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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. (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*. (2021)
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**

5. “Nietzsche on Sociocultural Impacts on Emotions” Presented at University of London, Birkbeck. (2021) (online)

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. Presented at the 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. (2021) (online)
3. “Nietzsche on Sociocultural Impacts on Emotions” Presented at the Friedrich Nietzsche Society, Works in Progress Series. (2021)
2. “Resisting Human Exceptionalism in the Anthropocene: Nietzsche’s Ecocentrism” to be presented at Nietzsche in the Northeast (NiNE) in Honolulu, HI, June 2020. (cancelled due to COVID-19)
1. “Nietzschean Nihilisms: Distinctions, Overlap, and Interactions” presented at Nietzsche in the Northeast (NiNE) at Quinnipiac University, May 2019.

### **Invited Commentaries**

- 2022 Comments on “Pessimism and the Affirmation of Life: Nietzsche's Music-Making Socrates” by Peter Stewart-Kroeker. To be presented at the 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.
- 2021 Comments on “Dionysian Women: Hedwig Dohm’s Feminist Critique of Nietzschean Life Affirmation” by Katie Brennan. Presented May 21, 2021. Works in Progress Series for [\*Extending New Narratives in Philosophy\*](#), an organization committed to “retrieving philosophical works of women and individuals from other marginalized groups and sustaining the presence of these figures in the history of philosophy.” (online)

### **Invited Workshops**

- 2021 Maine Seminar for Engaged Philosophy, *University of Maine*  
Topic: Environmental Philosophy

### **Grants, Awards, and Fellowships**

- 2021 Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowship, *American Association of University Women* (\$30,000)  
Dean’s Summer Research Fellowship, *California State University, San Bernardino*
- 2020 Dean’s Summer Research Fellowship, *California State University, San Bernardino*  
Most Valuable Professor, Athletics (university-wide), *California State University, San Bernardino*
- 2019 Outstanding Professor of the Year Award – Teaching (university-wide), *Butler University*  
Travel Grant, *Butler Awards Committee*  
Social Justice and Diversity Vocational Fellowship, *Butler University*
- 2018 Faculty Summer Research Grant, *Butler University*

- Travel Grant, *Butler Awards Committee*
- 2017 Travel Grant, *Butler Awards Committee*
- Graduate Student Award (stipend), *American Philosophical Association*
- Student Research Grant, Graduate/Professional Student Association, *University of New Mexico*
- 2016 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, *Russell and Dorothy Bilinski Foundation*
- Student Conference Award, *University of New Mexico*
- Student Research Grant, Graduate/Professional Student Association, *University of New Mexico*
- 2014 Student Conference Award, *University of New Mexico*
- Philosophy Department Travel Award, *University of New Mexico* (awarded three times)
- Intensive Language Course Grant, *Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst* (German Academic Exchange Service)

### **Conference Presentations**

- 2021 “The Sociality of Emotion and the Affective Freedom of Nietzsche’s Free Spirit.” Paper to be presented at the North American Nietzsche Society, Georgia State University.
- “Nietzsche on Sociocultural Impacts on Emotions.” Paper presented at the 26<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society.
- “Nietzsche on Sociocultural Impacts on Emotions.” Paper presented at the Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy.
- 2020 “Nietzsche’s Proto-Ecocentrism: On Cultivating an Ecological Conscience.” Paper to be presented at the 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. (accepted, cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2018 “Nietzsche on Affect, Self-Knowledge, and Personal Transformation.” Paper presented at the 57<sup>th</sup> 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 92<sup>nd</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society at Bath Spa University, England.
- 2017 “Environmental Nihilism: Reading Nietzsche Against New Conservationism.” Paper presented at the 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.
- 2016 “Thinking Self-Transformation and Openness.” Paper presented at the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy.
- 2015 “The Limits of Self-Determination in Nietzsche.” Paper presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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*

Advanced Issues in the History of Philosophy: Nietzsche (capstone seminar)  
 Environmental Ethics (upper-level)  
 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

## 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 (2018-2021)
- Advisory Board, *The Ecological Citizen* (2019-present)
- Advisory Council, Global Ecocentric Network for Implementing Ecodemocracy (2018-present)
- Organizer, 2021 Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy (virtual) (2020-2021)
- Editor, “Nietzsche and Affects.” *The Agonist* 13: 1-2 (2020)
- Organized panel: “Nietzsche, Nihilism, and Life-Affirmation” at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (2019)
- Managing Editor, *The Agonist* (2017-2019)
- Director, Nietzsche Circle (2008-2018)
- Book Reviews Editor, *The Agonist* (2015-2017)

Referee for: *Journal of Nietzsche Studies*, *Ethics and the Environment*, *Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy*, Oxford University Press, Bloomsbury Press, Palgrave Macmillan

## University Service

### *California State University, San Bernardino*

- Faculty Advisor and Coordinator for the Philosophy Club (2019-present)
- Search Committee (tenure-track), Philosophy Department (2021-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)