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EDUCATION

University of California, Riverside, Ph.D., Philosophy, June 1983
University of California, Riverside, M.A., Philosophy, June 1979
University of Redlands, B.A., Philosophy, June 1974

DISSERTATION

Nietzsche's Doctrines of Will to Power: Recent Anglo-American Approaches
Bernd Magnus, Chair

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Nineteenth to Mid-Twentieth Century Continental Philosophy
Ethics

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Feminism, History of Philosophy, Critical Thinking

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kent State University, Fall 1996–Present, Associate Professor
Kent State University, Fall 1990–Spring 1996, Assistant Professor
Armstrong State College, Fall 1986--Spring 1990, Instructor
Saint Leo College, Fall 1985--Winter 1989, Instructor
Oregon State University, Winter 1984 and 1985, Instructor
University of Redlands, Spring 1982--Spring 1983, Instructor
California State University, San Bernardino, Fall 1982--Spring 1983, Instructor

PUBLICATIONS (R=Reviewed; I=Invited)

Books:

(R) *Nietzsche's Mirror: The World as Will to Power* (Rowman and Littlefield: Lanham, MD) 2001.

Articles:

- (R) "Nietzsche's Women in *The Gay Science*," *Philosophy Now*. Issue 41, June 2003, 26-29
- (R) "Thomas Mann's Voyage with Don Quixote" *Cervantes*, v. XXI, n. 2, Fall 2001, 73-85.
- (R) "Woman as Nietzsche's Other," *Proceedings of the Ohio Philosophical Association*, April 2001, 90-97.
- (R) "Kierkegaard's Weanings" *Philosophy Today*, v. 42, n. 3, Fall 1998, 310-318.
- (R) "The Development of Will to Power in Nietzsche's Published Works and the *Nachlass*," *Journal of the History of Ideas*, July 1996, 447-463.
- (R) "What Makes Zarathustra Sick?" *Proceedings of the Ohio Philosophical Association*, April 1995, 17-29.
- (R) "Dostoevsky's Underground Man: A Question of Meaning," *Studies in the Novel*, v 27, n 2, Summer 1995, 129-140.
- (I) "Woman as Rupture (?)," *International Studies in Philosophy*, V. XXV, n. 2, Summer 1993, 129-134.
- (R) "On Making Nietzsche Consistent," *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, v. XXXI, n. 1, Spring 1993, 119-131.
- (R) "A Feminist Interview with Friedrich Nietzsche," *Philosophy Now*, Issue 5, Spring 1993, 13-15.
- (R) "Merleau-Ponty's Tacit *Cogito*," *Man and World* 23: Fall 1990, 101-111.
- (R) "Better Critical Writing Through Schematization," *Critical Thinking News*, v. 8, #1, Fall, 1989, 1-3.

Review Articles:

- (I) "Review of Kelly Oliver's and Marilyn Pearsall's *Feminist Interpretations of Friedrich Nietzsche*, APA Newsletter on Feminism, v. 00, n. 1, Fall 2000, 52-53.
- (R) "The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: A Review of Daryl Koehn's *Rethinking Feminist Ethics*," *Hypatia*, v. 15, n. 1, Winter 2000, pp.189-192.
- (I) "Review of Peter Levine's *Nietzsche and the Modern Crisis of the Humanities* and Graham Parkes' *Composing the Soul and Nietzsche and Asian Thought*," *International Journal of the Classical Tradition*, v. 5, n. 2, Fall 1998, 318-321.
- (I) "Review of the Penguin Edition of *The Birth of Tragedy*" *International Journal of the Classical Tradition*, v. 4, n.2, Fall 1997, 322-324.
- (I) and subsequently (R) Review: "Rita Manning's *Speaking From the Heart*," *Hypatia*, v 8, n. 4, Summer 1994, 173-176.

