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## **Area of Specialization:**

Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Mind

## **Areas of Competence:**

Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Psychology, Ethics

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

# **Philosophy Professor**

2016- Current. Houston Community College Department of Philosophy, Humanities, and Library Sciences. 3100 Main. Houston, TX

Phil 2285: Cooperative in Philosophy, Ethics Bowl. Fall, 2017. Co-op coach 2018 to 2021.

Phil 1301: Introduction to Philosophy. Phil 1301: Online. Introduction to Philosophy

Phil 2306: Introduction to Ethics

### **Adjunct Instructor**

2012-2016. Salt Lake Community College Department of Humanities, Language, and Culture.

4600 Redwood Rd. Salt Lake City, UT

Phil 1000: Introduction to Philosophy Phil 1300: Ethics and Moral Dilemmas

### **Adjunct Instructor**

Fall, 2012. Argosy University Department of Humanities . 121 West Election Road, Suite 300.

Draper, UT

HUMA 1100: Hybrid. Ethics in Contemporary Society

## **Instructor of Record**

2008-2011. University of Utah Department of Philosophy. CTIHB, 215 S. Central Campus

drive. Salt Lake City, UT

Phil 1000: Survey of Philosophy

Phil 1300: Philosophy of Psychology and Human Nature

Phil 1050: Online: Survey of Philosophy

# **Teaching Assistant**

2007-2008. University of Utah Department of Philosophy. CTIHB, 215 S. Central Campus drive. Salt Lake City, UT.

### **Associate Enrollment Counselor**

Cinnamon Jenson 2018

2014-2016. Western Governor's University. 4001 South 700 East. Salt Lake City, UT Motivate, inform and enroll students in attending WGU, a non-profit online university.

#### **EDUCATION:**

# PhD Philosophy

2015, University of Utah Dissertation: "Toward more substantial theories of language acquisition." Dissertation Committee: Patricia Hanna (thesis advisor), Steven Downes, James Tabery, Dustin Stokes, Edward Rubin

**HETS Designation: Higher Education Teaching Specialist.** 2013. University of Utah

# MPhil (MA philosophy)

2002, University of Sheffield, England Master's Thesis: "Autism and the Theory of Mind." Advisor: Stephen Lawrence

Certificate of Library and Information Sciences. 2007-2008, 1.5 years (incomplete). Emporia State University, Salt Lake City, UT. Master of Library Sciences.

**BS Philosophy**. 2000, University of Utah **BS Sociology**. 2000, University of Utah **Minors** in Cognitive Science, and in English

Certificate of Criminology. 2000, University of Utah

#### **AWARDS:**

NISOD Excellence Award recipient. May 2019. National Institute for Staff and Organizational

Development.

HCC Teaching Excellence Award nomination. Spring, 2018. Houston Community College.

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

"Four Poverty of Stimulus Arguments." 2019. Forthcoming. Southwest Philosophical Studies.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **Presentations:**

"Don't be scared of it: How to have rational conversations about tough subjects." HCC Philosophy and Humanities conference. Nov, 2019.

"Four Poverty of Stimulus Arguments." March, 2018. New Mexico – Texas Philosophy Conference, Houston.

#### **Panel Presentation:**

"Teaching informal fallacies." February, 2017. Philosophers on critical thinking panel. English Faculty Conference, HCC.

"Fake news." March, 2017. Humanities Faculty Conference, HCC.

#### **Poster Presentation:**

"Four Poverty of Stimulus arguments." June, 2015. Society for Philosophy and Psychology Conference. Durham University, North Carolina.

### **Guest Speaker:**

- "Making real connections with students." March, 2016. Western Governor's University.
- "Choosing the meaning of life." 2013. Cottonwood Adolescent Treatment Center.
- "Aesthetics." Feb 5, 2021. Guest Speaker. Abbey Hepner. University of Illinois.

## **Commentaries:**

- "Hepeating." HCC Philosophy Symposium and Workshop. April 3, 2021.
- "I Would Come Up with a Funny Title, but I'm Just a Girl: Women, Comedy, and an Evolved Sense of Humor." Vanessa Voss. Fall, 2018. HCC Philosophy and Humanities conference.
- "Got zombies?" Jimmy Licon. 2012. Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference. University of Utah.

