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Education

Ph.D.	Vanderbilt University	1982, philosophy
M.A.	Vanderbilt University	1978, philosophy
B.A.	Rhodes College	1975, philosophy, Phi Beta Kappa

Administrative Position

Hendrix-Lilly Vocations Initiative Director, 2002 -

Teaching Positions

Hendrix College (Conway, Arkansas):  
Professor, 1999-  
Associate Professor, 1990-1999  
Assistant Professor, 1987-1989

Division of Medical Humanities, College of Medicine, UAMS:  
Adjunct Instructor, 1987, 1988, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997

Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame, Indiana):  
(on leave, 1987-1988)  
Assistant Professor, 1983-1988  
Instructor, 1981-1982

Graceland College (Lamoni, Iowa):  
Instructor, 1978-1980  
Director of freshman seminar (a cross-disciplinary study of liberal arts)

Research Areas

Kantian ethics, ethics of service, service learning, theories of punishment; philosophy of religion, theological exploration of vocation

Teaching Areas

Service learning internships; ethics, moral problems, theories of friendship and love; philosophy of religion, religion and ethics; history of philosophy: Plato, Aristotle, Kant, Kierkegaard; "Journeys" (interdisciplinary, multicultural course); Western Intellectual

Traditions (interdisciplinary course in the Western history of ideas); social/political philosophy; feminist thought

#### Professional Honors

United Methodist General Board of Education Award for Excellence in Teaching, Hendrix College, 2000 - 20001  
Associate Director: Rhodes Consultation on the Future of the Church-Related College (Lilly Foundation), 1998-99  
Founding Participant: Rhodes Consultation on the Future of the Church-Related College (Lilly Foundation), 1996-1998  
Liberty Fund Colloquium Participant: "Liberty, Responsibility, Retribution and the State," September 1995  
Pyeatt Project participant, Hendrix 1989-1999  
Maria Pieta Award for Teaching, Saint Mary's College, 1986  
NEH Summer Institute in Philosophy of Religion, Alston and Plantinga, 1986  
Saint Mary's Faculty Research Award, 1984  
Lilly Course Development Award, 1982  
NEH Summer Seminar on Crime and Punishment, Murphy, 1981  
Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University, Fall 1980 and Spring 1978  
Teaching Assistant, Vanderbilt University, Spring 1977

#### Committee Service (Hendrix)

*Governance and Administrative:* Faculty Ad Hoc Committee, 2004 – 2005; Humanities Area Chair, Committee on Faculty 1997 – May 1999; Academic and Professional Concerns Committee and Budget Advisory Committee, 1995 – 1997, 1991- 1994; Philosophy Department Chair, 1998 – 99 (interim), 1994 – 1997; Committee on Committees, 1992 – 1994; Special Advisory Group on Racial and Ethnic Concerns, chair, 1990 – 1993

*Curricular Development:* Odyssey Task Force (previously known as Galileo Task Force), 2003 – 2005; First Year Experience Task Force, 2002 – 3; General Education Committees (2002 - ): Journeys, Explorations, Writing Across the Curriculum Committee; Interdisciplinary Programs Committees (2002 - ): Gender Studies; Cultural Component Task Force Committee, 1999 – 2000; Department and Program Review Committee, 2000 – 2001; Curriculum Committee, 1988 – 89

*Other:* College Judicial Appeal Committee; Recent Search Committees: Religion, 2005 – 2006, Internship and Service Learning Coordinator, 2005 – 2006, Sociology, 2003 – 2004, Provost, co-chair, 2001 – 2002; Lilly Steering Committee, 2001; Council of New Student Advisors, 1999 – 00; 1996 – 1997 (pilot "Success Institute"); Beta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, 1997 - (founding member); College Judicial Council, chair, 1994 – 1995; Steel Center for the Study of Philosophy and Religion Board, 1988 -

## Research

### Articles Published:

“Prolegomena to Any Postmodern Hope for the Church-Related College,” *Professing in the Postmodern Academy: Faculty and the Future of the Church-Related College*, Stephen R. Haynes, ed. Baylor University Press, 2002.

“Plato and Augustine on Doing Wrong Knowingly,” *Human and Divine Agency: Anglican, Catholic, and Lutheran Perspectives*. Eds. F. Michael McLain and W. Mark Richardson. New York: University Press of America, 1999.

“God and Privacy,” co-authored with Michael McLain (Rhodes College) *Faith and Philosophy*, vol. 9, No. 3, July 1992.

“Prisons and Privacy: A Moral Evaluation,” *Freedom, Equality, and Social Change*. Eds. James Sterba and Creighton Peden. Lewiston, KY: Edwin Mellen Press, 1989.

“Retribution, Reciprocity and Respect for Persons,” *Law and Philosophy*, Vol. 6, No. 1, April 1987.

“Against the Death Penalty: A Christian Stance in a Secular World,” *Christian Century*, December, 1986

“Nietzsche and Nilhism,” *The Southwestern Journal*, Rhodes College publication, 1975.

