 “Panpsychotheism,” in *Current Controversies in Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Paul Draper (Routledge), pp. 160-177. Published May 8th.
- 2019 “Philosophy of Religion: A Vision for the Field,” in *Current Controversies in Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Paul Draper (Routledge), pp. 1-7. Published May 8th.
- 2017 “Evil and the God of Abraham, Anselm, and Murphy,” *Religious Studies* 53.4: 564-572.
- 2017 “God, Evil, and the Nature of Light,” in the *Cambridge Companion to the Problem of Evil*, ed. Chad Meister and Paul Moser (Cambridge University Press), pp. 65-84.
- 2016 “Where Skeptical Theism Fails, Skeptical Atheism Prevails,” *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion* 7: 63-80.

- 2016 “Simplicity and Natural Theology,” in *Reason and Faith: Themes from Richard Swinburne*, ed. Michael Bergmann and Jeffrey E. Brower (Oxford University Press), pp. 48-63.
- 2014 “Meet the New Skeptical Theism, Same as the Old Skeptical Theism,” in *Skeptical Theism: New Essays*, ed. Trent Dougherty and Justin McBrayer (Oxford University Press), pp. 164-177.
- 2014 “Confirmation Theory and the Core of CORNEA,” in *Skeptical Theism: New Essays*, ed. Trent Dougherty and Justin P. McBrayer (Oxford University Press), pp. 132-141.
- 2013 “Diagnosing Bias in Philosophy of Religion” (with Ryan Nichols), *The Monist* 96.3, 422-448.
- 2013 “The Limitations of Pure Skeptical Theism,” *Res Philosophica* 90, 97-111.
- 2013 “Explanation and the Problem of Evil” (with Trent Dougherty), in *A Companion to the Problem of Evil*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder and Justin McBrayer (Wiley-Blackwell), pp. 71-87.
- 2012 “Darwin’s Argument from Evil,” in *Scientific Approaches to the Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Yujin Nagasawa (Palgrave Macmillan), pp. 49-70.
- 2012 “Christian Theism and Life on Earth,” in *The Blackwell Companion to Science and Christianity*, ed. Alan G. Padgett and J. B. Stump (Blackwell, 2012), pp. 306-316.
- 2011 “Faith without God: An Introduction to Schellenberg’s Trilogy,” *Philo* 14.1, 59-65.
- 2011 “Comments on ‘The Problem of Evil and the History of Peoples’ (by Eleonore Stump),” in *Divine Evil? The Moral Character of the God of Abraham*, ed. Michael Bergmann, Michael J. Murray, and Michael C. Rea (Oxford University Press), pp. 198-203.
- 2010 “Cumulative Cases,” in *A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Charles Taliaferro, Paul Draper, and Philip L. Quinn (Wiley-Blackwell), pp. 414-424.
- 2009 “David Hume,” in *The History of Western Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Graham Oppy and Nicholas Trakakis (Acumen Publishing), Vol. 3, *Early Modern Philosophy and Religion*, pp. 249-261.
- 2009 “The Problem of Evil,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophical Theology*, ed. Thomas P. Flint and Michael C. Rea (Oxford University Press), pp. 332-351.
- 2008 “Collins on Cannons and Cosmology” (with Quentin Smith), in *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*.
- 2008 “Collins’ Case for Cosmic Design,” in *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the*

*Evidence.*

Reprinted in *Core Elements of Philosophy: An Anthology*, ed. Michael Thune and Jeffrey Wisdom (Kendall Hunt Publishing, 2015).

- 2007 “Probabilistic Arguments for Multiple Universes” (with Kai Draper and Joel Pust), *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* 88.3, 288-307.
- 2007 “Natural Selection and the Problem of Evil,” in *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*.
- 2007 “In Defense of Sensible Naturalism,” in *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*.
- 2007 “On the Plausibility of Naturalism and the Seriousness of the Evidential Argument from Evil,” in *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*.
- 2007 “The Argument from Evil,” in *Philosophy of Religion: Classic and Contemporary Issues*, ed. Paul Copan and Chad Meister (Blackwell Publishers), pp. 142-155.
- 2005 “God, Science, and Naturalism,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Religion*, ed. William J. Wainwright, *Oxford Reference Library of Philosophy*, ed. Paul K. Moser (Oxford University Press), pp. 272-303.
- 2004 “On the Nature of Naturalism: Comments on Michael Rea’s *World without Design*,” *Philo* 7.2, 146-155.
- 2004 “Cosmic Fine-Tuning and Terrestrial Suffering: Parallel Problems for Naturalism and Theism,” *American Philosophical Quarterly* 41.4, 311-321.
- 2004 “Where Does Teleological Thinking Stand Today? A Reinterpretation of Michael Ruse’s *Darwin and Design*,” *Florida Philosophical Review* 4.1, 5-11.
- 2004 “More Pain and Pleasure: A Reply to Otte” in *Christian Faith and the Problem of Evil*, ed. Peter van Inwagen (Eerdmans Publishing Co.), pp. 41-54.
- 2003 “Craig’s Case for God’s Existence,” in *Does God Exist? The Antony Flew/William Lane Craig Debate*, ed. Stan W. Wallace (Ashgate Publishing), pp. 141-154.
- 2002 “Irreducible Complexity and Darwinian Gradualism: A Reply to Michael J. Behe,” *Faith and Philosophy* 19, 3-21.
- 2002 “Seeking But Not Believing: Confessions of a Practicing Agnostic,” in *Divine Hiddenness: New Essays*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder and Paul Moser (Cambridge University Press), pp. 197-214.

