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## EDUCATION

**University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, Michigan  
**Ph.D.** in Philosophy, 1997  
**M.A.** in Philosophy, 1993

**University of California**, Berkeley, California  
**B.A.** in Philosophy, with Highest Distinction, 1988

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

### **Fairfield University**

Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences (Fall 2011 – 2014)  
Associate Professor of Philosophy & Director of Asian Studies Program (Fall 2009 – 2011)  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy (Fall 2007 – Spring 2009)

### **California State University, Los Angeles**

Associate Professor of Philosophy (Fall 2005 – Spring 2007)  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy (1997 – 2000; *On Leave* 2000 – 2003; *Resumed* 2003 – 2005)

### **University of Oklahoma, Norman OK**

Assistant Professor of Philosophy and School of International Area Studies (2000 – 2003)

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- Chinese Philosophy
- Ethics

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

- Ancient Greek Philosophy
- Philosophy of Religion

## PUBLICATIONS

### Research Publications

- “Mencius as Consequentialist,” in *Ethics in Early China*, Chris Fraser, Timothy O’Leary, and Dan Robins (eds.), 37-58 (2011), Hong Kong University Press. *Invited.*
- “Classical Confucianism II: Mencius and Xun Zi,” book chapter in *The Oxford Handbook of World Philosophy*, Garfield, Jay L. and Li, Chenyang (eds.), 37-46 (2011). *Invited.*
- “Horse-Parts, White-Parts, and Naming: Semantics, Ontology and Compound Terms in the White Horse Dialogue,” article in *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, 6:2, 167-186 (2007). *Peer blind-reviewed.*
- “Wielding Virtue in the Mengzi,” book chapter in *Conceptions of Virtue East and West*, Kim-chong Chong (ed.), 125-142. Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Academic, 2006. *Invited.*
- “Chinese Philosophy,” encyclopedia entry in *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia*. Soble, Alan G. (ed.), Wesport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2005. *Invited.*
- “Moral Knowledge and Self Control In Mengzi: Rectitude, Courage, and Qi,” article in *Asian Philosophy* 14:1, 59-77 (2004). *Peer blind-reviewed.*
- “Action, Emotion, and Inference in Mencius,” article in *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, 29:2, 225-247 (2002). *Peer blind-reviewed.*
- “Emotional Control and Virtue in the Mencius,” article in *Philosophy East & West*, 49:1, 1-27 (1999). *Peer blind-reviewed.*
- “Tensions in Mencius 3 and 7: Ecumenical Tendencies,” article in *Warring States Papers*, volume 1, 155-6 (1998). *Invited.*

### Book Reviews

- *An Introduction to Chinese Philosophy*, by Karyn Lai. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2008. Reviewed in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, May 2009 (available online: <http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=15646>)

- *Virtue Ethics and Consequentialism in Early Chinese Philosophy*, by Bryan W. Van Norden. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2007. Reviewed in *Journal of Asian Studies*, volume 67, November 2008.
- *Mencius on Becoming Human*, by James Behuniak, Jr. Albany: SUNY Press, 2005. Reviewed in *Journal of Chinese Religions*, volume 33, Fall 2005.
- *On the Epistemology of the Senses in Early Chinese Thought*, by Jane Geaney. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 2002. Reviewed in *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, volume 30:3, September 2003.
- *Encyclopedia of Chinese Philosophy*, Cua, Antonio S. (ed.), New York: Routledge, 2003. Reviewed in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, August 2003 (available online: [ndpr.icaap.org/content/archives/2003/8/im-cua.html](http://ndpr.icaap.org/content/archives/2003/8/im-cua.html)).
- *Learning from Asian Philosophy*, by Joel J. Kupperman. Reviewed in *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, volume 30:1, March 2003.

## PUBLICATION WORK IN PROGRESS

- *Exploring Chinese Philosophy: An Introduction*, textbook project, currently **under contract** with Continuum International Publishing Group, London and New York. Contracted completion date: April 30, 2011.
- *The Philosophy of (Non)Action: Studies of Agency from East-West Comparative Perspectives*, book-length anthology, currently under negotiation with Wiley-Blackwell Publishing.
- “Filial Piety Reconsidered: Duties, Gratitude, and Special Relationships” – article length paper.
- “Particularism, Intuitionism and Mencius” – article length paper.
- “Term-guidance in early Chinese Thought” – article length paper.

