

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATION:**

Ph.D., Philosophy, Boston University, 1984.  
M.A., Philosophy, Boston University, 1980.  
D.A.A.D. Fellow, J.W. Goethe University, Frankfurt-am-Main, 1980 – 1981.  
B.A., Yale University, *summa cum laude*, with honors in the major of philosophy and mathematics, 1975.

### **EMPLOYMENT:**

Philosophy Department, Denison University:

Brickman – Shannon Professor, 2010 - present  
Professor, 1996 - 2009  
Associate Professor, 1990 - 1996  
Assistant Professor, 1984 - 1990

Lecturer, University of Massachusetts (Boston), 1980.

Lecturer, Metropolitan College, Boston University, 1978 - 1980.

### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:**

Environmental philosophy; contemporary continental philosophy; Critical Theory/Frankfurt School/Habermas; social and political philosophy

### **AREAS OF COMPETENCE:**

Ethics; logic; philosophy of science; philosophy of technology

**PUBLICATIONS:**

- “Why ‘Nature’ Has No Place In Environmental Philosophy,” in Gregory E. Kaebnick, ed., *The Ideal of Nature: The Appeal to Nature in Debates about Biotechnology and the Environment* (Johns Hopkins University Press, forthcoming).
- “On Nature and Alienation,” in Andrew Biro, ed., *Critical Ecologies: The Frankfurt School and Contemporary Environmental Crises* (University of Toronto Press, 2011).
- “The Silence of Nature.” *Environmental Values*, vol. 15, no. 2 (May 2006), pp. 145 – 171.
- “Marcuse and the New Science,” in John Abromeit and W. Mark Cobb, eds., *Herbert Marcuse: A Critical Reader* (New York: Routledge, 2004).
- “The Nature of Artifacts.” *Environmental Ethics*, vol. 25, no. 2 (Summer 2003).
- “Environmental Philosophy After the End of Nature.” *Environmental Ethics*, vol. 24, no. 1 (Spring 2002).
- “For and Against Nature.” *Rethinking Marxism*, vol. 11, no. 4 (Winter, 1999).
- “Nature as Origin and Difference: On Environmental Philosophy and Continental Thought,” *Philosophy Today*, vol. 42, supplement (1999). Reprinted in Michael E. Zimmerman, J. Baird Callicott, Karen J. Warren, Irene J. Klaver, John Clark, eds. *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology* (Pearson Prentice Hall, 2005), and in David R. Keller, ed., *Environmental Ethics: The Big Questions* (Wiley - Blackwell, 2010).
- "Nature, Practice, and Construction: Response to Critics" in "Steven Vogel's *Against Nature: An Environmental Ethic for Ecological Socialists?*" *Capitalism, Nature, Socialism*, vol. 9, issue 35 (September, 1998).
- "Grades and Money." *Dissent*, vol. 44, no. 4 (Fall, 1997). Reprinted in Mary Lynch Kennedy, *Reading and Writing in the Academic Community* (Prentice-Hall: second edition 2002).
- "Habermas and the Ethics of Nature," in Roger Gottlieb, ed., *The Ecological Community* (New York: Routledge, 1997). Reprinted (in Danish) as "Habermas og naturetik" in Merete Sørensen, Finn Arler, and Martin Ishøy, eds., *Miljø og etik*. (Århus: NSU Press, 1997).
- Against Nature: The Concept of Nature in Critical Theory*. Albany: SUNY Press, 1996.

"Reification and the Non-Identical: On the Problem of Nature in Lukács and Adorno," in Lenore Langsdorf and Stephen H. Watson, eds., *Phenomenology, Interpretation, and Community* (Albany: SUNY Press, 1996).

"Science, Practice, and Politics." *Social Epistemology*, vol. 5, no. 4 (Oct.-Dec., 1991).

