

CURRICULUM VITAE: JOHN M. DEPOE

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Iowa (*expected May 2010*)

Dissertation: "The Knowledge Argument: A Defense of the Knowledge Argument and Investigation of Related Topics"

Director: Richard Fumerton

M.A. Philosophy, Western Michigan University (2006)

M.A. Religion, Hardin-Simmons University (2004)

Thesis: "Human Freedom and Divine Foreknowledge: An Analysis of Selected Solutions"

B.A. Philosophy and Theology, Hardin-Simmons University (2002)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology

Metaphysics

Philosophy of Religion

AREA OF COMPETENCE

History of Modern Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

"Williamson on the Evidence for Skepticism" - forthcoming in *Southwest Philosophical Studies*.

"The Significance of Religious Disagreement" in *Taking Christian Moral Thought Seriously: The Legitimacy of Christian Thought in the Marketplace of Ideas*, edited by Jeremy Evans (Nashville: Broadman & Holman Academic, forthcoming). [Invited contribution.]

"Theism, Atheism, and the Metaphysics of Free Will" - forthcoming in *Southwest Philosophical Studies*.

"Vindicating a Bayesian Approach to Confirming Miracles: A Response to Jordan Howard Sobel's Reading of Hume" *Philosophia Christi* 10, no. 1 (2008): 229-38.

"In Defense of Classical Foundationalism: A Critical Evaluation of Plantinga's Argument that Classical Foundationalism is Self-Refuting" *The South African Journal of Philosophy* 26, no. 3 (2007): 245-51.

BOOK REVIEWS

Double book review (with James McGlothlin) of Angus Menuge's *Agents Under Fire* (Rowman and Littlefield) and Victor Reppert's *C. S. Lewis' Dangerous Idea* (InterVarsity) in *Faith and Philosophy* (2009):

Double book review of Daniel Dennett's *Breaking the Spell* (Viking 2006) and Richard Dawkins's *The God Delusion* (Houghton Mifflin 2006) in *Review and Expositor* 104, no. 4 (2007): 819-21.

Review of Allan Gibbard's *Thinking How to Live* (Harvard University Press 2003) in *Philosophia Christi* 7, no. 1 (2005): 219-221.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

"Hume's Sensible Knave Problem" – presented at the New Mexico/ West Texas Philosophical Society meeting, March 27-29, 2009.

"Berkeley's Continuity Argument for God's Existence" – presented at the University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society's 2008 Fall conference, November 1, 2008.

Session Chair at the University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society's 4th Annual Graduate Student Conference, March 28-29, 2008.

"How to Read Plato's Self-Refutation Argument against Protagoras" – presented at the University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society's 2007 Fall conference, November 3, 2007.

Session Chair at the Central States Philosophical Society's 2007 annual meeting, October 5-6, 2007.

Commentator at the University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society's 3rd Annual Graduate Student Conference, April 27-28, 2007.

"How to Confirm a Miracle: A Bayesian Approach" – presented at the American Philosophical Association Central Division meeting 2007.

"Williamson on the Evidence for Skepticism" – presented at the New Mexico/ West Texas Philosophical Society meeting, March 30-31, 2007.

"In Defense of Classical Foundationalism: A Critical Evaluation of Plantinga's Argument that Classical Foundationalism is Self-Refuting" – presented at the Midwest Regional Evangelical Philosophical Society in Winona Lake, Indiana, March 16-17, 2007.

"Reid's Refutation of Hume's Moral Non-Cognitivism" – presented at the University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society's 2006 Fall conference, December 2, 2006.

"Conceivability Arguments Against Materialism" – presented at the Iowa Philosophical Meeting in Ames, Iowa (Iowa State University), September 23, 2006.

"Evidentialism, Reformed Epistemology, and the Holy Spirit" – presented at the Midwest Regional Society of Christian Philosophers Meeting in Notre Dame, April 20-22, 2006; also presented at the Midwest Regional Evangelical Philosophical Society Meeting in Grand Rapids, March 24-25, 2006

Session Chair and Participant at the first annual University of Missouri Philosophy of Religion Conference, January 27-28, 2006.

"In Defense of the 'Fatal Dilemma' Against Moderate Foundationalism" – presented at the third annual Miami University Graduate Student Conference in Epistemology, January 20-21, 2006.

"An Argument against the Mind Being a Physical Mechanism" – presented at Western Michigan University's philosophy department, October 21, 2005.

"A Bayesian Analysis of the Cumulative Effects of the Independent Eyewitness Testimony for the Resurrection of Jesus Christ" – presented at the Midwest Regional Society of Christian Philosophers Meeting, April 7-9, 2005.

"Why Christians Should not be Compatibilists: A Response to Baker" – presented at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society, November 17-19, 2004.

“Theism, Atheism, and the Metaphysics of Free Will” – presented at the New Mexico/ West Texas Philosophical Society meeting, March 26-28, 2004.

“How the Tensed and Tenseless Theories of Time Matter for Christology” – Presented November 21, 2003 at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society

Commentator at the University of Texas Graduate Conference, April 3-4, 2003; theme: Time, Tense, and Change.

“Anselm: Life and Contributions” - Presented at the Spring 2002 New Mexico/ West Texas Philosophical Society meeting, April 5-7, 2002.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

GRADUATE AWARDS

SEASHORE BALLARD DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP (2009-2010) – a competitive and lucrative fellowship awarded by the university’s graduate college. Any graduate student in the University of Iowa that is intending to finish his or her dissertation in the next school year is eligible. Awarded on the basis of merit.

