# CURRICULUM VITAE CHARLES JOSHUA HORN

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# **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:**

17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy Analytic Metaphysics

# **AREAS OF COMPETENCE:**

Philosophy of Religion Ancient Philosophy Philosophy of Mind/Cognitive Science Social and Political Philosophy

## **EDUCATION:**

University of Kentucky
Ph.D. Philosophy
Cognitive Science Advanced Certification
University of Kentucky
Morehead State University

2007—2013
2011
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2009
2009
2009

B.A. Philosophy, Government (Magna cum Laude)

# **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

2019—Present

Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

2013—2019

Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy University of Kentucky

2007—2013

Instructor, Department of Philosophy Eastern Kentucky University

2009—2013

Instructor, Department of Philosophy Morehead State University

Fall 2009, Fall 2010

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

# **Articles:**

1. "Leibniz and the Labyrinth of Divine Freedom" in

The Labyrinths of Leibniz's Philosophy, Ed. Aleksandra Horowska

Peter Lang Verlag, 2020 Forthcoming

2. "The Moral Particularism of *The Last of Us*" The Palgrave Handbook of Popular Culture as Philosophy Palgrave, 2020 Forthcoming 3. "Leibniz's Contemporary Modal Theodicy" Quaestiones Disputatae, Vol. 7. No. 2 Catholic University of America Press, 2017 pp. 97—119 4. "Leibniz's Ripples: The Continuing Relevance of the Last Great Polymath" Quaestiones Disputatae, Vol. 7. No. 2 pp. 3—7 Catholic University of America Press, 2017 5. "Leibniz's Stoic and Spinozistic Justification for Eternal Damnation" in The Concept of Hell, Eds. Benjamin McCraw and Robert Arp pp. 99—112 Palgrave Macmillan, 2015 6. "Identity Across Space and Time: Bioshock Infinite and Theories of Transworld Individuality" in *Bioshock and Philosophy*, Ed. Luke Cuddy pp. 76—85 Wiley Blackwell, 2015 "The Individual's Place in Paradise: The Limits, Promise, and Role of Reason in Modern Conceptions of Utopia" in The Individual and Utopia: A Multidisciplinary Study of Humanity and Perfection, Eds. Clint Jones and Cameron Ellis Ashgate Publishing, 2015 pp. 11—25 8. "Dreams and Possible Worlds: Inception and the Metaphysics of Modality" Chapter 15 in *Inception and Philosophy* Wiley Blackwell Publishing, 2011 pp. 215—230 9. "The Triforce and the Doctrine of the Mean" Chapter 17 in The Legend of Zelda and Philosophy Open Court Publishing, 2008 pp. 211—219 **Proceedings and Reviews:** 1. Review of Lloyd Strickland, Proofs of God in Early Modern Europe: An Anthology. Baylor University Press. International Journal for Philosophy of Religion pp. 369—371 85:3 (June 2019) 2. Review of Richard Arthur, Monads, Composition, and Force: Ariadnean Threads through Leibniz's Labyrinth. Oxford University Press. Review of Metaphysics 72:4 (June 2019) pp. 783—784 3. Review of Jill Graper Hernandez, Early Modern Women and the Problem of Evil: Atrocity and Theodicy. Routledge. International Journal for Philosophy of Religion

pp. 213—216

83:2 (April 2018)

4. Review of Lloyd Strickland, Leibniz on God and Religion: A Reader. Bloomsbury Academic Press. International Journal for Philosophy of Religion 80:3 (December 2016) pp. 321—323 5. "Leibniz and Impossible Ideas in the Divine Intellect" Vorträge des X. Internationalen Leibniz Kongresses, Ed. Wenchao Li Band IV, pp. 539—551 Hannover: Olms, 2016 6. Review of Gonzalo Rodriguez-Pereyra, Leibniz's Principle of Identity of Indiscernibles. Oxford University Press. Journal of the History of Philosophy 53:4 (October 2015) pp. 787—788 7. Review of Michael Shapiro, War Crimes, Atrocity, and Justice. Polity Press. Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict pp. 155—156 (2015)8. Review of Michael Griffin, Leibniz, God, and Necessity. Cambridge University Press. Review of Metaphysics 66:4 (June 2013) pp. 836—837 9. "Rethinking the Goal of Philosophy: A Phenomenological Reading of Plato's Cave" Proceedings of the Metaphysics World Congress pp. 1045—1053 10. "Leibniz: Naturalism and Eudaemonism" in Terence Irwin's Development of Ethics Philosophical Forum Wiley Blackwell Publishing 2011 42:3 p. 298 11. "Kant's Political Philosophy: An Evolution of Social Contract Theory" Proceedings of the Southeast Philosophy Congress, Volume 2 pp. 95—103 Clayton State University Philosophy Department, 2009 **INVITED LECTURES (Including Future Commitments)** 1. "Leibniz's Theory of Natural Law"—Faculty Forum University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point October 2019 2. "The Nature of Free Will"—Dinner and Discourse Amherst Opera House August 2019 3. "Ethics and Conscious Machines"—Community Lecture Series University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point December 2018 4. "What's Love Got to do with It? Leibniz on God and Creation"—Faculty Forum

