



## AWARDS

Outstanding Teaching Fellow (2022). Awarded by University of North Texas Faculty Senate for excellence in student instruction, support, and mentoring.

Outstanding Staff (2012). Awarded by President and Regents of the University of North Texas for co-organizing, co-promoting, and co-leading the UNT Comic & Serial Arts Studies Symposium.

## CURRENT PROJECTS

*Dào Dé Jing*. With LU Wenlong, Ph.D. (Prof. of Philosophy at Dongbei University of Finance and Economic Studies, Dalian, China). A new translation of the classic with explanatory notes and a glossary. Appendix, “Queer Dé, Weird Dào” by Keith “Maggie” Brown. Working text features prominently in my introductory courses; also in my advanced courses about Ancient philosophy or on Socio-Political theory. Under review.

“The *Plastocene* in Theory and Praxis: Co-Existence in the Plasticsphere.” With Giovanni Frigo, Ph.D. (Fellow in Philosophy of Engineering, Technology Assessment, and Science at the Karlsruhe Institute, Germany, EU). Article provides a quick overview of the proliferation of material plastics while considering the “existential plasticity” of the human condition. Argues for adopting *Plastocene* as the name for our era in the Anthropocene. Submitting for review in December 2022.

“Finding Hope along the Way: Philosophical Faith in Times of Crisis.” Article on Karl Jaspers’ philosophical insights about confronting anti-rational ideologies during and after World War II. I am workshopping this right now at invited speaking engagements around Texas.

“Zhuangzi, Diogenes, and Francis: Serene, Frenetic, and Holy Fools.” Article on three historic figures who offer playful alternatives to serious institutions. I am workshopping this right now at mindfulness retreats and guest lectures in the Southwest.

## PUBLICATIONS

*Greek Natural Philosophy: The Pre-Socratics and their Importance for Environmental Philosophy*. First Edition. With J. Baird Callicott and John Van Buren. Cognella Publishing, 2018.

*Oxford Handbook of Interdisciplinarity*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. (Managing Editor.) Robert Frodeman, Julie Thompson Klein, & Roberto Pacheco, Eds., Oxford University Press, 2017.

*The Pre-Socratics: The Origins of Natural Philosophy*. With J. Baird Callicott. Cognella Publishing, 2016.

## REFEREED ARTICLES

“The Other in A Sand County Almanac: Aldo Leopold’s Animals and his Wild-Animal Ethics.” With J. Baird Callicott, et al. *Environmental Ethics*, Summer 2011 (33:2).

## ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

“Anarchism.” *Ethics, Science, Technology & Engineering: A Global Resource*. 2nd Ed. J. Britt Holbrook, Eds. New York: MacMillan Reference, 2014.

## PUBLISHED CORRESPONDENCE

“Research Impact: We need negative metrics too.” With J. Britt Holbrook and Kelli Barr. *Nature*. **497**, 439 (23 May 2013) doi:10.1038/497439a

## PRESENTATIONS

- (Upcoming) “Finding Hope along the Way: Philosophical Faith in Times of Crisis.” 25 Oct 2022, Houston Philosophy Circle. Houston, TX.
- (Upcoming) “Zhuangzi, Diogenes, and Francis: Serene, Frenetic, and Holy Fools.” 01 Oct 2022, Mountain Dog Gathering. Irving, TX.
- “Hannah Arendt on Friendship.” 09 Feb 2022. Goethe Institut - Goethe Pop Up Houston. Invited participation for one of many programs by the Goethe Institut to celebrate the life and work of Arendt. Facebook Live Event.
- “The Order of Flo: A Philosopher shares Poetry with a Choreographer.” May 15, 2021. Houston Arts Alliance grant program on the Aesthetics of Politics and the Politics of Aesthetics. By invitation of the Primary Researcher on the Grant.
- “F\*ck the Emperor: Palpatine and the Rise of Neoliberalism, 1977-2019.” *Realizing Resistance II*, 05May2021.
- “Queer Power, Wyrd Path: On the Ways of Disrupting Toxicity.” Invited presentation to the North Texas Philosophy and Religion Colloquium, 09 April, 2021.
- “Beings of light we are: Losing personal history for queering resistance.” *Realizing Resistance: An Interdisciplinary Conference on Star Wars, Episodes VII, VIII & IX*. Denton, TX. May 2-4, 2019.
- “Resisting the tendency to let life pass-by: Queering Seneca’s *De Brevitate Vitae*.” Red Star Line Philosophy Conference, Fordham University, March 29-31, 2019.
- “Finding the Way: Philosophical Faith in K. Jaspers and J. Ortega y Gasset.” Karl Jaspers Society of North America (meeting with APA-Central), Denver, CO. Feb 27-29, 2019.
- “Finding Our Way: Ethical Orientation from the Faith of Reason.” North Texas Philosophical Association, Richardson, TX, March 30-31, 2018.
- “Socrates and the Public Philosophers,” Public Philosophy Network, Boulder, CO, Feb Feb 8-10, 2018. Socratic thinker in residence interviewing attendees.

