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EMPLOYMENT	Dickinson College, Associate Professor of Philosophy	2020 – present
	Chair, Department of Philosophy	2020 – present
	Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2013 – 2020

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION Ethical theory, Moral psychology

AREAS OF COMPETENCE Philosophy of psychiatry, Practical ethics, History of ethics, Epistemology, Philosophy of religion

EDUCATION	Ph.D., Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	2013
	Dissertation: <i>Emotion, Virtue, and Moral Perception: A Defense of Moral Intuitions</i>	
	Committee: Robert M. Adams (supervisor), Dorit Bar-On, Geoffrey Sayre-McCord	
	M.A., Philosophy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	2009
	M.A., Philosophy, Georgia State University	2007
	B.S., Humanities & Biblical Studies (Philosophy minor), Point University	2005

PUBLICATIONS BOOK

(2016) *The Meaning of Evil*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. (2018, paperback)

ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, ETC.

- (2019) “The Self as a Reason to Regulate: Dispositional Emotion Regulation & Shaftesbury on Integrity of Mind,” *Philosophical Topics* 47(2): 129–148.
- (2019) “Rethinking the Thin-Thick Distinction among Theories of Evil (and Then Rereading Arendt),” *Arendt Studies* 3: 173–194.
- (2016) “Emotions and Their Expressions” (with D. Bar-On), in J. Smith and C. Abell, eds., *The Expression of Emotion: Philosophical, Psychological, & Legal Perspectives* (Cambridge University Press), pp. 46–72.
- (2015) “Being Good and Feeling Well,” *Res Philosophica* 92(4): 785–804. (Special issue on Virtue & the Emotions.)
- (2014) “Ethical Expressivism,” in J. Feiser & B. Dowden, eds., *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. <http://www.iep.utm.edu/>.
- (2014) “Ethical Intuitionism and the Emotions: Toward an Empirically Adequate Moral Sense Theory,” *The Journal of Value Inquiry* 48(3): 533–549.

- (2014) “(How) Is Ethical Neo-Expressivism a Hybrid View?” (with D. Bar-On & M. Chrisman), in M. Ridge & G. Fletcher, eds., *Having It Both Ways: Hybrid Theories and Modern Metaethics* (Oxford University Press), pp. 223–247.
- (2013) “Varieties of Expressivism” (with D. Bar-On), *Philosophy Compass* 8(8): 699–713.

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS	<p>“Losing One’s Own &amp; Others’ Minds: Failures of Emotion Perception in Psychosis” Workshop on Emotion and Expression, University of Connecticut <i>Expression, Communication, and the Origins of Meaning</i> Research Group</p> <p>“Personality and Disorder” Department of Philosophy, Georgia State University</p> <p>“Evil People” Department of Philosophy, Indiana University of Pennsylvania</p> <p>“(How) Is Ethical Neo-Expressivism a Hybrid View?” Co-presenters: Dorit Bar-On and Matthew Chrisman Hybrid Theories in Metaethics, University of Edinburgh, Scotland</p> <p>“An Externalist Solution to the Problem of Psychopathy” Georgia State Student Philosophy Symposium, Georgia State University</p> <p>“Supervenience, Moral Knowledge, and Causal Efficacy” Georgia Philosophical Society, Emory University</p>	<p>April 2018</p> <p>March 2017</p> <p>April 2016</p> <p>July 2012</p> <p>April 2006</p> <p>November 2005</p>
OTHER TALKS	<p>“Deepfake” Clarke Forum for Contemporary Issues, Dickinson College</p> <p>“How I Got to Now” “Our Community, Their Ideas,” Idea Fund, Dickinson College</p> <p>“On What Matters Most” Center for Service, Spirituality, and Social Justice, Dickinson College</p>	<p>November 2019</p> <p>April 2017</p> <p>October 2015</p>
HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS	<p>Collaborative Student-Faculty Research Grant, Dickinson College Project title: “What is mental illness?”</p> <p>Travel Grant [Manchester, England], Dickinson College</p> <p>Tanner Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, UNC</p> <p>Philosophy Department Travel Grant [Edinburgh, Scotland], UNC</p> <p>Bertha Colton Williams Fellowship, Department of Philosophy, UNC</p> <p>Horace Williams Fellowship, Department of Philosophy, UNC</p> <p>Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Department of Philosophy, GSU</p> <p>M.A. thesis passed with distinction, Department of Philosophy, GSU</p> <p>Award for Outstanding Teaching, Center for Teaching and Learning, GSU</p> <p>Ralf F. Munster Fellowship [merit-based], Department of Philosophy, GSU</p> <p>Robert. F. Almeder Prize, Department of Philosophy, GSU</p>	<p>Summer 2017</p> <p>2015</p> <p>2012</p> <p>2012</p> <p>2011</p> <p>2007 – 2008</p> <p>2007</p> <p>2007</p> <p>2007</p> <p>2006</p> <p>2006</p>

