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EDUCATION
1977 Ph.D., Philosophy, Pennsylvania State University
1974-76 University of Cologne, West Germany (DAAD Fellow)
1971 M.A., The Catholic University of America
1969 B.A., The Catholic University of America, *summa cum laude*

ACADEMIC and ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS
2021 - Rufus M. Jones Emeritus Professor of Philosophy
2017 (fall) - Acting Provost, Bryn Mawr College
1992-2020 - The Rufus M. Jones Professor of Philosophy, Bryn Mawr College
2013-19 - Chair, Philosophy Department
2010-13 - Chair, East Asian Studies, Bryn Mawr College
2007-09 - Acting Chair, Philosophy Department, Bryn Mawr College
2005 - Visiting Professor, Villanova University (spring semester)
1994-2002 - Provost (Academic Vice-President), Bryn Mawr College
1988-93 - Department Chair, Philosophy, Bryn Mawr College
1986-92 - Associate Professor, Bryn Mawr College
1980-86 - Assistant Professor, Bryn Mawr College
1976-80 - Assistant Professor, Memphis State University
Assistant Editor, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*

POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS
DAAD Fellow:
Freiburg, Germany; Summer 1994
Freiburg, Germany; Fall 2010
Humboldt Fellow:
Cologne 1981-82
Freiburg 1987 (1 semester)
Freiburg 1989 (summer)
Freiburg 2010 (summer)
Freiburg 2017 (spring semester)
NEH Summer Research Fellow 1986
NEH Summer Seminar, Berkeley 1979
EDITOR:

Editorial Board, *Journal of Philosophical Investigations*, University of Tabriz, Iran
Editorial Board, Book Series for Springer Press: Contributions to Hermeneutics

PUBLICATIONS

Book


Edited Books


Edited Article


Articles and Book Chapters


“Gadamer’s Recovery of *Mimesis* and *Anamnèsis*,” *Consequences of Hermeneutics: Fifty Years after Gadamer’s Truth and Method*, edited by Santiago Zabala and Jeff Malpas (Evanston: Northwestern University Press, 2010), pp.45-65. [revised English version of French essay, see below]


"Kant and Rhetoric," Philosophy and Rhetoric, 13 (Fall 1980), 223-244.


Translations


Book Reviews

Review of Metaphysics (vol. 66, Sept 2012)

Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews [electronic] (May 2010)
Kristin Gjesdal, *Gadamer and the Legacy of German Idealism* (Cambridge University Press, 2008)

Review of Metaphysics, 63 (March 2010), 701-703.


Continental Philosophy Journal 40 (December 2007), 455-458.

Bryn Mawr Classical Review [electronic] (Fall 2007)

Rhetorica, 25 (Spring 2007), 209-215

Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews, June 2005 [electronic]
C. Lawn, *Wittgenstein and Gadamer*

Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews, October 2003 [electronic]
L. Code, editor, *Feminist Interpretations of Hans-Georg Gadamer*

Journal of the American Academy of Religion, 71/2 (Summer 2003)
S. Watson’s *Tradition(s)II*
Review of Metaphysics  XLVI (March 1993)
   H.G. Gadamer's *Plato's Dialectical Ethics*

*Husserl Studies*  IX/1 (1991)
   R. Klockenbusch's *Husserl und Cohn*

Review of Metaphysics  XLV (September 1991)
   H. Cloeren's *Language and Thought*

*International Philosophical Studies*, XXI/3 (1989)
   F. Schalow's *Imagination and Existence*

*Husserl Studies*, III (1985)
   *Zeit und Zeitlichkeit bei Husserl und Heidegger*, ed. E. Orth

   B. Dauenhauer's *Silence: The Phenomenon and Its Ontological Significance*

*Kant-Studien*, 70 (1980)
   D. Crawford's *Kant's Aesthetic Theory*

*Kant-Studien*, 70 (1980)
   F. Coleman's *The Harmony of Reason*

*Journal of Thought*, (Fall 1977)
   H. Kainz's *Hegel's Phenomenology I*

*Kant-Studien*, 67 (1976)
   H. Reiner's *Die Grundlagen der Sittlichkeit*

**Publications—Miscellaneous**

History of the Bryn Mawr College Department of Philosophy, departmental website
   (fall 2008, revised 2015)

   Bibliography of primary and secondary literature on the philosophy of Hans-Georg
   Gadamer in English, *The Cambridge Companion to Gadamer* (2002), pp. 283-312; revised and

   "The Exemplary Case of Hazardous Waste" *Bryn Mawr Alumnae Bulletin*  (Summer

**CONFERENCE PAPERS AND LECTURES** (selected & since 1994)
“Hermeneutics and Enlightenment: Tradition and Authority,” Opening Remarks for the Winter School (a conference) at Sharif University of Technology, Teheran, Iran (delivered *in absentia*), March 2019

“Gadamer’s Hermeneutics and Solidarity,” ACPA, San Francisco, November 2016

“Seebohm’s Hermeneutics,” Husserl Circle, Chicago, June 2016


“Davidson: In Gadamer’s Neighborhood,” Center for Theoretical Studies at Charles University, Prague, November 27, 2008

“The Knowledge of Science of Interpretation, the Discipline of Philology, and the Hermeneutics of the Understanding,” International Conference on Hermeneutics, Prague, November 24-25, 2008

“Gadamerian Hermeneutics and Irony,” Invited Presentation, annual conference of the North American Society for Philosophical Hermeneutics, Villanova University, September 29, 2007

“Seebohm’s Hermeneutics and Gadamer,” Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP), Salt Lake City. October 22, 2005.

“Hegel’s Treatment of Reason in the *Phenomenology of Spirit*,” Villanova University April 7, 2004.

Book panel at SPEP—Lawrence Hatab’s *Ethics and Finitude*. Boston, November 2003.


**Professional Memberships:**
- American Philosophical Association
- Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
Husserl Circle
North American Kant Society
Hegel Society
North American Society for Philosophical Hermeneutics

**COURSES TAUGHT** (at Bryn Mawr College)
- Emily Balch Seminar: Philosophy and its Beginnings
- Historical Introduction to Philosophy: Classical Greek Philosophy
- Happiness and Reality in Ancient Philosophy
- Historical Introduction to Philosophy: Modern Philosophy
- Science and Morality in Modernity
- History of 20th Century Continental Philosophy
- Science, Technology and the Good Life (also as part of a ‘360’)
- Ethics
- Environmental Ethics (also as part of a ‘360’)
- Interpretation: Texts and Society
- The Play of Interpretation
- Theory in Practice
- Plato: Early and Middle Dialogues
- Plato: Late Dialogues
- Kant: The Critique of Pure Reason
- Kant: The Critique of Practical Reason and the Critique of Judgment
- Hegel: The Phenomenology of Spirit
- Phenomenology: Husserl and Heidegger
- Hermeneutics
- Senior Seminar
- College Seminar: Concepts of Time

**Graduate Seminars**
- At Bryn Mawr
  - Kant
  - Heidegger’s *Being and Time*
  - Hermeneutics
- At Villanova
  - Hegel’s *Phenomenology of Spirit*