## PRESENTED PAPERS

- “Gentlemen Prefer Bronze: Aesthetic Sensibility as Moral Sense in the *Analects*,” presentation at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Group Meeting, “Roles and Responsibilities of the Superior in the *Analects*,” sponsored by the International Society for Chinese Philosophy. San Francisco, CA. April 1, 2010.
- “Aesthetic Pleasure as Early Confucian Happiness,” presented at *Happiness East and West*, A Conference presented by the University of Hong Kong. Department

of Philosophy with the support of the Louis Cha Fund, Faculty of Arts Strategic Research Theme – China-West Studies, and the School of Humanities. Dec 10-11, 2009.

- “Consequentialism, Moral Value, and Mencius,” presented at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Group Meeting, “Confucianism in the Context of Comparative Philosophy,” sponsored by the Association of Chinese Philosophers in America. Vancouver, BC. April 10, 2009
- “Nominalism and its Motivation in the White Horse Dialogue,” presented at *Dao, Mind, and Language: A Conference in Honour of Chad Hansen*, sponsored by the Department of Philosophy, School of Humanities, and the Faculty of Arts at the University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong. May 30-31, 2008.
- “Term-guidance, Disputation (*bian*), and Normative Categorization in Early China,” presented at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Group Meeting, “Logic and Language in Chinese Philosophy,” sponsored by the Association of Chinese Philosophers in America. Pasadena, CA. March 19, 2008.
- “Particularism, Intuitionism and Mencius,” presented at the the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Main Program, special session, “Grounds for Ethical Norms in Chinese Philosophy,” arranged by the APA Committee on the Status of Asian and Asian-American Philosophers and Philosophies, Baltimore, MD. December 28, 2007.
- “Courage, *Andreia*, and *Yong*: Three Orthogonal Concepts,” presented at the Conference on Chinese Philosophy and Moral Psychology. Organized by the Division of Humanities, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. Sponsored by Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange. Hong Kong. December 18, 2007.
- “Engaging with the Dead: Classical Confucianism, Historicism, and the Viability of Ethical Options,” presented at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Group Meeting sponsored by the International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy, New York, NY. December 30, 2005.
- “Single Level Ontology, Naming, and the White Horse Not-Horse Dialogue,” presented at the Tenth Annual Southern California Philosophy Conference, at the California State University, Northridge. October 29, 2005.
- “Notional and Real Confrontation: The Contemporary Ethical Theorist and Classical Chinese Philosophy,” presented at “Chinese Philosophy in Analytical Perspectives,” a conference sponsored by the National Cheng Chi University in Taipei, Taiwan ROC. September 16, 2005.

- “Confucianism: Virtue, Choice, and Civil Service,” presented at “The Relevance of Chinese Philosophy Today,” a symposium at the California State University, Northridge; sponsored by the Student Philosophy Society and the Department of Philosophy. February 25, 2004.
- “The Reflective Self in Ancient Chinese Thought,” presented as part of the panel on Chinese Philosophy: “The Self in Confucian Ethics,” at the Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association in Berkeley, CA. April 2, 1999.
- “Looking for the Moral Self in Early Confucianism,” presented at the California State University, Northridge; lecture sponsored by the Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Asian American Studies Departments. March 24, 1999.
- “The Primacy of Natural, Uncultivated Responses in Mencius,” presented at the International Society for Chinese Philosophy meeting at the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. Washington D.C. December, 1998.
- “Tensions in *Mencius* 3 and 7: Ecumenical Tendencies in 7,” presentation at the 8th Conference of the Warring States Working Group. University of Mass. at Amherst. April 26, 1997.
- “Mencius, Natural Responses, and Neo-Mohist ‘Extending’,” presentation for University of Michigan Center for Chinese Studies, Brown Bag Series. April 23, 1996.

## **FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS**

- Fairfield University Summer Research Stipend, Summer 2008 (Fairfield University)
- California State University Research Sabbatical Leave, Fall 2006 (School of Arts and Letters, California State University, Los Angeles)
- Junior Faculty Research Grant, June 2001 (College of Arts & Sciences, University of Oklahoma)
- California State University Creative Leave Grant, January 1999 (School of Arts and Letters, California State University, Los Angeles)
- Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, April 1997 (Horace Rackham School of Graduate Studies, Univ. of Michigan).

