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### Areas of Specialization:

Moral Philosophy  
Philosophy of Action

### Areas of Competence:

Philosophy of Mind  
Metaphysics  
Philosophy of Language  
Philosophy of Law  
Ancient Philosophy

### Education:

B.A. Philosophy, Rice University, 1984  
Ph.D. Philosophy, University of California, Los Angeles, 1993

### Academic employment:

1991-present University of California, Santa Barbara (Acting Assistant Professor,  
Assistant Professor, Associate Professor)  
Fall 1994 University of Pittsburgh (Visiting Assistant Professor)  
Spring 2000 University of California, Los Angeles (Visiting Associate Professor)

### Publications (excluding reviews):

“Harm and Harming: The Non-Identity Problem Revisited,” forthcoming in David Wasserman and Melinda Roberts (eds.), *Harming Future Persons: Ethics, Genetics and the Nonidentity Problem*

“Actions, Acting, and Acting Well,” forthcoming in Russ Shafer-Landau (ed.), *Oxford Studies in Metaethics, Volume 3*

“The Metaphysics of Harm,” forthcoming in *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*

“Permissibility and Practical Inference,” *Ethics* 115 (April 2005): 443-470

“Where’s the Harm in Dying?” *Philosophical Books* 46 (January 2005): 4-10

- “Intention and Accident,” *Philosophical Studies* 98 (March 2000): 17-36
- “Killing, Letting Die and Preventing People from Being Saved,” *Utilitas* 11 (November 1999): 277-295
- “Interfering with Aid,” *Analysis* 59 (January 1999): 41-47
- “Intention and Teleology,” *Mind* 107 (April 1998): 381-401
- “A Puzzle about Beneficence,” *Analysis* 58 (April 1998): 159-165
- “Why Are Killing and Letting Die Wrong?” *Philosophy & Public Affairs* 24 (Summer 1995): 175-201
- “Harming Future People,” *Philosophy & Public Affairs* 19 (Winter 1990): 47-70

**Conference and Colloquium Presentations (excluding comments):**

- “Actions, Acting and Acting Well,” Pacific APA, 2007
- “Actions, Acting and Acting Well,” Northwestern University, 2005
- “State-Based Versus Event-Based Accounts of Harm,” Southern California Philosophy Conference, 2004
- “Harm: Process and State,” University of California, Santa Cruz, 2002
- “Comparative Accounts of Harm,” Southern California Philosophy Conference, 2001
- “Permissibility and Practical Inference,” University of California, Los Angeles, 2001
- “Procreation, Compensation and Harm,” California State University, Northridge, 2001
- “Intention and Moral Judgment,” University of Southern California, 1999
- “The Harm That’s Done When Harming is Done,” Pomona College, 1996

**Workshops:**

- Speaker, Third Annual Metaethics Workshop, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2006
- Workshop on Ethics and Future People, Center for Law and Philosophy, Columbia University, 2001

**Other professional activity:**

Referee for *Ethics*, *Noûs*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Inquiry*, and *Social Theory and Practice*

Book proposal referee for Harvard University Press

**Teaching Experience:**

In addition to teaching graduate seminars on ethics, philosophy of mind, and philosophy of action, I have taught the following upper-division undergraduate courses:

Pre-Socratic Philosophy	Normative Ethics
Aristotle	Metaethics
Early Analytic Philosophy	Advanced Topics in Ethical Theory
Philosophy of Action	Advanced Topics in Applied Ethics
Metaphysics	Advanced Topics in the Philosophy of Law
Philosophical Psychology	History of Ethics

**Student honors:**

Atlas Essay Prize, 1983  
Rudolf Carnap Essay Prize, 1990  
Paul and Gloria Griffin Fellowship, winter 1990  
Charlotte Newcombe Dissertation Year Fellowship, 1990-1991

**References:**

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