- 1998 “Evolution and the Problem of Evil,” in *Philosophy of Religion: An Anthology*, 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> editions, ed. Michael C. Rea and Louis P. Pojman (Wadsworth Publishing Co., 1998-2014), pp. 219-230 (3<sup>rd</sup> edition), pp. 271-282 (7<sup>th</sup> edition).
- 1998 “A Critique of the *Kalam* Cosmological Argument,” in *Philosophy of Religion: An Anthology*, 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> editions, ed. Michael C. Rea and Louis P. Pojman (Wadsworth Publishing Co., 1998-2014), pp. 42-47 (3<sup>rd</sup> edition), pp. 189-194 (7<sup>th</sup> edition).
- 1997 “The *Kalam* Cosmological Argument,” in *Studies in Philosophy of Religion (Chonggo Chorhak Youngu): Festschrift for Dr. Song Chun Eun*, ed. Seo Kyeong-Jeon (Won Kwang University Press), pp. 471-483 (Korean) and 703-714 (English).
- 1996 “The Skeptical Theist,” in *The Evidential Argument from Evil*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder (Indiana University Press), pp. 175-192.
- 1992 “Probabilistic Arguments from Evil,” *Religious Studies* 28.3 (1992), 303-317.
- Reprinted in *The Existence of God*, ed. Richard M. Gale and Alexander R. Pruss, International Research Library of Philosophy (Ashgate Publishing, 2003), pp. 161-175.
- 1992 “God and Perceptual Evidence,” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 32, 149-165.
- 1991 “Hume’s Reproduction Parody of the Design Argument,” *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 8, 135-148.
- 1991 “Evil and the Proper Basicity of Belief in God,” *Faith and Philosophy* 8, 135-147.
- 1989 “Pain and Pleasure: An Evidential Problem for Theists,” *Noûs* 23, 331-350.
- Reprinted in *Philosophy of Religion: A Reader and Guide*, ed. William Lane Craig (Rutgers University Press, 2002), pp. 328-345.
- Reprinted in *God and the Problem of Evil*, ed. William L. Rowe (Blackwell Publishers, 2001), pp. 180-202.
- Reprinted in *Philosophy of Religion: The Big Questions*, ed. Eleonore Stump and Michael Murray (Blackwell Publishers Ltd., 1998), pp. 164-175.
- Reprinted in *The Evidential Argument from Evil*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder (Indiana University Press, 1996), pp. 12-29.
- Excerpt reprinted (under the title “The Abductive Argument from Evil”) in *God Matters: Readings in the Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Raymond Martin and Christopher Bernard (Longman Publishers, 2003), p. 321.

### ***Encyclopedia Entry***

- 2017 “Atheism and Agnosticism,” *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, ed. Edward N. Zalta. Updated February, 2022.

### ***Critical Studies***

- 2011 Eleonore Stump, *Wandering in Darkness: Narratives and the Problem of Suffering* (Oxford University Press, 2010). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.
- 2001 Richard Swinburne, *Providence and the Problem of Evil* (Oxford University Press, 1998). *Noûs* 35, 456-474.

### ***Book Reviews***

- 2013 Jake Chandler and Victoria S. Harrison, eds., *Probability in the Philosophy of Religion* (Oxford University Press, 2012). *Faith and Philosophy* 30.4, 470-476.
- 2012 Alvin Plantinga, *Where the Conflict Really Lies: Science, Religion, and Naturalism* (Oxford University Press, 2011). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.
- 2012 J. L. Schellenberg, *The Will to Imagine: A Justification of Skeptical Religion* (Cornell University Press, 2009). *The Philosophical Review* 121.2, 291-293.
- 2008 Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro, *Naturalism* (Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2008). *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.
- 2008 J. L. Schellenberg, *The Wisdom to Doubt: A Justification of Religious Skepticism* (Cornell University Press, 2007). *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 76.4, 992-996.
- 2005 Michael Rea, *World without Design: The Ontological Consequences of Naturalism* (Oxford University Press, 2002). *Disputatio* 1.18, 179-184.
- 2004 James Beilby, ed., *Naturalism Defeated?* (Cornell University Press, 2002). *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 55, 65-68.

### ***Dictionary Entries***

- 2015 “William L. Rowe,” in *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, third edition, ed. Robert Audi (Cambridge University Press).

- 2010 “Bayes’ theorem,” in *A Dictionary of Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Charles Taliaferro and Elsa Marty (Continuum Press).

