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Vanderbilt (Ph.D., 2019), Fulbright Germany (2011-12), Houston (M.A., 2011), St. Edward’s (B.A., 2009)
I’m an expert in: Ethics (esp. Virtue Ethics, Bioethics, and Tech), Moral Psychology, Ancient Greek/Hellenistic
I also like: 19th Century German Philosophy, Noncanonical Philosophy, Philosophy of Art, Metaethics

EMAIL ME FOR PDFS OF ANYTHING (OR A FULL CV). I ALSO LOVE COLLABORATING
WITH PHILOSOPHERS, ARTISTS, PODCASTERS, & NONPROFITS.

BOOKS

The Virtue of Playfulness: Why Happy People Are Playful (Routledge, 2024).

ACADEMIC ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS

- “Ancient Cynics on Boredom: Only the Boring Are Bored,” in: *The History of Philosophy of Boredom*, eds. Andreas Elpidorou and Josefa Ros Velasco, Routledge, *forthcoming*.
- “Dio Chrysostom’s Ancient Arguments against Owning Slaves: How Cynic Contrarianism Resists Injustice,” *The Journal of Value Inquiry*, *forthcoming*.
- “Inward Turn, Outward Spurn: Positive Psychology Undermines Stoicism,” *Southwest Philosophical Studies*, *forthcoming*. Glenn Joy Award Winner.
- “When the Dog Bites the Subaltern: On Diogenes’ Mistreatment of the Marginalized,” *Epoché: A Journal for the History of Philosophy*, vol. 28, iss. 2 (Spring 2024): pp. 173-91. Co-authored with Scott F. Aikin.
- “Possessed: The Cynics on Wealth and Pleasure,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, vol. 38, iss. 1 (Jan. 2022): pp. 17-29. Presidential Prize Award Winner.
- “The Benefits of Being a Suicidal Curmudgeon: Emil Cioran on Killing Yourself,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, vol. 37, iss. 1 (Jan. 2021): pp. 219-28.
- “Friendship for the Flawed: A Cynical and Pessimistic Theory of Friendship,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, vol. 36, no. 1 (Jan. 2020), pp. 199-209.
- “What Race Terms Do: Du Bois, Biology, and Psychology on the Meanings of ‘Race’,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, vol. 34, no. 1 (Jan. 2018): pp. 235-47.
- “From Taquería to Medical School: Juan Carlos, Aristotle, Cognitive Enhancements, and the Good Life,” *Techné: Research in Philosophy and Technology*, vol. 22, iss. 1 (2018): pp. 1-27.
- “Understanding the Phenomenon and Aesthetic of Horror,” *St. Edward’s University McNair Scholars Journal*, vol. I (Fall 2009): pp. 63-82.

ACADEMIC ESSAYS

- “Stoicism Sucks: How Stoicism Undervalues Good Things and Exploits Vulnerable People,” *Southwest Philosophy Review*, vol. 40, no. 1 (2024): pp. 25-34.
- “Risking Death over Debt: The Moral Distress of EMTs Treating Patients Afraid of Medical Bills,” *bioethics today: Blog of the American Journal of Bioethics* (23 June 2023): <https://bioethicstoday.org/blog/risking-death->

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over-debtthe-moral-distress-of-emts-treating-patients-afraid-of-medical-bills/. Co-authored with Yedid Fernandez.

“AI Art Is Art,” *Aesthetics for Birds* (2 Nov. 2022): <https://aestheticsforbirds.com/2022/11/02/ai-art-is-art/>.
Second most popular post for 2022.

“Dying of Inequality and Republicanness: Questioning Metzl on Whiteness,” *bioethics today, Blog of the American Journal of Bioethics* (15 July 2021): <https://bioethicstoday.org/blog/dying-of-inequality-and-republicanness-questioning-metzl-on-whiteness/>.

“The Friends of Sisyphus: Or, the Meanings Relationships Give Us,” *3 Quarks Daily*, 27 Nov. 2017.

PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY & MISCELLANY

“Ancient Cynicism: Rejecting Civilization and Returning to Nature,” *1000-Word Philosophy* (26 July 2023): <https://1000wordphilosophy.com/2023/07/26/cynicism/>.

“Aristotle on Friendship: What Does It Take to Be a Good Friend?” *1000-Word Philosophy* (30 May 2023): <https://1000wordphilosophy.com/2023/05/30/aristotle-on-friendship/>.

“How to Keep Grad School from Destroying You,” *Inside Higher Ed* (16 Sept. 2021): <https://www.insidehighered.com/advice/2021/09/16/advice-surviving-challenges-grad-school-opinion>.

“Principlism in Biomedical Ethics: Respect for Autonomy, Non-Maleficence, Beneficence, and Justice,” *1000-Word Philosophy* (16 February 2021): <https://1000wordphilosophy.com/2021/02/16/principlism-in-biomedical-ethics/>.

“Let Us Tell Our Own Stories,” *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, in: *Diversity in Academe: The Age Issue*, published online 17 Sept. 2017.

COURSES TAUGHT

Ethics: *Medical Ethics, Foundations of Bioethics* (Grad lvl.) *Ethics, Contemporary Moral Problems, Sex & Values*

History: *Ancient Phil., Aristotle, Ancient Ethics & Contemporary Adversity* (Grad lvl.) *Diogenes of Sinope & Ancient Cynicism* (Grad lvl.)

Logic/Argumentation: *General Logic, Critical Thinking*

Misc.: *Intro. to Philosophy* (incl. foci on friendship & the arts of life and death), *Humanizing Technology*

TEACHING AWARDS

2022 UofL Student Champion, 2021 & 2020 Nominee for UofL Faculty Favorite, 2018 Vanderbilt Philosophy Department Berry Teaching Award, 2015 Vanderbilt Philosophy First Year Teaching Award

LANGUAGES

Habla conmigo en Español.

Ich kann Deutsch, mehr oder weniger.

I like discussing Attic Greek words and (occasionally) full sentences.

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