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Areas of Specialization

Nineteenth-Century Continental Philosophy (especially Friedrich Nietzsche)

Ethics (especially Moral Psychology)

Environmental Philosophy

Areas of Competence

Twentieth-Century Continental Philosophy (including Existentialism and Phenomenology)

Social and Political Philosophy (including Feminist Philosophy)

Appointments

2019 – current Assistant Professor of Philosophy
California State University, San Bernardino
San Bernardino, CA

2017 – 2019 Assistant Professor of Philosophy
Butler University
Indianapolis, IN

Education

2017 The University of New Mexico, Ph.D. in Philosophy (with distinction).

2010 New York University, B.A. in Philosophy (with honors), *magna cum laude*.

Publications

Monograph

[1] *The Problem of Affective Nihilism in Nietzsche: Thinking Differently, Feeling Differently*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, June 2020.

Journal Articles

[7] “Making Knowledge the Most Powerful Affect: Overcoming Affective Nihilism” in *Journal of Nietzsche Studies*. 50:2 (2019)

[6] “On the Problem of Affective Nihilism” in *Journal of Nietzsche Studies*. 49:1 (2018)

[5] “Environmental Nihilism: Reading Nietzsche Against New Conservationism” in *Environmental Philosophy*. 17:2 (2017)

Papers in Edited Volumes

- [4] “Nietzsche’s Ecocentrism in *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*” in *Nietzsche’s Thus Spoke Zarathustra: A Critical Guide*. Cambridge, MA: Cambridge University Press. (forthcoming)
- [3] “Sexism is Exhausting: a Nietzschean Take on the Affective Dynamics of Gender Oppression” in *Nietzsche and Politicized Identities*. Albany, NY: SUNY Press. (forthcoming)
- [2] “Contending with New Conservationism” in *Conservation: Integrating Social and Ecological Justice*. (New York: Springer). 2020.
- [1] “The Birth of Dada out of the Spirit of Nihilism” in *Understanding Nietzsche, Understanding Modernism*. (New York: Bloomsbury). 2019.

Public Philosophy

- [4] Interview on *The Problem of Affective Nihilism*, Blog of the LA Review of Books. 2020.
<http://blog.lareviewofbooks.org/interviews/three-therapies-affective-nihilist-talking-kaitlyn-creasy/>
- [3] Interviewed for “Is This the End of American Optimism?” on *Vox*. 2020.
<https://www.vox.com/21534608/2020-election-coronavirus-optimism-happiness>
- [2] “Envisioning a Nietzschean Land Ethic” in *Ecological Citizen*. 2020.
<https://www.ecologicalcitizen.net/pdfs/v03sc-03.pdf>
- [1] APA Member Interview, Blog of the *American Philosophical Association*. 2020.
<https://blog.apaonline.org/2020/04/10/apa-member-interview-kaitlyn-creasy/>

Book Reviews

- [4] Review of *Individuality and Beyond: Nietzsche Reads Emerson* by Benedetta Zavatta (Oxford University Press, 2019) in the *Journal of the History of Philosophy*. (forthcoming)
- [3] Review of *Friedrich Nietzsche and European Nihilism* by Paul van Tongeren (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2018) in *The Agonist*. 7:1 (2018)
- [2] Review of *Naturalizing Heidegger: His Confrontation with Nietzsche, His Contributions to Environmental Philosophy* by David E. Storey (SUNY Press, 2015) in *Journal of Nietzsche Studies*. 48:2 (2017)
- [1] Review of *Plato and Nietzsche: Their Philosophical Art* by Mark Anderson (Bloomsbury Academic, 2014) in *Ancient Philosophy*. 36 (2016)

Invited Talks

- [4] “Response to Critics” for APA Book Symposium on *The Problem of Affective Nihilism in Nietzsche*, with comments from Mark Alfano, Ken Gemes, and Paul Katsafanas. To be presented at the 95th Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.

March 2021.

[3] “Resisting Human Exceptionalism in the Anthropocene: Nietzsche’s Ecocentrism” to be presented at Nietzsche in the Northeast (NiNE) in Honolulu, HI, June 2020. (postponed due to COVID-19)

[2] “Affective Nihilism and Self-Genealogy” to be presented at University of London, Birkbeck in London, UK, March 2020. (postponed due to COVID-19)

[1] “Nietzschean Nihilisms: Distinctions, Overlap, and Interactions” presented at Nietzsche in the Northeast (NiNE) at Quinnipiac University, May 2019.

Grant Proposals

- 2020 “The Affective Nihilism of Nietzsche’s Last Man”
Summer Stipend, *National Endowment of the Humanities* (proposal submitted for AY 21-22)
- 2020 “Stubborn Social Emotions and their Harms”
ACLS Fellowship, *American Council of Learned Societies* (proposal submitted for AY 21-22)
- 2020 “Stubborn Social Emotions and their Harms”
Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, *American Association of University Women* (proposal submitted for AY 21-22)

Peer-Reviewed Conferences

- 2020 “Nietzsche’s Proto-Ecocentrism: On Cultivating an Ecological Conscience.” Paper to be presented at the 94th Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. (postponed due to COVID-19)
- 2018 “Nietzsche on Affect, Self-Knowledge, and Personal Transformation.” Paper presented at the 57th Annual Meeting of SPEP.
- 2018 “Thinking Differently, Feeling Differently: Nietzsche on Nihilism, Affect, and Agency.” Paper presented at the North American Nietzsche Society, Stanford University.
- 2018 “Contending with New Conservationism.” Paper presented at “Religious Perspectives and Alternative Futures in an Age of Humans,” Indiana University.
- 2018 “Contending with New Conservationism.” Paper presented to the International Society of Environmental Ethics (ISEE) at the 92nd Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.
- 2017 “Contending with New Conservationism.” Paper presented at “Humans and Other Animals,” Irish Philosophical Society, Carlowe College.
- 2017 “How to Feel Differently: The Problem of Affective Nihilism in Nietzsche.” Paper presented at the 23rd Annual Meeting of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society at Bath Spa

University, England.

