

# STEPHEN SCOTT HANSON

## Curriculum Vitae

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### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

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**Medical Ethics**  
**Applied and Professional Ethics**  
**Death and Dying**

### AREAS OF COMPETENCE

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**Ethical Theory**  
**Social/Political Philosophy**  
**Ancient Philosophy**

### EDUCATION

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**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY**,  
Washington, DC.  
Ph.D. in Philosophy (Medical Ethics)  
awarded May, 2002.  
Dissertation Topic: "Moral  
Acquaintances and Moral Conclusions:

A Content-thin Solution to the Problem  
of Pluralism in Bioethics"  
M.A., 2001.

**RICE UNIVERSITY**, Houston, TX.  
B.A. in Philosophy, 1991.

### AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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Crown Life Fellowship in Bioethics, Institute of Bioethics, Health Policy, and  
Law, University of Louisville (2006 – 2007)  
Gheens Foundation Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Bioethics, (2005 – 2006)  
University of Louisville  
Excellence in Teaching Award, Royden B. Davis Fellowship (1997 – 1998),  
Georgetown University  
Graduate School Fellowships (1992 – 1996), Georgetown University  
Tsanoff Award for Philosophy (1988), Rice University

### POSITIONS HELD

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**University of Louisville, KY.**  
Assistant Professor, Departments of  
Philosophy and Family and Geriatric  
Medicine (July 2007 – present)

**McNeese State University, Lake  
Charles, LA.**  
Assistant Professor: Department of  
Social Sciences (2002 – 2005)

**Institute of Bioethics, Health Policy,  
and Law, Louisville, KY.**  
Crown Life Fellow in Bioethics (2006 –  
2007)

**Southern Methodist University,  
Dallas, TX.**  
Adjunct Lecturer: Department of  
Philosophy (2001 – 2002)

**University of Louisville, KY.**  
Gheens Foundation Post-Doctoral  
Fellow in Bioethics (2005 – 2006)

**Georgetown University, Washington, DC.**  
Lecturer: Department of Philosophy,  
(1996 – 2001)

## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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### Books

*Moral Acquaintances and Moral Decisions*, Philosophy and Medicine series # 103, Springer Publishing Co. 2009. [monograph] (paperback 2010)

### Book Chapters

“Richard Zaner and ‘Standard’ Medical Ethics.” in *Clinical Ethics and the Necessity for Stories: Essays in Honor of Richard M. Zaner*, Osborne Wiggins, PhD, ed., Springer Publishing Co., 2011.

“Ethics and Natural Facts in the Age of Darwin.” in *The Normativity of the Natural: Human Goods, Human Virtues, and Human Flourishing*. Mark Cherry, PhD, ed. Springer Publishing Co. 2009: 197-219.

**Hanson SS**, Doukas DJ. “Advance Directives and Planning for the End of Life.” in *The Penn Center Guide to Bioethics*, Vardit Ravitsky, Autumn Fiester, and Art Caplan, eds. Springer Publishing Co. 2009: 749-759.

Doukas, DJ. McCullough, LB. **Hanson, SS**. “Advance Care Planning: Values and Families in End-of-Life Care.” in *Reichel’s Care of the Elderly*, 6th ed. Christiane Arenson, Jan Busby-Whitehead, Kenneth Brummel-Smith, James G. O’Brien, Mary H. Palmer, William Reichel (Eds.) Cambridge University Press; (March 31, 2009): 596-607.

### Journal Articles

Miles, Toni, **Hanson, Stephen**, Kidd, LaCreis, Connor, Avonne, and Jortani, Saeed. Sensitivity Analysis of Self-Identified Race and Ethnicity (SIRE): Screening for Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms. Available from Nature Precedings <<http://hdl.handle.net/10101/npre.2008.1524.1>> (2008)

“Moral Acquaintances: Loewy, Wildes, and Beyond.” *HEC Forum* 19(3) 2007: 207-225.

“Libertarianism and Health Care Policy: It’s not what you think it is.” *Journal of Law, Medicine, and Ethics*, 35(3) Fall 2007: 486-489.

“More on Respect for Embryos and Potentiality: Does Respect for Embryos Entail Respect for Frozen Embryos?” *Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics* 27 June 2006: 215-226.

“Engelhardt and Children: The Failure of Libertarian Bioethics in Pediatric Interactions.” *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal* 15 (2) June 2005: 179-198.

“Teaching Health Care Ethics: Why we should teach nursing and medical students together.” *Nursing Ethics* 12(2) March 2005: 167-176.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

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- “The Perspective of an IRB Member.” Peer Commentary, *American Journal of Bioethics*; 11(4) April 2011: 25.
- “Still on the Same Slope: Groningen Breaks No New Ethical Ground.” Peer Commentary, *American Journal of Bioethics*, 9(4) April 2009: 67-68.
- “How Should Physicians Decide to Resuscitate a Patient?” letter, *American Family Physician*, Vol. 69/No. 10 (May 15, 2004): 2322.
- “Heads I Win, Tails don’t Count: The Real Value of Abstinence.” *Free Inquiry*, Jan/Feb 2004.

## **WORKS IN PRESS/FORTHCOMING**

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- “Ethics in the Discipline(s) of Bioethics” *HEC Forum*, forthcoming.