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS FELLOWSHIP (Summer 2008) – a competitive fellowship awarded by the University of Iowa’s philosophy department to assist in preparing for comprehensive exams.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA: TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP (2006 - present) – tuition reimbursement and living stipend are awarded in exchange for teaching responsibilities.

GRADUATE COLLEGE TRAVEL GRANT (2006) – Western Michigan University’s graduate college provides funding for travel and expenses for an academic presentation. Awarded by merit.

GRADUATE COLLEGE TRAVEL GRANT (2004) – Western Michigan University’s graduate college provides funding for travel and expenses for an academic presentation. Awarded by merit.

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP (2004-2006) – tuition reimbursement and living stipend are awarded in exchange for teaching responsibilities.

THE HEMPHILL GRADUATE AWARD (2003) – presented by the Graduate School to recognize one graduate student from the entire university who has excelled in academic studies, possesses character and behavior consistent with the University’s purpose, and exhibits potential for significant contribution to his/her chosen field.

THE LOGSDON SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (2003) – chosen by the faculty of the Logsdon School of Theology to be presented to one graduate student from their department who best reflects the ideals of the Logsdon School of Theology, including excellence in scholarship.

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

GORDON CLINARD THEOLOGY AWARD (2001-2002) – awarded to two undergraduates in the theology department once a year for exemplary academic and personal conduct.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP (1998-2002)

DEAN’S SCHOLARSHIP (1998-2002)

SLAUGHTER THEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP (1999-2000)

HURST PHILOSOPHY SCHOLARSHIP (1999-2002)

WALTON PHILOSOPHY SCHOLARSHIP (2000-2002)

STEAKLEY THEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP (2000-2002)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Philosophy

Instructor:

University of Iowa – Fall 2007, 1 class; Spring 2008, 1 class; Fall 2008, 1 class; Spring 2009, 1 class

Western Michigan University – Spring 2006, 1 class; Fall 2005, 2 classes

Assistant: **Western Michigan University** – Spring 2005, 2 sections

Principles of Reasoning (Logic)

Instructor: **University of Iowa** – Fall 2006, 1 class; Spring 2007, 2 classes

Critical Reasoning

Instructor: **Western Michigan University** – Summer 2005, 1 class

Assistant: **Western Michigan University** – Fall 2005, 2 sections

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Manuscript Reviewing Blackwell Publishing (Philosophy of Religion)

President, University of Iowa Graduate Philosophical Society (2007-2008, 2008-2009)

REFERENCES

Dr. David Cunning, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Iowa

Dr. Evan Fales, Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Iowa

Dr. Richard Fumerton, Professor of Philosophy, University of Iowa

Dr. Timothy McGrew, Professor of Philosophy, Department Chair

Dr. Dan Stiver, Professor of Theology, Logsdon Seminary

GRADUATE COURSES IN PHILOSOPHY AND RELATED FIELDS

(* Indicates class audited)

METAPHYSICS & EPISTEMOLOGY

Direct Realism Seminar, Ali Hasan
(Spring 2009)
*Metaphysics, Carrie Figdor (Spring 2009)
Knowledge Argument Seminar,
Richard Fumerton (Fall 2008)
Epistemology Seminar (M. Bergmann),
Richard Fumerton (Spring 2008)
Philosophy of Mind Seminar,
Carrie Figdor (Fall 2007)
Epistemology Seminar (Williamson), Richard
Fumerton (Fall 2006)
Action and Perception, Arthur Falk
(Spring 2006)
Metaphysics, John Dilworth (Fall 2005)
Philosophy of Language and Time, Quentin
Smith (Spring 2005)
Philosophy of Mind, John Dilworth
(Spring 2005)
Naming and Reference, Marc Alspector-Kelly
(Spring 2005)
Epistemology, Timothy McGrew (Fall 2004)
Virtue Epistemology, Robert Roberts and W.
Jay Wood (Fall 2002)

PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE/LOGIC

*Modal Logic, Greg Landini (Fall 2008)
Probability and Confirmation, Evan Fales
(Fall 2007)
Philosophy of Science, Evan Fales
(Spring 2007)
Philosophy of Probability, Timothy McGrew
(Fall 2005)
*Philosophy of Logic, Timothy McGrew
(Spring 2005)
Philosophy of Science, James Marcum
(Spring 2003)

HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY

Early Modern Ethics – Spinoza & Hume,
David Cunning (Spring 2008)
Hume & Berkeley, David Cunning (Fall 2007)
Plato, James Duerlinger (Spring 2007)
Frege and Russell, Greg Landini
(Spring 2007)
René Descartes, David Cunning (Fall 2006)
Hume, Reid, and Smith, Michael Pritchard
(Summer 2005)
History of Analytic Philosophy, C. Stephen
Evans (Spring 2003)
Hegel and His Critics, Carl Vaught
(Spring 2003)
Kierkegaard, C. Stephen Evans (Fall 2002)

PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

*Philosophy of Religion Seminar, Evan Fales
(Spring 2009)
*Philosophy of Religion, Evan Fales
(Fall 2008)
Christian Philosophy, Dan Stiver (Spring
2004)
Independent Study: God, Freedom, and
Foreknowledge, Dan Stiver (Summer 2003)
Philosophy of Religion, Carl Vaught
(Fall 2002)

VALUE THEORY

Analytic Ethics, Diane Jeske (Fall 2006)
Ethical Theory, Joseph Ellin (Fall 2005)