5. "Virtual Virtue: Cultivating Morals Through Video Games"—LIFE Presentation

October 2018

October 2016

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point November 2016 7. "Virtual Virtue: Cultivating Morals Through Video Games"—University Evening Address University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point October 2016 8. "Mythos and Logos: The Role of Mythology in Antiquity" Arbor Vitae-Woodruff School February 2014 9. "Leibniz's Theory of Compossibility: Escaping from Spinoza's Precipice" September 2012 Georgetown College 10. "The Possibility of Possible Worlds: A Story of Radical Philosophers" Morehead State University February 2012 11. "Locke's Second Treatise" Morehead State University October 2009 **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS: (Including Future Commitments)** 1. "Leibniz's Theory of Natural Law" Kentucky Philosophical Association Morehead, Kentucky April 2020 2. "Free Will and Moral Responsibility in Video Games" Science Fiction, Popular Cultures Kona, Hawaii September 2018 3. "Can Leibniz's God Love Purely Possible Objects?" Society for Philosophy of Religion New Orleans, Louisiana March 2018 4. "Leibniz and Impossible Ideas in the Divine Intellect" X International Leibniz Congress Hanover, Germany July 2016 5. "Leibniz's Contemporary Modal Theodicy" Continuing Relevance of Leibniz, Franciscan University Steubenville, Ohio April 2016 6. "Know Your Role: A Defense of Joel's Abandonment of Humanity in *The Last of Us*" Popular Culture Association Seattle, Washington March 2016 7. "Leibniz's Stoic and Spinozistic Justification for Eternal Damnation" Society for Philosophy of Religion San Antonio, Texas February 2016

6. Leibniz on Possible Worlds and Divine Freedom"—Faculty Forum

Wisconsin Philosophical Association University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point April 2015 9. "The Ontological Interpretation of Compossibility" Spinoza-Leibniz Workshop Michigan State University January 2015 10. "Skills Over Content" AAPT Session of the Eastern Meeting of the American Philosophical Association Baltimore, Maryland December 2013 11. "Hope for Economic Liberation: Social Media and the New Capitalist Revolution" Fifth Biennial International Herbert Marcuse Society Lexington, Kentucky November 2013 12. "Theodicean Solutions to Leibniz's Problem of Contingency" Metaphysics 2012 World Congress Rome, Italy November 2012 13. "Rethinking the Goal of Philosophy: A Phenomenological Reading of Plato's Cave" Metaphysics 2012 World Congress November 2012 Rome, Italy 14. "The Necessity of Freedom and the Possibility for the Good Life" Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association Seattle, Washington April 2012 15. "The Passions of the Soulless: What Spinoza Can Tell Us About True Blood" Far West Popular Culture and American Culture Association Las Vegas, Nevada February 2012 16. "Leibniz, Lewis, and the Metaphysics of Modality" Alabama Philosophical Society Pensacola Beach, Florida September 2011 17. "Leibniz and the Possibility of Worlds: Commensurability and the Principle of the Best" Florida Philosophical Association Daytona Beach, Florida November 2010 18. "Optimization and Maximization: A Leibnizian Response to Rowe's 'No Best World' Thesis" Alabama Philosophical Society Pensacola Beach, Florida September 2010 19. "The Aristotelian Roots of Leibnizian Panorganicism" Kentucky Philosophical Association Eastern Kentucky University April 2010

8. "Leibniz's Stoic and Spinozistic Justification for Eternal Damnation"

20. "The Cause for Rejecting Causation" Gonzaga University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference Spokane, Washington

April 2009

21. "A New Theory of Belief: Constitution and Consciousness"Louisiana State University Graduate Student Philosophy ConferenceBaton Rouge, LouisianaApril 2009

22. Kant's Political Philosophy: An Evolution of Social Contract Theory Southeast Philosophy Congress at Clayton State University Morrow, Georgia

February 2009

#### **INVITED COMMENTARY:**

1. Invited Commentary on "Can a Thomist Accept the Possibility for an Afterlife for Non-Human Animals?"

Michael Potts, Methodist University Society for Philosophy of Religion

March 2017

2. Invited Commentary on "A Leibnizian Paradox: Expressing the Universe Through and Individual Substance"

Wisconsin Philosophical Association University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