### SELECTED DISCUSSION OF MY WORK

- 2022 Luís Cordeiro-Rodrigues, “Towards a Global Philosophy of Religion: A Reply to Schellenberg and Draper,” *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 14.3, 263-283.
- 2022 Yunus Prasetya, “Methodological Naturalism and Scientific Success: Lessons from the Scientific Realism Debate,” *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 14.1, 231-256.
- 2020 Luke Wilson, “Fundamentality and the Prior Probability of Theism,” *Religious Studies* 56.2, 169-180.
- 2018 Kevin Vandergriff, “Naturalism, Theism, and Multiply Realizable Mental States,” *Religious Studies* 54.1, 91-105.
- 2018 Richard Brian Bosse, “Wunder's Probability Objection,” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 84.1, 131-142.
- 2017 Daniel Howard-Snyder, “The Evolutionary Argument for Atheism,” in *Being, Freedom, and Method: Themes from van Inwagen*, ed. John A. Keller (Oxford University Press), pp. 241-262.
- 2015 David Eford and David Worsley, “Critical Review of Eleonore Stump’s *Wandering in Darkness: Narrative and the Problem of Suffering*,” *The Philosophical Quarterly* 65.260: 547-558.
- 2014 Timothy Perrine and Stephen J. Wykstra, “Skeptical Theism, Abductive Atheology, and Theory Versioning,” in *Skeptical Theism: New Essays*, ed. Trent Dougherty and Justin McBrayer (Oxford University Press), pp. 142-163.
- 2014 Lara Buchak, “Learning Not to Be Naïve: A Comment on the Exchange Between Perrine/Wykstra and Draper,” in *Skeptical Theism: New Essays*, ed. Trent Dougherty and Justin McBrayer (Oxford University Press), pp. 178-188.
- 2013 Klaas Kraay, “Method and Madness in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy of Religion,” *Toronto Journal of Theology* 29.2: 245-263.
- 2013 Myron Penner, “Analytic Philosophy, Theism, and Contemporary Philosophy of Religion,” *Toronto Journal of Theology* 29.2, 265-270.
- 2013 Jason Marsh, “Darwin and the Problem of Natural Nonbelief,” *The Monist* 96, 349-376.



- 2013 Tyler Andrew Wunder, “Alvin Plantinga on Paul Draper’s Evolutionary Atheology: Implications of Theism’s Noncontingency,” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 74.1, 67-75.
- 2012 Michael Tooley, “The Problem of Evil,” in the *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, <<http://www.science.uva.nl/~seop/entries/evil/>>. See Section 3.3.
- 2011 Alvin Plantinga, *Where the Conflict Really Lies: Science, Religion, & Naturalism* (Oxford University Press, 2011). See “Draper’s argument” (chap. 2, section 2). See also pp. 229-232.
- 2010 Bradley Monton, “Against Multiverse Theodicies,” *Philo* 13.2, 113-135. See section 5.
- 2008 Robin Collins, “Clarifying the Case for Cosmic Design,” in the e-book *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*, ed. Paul Draper.
- 2008 Bergmann, Michael. “Skeptical Theism and the Problem of Evil,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophical Theology*, ed. Thomas P. Flint and Michael Rea, (New York: Oxford University Press), pp. 374–402. See pp. 381-386.
- 2007 Alvin Plantinga, “Objections to Draper’s Argument from Evil,” in the e-book *God or Blind Nature? Philosophers Debate the Evidence*, ed. Paul Draper.
- 2004 Richard Otte, “Probability and Draper’s Evidential Argument from Evil,” in *Christian Faith and the Problem of Evil*, ed. Peter van Inwagen (Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2004), pp. 26-40.
- 2004 Michael C. Rea, “Replies to Critics,” *Philo* 7.2, 163-175. See pp. 168-171.
- 2004 Stephen Griffith, “Irreducible Complexity,” *PCID (Progress in Complexity, Information, and Design)* 3.1, 1-29. See “Paul Draper,” pp. 19-21.
- 2003 Gregory E. Ganssle, “God and Evil,” in *The Rationality of Theism*, ed. Paul Copan and Paul K. Moser (Routledge), pp. 259-277. See “Draper’s Evidential Argument,” pp. 265-274.
- 2003 Christopher Bernard, “Induction, Abduction, and the Argument From Evil,” in *God Matters: Readings in the Philosophy of Religion*, ed. Raymond Martin and Christopher Bernard (Longman Publishers, 2003), pp. 323-338. See pp. 334-336.
- 2003 R. Douglas Geivett, “The Evidential Value of Religious Experience,” in *The Rationality of Theism*, ed. Paul Copan and Paul K. Moser (Routledge), pp. 175-203. See pp. 190-191.
- 2003 Richard M. Gale and Alexander R. Pruss, eds., *The Existence of God*, International Research Library of Philosophy (Ashgate Publishing, 2003). See pp. xxi-xxiii.