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

*Courses taught at an introductory level*

First-Year Seminar: Evil  
 First-Year Seminar: Just Kidding: The Nature of Humor and Its Place in the Good Life  
 Critical Thinking  
 Making Sense of Ourselves  
 Introduction to Philosophy  
 Introduction to Ethics  
 Practical Ethics  
 Bioethics

*Courses taught at an intermediate level*

Social Ethics & Political Thought  
 Experience & Reality  
 Moral Psychology  
 The Philosophy of Mental Illness  
 The Philosophy of Humor  
 Evil  
 Modern Moral Philosophy

*Courses taught at an advanced level*

Virtue  
 Metaethics  
 Happiness & Well-Being  
 The Philosophy of Emotion  
 Senior Seminar: Alasdair MacIntyre's *After Virtue*  
 Independent Study: Mental Illness & Moral Responsibility  
 Independent Study: The Concept of Health  
 Independent Study: Greed  
 Independent Study: Emotion  
 Independent Study: Virtue Ethics & Situationism

*Honors thesis supervision*

Kirsten Dedrickson, "Problematic Moral Disagreement"	2014 – 2015
Paul Gaver, "Constructivism and the Mind-Dependence of Value"	2014 – 2015
Adam Berman, "Blameless Resentment: A Critique of Strawson"	2013 – 2014

SERVICE TO  
THE COLLEGE

Chair, Department of Philosophy	2020 – present
All-College Working Group on Civic Engagement	2015 – 2016
Co-moderator (with Gloria Hwang '16), "CRISPR Salon"	April 1, 2016
Sponsored by Clarke Forum, Office of Academic Advising, & Phi Beta Kappa	
Organizer, Philosophy Department colloquia	
"Communal Values and the Nature of Persons"	April 10, 2015
Bennett Helm (Franklin & Marshall College)	

	Writing Subcommittee, Academic Program & Standards Committee	Fall 2014
	Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2016 – 2017
	Search Committee, Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2016
	Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Philosophy	2013 – 2014
SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION	Journal referee	
	<i>Australasian Journal of Philosophy</i>	2015
	<i>Erkenntnis</i>	2017
	<i>Ethical Theory &amp; Moral Practice</i>	2019
	<i>Journal of the American Philosophical Association</i>	2015
	<i>Philosophical Psychology</i>	2014, 2016, 2017
	<i>Philosophical Quarterly</i>	2014
	<i>Philosophy &amp; Phenomenological Research</i>	2018
	Co-organizer, “Mindreading, Understanding, & Emotion” conference University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill <i>web: <a href="http://mueconference.weebly.com">mueconference.weebly.com</a></i>	January 2013
	OTHER WORK & EXPERIENCE	Illustration work
Chauncey Maher. <i>Plant Minds: A Philosophical Defense</i> . New York: Routledge, 2017. Forty hand-drawn images; ink on bristol.		
Coordinator and Senior Research Assistant		2011 – 2013
<i>Expression, Communication, and the Origins of Meaning</i> Research Group <i>web: <a href="http://ecomresearchgroup.com">ecomresearchgroup.com</a></i>		
Supervisor: Dorit Bar-On		
Graduate TA Coordinator, Department of Philosophy, UNC	2010 – 2011	