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**Areas of Specialization:** Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language

**Areas of Competence:** Philosophy of Sex and Gender, Philosophy of Mind, Early Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Logic, Ancient Ethics, and Applied Ethics

**Education**

Ph.D., Philosophy, The University of Arizona, 2011

Dissertation: *Vagueness and Borderline Cases*

Advisors: Terry Horgan and Shaughan Lavine

B.A., Philosophy, The University of Akron, 2002

Summa cum Laude; University Honors Scholar

B.A., English, concentration in Linguistics, The University of Akron, 2002

Summa cum Laude; University Honors Scholar

**Publications**

“#MeToo and Insults” (forthcoming) in *Feminist Philosophers and #MeToo*, Edited by Y. Wilson. Routledge.

“On Insults” (2018) *Journal of the American Philosophical Association* 4 (4): 510-24.

“Love and Death” (2018) In *Heaven and Philosophy*. Edited by S. Cushing. Lexington Books.

“Modeling Sex/Gender” (2017) *Think: Philosophy for Everyone*. 46 (16): 79-92.

“Sex, Vagueness, and the Olympics” (2015) *Hypatia* 30 (4): 708-724.

“Mental Causation” (2009) with Cei Maslen and Terry Horgan. In *The Oxford Handbook of Causation*. Edited by H. Beebee, C. Hitchcock, and P. Menzies. Oxford.

“Jaegwon Kim” (2009) with Terry Horgan. In *A Companion to Metaphysics, 2nd ed*. Edited by J. Kim, E. Sosa and G. Rosenkrantz. Blackwell.

**Presentations**

“Insulting Architecture”

Aug 2021, Alumni and Families Event, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

July 2020, Aesthetics for Distant Bird: An online workshop series

“Animals, AI, and Consciousness”

Aug. 2019, Fall Conference, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

“On Insults”

Oct. 2016, Mountain Plains Philosophy Conference, UCCS, Colorado Springs, CO

Nov. 2016, Colloquium Series at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL

Dec. 2016, Colloquium Series at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

“How to Be Insulting: A philosophical exploration”

Aug. 2016, Fall Conference, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

“Silently Insulting”

Nov. 2015, ECOM Workshop, Storrs, CT

“Modeling Sex/Gender”

Aug. 2015, RoME poster session, Boulder, CO

Mar. 2016, Pacific APA, San Francisco, CA

Nov. 2016, Master Class at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL

“The Many Strands of Gender”

Dec. 2014, Feminist and Gender Studies lunch series at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

“Sex, Vagueness, and the Olympics”

April 2013, Springs Discussion Group (workshop), Colorado Springs, CO

Sept. 2013, Faculty Lunch series at Colorado College

Sept. 2013, Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium, Pittsburgh, PA

Feb. 2014, Central APA, Chicago, IL

“Conversational Vagueness”

Sept. 2012, Pittsburgh Area Philosophy Colloquium (workshop), Pittsburgh, PA

“The Sorites Paradox and Borderline Cases”

Dec. 2011, Springs Discussion Group (workshop), Colorado Springs, CO

Feb. 2012, Central APA, Chicago, IL

“Drawing a Line in the Sand: How to reason with vague terms”

Nov. 2010, for the University of Arizona Undergraduate Philosophy Club, Tucson, AZ

Dec. 2010, for the University of Arizona Colloquium Series, Tucson, AZ

Feb. 2011, for the Colorado College Colloquium Series

Sept. 2012, for the University of Colorado, Denver Colloquium Series

Comments on “The Social Value of Insults” by A. Takaoka

Aug. 2021, Vancouver Summer Philosophy Conference, held online

Comments on “Must Robots Be Consequentialists?” by R. Jenkins and D. Purves

Aug. 2015, RoME, Boulder, CO

Comments on “Plurality and Parity: Composition versus Constitution” by R. Kurtz

Feb. 2013, Central APA, New Orleans, LA

Comments on “Compositional Nihilism, Intuitions, and the Problem of Self-Defeat” by H. Kantin

Oct. 2013, Mountain Plains Philosophy Conference, Colorado Springs, CO

Comments on “Compositional Nihilism and the Puzzles of Coincidence” by H. Kantin

Oct. 2011, Mountain Plains Philosophy Conference, Denver, CO

**Current Research**

“Insulting Architecture” working paper

**Courses Taught**

At Colorado College:

20th Century Analytic Philosophy

Greek Philosophy (w/ R. Furtak)

Greek Philosophy

Greek Drama and Philosophy (w/ M. Dobson)

Formal Logic

Metaphysics

Philosophical Argument and Writing

Philosophy and Science Fiction

Philosophy of Language

Language and Meaning

The Philosophy and Psychology of Concepts (w/ K. Holmes)

Human and Computer Intelligence (w/ M. Whitehead)

Junior Seminar, on the Aesthetics of Games

Senior Seminar (w/ R. Furtak, J. Lee, J. Riker)

Senior Colloquium Seminar (w/ M. Hourdequin, D. McEnnerney)

At the University of Arizona:

Early Modern Philosophy

Philosophy of Religion

Environmental Ethics

Business Ethics

Medical Ethics

Introduction to Philosophy

Mind, Matter and God

Logic and Critical Thinking

Introduction to Symbolic Logic

Introduction to Symbolic Logic, online-only format

**Service**

Colorado College Philosophy Department Chair, 2019-

Colorado College Faculty Executive Committee, budget subcommittee, 2018-19

Colorado College Faculty Executive Committee, governance subcommittee, 2016-17

Colorado College hiring committee for Chemistry/Biochemistry, 2016

Colorado College interview committee for new Director of Financial Aid, 2016

Colorado College faculty liaison to Admissions and Financial Aid, 2015-16

Colorado College Philosophy Department External Review Committee, 2014

Guest Lecturer for UCCS Freshman Seminar: “Numbers,” Sept. 2014

Colorado College Curriculum Committee, 2013-14

Colorado College Faculty Scholarship Action Team, 2013-2015

Colorado College Minority Concerns Representative on the Math/CS hiring committee, 2013-14

Colorado College Budget Committee, 2012-13

Colorado College Philosophy Department Assessment Committee, 2012-13, 15-16

I have also reviewed essays for *Hypatia*, *The Journal of Ethics,* *Ergo*, and *Philosophers’ Imprint*, as well as a book for Oxford UP.

I regularly volunteer to comment or to chair sessions at the Pacific APA conference, and periodically at the Central APA as well.

In 2019 I participated in a panel session on diversity in philosophy departments at the Pacific APA.