- John Dewey Prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, April 1997 (Dept. of Philosophy, Univ. of Michigan).
- Hough Fellowship in Ethics and Psychology, Summer 1995 (Univ. of Michigan)
- Rackham One-Term Predoctoral Fellowship, Fall 1993 (Horace Rackham School of Graduate Studies, Univ. of Michigan).
- Rackham Merit Fellowship in the Humanities, 1988-92 (Horace Rackham School of Graduate Studies, Univ. of Michigan).
- Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities, awarded 1988 (Woodrow Wilson Foundation).

### **GRANTS AWARDED**

- ASIANetwork – Henry Luce Foundation Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowship, Institutional grant awarded to the Asian Studies Program, Fairfield University for Academic Year 2010-11. Award amount: \$31,000.

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

#### **Fairfield University**

(10 – 100 level, lower-division; 200 level, upper division)

- Introduction to Philosophy: Ancient and Medieval (Phil. 10)
- Introduction to Asian Philosophies (Phil. 233)
- Confucianism (Phil. 245)
- Philosophical Daoism and Zen Buddhism (Phil. 247)

#### **California State University, Los Angeles**

(100-200 level, lower division; 300-400 level, upper division; 500 level, M.A. seminars)

- Philosophical Ideas: Knowledge and Reality (Phil. 151)
- Human Values (Phil. 152)
- Introduction to Comparative Religions (Phil/RELS 200 – including online sections)
- Moral and Social Issues in a Multicultural Society (Phil. 220 – including online sections)
- Ethics I (Phil. 304)
- Human Diversity and Justice (Phil.323)

- Philosophy of Religion (Phil. 415)
- East Asian Philosophy (Phil. 437)
- Ethical Theory East and West (Phil. 495)
- Seminar on Pain and Pleasure (Phil. 510)
- Seminar on Ethics and Character (Phil. 543)
- Seminar on Free Will and Reasons for Acting (Phil. 543)

### **University of Oklahoma**

(1000-2000 level, lower division; 3000-4000 level, upper division; 5000-6000 level, graduate, M.A. and Ph.D. level seminars)

- Human Destiny (Phil. 1203)
- History of Ethics (Phil. 3253)
- East Asian Philosophy (Phil. 3303)
- Seminar in Asian Philosophy (Phil. 5900), topic: “Historical and Recent Scholarship on the *Tao Te Ching* and the *Chuang Tzu*”
- Ethical Theory (Phil. 4293/5293)

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- Director of Asian Studies Program, Fairfield University (2009-2011)
- University Curriculum Committee member, Fairfield University (2008 – 2011, Chair in Spring 2011)
- College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee member (2008 – 2011, Chair in Fall 2010)
- World Diversity Requirement, University Curriculum Subcommittee member, Fairfield University (2008 – 2011, Chair 2009 – 2010)
- Educational Technologies Committee member, Fairfield University (2008 – 2011)
- College of Arts and Sciences Awards Committee member, Fairfield University (2009 – present)
- Academic Council member, Fairfield University (elected for 2011 – 2014)
- College of Arts and Letters Faculty Affairs Committee – (1997 – 2000, Chair 1998 – 2000)
- Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee – Cal State LA (1997 – 2000)
- UAS Bookstore Advisory Committee – Cal State LA (1999 – 2001)
- Ford Foundation Grant Participant to create an Asian and Asian-American Studies program at Cal State LA (1998 – 1999)
- Religious Studies Program Development Committee – University of Oklahoma (2002 – 2003)

## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

- Founder, contributor, and administrator for *Warp, Weft, and Way: A Group Blog of Chinese and Comparative Philosophy* <http://warpweftandway.wordpress.com>
- Executive Editorial Committee member of *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*
- Manuscript Referee – Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge Publishing, Columbia University Press, State University of New York Press, Acumen Publishing, Columbia University Press, MIT Press
- Journal Submission Referee – *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*; *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, *Philosophy East and West*, *Philosophy Compass*

## **RESEARCH RELATED LANGUAGE COMPETENCE**

- Classical Chinese
- Classical Greek