### Scholarly Presentations:

“A Conception of Sin for Women,” Associated College’s of the South Women’s Studies Conference, Trinity University, November 1995; and Hendrix College Steel Center Workshop on Theology and Philosophy of Religion, February 1993.

“Plato and Augustine on Doing Wrong Knowingly,” Society for Christian Philosophers, Spring 1991.

“Pornography: A Moral Evaluation,” Baylor University Philosophy club and Faculty, September 1989; invited presentation.

“The Structure of Sin: A Preliminary Investigation,” Steel Center Workshop on Theology and Philosophy of Religion.

“Critical Comments on Louis Pojman’s ‘In Defense of Moral Saints,’” Mid-South Philosophy Conference, 1988, commentator.

“God and Privacy,” co-authored with F. Michael McLain (Rhodes College), American Academy of Religion, December 1987; reviewed paper.

“Prisons and Privacy: A Moral Evaluation,” North American Society for Social Philosophy, Colorado Summer Conference, 1985; invited paper.

“The Philosophical Perspective of Capital Punishment,” University of South Dakota; sponsored by the University and the South Dakota Committee on the Humanities; invited paper, 1982.

“The Death Penalty and Respect for Persons,” Indiana Philosophical Association, 1976; reviewed paper.

#### Activities for Professional Organizations and Conferences

“What impacts and effects is the theological exploration of vocation having on students?” Final Conference for the Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation, Lilly Endowment, February 8 – 10, 2007 (invited panel discussant).

Pulpit and Pew Forum on Excellence in Ministry, sponsored by Duke Divinity School, Indianapolis, IN, May 3- 5, 2006 (invited discussant).

Enhancing the Theological Conversation on Vocation, Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation Plenary Conference, Lilly Endowment, October 2004.

AACU Annual Meeting: Practicing Liberal Education: Deepening Knowledge, Pursuing Justice, Taking Action, January 2004.

Religion and the Liberal Arts: A Phi Beta Kappa Colloquy (invited discussant), Wabash College Center for Inquiry in the Liberal Arts, March 20 – 23, 2003.

“Launching Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation,” (invited panelist), Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation Plenary Conference, Lilly Endowment, October 2002.

Discussion Group Leader, “Christian Scholarship in a Postmodern Era,” Fifth Annual Regional Faith and Learning Conference, Baylor University, March 29 – 30, 1996

Director: Hendrix-Steel Center Workshop for Theology and Philosophy of Religion, (convener)1990 – 97.

Convener of Plenary Session, Society of Christian Philosophers, April 1995.

Commentator responding to Louis Pojman’s “In Defense of Moral Saints.” Midsouth Philosophy Conference, February 1988.

Program Coordinator and Session Chair for Central Division meeting of the Society For Christian Philosophers, Spring 1988.

Steering Committee for the Eastern Division of the Society For Christian Philosophers, 1987 – 89.

Colloquium Chair for “What Generates Debts of Gratitude?” Central Division, American Philosophical Association, 1984.

### Community Presentations

#### Hendrix

“Introductory Overview of Islam,” five-night series, First Presbyterian Church of Conway, July 2003.

“Seeking Both Faith and Knowledge,” Student Mobilization, 2002.

“Faculty-Discussion Group on Teaching at a Church-Related College,” designer and director as partial fulfillment of duties as Rhodes Consultation member, 1996 – 1997 and 1998 – 1999

“Some Things Learned from My Work on the Future of the Church-Related College,” Pre-theology student group, Fall 1999.

“Some Things About Faith and Reason,” Pre-theology student group, Spring 1999

“Why I am a Christian,” Steel Center Friday Afternoon Discussion, 1992

“Should Sinners be Punished?” Steel Center Friday Afternoon Discussion, 1991

“Sin: Is It an Antiquated Moral term” Hendrix Community Movement, Spring 1989

“Morality and Religion,” Hendrix Christian Movement, Fall 1988

“On Pornography,” Steel Center Friday Afternoon Discussion, Fall 1987

#### Saint Mary’s

“The Religious Community and Criminal Justice,” a presentation for the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program of the United Religious Community, South Bend, IN, 1987.

“Faith and Reason: Which is Appropriate When?” a four session series at First Presbyterian Church, South Bend, 1987.

Lecturer, Moderator, or discussant on the Death Penalty: Edwardsburg Catholic Parish (summer 1986); United Religious Community (spring 1986); “Campus View,” WNDU-TV (spring 1984); Amnesty International (1982 and 1983).

Lecturer and discussion leader on Medical Ethics: Memorial Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit of South Bend (spring 1983, summer 1983, winter 1984, fall 1984); Memorial Hospital pastoral care clinic (summer 1983 and fall 1984).

Other Community Involvement

Ordained elder Presbyterian Church U.S.A., 1980 –  
First Presbyterian Church of Conway, Christian Education Committee, Mission Committee, New Officer Training