### **DEPARTMENT SERVICE:**

### **Ethics Bowl Co-Organizer, Coach.**

Fall, 2017. Coach 2018- 2021 current. Houston Community College. Initiated Ethics Bowl class at HCC. Students compete at the Texas Regional Ethics Bowl, San Antionio, November annually

2017 - 2020. HCC Ethics Bowl Website:

https://learning.hccs.edu/faculty/cinnamon.jenson/ethics-bowl

#### **Conference Service.**

Reviewer, commentator, co-organizer, website. HCC Philosophy Symposium and workshop, April 3, 2021.

Houston Community College Philosophy and Humanities Conference. October, 2019. November 2018.

Keynote Liaison, Kevin deLaPlante. Website, commentator, marketing, reviews, program design, 2018. Website: Hccs.edu/papers

# **Conference Organizer.**

Houston Community College Philosophy and Humanities Conference. November 2017.

Keynote: Dan Symons. Website, Schedule, Moderator, Marketing. Website: Hccs.edu/papers Screening Committee.

June, 2017. Philosophy Department, Houston Community College.

### Philosophy Club Facilitator.

2017. Philosophy Department. Houston Community College. Facebook: HCC Philosophy Club.

## **Philosophy Event Series Creator.**

October 17-31, 2016. "Philosophy in the Twilight Zone." Philosophy Department. HCC

# Philosophy Outreach Committee Creator.

Spring, Summer, 2016. Outreach to prospective philosophy students at student orientations.

Department of Humanities, Languages, and Culture. Salt Lake Community College

### **Ethics Bowl Judge.**

October 30, 2015. Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Wasatch Regional competition at Weber State University, Ogden, Utah

### **Conference Organizer.**

October 30-31, 2014. "The moral challenge of Nietzsche's nihilism." 17<sup>th</sup> Annual International Student and Faculty Conference. Salt Lake Community College Website:

http://slccnietzsche.wix.com/slccphilosophyconf

### **Graduate Conference Chair.**

March 20-21, 2012. Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference. University of Utah.

Website, scheduling, pamphlet, marketing, moderator, reviewer, commentator.

**Department Graduate Service:** University of Utah Philosophy Department Hiring Committee, 2008; Philosophy Department Review Committee, 2009; Philosophy Club, 2009-11.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

# **Ethics Bowl Summer Workshop.**

July, 2020. Online. APPE Ethics Bowl workshop.

June 28- July 1, 2017. San Jose, CA. Training on how to initiate and coach Ethics Bowl classes, judge and moderate competitions, and marketing and fundraising for Ethics Bowl classes.

## Canvas Online Teaching Certificate.

Fall, 2016. Houston Community College.

### Leadership, Management, and Communications Training.

April 28-30, 2016, WGU Conference using the Disneyland Business Model: "From ordinary to extraordinary: Creating a wow experience for students." 2014-2016. Western Governor's University, Utah. De-escalation and interpersonal skills.

## **Higher Education Teaching Specialist (HETS) Certification.**

2013-2014. Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence, University of Utah One-year program with classes and workshops on active learning, innovative technology, diversity in the classroom, and other pedagogical training.

## **Teaching Workshop Volunteer.**

2012-2014. Sharon Bowman Workshop, "Teaching from the back of the room." Salt Lake Community College.

### **MEMBERSHIP**:

SPP: Society for Philosophy and Psychology. 2019

NMTX New Mexico – Texas Philosophical Society. 2018

APPE Association of Practical and Professional Ethics. 2017

### **NOTABLE CONFERENCES:**

SPP: Society for Philosophy and Psychology: San Diego, California, 2019. Durham, North

Carolina, 2015 (travel grant awarded). Boulder, Colorado, 2012. Portland, Oregon, 2010.

ISHPSSB: The International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology:

Salt Lake City, Utah, 2011 (volunteer); Exeter, England, 2007 (attended)

Experimental Philosophy Workshop: University of Utah, Summer, 2013 (Volunteer)

Graduate Conference Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference, 2007- 2013

(Reviewer and moderator)

Hang Seng Center for Cognitive Studies: Philosophy Department, Sheffield, England, 2001 (volunteer)