- 2003 William Lane Craig, "A Reply to My Critics," in *Does God Exist? The Antony Flew/William Lane Craig Debate*, ed. Stan W. Wallace (Ashgate Publishing, 2003), pp. 155-187. See pp. 160-164 and 177-182.
- 2002 David Silver, "Religious Experience and the Evidential Argument From Evil," *Religious Studies* 38, 339-353.
- 2002 James F. Harris, *Analytic Philosophy of Religion* (Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2002). See pp. 130-131 and 253-254.
- 2000 Richard Otte, "Evidential Arguments From Evil," *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 48, 1-10.
- 2000 Alvin Plantinga, *Warranted Christian Belief* (Oxford University Press, 2000). See "Draper's Argument," pp. 469-481.
- 2000 Loren Meierding, *God, Relationships, and Evil* (Writers Club Press). See chapter 17, "The Indifference Hypothesis," pp. 399-423.
- 1999 Dennis Jensen, "Pain, Pleasure and Evolution: An Analysis of Paul Draper's Critique of Theism," *Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith* 51.1, 40-46.
- 1998 Mark Bernstein, "Explaining Evil," *Religious Studies* 34.2, 151-163.
- 1997 Jerome Gellman, *Experience of God and the Rationality of Theistic Belief* (Cornell Univ. Press). See pp. 177-183.
- 1996 Peter van Inwagen, "Reflections on the Chapters by Draper, Russell, and Gale," in *The Evidential Argument from Evil*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder (Indiana University Press, 1996), pp. 219-243. See pp. 219-234.
- 1996 William Alston, "Some (Temporarily) Final Thoughts on Evidential Arguments From Evil," in *The Evidential Argument from Evil*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder (Indiana University Press, 1996), pp. 311-332. See section 7, pp. 327-330.
- 1996 Alvin Plantinga, "On Being Evidentially Challenged," in *The Evidential Argument from Evil*, ed. Daniel Howard-Snyder (Indiana University Press, 1996), pp. 244-261.
- 1995 William Alston, "Theism as Theory and the Problem of Evil," *Topoi* 14.2 (1995), 135-148. See section 5, pp. 145-147.
- 1995 James F. Sennett, "Theism and Other Minds: On the Falsifiability of Non-theories," *Topoi* 14.2, 149-160. See sections 4-7, pp. 154-159.
- 1994 Daniel Howard-Snyder, "Theism, the Hypothesis of Indifference, and the Biological Role

of Pain and Pleasure,” *Faith and Philosophy* 11, 452-466.

- 1991 Peter van Inwagen, “The Problem of Evil, the Problem of Air, and the Problem of Silence,” in *Philosophical Perspectives, 5, Philosophy of Religion, 1991*, ed. James E. Tomberlin (Ridgeview Publishing Co.), pp. 135-165.

## **PAPERS PRESENTED**

### ***Conference Keynote Addresses***

- 2015: “God and the Mystery of Evil,” plenary speaker, Eastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers. Commentator: Robin Collins.
- 2013: “God, Evil, and the Nature of Light,” The Problem of Evil: A Graduate Student Conference, St. Louis University.
- 2013: “God, Evil, and the Nature of Light,” Southeast Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Florida.
- 2012: “The Limitations of Skeptical Theism,” featured speaker, Philosophy of Religion Workshop, University of Birmingham (UK).
- 2009: “Theism, Naturalism, and the Burden of Proof,” presidential address, annual meeting of the Society for Philosophy of Religion.
- 2000: “A Darwinian Argument from Evil,” featured speaker, Calvin College Spring Conference.
- 1999: “Seeking But Not Believing: Confessions of a Practicing Agnostic,” plenary speaker, Pacific Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers.
- 1997: “God, Evil and Evolution,” plenary speaker, Mountain-Plains Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers. Commentator: Wes Morriston.

### ***Other Invited Papers***

- 2019: “How to Renew Philosophy of Religion: A Vision and Proposal” (with J. L. Schellenberg), APA Central Division symposium (main program). Commentators: Jeanine Diller and Yuval Avnur.
- 2017: “How to Argue for Atheism,” IUPUI Secular Humanism Speaker Series.
- 2017: “Evil and the God of Abraham, Anselm, and Murphy,” Author Meets Critics session

organized by the Society of Christian Philosophers and held at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.

- 2015: “What if God Makes Hard Choices?” Workshop on Value Theory and Philosophy of Religion, Rutgers University.
- 2014: “Simplicity and Natural Theology,” Faith and Reason: Themes from Swinburne (a conference honoring Richard Swinburne), Purdue University.
- 2014: “Where Skeptical Theism Fails, Skeptical Atheism Prevails,” Symposium on Epistemology and the Problem of Evil, Canadian Philosophical Association Meeting, St. Catharines, Ontario.
- 2014: “God, Evil, and the Nature of Light,” Hampden-Sydney College.
- 2014: “Where Skeptical Theism Fails, Skeptical Atheism Prevails,” Philosophy Department Colloquium, University of Delaware.
- 2012: “God and the Burden of Proof,” Morehead State University.
- 2012: “Natural Theology and the Mysteries of Confirmation,” Joseph Butler Society, Oxford University.
- 2012: “Modesty, Metaphysics, and the Mysteries of Confirmation,” Philosophy Department Colloquium, University of Delaware.
- 2012: “The Limitations of Skeptical Theism,” Workshop on Skeptical Theism, University of Notre Dame.
- 2012: “Somebody Call a Doctor! There’s Conflict of Interest in Philosophy of Religion,” Center for Philosophy of Religion Discussion Group, University of Notre Dame.
- 2011: “The Limitations of Skeptical Theism,” Center for Philosophy of Religion Discussion Group, University of Notre Dame.
- 2011: “Solutions for Sale: Modesty, Metaphysics, and the Mysteries of Confirmation,” University of Notre Dame.
- 2011: “Simplicity,” Center for Philosophy of Religion Discussion Group, University of Notre Dame.
- 2011: “Solutions for Sale: Modesty, Metaphysics, and the Mysteries of Confirmation,” Philosophy Department Colloquium, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.
- 2011: “Stump on the Problem of Suffering,” St. Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology.