## **PEER-REVIEWED/INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES**

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- “Advance Directives, Informed Consent, and End of Life Care.” Norton Hospital Ethics Symposium, Nov. 11, 2009.
- “Readying Residents for Ethics and Professionalism in the Medical Home: A Curricular Work in Progress.” 42nd Society for Teacher of Family Medicine Annual Spring Conference, April 29 – May 3, 2009, Denver, CO.
- “Moving Beyond Forms: Teaching End-of-life Care As an Ongoing Process.” Special Topics Presentation, 42nd Society for Teacher of Family Medicine Annual Spring Conference, April 29 – May 3, 2009, Denver, CO.
- “Cases that Haunt Us: Doing What’s Right Within an Imperfect System.” *Ethics and Caring in Nursing*. Indiana University Southeast School of Nursing and Clark Memorial Hospital. April 13, 2009. New Albany, IN.
- “Ethics of Assisted Suicide and End of Life Care.” *A Symposium: End of Life Care and the Older Adult*. The Mental Health & Aging Coalition for the KIPDA Region, March 9, 2009. Louisville, KY.
- “The Ethics of Bioethics.” Annual Meeting of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, October 24, 2008. Cleveland, OH.
- “Ethical Concerns with Non-Beneficial Treatment Policies.” Kentucky Healthcare Ethics Committee Conference: The State of the Commonwealth’s HEC’s. June 11, 2007.
- “Moral Dilemmas during Katrina and Rita: Facing the Challenges of Disaster Ethics.” Panel Presentation with David Doukas, MD, Eugene Boisaubin, MD, and Peter Kussin, MD. Annual Meeting of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, October 26, 2006, Denver, CO.
- “The Ethicist in End-of-Life Care.” Anne Conboy Lectureship: Preparing for End of Life Challenges for Patients and Families Dealing with Cancer and Other Terminal Illnesses, Spring Meeting, Center for the Study of Human Dignity, Ethics and Caring, March 24, 2006, Spalding University School of Nursing, Louisville, KY.
- “Katrina and Rita - Lessons in Preventive Ethics from the Gulf Coast.” Joint presentation with David Doukas, MD. *Mardi Gras @ the Library: Perspectives on the People and Culture of New Orleans*, Feb. 28, 2006, University of Louisville.
- “A Challenge to Art Caplan on Stem Cell Research (And How He Should Answer It.)” Gheens Foundation Scholars in Humanism Lecture, University of Louisville Health Sciences Center, February 27, 2006.

“Anthropocentrism in Environmental Ethics.” Commentary on “Centering Value Pluralism in Environmental Ethics: Weston’s Multiverse, Nagel’s Pluralism, Wenz’s Distinction, and Norton’s Thesis”, by Dr. Kenneth Shockley, SW Philosophical Society Annual Meeting, Nov. 11-13, 2004, New Orleans, LA.  
“The Limitations of Libertarianism in Bio-Ethics.” North Texas Philosophical Association, Spring Meeting, April 13, 2002, Dallas, TX.

## **SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY**

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### **Medical School Classes** *Intro to Clinical Medicine I and II*

The Honor Code and the Medical Student  
Culture, Ethnicity, Socio-Economic Status, and Health Care  
Conflicts of Interest  
Reproductive Ethics  
Ethical Issues in Allocation of Scarce Resources  
Death, Dying, and Palliative Care  
Guiding small group discussions, 2005-2010

### **Interdisciplinary Teaching**

Ethics in Public Health, lectures given for Master’s in Public Health students, 2006, 2009, 2010  
Ethics in Engineering, lectures given for Engineering Department, 2008, 2009, 2010  
Didactic lectures, small group discussions, and clinical rounding, Family Medicine Residency Department of Family and Geriatric Medicine, University of Louisville School of Medicine, 2007-present.  
Lectures, case discussion, interdisciplinary consultation, and clinical rounding, Palliative Care Service, University of Louisville Hospital, 2006-present.  
Teaching Pediatrics, Family Medicine, and OB/GYN 3<sup>rd</sup> year medical student rotations.

### **Grand Rounds and Other Hospital Teaching**

“The Cases that Haunt Us: Doing What’s Right within Imperfect Systems.” Family and Geriatric Medicine Grand Rounds, Jewish Hospital, May 30, 2008.  
“Ethics and End-of-Life Care.” Internal Medicine Didactic, UofL Hospital, April 30, 2008.  
“Autism, Neurodiversity and the Definition of Disease.” Psychiatry Grand Rounds, University of Louisville Hospital, June 7, 2007.  
“Ethics and Screening.” U of L Family and Geriatric Medicine Grand Rounds, August 25, 2006.  
“Patient Ethics and DNR.” Patient Oriented Grand Rounds, University of Louisville Hospital, July 18, 2006.

### **Administrative and Other University Service**

Ethics Committee, University of Louisville Hospital (Aug 2005 – present) (including clinical ethics consultations)  
Institutional Review Board Member, Biomedical IRB and Social and Behavioral IRB Committees, University of Louisville (July 2006 – present)

Faculty Advisor, Phi Sigma Tau (Philosophy Honors Society), University of Louisville  
(2008 – present)

**SERVICE TO COMMUNITY**

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Chair, Philosophy Affinity group, American Society of Bioethics and the Humanities  
(2008-present). Co-chair, (2006-2008)

External peer reviewer, The Wellcome Trust (UK) (2009-present)

“End-of-Life Decisions and Options.” Presentation given to St. Paul’s Episcopal Church,  
New Albany, IN, May 4, 2008.

Editorial Board member, *The Open Ethics Journal* (Bentham Publishers) (2007-present)

Member, College of Reviewers, Canada Research Chairs Program (2007)