"'New Science, New Nature': The Habermas-Marcuse Debate Revisited." *Research in Philosophy and Technology*, vol. 11 (1991). Reprinted in David M. Rasmussen and James Swindal, eds., *Jürgen Habermas* (London: Sage Publications, 2002) and in Andrew Feenberg and Alastair Hannas, eds., *Technology and the Politics of Knowledge* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1995).

"Science and Social Theory," in Spiro N. Pollalis, ed., *Architecture: Design Implementation* (Washington: Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, 1991).

"Marx and Alienation From Nature." *Social Theory and Practice*, vol. 14, no. 3 (Fall, 1988). Reprinted in Richard Schmitt and Thomas E. Moody, eds., *Alienation and Social Criticism* (New Jersey: Humanities Press, 1994).

"Habermas and Science." *Praxis International*, vol. 8, no. 3 (October, 1988).

"Nature and Domination: A Reply to Michael Zimmerman." *Tikkun*, vol. 4, no. 2 (July/August, 1988).

"Nature, Science and the Bomb: A Frankfurt School Perspective." *Tikkun*, vol. 3, no. 4 (March/April 1988).

#### **FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS:**

Charles A. Brickman Award for Teaching Excellence, Denison University, 2003.

Special Research Fellowship, Humanities Research Center "Menneske og Natur," University of Odense, Denmark, 1996.

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Study Visit Grant for research in Frankfurt, 1991.

Senior Research Fellow, Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University, 1990.

R.C. Good Fellowships, 1998-1999, 1990 – 1991, 2004 – 2005, 2011 – 2012.

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend, 1986.

Denison University Research Foundation grants, 1990, 1995.

Faculty Development Grants for summer research, Denison University, 1985, 1987, 1988, 1992, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2000.

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Fellowship for study in Frankfurt, 1980 - 1981.

University Graduate Fellowship, Boston University, 1975 - 1979.

Seymour Prize for highest achievement in the humanities, Berkeley College, Yale University, 1975.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

“Thinking Like A Mall,” paper presented to Western Political Science Association, San Antonio, April 21, 2011.

“Alienation and the Commons,” paper presented to conference on “Human Flourishing and Restoration in the Age of Global Warming,” Clemson University, September 6, 2008, and to workshop on “New Thinking on Alienation,” KWI Essen (Germany), January 14, 2009; revised version presented to the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, April 3, 2010.

“On Alienation from the Built Environment,” presented to conference on Built Spaces, at the Simon Silverman Center for Phenomenology, Duquesne University, April 28, 2007, to the International Association for Environmental Philosophy, Chicago, November 11, 2007, to the Western Political Science Association, San Diego, March 22, 2008, and (revised version) as invited member of workshop on “Alienation and the Environment,” University of Liverpool, February 27, 2010.

“What Is Alienation From Nature?” Invited paper presented to Critical Ecologies Workshop, Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, October 20, 2006; revised version presented to Denison University Philosophy Colloquium, September 14, 2007, to the Critical Theory Roundtable, St. Louis University, October 20, 2007, to the conference on “Philosophy and Social Science” at the Czech Academy of Sciences, May 16, 2008, to the conference “Beyond Reification” at John Cabot University (Rome), May 22, 2008, to the conference “Thinking Through Nature: Philosophy for an Endangered World,” University of Oregon, June 21, 2008, and as invited speaker at the conference “Does the Environment Have a Right?” at the Center for the Global Environment, University of Chicago, May 9, 2009.

“A Prolegomenon to Environmental Aesthetics.” Invited paper presented to International Association for Philosophy and Literature, Helsinki, Finland, June 3, 2005.

“Why ‘Nature’ Has No Place In Environmental Philosophy.” Invited paper presented to Applied Philosophy Group, New York University, March 24, 2005; revised version presented at the University of Nijmegen (Netherlands), June 1, 2005; further revised version presented as member of invited workshop on “The Ideal of Nature” at the Hastings Center, Garrison, NY, November 9, 2006.