- 2011: “God and the Burden of Proof,” Philosophy Program Colloquium, Bethel College.
- 2011: “Simplicity and the Problems of Induction,” Philosophy Department Colloquium, Florida International University.
- 2010: “God and Evil: A Philosophical Inquiry,” 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Plantinga Fellow Lecture, University of Notre Dame.
- 2010: “Prior Probability and the Justification of Disbelief in Ultimism,” Symposium on Schellenberg’s Philosophy of Religion, Canadian Philosophical Association Meeting, Montreal.
- 2010: “God, Naturalism, and the Burden of Proof,” Philosophy Department colloquium, IUPUI.
- 2009: “Cumulative Cases and the God Debates,” group meeting, Society of Humanist Philosophers, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting.
- 2007: “The Problems of Evil,” Philosophy Department colloquium (Kleiner Lecture Series), University of Georgia.
- 2007: “Doubts about Theism (and Naturalism),” conference on “The Future of Naturalism” at the Center for Inquiry, SUNY Buffalo.
- 2006: “Why I Can’t Reasonably Believe in God,” *Science, Reason and Faith* Speaker Series, Virginia Commonwealth University.
- 2006: “Partisanship and Inquiry in Philosophy of Religion,” invited paper, APA symposium on Philosophy of Religion in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Central Division Meeting.
- 2006: “Partisanship and Inquiry in Philosophy of Religion,” Philosophy Department colloquium, University of Miami.
- 2006: “Why I Am Not a Theist,” Philosophy Department colloquium (job talk), Purdue University.
- 2005: “Natural Selection and the Problem of Evil,” Society of Humanist Philosophers (group meeting), American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting.
- 2005: “Evil and Evolution,” Purdue University Conference on the Problem of Evil.
- 2004: “God, Science, and Naturalism,” Philosophy Department colloquium, University of Delaware.
- 2003: “The Nature of Naturalism: Comments on Michael Rea’s *World without Design: The Ontological Consequences of Naturalism*,” Society of Humanist Philosophers (group

- meeting), American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting.
- 2003: “Where Does Teleological Thinking Stand Today? A Reinterpretation of Michael Ruse’s *Darwin and Design*,” book session, Florida Philosophical Association Meeting.
- 2002: “Cosmic Fine Tuning and Terrestrial Suffering: Parallel Problems for Naturalism and Theism,” group meeting, Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting.
- 2001: “Irreducible Complexity and Darwinian Gradualism: A Reply to Michael J. Behe,” Philosophy Department colloquium, the College of William & Mary.
- 2001: “Seeking But Not Believing: Confessions of a Practicing Agnostic,” Barry University.
- 1999: “A Darwinian Argument from Evil,” Philosophy Department colloquium, Western Michigan University.
- 1998: “Darwin and Hume on Evil,” Meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society held in conjunction with the 1998 National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. Commentators: R. Douglas Geivett and Greg Ganssle.
- 1993: “Evil and the Goodness of God,” Palm Beach Atlantic College.

### ***Submitted Papers***

- 2017: “What If God Makes Hard Choices?” Indiana Philosophical Association. Commentator: Eric Yang.
- 2013: “A Modest Solution to the Problem of Induction,” Indiana Philosophical Association. Commentator: Timothy Lyons.
- 2013: “Diagnosing Cognitive Biases in Philosophy of Religion,” Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: George Mavrodes.
- 2010: “Cumulative Cases for Theism,” Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: Wes Morriston.
- 2009: “A New Theory of Intrinsic Probability,” Indiana Philosophical Association.
- 2007: “Arguments From Evil,” Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: William L. Rowe.
- 2006: “In Defense of Sensible Naturalism,” Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: Joel Pust.

- 2005: "Natural Selection and the Problem of Evil," Florida Philosophical Association.
- 2004: "Cosmic Fine Tuning and Terrestrial Suffering: Parallel Problems for Naturalism and Theism," Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: R. Douglas Geivett.
- 1999: "Darwin and Hume on Evil," Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: William Hasker.
- 1999: "Biochemistry and Intelligent Design: A Reply to Michael J. Behe," Florida Philosophical Association.
- 1999: "A Darwinian Argument from Evil," Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific Regional Meeting.
- 1998: "Does God Exist? Confessions of a Practicing Agnostic," Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: Paul Tidman.
- 1997: "God and Evolution: An Evidential Argument against Traditional Theism," Elizabethtown College Conference on Naturalism.
- 1996: "God and Evolution," Society for Philosophy of Religion. Commentator: James Keller.
- 1993: "The Skeptical Theist," colloquium, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting. Commentator: William J. Wainwright.
- 1991: "God and Perceptual Evidence," colloquium, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting. Commentator: William L. Rowe.
- 1991: "Probabilistic Arguments From Evil," Society of Christian Philosophers Midwestern Regional Meeting.
- 1991: "God and Perceptual Evidence," Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific Regional Meeting.
- 1990: "Hume's Reproduction Parody of the Design Argument," Society of Christian Philosophers Eastern Regional Meeting.
- 1988: "Evil and the Proper Basicity of Belief in God," Society of Christian Philosophers Midwestern Regional Meeting.
- 1987: "An Evidential Problem of Evil," colloquium, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting. Commentator: Billy Joe Lucas.
- 1986: "Hume and Plantinga on the Evidential Problem of Evil," colloquium, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meeting. Commentator: Martin Gerwin.