April 2015

Invited Commentary on "Relief Philosophy: To Sacrifice or Not to Sacrifice"
 Julian Gonzalez, St. Edwards University
 University of Kentucky Graduate Conference
 April 2008

 Invited Commentary on "Basic Rights and Autonomy: Thinking About Global Poverty"
 Timothy Weidel, Loyola University
 University of Kentucky Graduate Conference April 2008

### **CLASSES TAUGHT:**

# University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point (Including Future Commitments)

Lower Division Courses:

Introduction to Philosophy

Honors introduction to Philosophy

Contemporary Moral Problems

American Politics (In Political Science Department)

# Upper Division Courses:

Metaphysics

Philosophy of Religion

Social and Political Philosophy

Symbolic Logic

Ancient Greek Philosophy

17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy

Ethics and Medicine

Philosophy in a Popular Mode: Science Fiction

Philosophy of Law

Philosophy of Death

Special Topics: Leibniz

Special Topics: Free Speech and the First Amendment

Politics of Terrorism (In Political Science Department)

Philosophy Capstone: Paradoxes and the Limits of Reason

# Independent Studies:

Divine Freedom

Politics and German Idealism

Spinoza and the Pantheism Controversy

Logic and Law

Philosophy of Terrorism

Metaphysical Determinism and Legal Responsibility

Leibniz's Metaphysics

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Institute for the History of Philosophy, "Leibniz's Philosophy of Law"

Emory University

2019

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE:**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY:**

Merit Evaluation Committee	2013—2014
Student Awards Committee	2013—2018
Philosophical Society Adviser	2013—2020
Search and Screen Committee	2013—2014,
	2014—2016
Chair, COLS Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee	2014—2015
COLS Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee	2013—2014
Philosophy Camp Organizer	2016, 2017
Philosophy Coordinator	2019—2020

### UNIVERSITY:

Department Review Subcommittee	2014—2016
Marketing and Recruitment Liaison	2019—2020

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY:**

Guest Editor, Quaestiones Disputatae 2017

Peer Review, Cogent Humanities 2015—2016

Panel Chair, "Leibniz and the Nature of God" Leibniz Gesellschaft

X International Leibniz Congress 2016

Peer Review, Polity Press 2015

Organizer of the 2015 Wisconsin Philosophical Association

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2015

(Worked with students to develop their philosophy presentations, wrote and received grants, refereed papers, organized the event for UW faculty and students.)

Referee for the Central States Philosophical Association 2013—2014

Chair of the Leibniz Colloquium at the Eastern meeting of the

American Philosophical Association 2012

Teaching Workshop

Sponsored by the American Philosophical Association 2011

(Led a workshop teaching other philosophy instructors how to prioritize developing critical thinking and oral and written communication skills over content mastery.)

### **AWARDS AND HONORS:**

University Excellence in Teaching Award Nomination

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2017-2018, 2019-2020

University Scholar Award Nomination

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2016-2017

University Service Award Nomination

University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point 2015-2016

Undergraduate Education Initiative Grant University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

2015 & 2014 (\$3045)—Awarded to develop and institute a "Philosophy Summer Camp" for Stevens Point Area junior and high school students. The camp was designed to introduce students to philosophy through popular culture. The theme of the camp in 2015 was slated to be on "Video Games and Philosophy". In 2014, the theme was slated to be on "Star Wars and Philosophy."

2013 (\$315)—Awarded to travel with students to Madison for the meeting of the Wisconsin Philosophical Association. Several of our students presented their work at the conference.

College of Arts and Sciences Certificate of Outstanding Teaching University of Kentucky

2013 (\$500)—To recognize excellence in undergraduate instruction by Teaching Assistants, the College of Arts & Sciences established the Certificate for Outstanding Teaching award. Fifteen Teaching Assistants, five per area (Math/Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities), receive the certificate and monetary award.

Department of Philosophy Annual Essay Prize University of Kentucky

2012 (\$500)—Awarded for my essay "The Ontological Interpretation of Compossibility"

Distinguished Teaching Award

University of Kentucky

2012 (\$500)—Awarded to the best graduate student teacher in the department of philosophy. One award is given per year out of approximately 25 graduate students.

Faculty All Star Award Eastern Kentucky University

2012—Award nominated and chosen by students for overall teaching excellence.

# LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY:

French Latin

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

American Philosophical Association Leibniz Society of North America Society for the Philosophy of Religion

### **REFERENCES:**

Available upon request.