PROFESSIONAL PAPERS DELIVERED

- (I) "Pornography, Dignity and Polysemicity" (Eastern APA Conference, December 2002)
- (R) "Avoiding the Pitfalls of Ethics Across the Curriculum" (Ethics Across the Curriculum Conference, October 2002)
- (R) "Unifying Morality" (Pacific SWIP Conference, November 2001)
- (R) "Woman as Nietzsche's Other" (Ohio Philosophical Association, April 2001)
- (R) "Taking People Seriously" (Modernity and Moral Identity Conference, Helsinki, Finland, August 2000)
- (R) "The Morality of Exile: Thomas Mann on Nietzsche and Fascism" (With Gene Pendleton, Northeast Ohio Philosophy Consortium, October 1999)
- (R) "Nietzsche at a Distance: Woman as Other" (Pacific SWIP Conference, October 1999)
- (I) "How Zarathustra Learned to Love his Fate" (Ohio University, May 1999)
- (I) "Exploding Myths about Nietzsche" (University of Redlands, April 1999)
- (R) "The Fate of *Amor Fati*" (Northeast Ohio Philosophical Consortium, October 1998)
- (R) "What Makes Zarathustra Sick?" (Ohio Philosophical Association, April 1995)
- (R) "The Uses and Abuses of Nietzsche for Women" (Fourth Annual Philosophy, Interpretation, and Culture Conference, SUNY Binghamton, April 1994)
- (I) "The Development of Nietzsche's Will to Power" (College of Wooster, March 1994)
- (I) "Woman as Rupture (?): A Commentary on John Coker's 'Nietzsche on Friendship'" (North American Nietzsche Society, Central APA, April 1992)
- (I) "The Value of Human Nature: A Commentary on Justin Schwartz' 'Human Nature, Feminism, and Social Change'" (Ohio Philosophical Association, April 1992)
- (R) "A Feminist Interview with Friedrich Nietzsche" (Eastern SWIP Conference, November 1991)
- (R) "Will to Power: Myth or Metaphysics?" (Tri-State Philosophy Conference, April 1991)
- (I) "Abortion: A Moderate View" (University of Illinois, June 1989)
- (I) "Does Nietzsche Have A Coherent Philosophy of his Own?" (Oregon State University, March 1985)
- (I) "Problems With Nietzsche's *Nachlass*" (Oregon State University, Nov. 1984)
- (R) "Rawls and the Punishment of Civil Disobedience" (SWIP Conference, Pacific Division, May 1980)

SUBMITTED ARTICLES

- "Reevaluating Nietzsche's Eternal Recurrence Cosmology" (with Joseph Palencik; submitted to *Philosophy Today*).
- "Rejecting Will to Power as Ontology" (Submitted to *Continental Review*)

IN PROGRESS

- Taking people Seriously* (An ethics book)
- "Nietzsche's Polemic"
- "Who is Nietzsche's Master?"

GRANTS AWARDED

Kent State University Summer Research Grant: Taking People Seriously (Summer 1999)

N.E.H. Institute: Ethics: Principles or Practices?
Herbert Dreyfus, David Hoy, Directors
University of California at Santa Cruz (Summer 1992)

N.E.H. Seminar: Nietzsche's Thought and its Interpretation
Richard Schacht, Director
University of Illinois (Summer 1989)

University of California Chancellor's Patent Fund (Fall 1981)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate's Applause Certificate of Achievement, Fall 2002
Mortar Board Outstanding Faculty Recipient, Fall 2002
Finalist, Distinguished Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Spring 2002
Finalist, Distinguished Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Spring 1999
Outstanding Faculty Award (New Student Orientation, Kent State University, December 1993)
Summa cum Laude, University of Redlands, June 1974
Delta Alpha Honors Society, University of Redlands, 1974

PUBLIC PAPERS, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS

"Feminism in the Discipline of Philosophy" (Colloquium in Women's Studies, February 2000)
"A Middle Ground" (Kent State University Teach-In on Abortion, September 1999)
"Was Nietzsche the Architect for the Third Reich?" (Kent State University Alumni Faculty Lecture Series, March 1995)
"Ethical Perspectives" (Girl Scouts of America, Regional Administrators and Leaders, March 1994)
"Some Issues in Business Ethics" (Presentation, National Association of Purchasing Managers, May 1993)
"Some Issues in Medical Ethics" (Presentation, Aurora Kiwanis Club, December 1992)
"On Making Nietzsche Consistent" (Kent State University, October 1991)
"What is a Good Teacher?" (Kent State University, March 1991)
"Ethics in the Workplace: What's a Businesswoman to Do?" (Savannah Women's Network, March 1989)
"Ethical Decision-Making in Health Care" (Armstrong State College, December 1988)
"The Critical Thinking Approach to High School Teaching" (Chatham County Public School System, January--March 1986)
"An Analysis of Comparable Worth for Women" (Armstrong State College/AAUW, Nov. 1985)
"Best Explanation--Better Scientific Writing" (Oregon State University, October 1984)

COURSES TAUGHT

Kent State University (Undergraduate) [* denotes multiple times]

LER: Introduction to Ethics*
Ethics in Contemporary Contexts*
Introduction to Philosophy*
Upper Division:
Contemporary Moral Issues*
Ethical Pluralisms*
Philosophy and Ethics in the Modern Age
Nineteenth Century Philosophy*
Twentieth Century Philosophy
Women's Ways: Knowledge and Ethics*
Women and Philosophy*
Existentialism*
Continental Philosophy
Special Topics: Nietzsche*

Kent State University (Graduate)

Theories and Practices for an Ethics of Caring
Disciplinary Matrix Seminar: Classic Figure: Nietzsche
Disciplinary Matrix Seminar: Emerging Issue: Beyond Duties and Consequences
Philosophy and Ethics in the Modern Age
Ethical Pluralisms*

Master's Theses Directed:

“Not all Quiet on the Western Front: Operation Rescue and Civil Disobedience”
(Jonathan Reuter, May 1994)
“They Ain’t Makin’ Jews Like Jesus Anymore: Nietzsche’s Historization of Jesus”
(Michael Monaco, May 1996. Winner: Graduate Student Senate M.A. Thesis Award)
“A Phenomenology of an Atypical Body” (Alan Hlebovy, August 1997)
“Nihilism’s Legacy: The Malaise of Modernity” (Jillian Newland, May 2001)

Masters Theses Reader:

Tim Goodwin, “The Paradox of Special Creation: A Corporeal Encounter with Wilfred Sellars” (May 1995)
Brian Coleman, “Purpose and Purposiveness in Kant’s Critique of Judgment” (May 1995)
Mark McCann, “Beyond only War: The Roles of Loyalty in the Practice of Military Ethics” (May 1996)
Randall Lennox, “Violence: A Philosophical Inquiry” (May 1997)
Rebecca Murchland, “The Role of Narrative in Self Understanding, Dialogue, and Ethical Action” (May 1997)

Matthew Waldschlagel, "Heidegger's Interpretation of *Deconstruction* and Historicity"
(August 1999)

Christopher Crull, "In Defense of Aletheia: A Realist Concern for Truth" (May 2000)

Women's Studies Research Project Directed:

"Helping Feminism by Stressing Epistemological Differences: Thanks but no Thanks"
(Erica Wilson, Fall 1995. Winner: Elizabeth Mullins Award)

"The Philosophy of Diversity: Making Changes within an Organization and throughout a
Community" (Leslie Marcuse, Spring 2003. Winner: Elizabeth Mullins Award)

Other:

Reader, Senior Honors Thesis, Justin McLaughlin (Political Science) April 1995

Reader, Senior Honors Thesis, Sarah Nelson (English) April 1999

Reader, Senior Honors Thesis, Thomas Stuby (English) April 2000

Reader, Senior Honors Thesis, Carmella Labriola, (Philosophy) December 2000

Reader, Senior Honors Thesis, Lisa Schifano (English), December 2000

Reader, Senior Honors Thesis, Hollie Kay Morris (English) April 2002

Armstrong State College

Introduction to Philosophy*

St. Leo College

Critical Thinking*

Ethics*

Oregon State University

Special Topics: Nietzsche

Critical Thinking

California State University at San Bernardino

Critical Thinking*

Introduction to Philosophy*

University of Redlands

Social and Political Philosophy

Critical Thinking*

Introduction to Philosophy*

REFEREE

Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy

International Journal of the Classical Tradition

Wadsworth Publishing

Prentice-Hall Publishing

SERVICE

Departmental Level

Member, Faculty Advisory Committee, Fall 1990-Present
Advising Philosophy Majors and Minors, Fall 1990-Present
PAG and TAG membership, 1993-present
Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Teaching AY 1998-1999, AY 1999-2000, AY 2000-1, Chair
AY 2001-2002, AY 2002-03
Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Guest Speakers, AY 1998-1999 (Matchette grant awarded)
Undergraduate Coordinator, Department of Philosophy, AY 1996-97, AY 1998 to present
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on the Department Newsletter Fall 1999, Fall 2000

College Level

Faculty Speaker, Regional Campuses Day, Kent State University, April 1992.
Faculty Speaker, Regional Campuses Day, Kent State University, April 1993.
Faculty Mentor, Sisters in Sport (SIS), AY 1993-1994
Member, KSU Research Grant Reviews, Fall 1999
Member, Women's Studies Curriculum Committee, AY 1996-97, AY 1999-2000, AY 2000-1
Women's Studies Affiliate, AY 1998-99 to present
Chair, Committee on Evaluating Interdisciplinary Programs, AY 1999-00
Chair, Departmental Chair Review, Spring 2000
Member, College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, AY 1996-97, AY 1998-99, AY
1999-2000, AY 2000-1, 2001-2
Chair, CAS Curriculum Committee, AY 1999-2000, AY 2000-1, AY 2001-2, AY 2002-03
Faculty Speaker, Kent State University Orientation, August 2003

University Level

Member, Student Rights and Standards Committee, Kent State University, August 1993-1995
Member, Educational Policies Council, AY 1996-97, AY 1998-99, AY 1999-2000, AY 2000-1,
AY 2001-2, AY 2002-03
Co-chair, University Requirements & Curriculum Committee, AY 2000-1, AY 2001-2, AY
2002-03
Chair, URCC Ad Hoc Committee on Liberal Education Requirements, AY 2000-1, AY 2001-2
Chair, URCC, LER Faculty and Student Surveys (5 year review) AY 2002-03
Member, EPC Ad Hoc Committee on Plus/Minus Grading AY 2002-03

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Philosophical Association
North American Nietzsche Society
Society for Women in Philosophy
Ohio Philosophical Association
(Secretary/Treasurer, 1995-1999, Program Chair, 1993)
Northeast Ohio Philosophical Consortium