“Comment on Matthew Calarco’s ‘“Another Insistence of Man”: A Prolegomena to the Question of the Animal in Derrida’s Reading of Heidegger,’ ” presented to American Philosophical Association, Cleveland, April 26, 2003.

“The Silence of Nature.” Paper presented to International Association for Environmental Philosophy, Loyola University (Chicago), October 13, 2002. Revised versions presented to American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division) invited symposium on “Epistemological Issues in Environmental Philosophy,” San Francisco, March 31, 2003, to Critical Theory Roundtable, Stony Brook University, October 25, 2003, and to the Department of Philosophy and Science Studies, University of Wageningen (Netherlands), May 31, 2005.

“After the End of Nature.” Paper presented to conference on “Taking Nature Seriously,” University of Oregon, February 26, 2001.

“The Nature of Artifacts.” Invited paper presented to the Department of Philosophy/Center for Environmental Philosophy at the University of North Texas, February 9, 2001. Paper also presented to the International Association for Environmental Philosophy, Penn State University, October 8, 2000, to the Society for Philosophy and Technology, Aberdeen (UK), July 9, 2001, and to the Denison University Philosophy Colloquium, February 2, 2001.

“Restoration Ecology Without Nature.” Paper presented to the Society for Ecological Restoration, Liverpool, September 4, 2000.

“Environmental Philosophy After the End of Nature.” Paper presented to the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, University of Oregon, October 9, 1999, and to seminar on “Constructions and Deconstructions of Nature,” Vanderbilt University, December 8, 1999.

“Towards a Critical Theory of Nature.” Paper presented at the University of Lund (Sweden), April 28, 1999.

“Environmental Philosophy After Nature.” Paper presented at the University of Lancaster (U.K.) April 19, 1999, the University of Gothenburg (Sweden) April 23, 1999, and at the University of Linköping (Sweden), April 27, 1999.

- "Nature as Origin and Difference." Paper presented to Philosophy Colloquium, State University of New York, Stony Brook, March 4, 1999, at the University of Manchester (U.K.) April 21, 1999, at the University of Linköping (Sweden), April 26, 1999, and to the Society for Philosophy and Geography, New Orleans, May 6, 1999.
- "Environmental Ethics After the End of Nature." Paper presented to the Radical Philosophy Association, San Francisco, November 7, 1998.
- "Marcuse and Environmentalism." Presentation to conference on The Legacy of Herbert Marcuse, University of California (Berkeley), November 6, 1998.
- "Nature as Origin and Difference: On Environmental Philosophy and Continental Thought." Paper presented to the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Denver, October 10, 1998.
- "*Against Nature*: Author Meets Critics," panel at American Philosophical Association meetings, Los Angeles, March 28, 1998.
- "*Against Nature*: Author Meets Critics," panel at the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, University of Kentucky (Lexington), October 16, 1997.
- "Jürgen Habermas and Environmental Ethics." Paper presented at University of Maine (Orono), January 30, 1997.
- "Nature and Reification." Paper presented at Ohio University, January 17, 1997, and at Kenyon College, January 21, 1997.
- "On Michael Zimmerman's *Contesting Earth's Future*." Paper presented to International Society for Environmental Ethics, Atlanta, December 29, 1996.
- "*Against Nature*: Author Meets Critics," panel at conference on Politics and Languages of Contemporary Marxism, University of Massachusetts (Amherst), December 6, 1996.
- "Towards a Critical Theory of Nature." Invited paper presented at Midwest Critical Theory Roundtable, University of Illinois (Urbana), October 27, 1996.
- "Nature and Communicative Ethics." Paper presented at UNESCO conference on Bioethics and Biolaw, Copenhagen, May 30, 1996.
- "Lukács, the Frankfurt School, and Nature." Paper presented at University of Copenhagen, March 28, 1996; at University of Odense, May 14, 1996; at University of Oslo, June 13, 1996.

