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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D., Philosophy, 2017

Florida State University, B.A., Philosophy (summa cum laude, with honors), 2007

EMPLOYMENT

Siena College, Visiting Assistant Professor, 2017-2019; Adjunct Professor 2019-

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Ethics, Moral Psychology, Philosophy of Religion

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Asian (especially Chinese) Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy

DISSERTATION

TITLE: *Reason, Desire, and the Will: In Defense of a Tripartite Moral Psychology*

I defend a contemporary analogue to Plato's tripartite theory of motivation. I begin by arguing that in order to make sense of weakness of will we must have a way of acting for reasons other than (our faculty of) reason. The obvious candidate is desire, but I argue that not just any account of desire will do, and I defend at length an evaluative conception of desire. However, once we introduce this basic division between reason and desire, I argue that we will need a third source of motivation, which I call the will - a capacity to consciously *decide* to act a certain way when reason and desire are insufficient or in conflict.

COMMITTEE: R. Jay Wallace (co-chair), Hannah Ginsborg (co-chair)

PUBLICATIONS

"Spiritual, but not religious? On the nature of spirituality and its relation to religion,"
International Journal for Philosophy of Religion 83 (2018): 261-269.

"Dispassion as an Ethical Ideal," *Ergo* 5 (2018): 645-663.

- "Akrasia, Practical Reason, and the Diversity of Motivation: A New Defense of Tripartition," European Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).
- "Mencius, Hume, and the Virtue of Humanity: Sources of Benevolent Moral Development," British Journal for the History of Philosophy* (forthcoming).

WORK UNDER REVIEW OR IN PREPARATION

- "Desire, Goodness, and Reasons" (under review)
- "Faith as Intention to Believe" (in preparation)

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

- "Faith as Intention to Believe"
Society of Christian Philosophers, Pacific Division, March 2017
- "Akrasia and the Diversity of Motivation"*
Reasons and Agency, Graduate Conference, University of Toronto, May 2016;
Eastern APA January 2017.
- "Spiritual, but not Religious?: On Spirituality and its Relation to Religion"
The End of Religion?, Pacific Division of the SCP, University of San Diego, April 2016
- "Dispassion as an Ethical Ideal"
Richard Wollheim Society, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2015
- "Comments on Marshall"
Berkeley-London Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of California, Berkeley, Spring 2015
- "Desire and Reasons for Action"
Richard Wollheim Society, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2014
- "Abortion and Reflective Equilibrium"
Richard Wollheim Society, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2011
- "God and Evil"
Invited discussion led at the *Berkeley Undergraduate Philosophy Forum*, Fall 2010
- "The Principle of Alternative Possibilities and A-ing On-One's-Own"
Berkeley-Stanford-Davis Graduate Philosophy Conference, Stanford University, Spring 2009

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Berkeley Connect Fellowship, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017
- St Thomas Summer Seminar in Philosophy of Religion Stipend, Summer 2016
- Summer Grant, Department of Philosophy, Berkeley, Summer 2014
- Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, Fall 2011 and Spring 2013
- Ralph W. Church Fellowship, Fall 2007 and Spring 2008

REFERENCES

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