### *Comments*

- 2015: “Redesigning the Fine-Tuning Design Argument,” comments on Robin Collins’ plenary presentation, Eastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers.
- 2013: “Alvinian Christianity and the Felix Culpa Theodicy,” comments on Alvin Plantinga’s keynote address, St. Louis University.
- 2010: “Bayes’ Theorem and the Core of CORNEA,” comments on Timothy Perrine and Steven Wykstra’s “Nozickean Sensitivity, Inductive Evidence, and CORNEA,” Symposium on the Epistemology of Induction, American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting.
- 2009: “Eleonorean Christianity and Biblical Genocide,” comments on Eleonore Stump’s “The Problem of Evil and the History of Peoples: Think Amalek”; and “Panel Discussion,” Conference at the University of Notre Dame.
- 2008: “Reply to Hasker,” comments on William Hasker’s “Draper’s Bayesian Argument from Evil,” Society for Philosophy of Religion. [Brian Birch read my comments at the meeting, which I could not attend.]
- 2002: “Confirmation Theory and Christian Faith,” comments on William Hasker’s “Swinburne’s Apologetic Program,” Society for Philosophy of Religion.
- 2000: “BADD Is Bad: A Reply to Del Kiernan-Lewis,” comments on Del Kiernan-Lewis’s “The Problem of Evil: Moral Constraints and Philosophical Commitments,” Society for Philosophy of Religion.
- 1997: “Miracles and the Justification of Popular Religions: A Reply to Professor Mavrodes,” comments on George Mavrodes’ “David Hume and the Probability of Miracles,” Society for Philosophy of Religion.
- 1989: “Unidentified Religious Objects,” comments on William P. Alston’s “Experience of God: A Perceptual Model,” Wheaton College Philosophy Conference.

### **INVITED LECTURES, DEBATES, PANELS, AND INTERVIEWS**

- 2021: “Emergentism, Demergentism, and Socratic Wisdom: A Question for Nancey Murphy,” presented in a Society for Philosophy of Religion panel on Nancey Murphy’s work.
- 2020: Guest speaker (Zoom), Philosophy Club, Messiah University.
- 2020: Panelist, public lecture by Ronald Wasserstein (Executive Director of the American



- Statistical Association) on null hypothesis significance testing, Purdue, Jan. 24.
- 2019: Guest speaker (Skype), Robin Collins' philosophy of religion course, Messiah University.
- 2019: Lecture to the math and philosophy clubs on Bayes' theorem and the existence of God.
- 2019: Interviewed by Alex Malpass on arguments for atheism for an episode of his podcast: <https://youtu.be/Ur6gxT6bQZQ>.
- 2018: Guest speaker (Skype), Robin Collins' philosophy of religion honors course, Messiah University.
- 2018: "Psychological Aether Theory: How to Pass Between the Horns of the Mind-Body Quadrilemma," guest lecture in Dan Kelly's philosophy of mind course, Purdue University.
- 2017: Guest speaker (Skype), Paul Piston's philosophy of religion course, Palomar College.
- 2014: Guest speaker (Skype), Robin Collins' philosophy of religion course, Messiah College.
- 2014: Guest speaker (Skype), Scott Davison's epistemology course, Morehead State University.
- 2014: "Immortality Without God?" public lecture at DePauw University.
- 2014: "Immortality Without God?" guest lecture in a senior seminar at the University of Delaware.
- 2012: "Darwin on Religion," public lecture at Morehead State University.
- 2012: "Darwin on Religion," public lecture organized by the Purdue University Libraries.
- 2011: "Ietsism," guest lecture in a philosophy of religion course at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.
- 2009: "God, Naturalism, and the Burden of Proof," public lecture at the Center for Inquiry, Buffalo, NY.
- 2009: Interviewed by the Center for Inquiry on the topic of "the Future of Naturalism": <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4u-fLlnn7IE>.
- 2009: Interviewed for a new Arab language website promoting metaphysical naturalism.
- 2008: "Faith and Inquiry: Confessions of an Evidential Agnostic" public lecture organized by the Purdue Society of Nontheists.