- "Habermas and the Ethics of Nature." Invited paper presented at conference on "Contested Terrains; Social Conflict and Critique," Institute of Philosophy, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, May 22, 1996.
- "Environmental Ethics and the Social Construction of Nature." Presentation to Humanities Research Institute "Menneske og Natur", University of Odense (Denmark), February 14, 1996.
- "Reification and the Non-Identical". Paper presented at St. Louis University, September 15, 1994.
- Participant in panel on "Marxism and Postmodernism," Kenyon College, November 13, 1993.
- "Notes on Habermas and Nature". Presentation to Midwest Critical Theory Roundtable, St. Louis University, September 18, 1993.
- "What is Alienation from Nature?" Invited paper presented at University of Redlands, May 21, 1993.
- Participant in panel on "Environmental Values," conference on "Environmental Studies and the Liberal Arts," University of Redlands, May 22, 1993.
- "Commentary on Kelly Parker's 'Economics, Sustainable Growth, and Community,'" presented to American Philosophical Association, Louisville, Kentucky, April 26, 1992.
- "Reification and the Non-Identical." Paper presented to Denison University Philosophy Colloquium, March 6, 1992.
- "Western Marxism and Nature: Report on a Research Trip." Grawemeyer Award Lecture, University of Louisville, November 18, 1991.
- "The Problem of Nature in Lukács and Adorno." Paper presented to the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Memphis, October 17, 1991.
- "Nature, Reification, and the Critique of Immediacy." Invited paper presented to J. Habermas's philosophy colloquium, G.W. Goethe University, Frankfurt, Germany, May 13, 1991.
- "The Habermas-Marcuse Debate Revisited." Invited paper presented to the Association of Colleges and Schools of Architecture, Harvard University, February 16, 1991.
- "What is Alienation from Nature?" Invited paper presented to Wesleyan University Philosophy Colloquium, December 5, 1990.

"Habermas and Marcuse on Technology and Ideology." Paper presented to Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University, November 5, 1990.

"The Habermas-Marcuse Debate Revisited." Paper presented to American Philosophical Association, New Orleans, April 27, 1990.

"Western Marxism's Dilemmas." Paper presented to the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Duquesne University, October 13, 1989.

"Science, Society, and Ideology." Paper presented to Conference on the History, Philosophy, and Politics of Socialism, Ohio Wesleyan University, March 25, 1989.

"Habermas and Marcuse on Technology." Invited paper presented to the Western Social Science Association (Philosophy section), Albuquerque, April 29, 1989.

"On Alienation From the Environment." Paper presented to American Philosophical Association, March 24, 1988.

"Marx, Technology, and Alienation From the Environment." Invited paper presented to Critical Theory Forum, University of Louisville, November 20, 1987.

"Marxism and 'Alienation from Nature.'" Paper presented to Conference on Technology and Society, University of Kentucky, October 2, 1987.

"Engels, Western Marxism, and Science." Paper presented to American Philosophical Association, Los Angeles, March 28, 1986.

"Nature, Technology, and the Bomb: Some Perspectives from the Frankfurt School." Paper presented to GLCA conference on "The Liberal Arts in a Nuclear Age," Denison University, October 5, 1985.

#### **REVIEWS:**

Review of Thomas Heyd, *Recognizing the Autonomy of Nature*, in *Human Ecology*, vol. 36, pp. 137 – 140 (February, 2008).

Review of Andrew Biro, *Denaturalizing Ecological Politics: Alienation from Nature from Rousseau to the Frankfurt School and Beyond*, in *Environmental Ethics*, vol. 29, no. 1 (Spring, 2007).

Review of John Bellamy Foster, *Marx's Ecology: Materialism and Nature*, in *Environmental Ethics*, vol. 25, no. 3 (Fall, 2003).

Review of John O'Connor, *Natural Causes*, in *Environmental Ethics*, vol. 22, no. 3 (Fall,

2000).