- “Socrates in the Anthropocene.” Anthropocene Campus-Philadelphia. Oct 26, 2017.  
Socratic thinker in residence interviewing attendees.
- "Dawning Jedi: Engaging through the Force of Philosophy." 3rd UNT Comic Studies Symposium. University of North Texas, Denton, TX. March 12, 2014.
- “On the Truth of Socratic Ignorance.” Philosophy Forum. University of North Texas, Denton, TX. September 03, 2013.
- "Dedisciplinizing the University & Hacking a Real Education for the 21st Century." Texas Womans University, Denton, TX. Oct 15, 2012.
- "Disrupting your Course, Hacking your Education." 7 Circles Interdisciplinarity Forum. University of North Texas, Denton, TX. Sept 05, 2012.
- "Philosophizing in the Age of Ethereal Control." Phi Sigma Tau, Annual Philosophy Conference. University of North Texas, Denton, TX. October 29, 2011.
- "Rupturing Methodology: The Engineering of Radical Interdisciplinarity." Center for Interdisciplinary Inquiry, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA. Oct 19, 2011.
- “The Philosopher’s Labors: Active Decision vs Passive Choice in the Society of Control.” North Texas Philosophical Association. Denton, TX. April 07, 2011.
- "The Hero’s Labors: Active Craft vs Busy Commerce." Popular Culture Association of America. San Antonio, TX. April 04, 2011.
- “ The Hero’s Journey and Existenz Philosophy in the Anime *Serial Experiments Lain*.” With Angela Drummond Matthews. Southwest/Texas Popular Culture and American Culture Association. Albuquerque, NM. Feb 17, 2008.
- “Cogito Ergo Proxy: I Think, Therefore I Am... Almost. An Examination of Nature of Being in Dai Sato’s Anime *Ergo Proxy*.” With Angela Drummond Matthews. Joint Conference of the National Popular Culture and American Culture Associations. Boston, MA. April 06, 2007.
- “The Encompassing Cosmopolis & the Existential Cynic.” Society for Phenomenology & the Human Sciences. Meeting in conjunction with the Society for Phenomenology & Existential Philosophy. Memphis, TN. Oct 29, 2004.
- “Heidegger Grows in America: On Whitman’s ‘Poems of the Sayers of the Words of the Earth ’as Preparing the Ground for Fundamental Ontology in America.” North Texas Heidegger Symposium. Denton, Tx. Nov 01, 2002.
- “The Way Across: Dilthey’s Hermeneutic Bridge Between Phenomenology and the Human Sciences through the Praxis of Verstehen.” Society for Phenomenology & the Human Sciences. Meeting in conjunction with the Society for Phenomenology & Existential Philosophy. Baltimore, MD. Oct 06, 2001.
- “The Phenomenologically Grounded Meaning of Geist in Wilhelm Dilthey’s Human Studies Project.” With Richard Owsley. Meeting in conjunction with the Society for Phenomenology & Existential Philosophy. Baltimore, MD. Oct 06, 2001.
- "The Loving Struggle: Jaspers, Arendt, Heidegger". With Richard Owsley. Karl Jaspers Society of North America. Summer Meeting in conjunction with American Philosophical Association – Central Division. Minneapolis, MN. May 08, 2001.
- "Overcoming Dogmatic Institutions to Arrive at Philosophic Faith". Karl Jaspers Society of North America. Winter Meeting in conjunction with American Philosophical Association. New York, NY. Dec 28, 2001.

- “The Stranger is the One who Stays: Georg Simmel and the Lingerer Outsider.”  
Society for Phenomenology & the Human Sciences. Meeting in conjunction with  
the Society for Phenomenology & Existential Philosophy. State College, PA. Oct  
05, 2000.
- “Karl Jaspers & Max Scheler.” With Richard Owsley. Karl Jaspers Society of North  
America. Winter Meeting in conjunction with American Philosophical  
Association-Eastern Division. Washington, DC. Dec 27, 1998.

## TEACHING/CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE

### 2022 Fall (Upcoming)

- PHIL 3120 Social and Political Philosophy. University of North Texas (1 course)
- PHIL 3310 Ancient Greek Philosophy. University of North Texas (1 course)
- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)

### 2022 Summer

- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)
- PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (1 course)

### 2022 Spring

- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (4 courses)
- PHIL 1400 Ethics and Society. University of North Texas (1 course)

### 2021 Fall

- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)
- PHIL 1304 Introduction to World Religions. Tarrant County College-NE (1 course)

### 2021 Spring

- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)
- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Dallas College-Richland (1 courses)

### 2020 Fall

- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)
- PHIL 1304 Introduction to World Religions. Tarrant County College-NE (1 course)

### 2020 Summer

- PHIL 4200 Science, Technology, Society. University of North Texas (2 courses)
- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)

### 2020 Spring

- PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (2 courses)
- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (3 courses)
- PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Richland College (2 courses)

### 2019 Fall

PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (2 courses)  
PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 course)  
PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Richland College (2 courses)

2019 Spring (Upcoming)—Instructor

PHIL 1400 Contemporary Moral Issues. University of North Texas (2 courses)  
PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (1 course)  
PHIL 1200 Introduction to Ethics, Richland College - Conrad High School, Dual credit (2 courses)

2018 Fall—Instructor

PHIL 1400 Contemporary Moral Issues. University of North Texas (2 courses)  
PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy. Tarrant County College-NE (2 courses)

2018 Summer—Instructor

PHIL 3310 Ancient Philosophy (For majors). University of North Texas (1 course)

2018 Spring—Instructor

PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (2 courses)

2017 Fall—Instructor

PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (2 courses)

2017 Summer—Instructor

PHIL 4500 Existentialism (for majors). University of North Texas (1 course)

2017 Spring—Instructor

PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (2 courses)

2016 Fall—Instructor

PHIL 1050 Introduction to Philosophy. University of North Texas (2 courses)

2016 Summer—Instructor

PHIL 2100 Introduction to Great Religions. University of North Texas (1 course)

2015 Fall—Teaching Assistant

PHIL 2050 Introduction to Logic. University of North Texas (2 recitations)