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### Education

University of Pennsylvania, Department of Philosophy:  
Ph.D. August 2000  
M.A. May 1996  
Davidson College:  
B.A. *magna cum laude* in English, May 1992  
*Phi Beta Kappa*  
Faculté de Théologie Protestant de Montpellier, 1990-1991.

### Area of Specialization

Early Modern Philosophy  
Philosophy of Religion

### Areas of Competence/Teaching Interest

History of Modern Philosophy  
Feminist Philosophy  
Metaphysics  
Philosophy of Race

### Publications

#### Book

Nicholas Malebranche: Freedom in an Occasionalist World, Continuum Press, January 2009.

#### Journal Articles

“Divine Simplicity and Divine Command Ethics,” *International Philosophical Quarterly*  
September 2008.

“Efficacious Ideas, Order, and the Status of Attention,” *Journal of the History of  
Philosophy* January 2005.

#### Articles in Books

“Malebranchean Free Love: Immanently Caused & Interested” under contract for 2016  
publication in Oxford Handbook of Malebranche, ed. Sean Greenberg.

“Doubly Other: Black Women’s Social Death & Neo-Slavery in America’s Genocidal Prison  
Nation” accepted for inclusion in The Philosophy of Slavery, ed. Simon Roberts-Thomson,  
under review with Cambridge University Press.

“A Vampire’s Heart Has Its Reasons That Scientific Naturalism Can’t  
Understand,” with Joshua Rust, in True Blood and Philosophy, editors George A. Dunn and  
Rebecca Housel, John Wiley & Sons Press, 2010

## Book Reviews

Book review, "Steven Nadler's Occasionalism: Causation Among the Cartesians," *Philosophy in Review* Vol. 32, no. 3 June 2012.

Book review, Bryan Massingale's *Racial Justice and the Catholic Church*, September 2010.

Book review, Andrew Pyle's *Malebranche*, *European Journal of Philosophy*, December 2006.

Book review, *Cambridge Companion to Malebranche*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, April 2001.

## **Presentations**

"Desegregation and the goals of Democracy: Why Reciprocal Regard Is Not Enough To Make Black Women's Lives Matter," Presented with Dr. Joshua Rust at FEAST (The Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory) October 2015.

"Pluralism and Tolerance," Bethune Cookman University March 2009

"Ethics" Deland Rotary Junior Leadership, Stetson University, Fall 2008

"Challenging Divine Command Ethics," Society for the Philosophy of Religion, February 2006.

"The Epistemic Advantages of Religious Exclusivism," Invited Paper, Session on Religious Diversity, Society for the Philosophy of Religion, March 2004.

"Calvin, Molina, and Freedom of the Will," Society of Christian Philosophers, American Philosophical Association, December 2002.

"Davis on Epistemic Parity," Talbot Theology School Seminar on Epistemology and Philosophy of Religion, February 2002.

"Comments on Expressionist Norms," Meta-ethics Session, American Philosophical Association, December 2001.

"Early Modern Creationism," Florida Philosophical Association, Nov 10 2001.

"Malebranche versus Descartes on the Creation of the Eternal Truths," Society of Christian Philosophers, October 2001.

"Malebranche on Attention and Freedom," Canadian Early Modern Association, May 2001.

"Arnauld's Representationalism and the Mind's Activity," Midwest/Southeast Seminars in Early Modern Philosophy (joint meeting), March 2000.

"Malebranche on Physical versus Moral Causation," North&South Carolina Philosophical Associations (joint meeting), February 2000.

"Malebranche on God's General Will," South Central Seminar on Early Modern Philosophy, November 1999.

“Malebranche on Freedom of the Will,” Mid-South Philosophy Conference, March 1999.

“Hume’s Skepticism: A Response to Arp,” Mid-South Philosophy Conference, March 1998.

## **Professional Activity**

### Continuing Education

National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Session on Leibniz (chairs: Roger Ariew & Dan Garber), Summer 2003

### Refereeing for Journals

Referee, Journal of the History of Philosophy

### Service for Learned Societies

Chair, Free Will & Science Conference, Florida State University, January 2008

Chair, Florida Philosophical Association, November 2007

Chair, Session on Open Theism, Society of Christian Philosophers, December 2004

Speakers Committee, 2001-2004, Society of Christian Philosophers

Chair, Early Modern Women Philosophers Conference, University of Florida, Gainesville, scheduled for December 6-7 2003

## **Fellowships**

Stetson University Sabbatical Research Leave, Fall 2009

Stetson University Africana Studies Curriculum Development Award, 2006

Stetson University Hand Grant, Summer 2004

Stetson University Research (Half) Grant, Summer 2004

Stetson University Research (Half) Grant, Summer 2002

National Endowment for the Humanities Seminar on Leibniz, Summer 2003

William Penn Fellowship (a 5-year university-wide honor fellowship) 1993-98.

Teaching Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 1998-99.

Chimicles Fellowship for Teaching Writing 1999-2000.

## **Employment History & Teaching Experience**

### **Stetson University**

Associate Professor, Fall 2001-present

### **Claremont McKenna College**

Visiting Assistant Professor, Fall 2000-Spring 2001

## **Professional Memberships**

American Philosophical Association

American Catholic Philosophical Association

Leibniz Society of North America

Society for the Philosophy of Religion

## **Community Service**

Education for Ministry Mentor (Sewanee School of Theology Program), St. Barnabas Church DeLand, 2001-2005.

Faith at Work Outreach Ministry Volunteer, St. Barnabas Church DeLand 2002-2005.

Faculty Sponsor for Canterbury House (Student Ministry), Stetson University 2001-2007

## References

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Professor Lisa Downing, Ohio State University Department of Philosophy, 350 University Hall, 230 North Oval Mall, Columbus, OH 43210, tel. 1-614-292-1931, [downing110@osu.edu](mailto:downing110@osu.edu).

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