- 2005: "Who or What Has Moral Standing?" public lecture organized by MIAMIntelligence.
- 2004: "Consciousness and the Mind-Body Problem," public lecture organized by MIAMIntelligence.
- 2003: "Seeking But Not Believing: Confessions of a Practicing Agnostic," public lecture organized by MIAMIntelligence.
- 2002: "Do Vaccines Cause Autism?" public lecture organized by the Autism Society of Miami-Dade County.
- 2001: "The Ethics of Stem Cell Research," panel presentation, Stem Cell Research Forum, Miami-Dade Community College.
- 2001: "Assessing Treatments for Autism: A Logical Approach," public lecture organized by the Autistic Child Advocates Association.
- 1999: "Does God Exist?" public debate with Douglas Geivett, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs.
- 1999: Interviewed by Paul Pardi for an article called "God, Evil and Probabilistic Arguments," published by the Philosophy News Service ([philosophynews.com](http://philosophynews.com)).
- 1999: Interviewed on KMOX (CBS radio, St. Louis) on the topic "Theism and Christianity."
- 1999: "Logical and Evidential Problems of Evil," guest lecture in a philosophy of religion course at Barry University.
- 1999: "Still Evidentially Challenged: A Reply to Alvin Plantinga," guest lecture in a graduate seminar in philosophy of religion at the University of Miami.
- 1997: "Evolution and the Problem of Evil," guest lecture in a philosophy of religion course at the U.S. Military Academy.
- 1997: "God and Morality," guest lecture in an ethics course at the U.S. Military Academy.
- 1997: "Does God Exist?" public debate with William Lane Craig, U.S. Military Academy.
- 1995: "Is Christianity Rational?" public debate with James Sire, Florida International University.
- 1993: "Animal Liberation," guest lecture in a contemporary philosophy course at Palm Beach Atlantic College.
- 1990: "Humanist Ethics and Animal Rights," public lecture organized by the Broward County Secular Humanist Society.

## COURSES TAUGHT

***Beginning Undergraduate:*** Philosophical Analysis, Introduction to Logic, Religion: Analysis and Interpretation, Freshman Experience, Introduction to Ethics, Classical Problems in the Philosophy of Religion, Philosophical Reflections on Christianity, Introduction to Philosophy of Religion, Principles of Logic, Introduction to Philosophy, Science and Religion.

***Advanced Undergraduate:*** Religious Experience, Intermediate Philosophy of Religion, Science and the Soul, Philosophy Seminar: the Mind-Body Problem, Philosophy Seminar: Hume's Philosophy of Religion, Biomedical Ethics, Contemporary Ethical Issues, Philosophy and Probability, Inductive Logic, Symbolic Logic.

***Graduate:*** Advanced Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of the Natural Sciences, Seminar in Philosophy: Evidence, Modern Analysis of Religion, Great Ideas Seminar: The Age of Science.

## COURSE AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT (FIU)

***Undergraduate Courses Developed:*** Religious Experience, Philosophy and Probability, Science and the Soul (with Carl Craver).

***Graduate Courses Developed:*** Great Ideas Seminar: The Age of Science, Great Ideas Seminar: Human Nature, Great Ideas Seminar: Politics and Society (with Kenneth Henley), and Great Ideas Seminar: Special Topics.

***Graduate Program Developed:*** Master of Arts in Liberal Studies.

## DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

- In progress: Jashiel Resto (chair), Troy Seagraves.
- Defended in 2022: Daniel Linford (chair), Luke Wilson (chair), Perry Hendricks.
- Defended in 2019: Michael Popejoy.
- Defended in 2018: Jonathan Fuqua (4th reader).
- Defended in 2017: David Coss (4th reader).
- Defended in 2016: Scott Coley (chair), Mark Satta, Josh White.
- Defended in 2013: Phil Osborne (4<sup>th</sup> reader), Beth Seacord (University of Colorado), Julie Swanstrom (4<sup>th</sup> reader).

- Defended in 2012: Erik Baldwin (chair).
- Defended in 2011: David Anderson.
- Defended in 2010: Paul Gould, Mickey Lorkowski (chair), Bryan O'Neal.
- Defended in 2008: Mike Thune, Chris Tucker (4<sup>th</sup> reader).
- Completed in 2005: Nick Trakakis (outside examiner for Monash University).

## MENTORING

Academic year 2019-20: Mentor for two visiting scholars: André Neiva (a doctoral fellow from the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil) and Nesim Aslantatar (a doctoral student from the University of Ankara, Turkey).

Summer 2018: Mentored a Summer Research Opportunity Program undergraduate student (Jashiel Resto) from the University of Puerto Rico.

Fall 2016: Mentored a Wilkes research intern (John Absher).

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Referee for *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Diametros*, *Economics and Philosophy*, *Ergo*, *Ethics*, *European Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *Faith and Philosophy*, *Florida Philosophical Review*, *Hume Studies*, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, *Journal of Philosophical Research*, *Mind*, *Monist*, *Noûs*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophia: Philosophical Quarterly of Israel*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Ratio*, *Religion*, *Brain & Behavior*, *Religions*, *Religious Studies*, *Res Philosophica*, *Science, Religion, and Culture*, *Sophia*, *Synthese*, and *The Journal of Philosophy*.
- Editorial Board, *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2016-present.
- Editorial Board, *Science, Religion, and Culture*, 2013-present.
- Editorial Board, *Religious Studies*, 2010-present.
- Board of Editorial Consultants, *Faith and Philosophy*, 2001-present.
- Reviewer, book manuscript, Oxford University Press, 2020.
- Referee, nomination for Fellowship of the Royal Society of New Zealand, 2019.
- Reviewer, book manuscript, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- Reviewer, book manuscript, Bloomsbury, 2018.
- Reviewer, book proposal, Cambridge University Press, 2018.
- Reviewer, book proposal with sample chapters, Oxford University Press, 2018.
- Evaluator, application for tenure and promotion, St. Olaf College, 2017.