Review of David Macauley, ed., *Minding Nature*, in *Rethinking Marxism*, vol. 12, no. 3 (Fall, 2000).

"On Michael Zimmerman's *Contesting Earth's Future*." *Research in Philosophy and Technology*, vol. 18 (1999).

Review of Bruno Latour, *We Have Never Been Modern*, in *Constellations*, vol. 2, no. 3 (January, 1996).

Review of Don Ihde, *Technology and the Lifeworld* and William Leiss, *Under Technology's Thumb*, in *International Studies in Philosophy*, vol. 25, no. 1 (Winter, 1993).

Review of Douglas Kellner, *Critical Theory, Marxism, and Modernity*, in *Canadian Philosophical Reviews*, vol. 11, no. 2 (April, 1991).

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND POSITIONS:**

Secretary and member of Executive Board, International Association for Environmental Philosophy

Editorial Board, *Environmental Philosophy*

Reviewer for *Environmental Ethics*, *Environmental Values*, *Environmental Philosophy*, *Philosophy and Geography*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Social Theory and Practice*, *Techne*, *Rethinking Marxism*, *Political Theory*, *Capitalism*, *Nature*, *Socialism*, M.I.T. Press, Temple University Press, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Science Foundation, American Council of Learned Societies.

Dissertation committee and outside examiner for Department of Philosophy, University of Guelph (2010); dissertation committee for University of Western Australia (2009).

Outside reader for personnel reviews, College of Wooster (2010), Loyola Marymount University (2008).

Member, American Philosophical Association, Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, International Society for Environmental Ethics, Society for Philosophy and Technology, Critical Theory Roundtable, Western Political Science Association

**SIGNIFICANT SERVICE AT DENISON:**

Chair, Philosophy Department, 1992-1997, 2000-2003, 2009 - 2011  
Finance Committee, 2010 - 2013  
Honors Committee, 1988 – 1990, 2008 - 2009  
Homestead Advisory Board, 1999 – 2003, 2008 – present  
Hiring Committee for Homestead Co-ordinator, 2009, 2010  
Ombudsperson for Political Science search, 2010  
Task Force on Advanced Placement Testing and Transfer Credit, 2007 - 2008  
Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on Diversity, 2005 – 6  
ENVS Committee 1989 – 1994, ENVS Program Committee, 2002 – 2005  
PPE Committee, 1991 – 2003 (director, 1991-1992, 1997- 1998)  
Reader, Bi-annual (salary) reports, 2003  
President’s Advisory Board, 1999 – 2002  
Advisory Board Representative to Academic Affairs Council of the Board of Trustees, 2001 – 2002  
Academic Affairs Council, 1992-1995, chair 1994-1995  
Women’s Studies Committee, 1987 – 1990  
University Senate, 1989 – 1990  
University Judicial Board, 1985 - 1987  
Professional Development Committee, 1990  
PC Evaluation Committee, 1987 – 1989  
Task Force on Student-to-Student Harassment Policy, 1988  
Alcoholic Beverage Committee, 1987 – 1988  
Search Committee, Cinema Department (tenure-track search), 2002 and 2004  
Personnel Review Committee (Jane Greene), Cinema Department, 2003 – 2009  
Personnel Review Committee (Jonathan Walley), Cinema Department, 2007 - present  
Tenure Review Committee, Women’s Studies Program, 1994  
Second-year Review Committee, Environmental Studies Program, 1998  
Chair, internal review of English Department, 1992  
Phi Beta Kappa, President 1992-1995, Vice-President 1991-1992

**COURSES TAUGHT AT DENISON:**

Introduction to Philosophy  
Social and Political Philosophy  
Philosophical Studies  
Logic  
Environmental Ethics  
Philosophy of Feminism  
Philosophy of Social Science  
19<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy  
History of Continental Philosophy  
Theories of Justice  
Hegel and Marx  
Heidegger  
Rawls and His Critics

