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Curriculum vitae

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Lecturer in Philosophy at Gonzaga University, Spring Semester 2020
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow with the Department of Health Policy and Administration at Washington State University and the Collaborative on Health Reform and Independent Living, June 2018 – December 2019. (A research postdoc in disability policy. Supervisor: Jae Kennedy)
- Presidential Doctoral Teaching Fellow for Social Advocacy and Ethical Life at the University of South Carolina, August 2013 – May 2018. (An interdisciplinary teaching fellowship for ethics, advocacy, and rhetoric. Supervisor: Erik Doxtader)

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy at University of South Carolina, 2018

- Dissertation Supervisor: Leah McClimans
- Committee Members: Michael Dickson, Tarja Knuuttila, and A. Jackson Stenner

MA in Philosophy from University of South Carolina, 2013

BS in Physics from Davidson College, 2002

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophy of Disability, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Medicine, Feminist Philosophy

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Social Epistemology, Applied Ethics

PUBLICATIONS

- Cupples, Laura M. 2017. "The Epistemological Roles of Models in Health Science Measurement" In McClimans, Leah. (Ed.). *Measurement in Medicine: Essays in Assessment and Evaluation*. London: Rowman and Littlefield International.
- Cupples, Laura M. 2019. "Measure Development and the Hermeneutic Task." *Synthese*. Pp. 1-16.
- Cupples, Laura M. Forthcoming. "Disability, Epistemic Harms, and the Quality Adjusted Life Year." *IJFAB: The International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics*.

CURRENT PROJECTS

- Principal investigator and individual author of “Knowing With the Disability Community: Collaborative Knowledge and Disability Research” (An interview-based case study on disability policy research.)
- Co-investigator and co-author on “The Disability Stories Project” (A qualitative research project exploring the role of health insurance and health care in employment and independent living for disabled adults.)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Knowing With the Disability Community: Collaborative Knowledge and Disability Research”
 - To present at the Pacific-American Philosophical Association Conference for the Society for Philosophy and Disability, Spring 2020
 - Presented at the Gonzaga Philosophy Faculty Colloquium, Fall 2019
- "Disability, Values, and Parenting Competency Assessments"
 - Presented lightning talk at 9th Annual Values in Medicine, Science and Technology Conference at University of Texas at Dallas, Summer 2019
- “Disability and Standpoint Epistemology: Centering Disabled Voices in Disability Research”
 - Presented poster at the National Association for Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers Conference, Spring 2019
- “Measure Development and the Hermeneutic Task”
 - Presented poster at the Philosophy of Science Association Conference, Fall 2018
- “Epistemic Justice, Health State Valuations, and the Quality Adjusted Life Year”
 - Presented talk at the Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology Conference, University of Texas at Dallas, Summer 2018
 - Presented talk at University of South Carolina’s Queen St. Symposium, Spring 2018
 - Presented talk at the Western Michigan University Medical Humanities Conference, Fall 2017
- “Is Quality of Life Contextually Valued?”
 - Presented talk at the Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable at the University of Toronto, Summer 2017
- “On the Roles of Conceptual Definitions and Construct Theories in Humanistic Measurement”
 - Presented poster at the Philosophy of Science Association Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, Fall 2016
 - Presented poster at the International Society for Quality of Life Research Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark, Fall 2016
- “Applying Eran Tal’s Model-Based Account of the Epistemology of Measurement to the Short Form-36”
 - Presented poster at the International Society for Quality of Life Research Conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, Fall 2015
- “Applying Tal’s Model-Based Account of Measurement to Nomothetic Quality of Life Measures”

- Presented talk at the Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice Conference at University of Aarhus, Summer 2015
- Presented talk at the Making of Measurement Conference at the University of Cambridge, Summer 2015
- “Why Measure Health-Related Quality of Life?”
 - Presented talk at the Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology Conference at University of Texas at Dallas, Summer 2014
- “Epistemic Iteration: Developing an Understanding of Patient-Reported Outcome Measures and their Target Constructs”
 - Presented talk at the Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice Conference at Victoria College, University of Toronto, Summer 2013
 - Presented talk at the Dimensions of Measurement Conference at the Zentrum für Interdisziplinäre Forschung (ZiF) in Bielefeld, Germany, Spring 2013
 - Presented talk at the South Carolina Society of Philosophy Conference at College of Charleston, Spring 2013

AWARDS

- The Greener Award for Overall Achievement in Philosophy, USC Philosophy Department, 2017
- James W. Oliver Prize in Logic and its Applications, USC Philosophy Department, 2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

As Instructor of Record:

- Reasoning, Gonzaga University (Spring 2020) – a course in critical thinking
- Social Advocacy and Ethical Life, University of South Carolina (Fall 2014 through Spring 2018, excepting Spring 2016) – an interdisciplinary course on ethics, advocacy, and rhetoric
- Introduction to Inductive Logic, University of South Carolina (Fall 2011 and Summer 2014) – a course on probabilistic and statistical reasoning

As Teaching Assistant:

- Ethics of Food, University of South Carolina (Spring 2016 under Professor Matthew Kisner) – a course on the ethics of eating and agriculture
- Introduction to Inductive Logic, University of South Carolina (Fall 2013 under Professor Michael Stoeltzner – a course on probabilistic and statistical reasoning

GRANT WRITING EXPERIENCE

- Assisted Jae Kennedy (PI) and the Collaborative on Health Reform and Independent Living in preparing a grant proposal for the group’s Opioid Use Disorder Project, submitted in summer 2018 to the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR).
- Prepared an individual grant proposal, “Assessing the Competence of Parents with Disabilities: The Role of Social Imagination and Value Judgments in Psychological Practice”, submitted in spring 2019 for the Switzer Merit Fellowship sponsored by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Member of the Program Committee for the Feminist Epistemologies, Methodologies, Metaphysics and Science Studies (FEMMSS) 8 Conference
- Member of the Program Committee for the 2019 National Association of Rehabilitative Research and Training Centers (NARRTC) Conference
- Coordinator for the Social and Feminist Epistemology Reading Group at University of South Carolina (Fall 2017)
- Graduate Student Representative to Philosophy Department Faculty Meetings at University of South Carolina (Fall 2016 and Spring 2017)
- Coordinator for the Bioethics and Philosophy of Medicine Reading Group at University of South Carolina (Spring and Fall 2015)

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