- 2017 “Environmental Nihilism: Reading Nietzsche Against New Conservationism.” Paper presented at the 91st Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.
- 2016 “Thinking Self-Transformation and Openness.” Paper presented at the 55th Annual Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy.
- 2015 “The Limits of Self-Determination in Nietzsche.” Paper presented at the 21st Annual Meeting of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society at the University of Hull, England.
- 2014 “Finding Love in Nietzsche: from the *Untimely Meditations* through *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*.” Paper presented at the 20th Annual Meeting of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society at the University of Birmingham, England,
- 2014 “Letting ‘Others’ In: Friendship and Aesthetic Listening.” Paper presented at *Women and Minorities in Philosophy*, the Philosophy Graduate Student Conference at The University of Kentucky.

Courses Taught

California State University, San Bernardino

Moral Psychology (upper-level)
Continental Philosophy (upper-level)
Existentialism (upper-level)
Honors: Thinking Critically
Introduction to Ethics
Introduction to Philosophy

Butler University

Genealogy and Power: Nietzsche and Foucault (capstone seminar)
Wilderness and the Land Ethic (upper-level)
History of Modern Philosophy (upper-level)
Marginalized in America
Ethics, the Good Life, and Society
First Year Seminar: Becoming Who You Are (two semesters)
Principles of Reasoning
Honors Theses

1. Philosophy of Adoption and Parenthood
2. Omar Khayyam and Albert Camus on the Absurd

The University of New Mexico

Introduction to Philosophy
Reasoning and Critical Thinking

Awards and Fellowships

- 2020 Dean’s Summer Research Fellowship, *California State University San Bernardino*

- 2020 Most Valuable Professor, Athletics (university-wide), *California State University San Bernardino*
- 2019 Outstanding Professor of the Year Award – Teaching (university-wide), *Butler University*
- 2019 Travel Grant, *Butler Awards Committee*
- 2019 Social Justice and Diversity Vocational Fellowship, *Butler University*
- 2018 Faculty Summer Research Grant, *Butler University*
- 2018 Travel Grant, *Butler Awards Committee*
- 2017 Travel Grant, *Butler Awards Committee*
- 2017 Graduate Student Award (stipend), *American Philosophical Association*
- 2017 Student Research Grant, Graduate/Professional Student Association, *University of New Mexico*
- 2016 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, *Russell and Dorothy Bilinski Foundation*
- 2015 Student Conference Award, *University of New Mexico*
- 2015 Student Research Grant, Graduate/Professional Student Association, *University of New Mexico*
- 2014 Student Conference Award, *University of New Mexico*
- 2014 Philosophy Department Travel Award, *University of New Mexico* (awarded three times)
- 2014 Intensive Language Course Grant, *Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst* (German Academic Exchange Service)

Professional Service

- Executive Committee Member, North American Nietzsche Society (2019-present)
- Program Committee Member, North American Nietzsche Society (2019-present)
- Secretary-Treasurer, The Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (2018-present)
- Advisory Board, *The Ecological Citizen* (2019-present)
- Advisory Council, Global Ecocentric Network for Implementing Ecodemocracy (2018-present)
- Organized panel: “Nietzsche, Nihilism, and Life-Affirmation” at the 58th Annual Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, October 2019.
- Managing Editor, *The Agonist* (December 2017-October 2019)
- Director, Nietzsche Circle (2008-2018)
- Book Reviews Editor, *The Agonist* (2015-2017)

Referee for: *Journal of Nietzsche Studies*, *Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy*, Oxford University Press, Bloomsbury Press

University Service

California State University, San Bernardino

- Faculty Advisor and Coordinator for the Philosophy Club (2019-present)
- Search Committee (tenure-track), Philosophy Department (2019-2020)
- Writing Intensive Advisory Board, All-university (2019-present)
- Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Letters (2019-present)

Butler University

- Faculty Advisor and Coordinator for the Philosophy Club (2018-2019)
- Creator and Facilitator of Philosophy on Tap (2018-2019)
- Faculty Senator, Butler University Faculty Senate (2018-2019)

- Search Committee (tenure-track), Philosophy, Religion, and Classics Department (2017-2018)
- Faculty Sponsor, Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute (PIKSI) (2017-2018)
- Creator and Moderator of the Philosophy Facebook page (2018-2019)

Professional Development

Presentations

- Panelist, CSUSB New Faculty Orientation: “How to Get Started on Your Research”

Pedagogy Courses

- Association of University and College Educators: Effective Teaching Practices (Butler University, AY 2019-20)
- Virtual Teaching Institute: “Teaching Online Using Quality Learning Tools” (CSUSB, Summer 2020)

Faculty Learning Communities

- Developing Successful Writing Intensive Courses, FLC Member (CSUSB, Winter 2019)
- Thriving as a New Faculty Member, FLC Facilitator (Butler University, AY 2017-18)