- Reviewer, two book manuscripts, Oxford University Press, 2017.
- Reviewer, book proposal with sample chapters, Cambridge University Press, 2017.
- Board of Associate Editors, *International Journal for Philos. of Religion*, 2006-2016.
- Co-organizer, William L. Rowe Memorial Conference, July 26-7, 2016.
- Reviewer, book proposal, Oxford University Press, 2016.
- Editorial Board, Philosophy of Religion section, *Philosophy Compass*, 2005-2015.
- Reviewer, application for tenure and promotion, University of Michigan – Dearborn, 2015.
- Reviewer, book proposal, Cambridge University Press, 2015.
- Reviewer, book proposal, Wiley-Blackwell, 2014.
- Reviewer, book manuscript, for Oxford University Press, 2014.
- Reviewer, grant proposal, for the John Templeton Foundation, 2013.
- Reviewer, book proposal, for Cambridge University Press, 2013.
- Reviewer, application to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada for an Insight Grant, 2013.
- Editor-in-Chief, *Philo: A Journal of Philosophy*, 2007-2012.
- Nominating Committee, Society for Philosophy of Religion, 2012, 2006 and 2002.
- Reviewer, book proposal, for Cambridge University Press, 2011.
- Participant, Logos Conference, University of Notre Dame, June 2011.
- Referee, Canadian Philosophical Association book prize, 2011.
- Referee, application for a Regents Distinguished Research Award at Oklahoma State University, 2011.
- Reviewer, application for tenure and promotion to associate professor, Ithaca College, 2010.
- Reviewer, book proposal for Continuum Publishing, 2009.
- Evaluator, 5-year post-promotion review, Western Washington University, 2009.
- President, Society for Philosophy of Religion, 2008-2009.
- Vice President and Program Committee Chair, Society for Philosophy of Religion, 2007-2008.
- Executive Council and Program Committee, Society for Philos. of Religion, 2004-2010.
- Referee, application for promotion to full professor, Oklahoma State University, 2008.
- Referee, application for reappointment, Singapore Management University, 2008.
- Reviewer, textbook for Wadsworth, 2006.
- Refereed for Broadview Press, 2005.
- Reviewer, book manuscript for Cambridge University Press, 2005.
- Templeton/American Scientific Affiliation Lecture Grant, 2003-2004.
- Referee, application for tenure and promotion at Texas Tech University, 2003.
- Referee, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada grant application, 2003.
- Membership Committee, Society for Philosophy of Religion, 2003.
- Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences, Science and Religion Course Program, Advanced Workshop on Evidence for Design, June, 2000.
- Referee, application for a Distinguished Professorship at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, 1998.

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

### *To Purdue*

- Chair, Search Committee, for two positions in philosophy and AI, 2022-23.
- Chair, philosophy of religion area exam for Ali Azizi, August 2022.
- Chair, ethics area exam for Perry Hendricks, Gillian Lee, and Troy Seagraves, August 2020.
- Steering Committee, Religious Studies Program, 2007–.
- Member of the Graduate Committee (led successful effort to revise graduate requirements), 2020–21.
- Faculty Senator, College of Liberal Arts, 2019–2020.
- Faculty reviewer, Core Transfer Library, 2019 (assessed courses statewide for equivalency to PHIL 206).
- Faculty Advisor, Purdue Secular Student Alliance, 2019-2020.
- Director of Graduate Admissions and member of the Graduate Committee, 2012-2018.
- Educational Policy Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2015-18 (chair in 2017-18).
- Faculty Senator, College of Liberal Arts, 2016-17.
- Reviewer, CLA Trans-disciplinary and Interdisciplinary Grants, 2015.
- Undergraduate Committee, 2012-2015.
- Reviewer, PRF Research Grants, 2015.
- Reviewer, Graduate School Excellence in Teaching Awards, 2015.
- Reviewer, CLA Research Initiative Grants, 2013.
- Reviewer, CLA PRF Summer Faculty Grants, 2013.
- Reviewer, CLA PRF Research Grants, 2011.
- CLA Strategic Planning Committee, 2010.
- Curriculum Revision Committee, 2009-2010.
- Faculty Senator, College of Liberal Arts, 2008-2009.
- PRF Research Grants, reviewed department applications, 2009.
- Graduate Committee, 2007-2010.

### *To FIU*

- Director, Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Program, 2003-2006.
- Member, College of Arts and Sciences Steering Committee, 2003-2004 and 2005-2006.
- Chairperson, Department of Philosophy, 2001-2005.
- Secretary of the College of Arts and Sciences Assembly, 2003-2004.
- Member, University Core Curriculum Oversight Committee, 2003-2004.
- Member, College of Arts and Sciences Procedural Committee, 2002-2003.
- Faculty Senator (University Senate), 1999-2001, 2002-2004.
- Freshman Faculty Advisor, 1995-1997.
- Numerous departmental committees.