

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER
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Faculty 2011-12

Following each faculty member's name is a list of his or her principal areas of research and some main publications.

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Political Philosophy, Ethics, Aesthetics, Philosophy of Law.

"A Note on Locke's Theory of Tacit Consent," Philosophical Review, 1979; "Ethics and Markets," Philosophy and Public Affairs, 1985; "Leading a Rational Life," Theory and Decision, 1986.

Michael Caie, ABD, UC Berkeley, Instructor

Philosophical Logic, Philosophy of Language, Epistemology

"Belief and Indeterminacy" The Philosophical Review (forthcoming)

"Vagueness and Semantic Indiscriminability" Philosophical Studies (forthcoming)

Gregory Carlson, Ph.D., Massachusetts, Professor of Linguistics and Professor of Philosophy.

Semantic theory, Psycholinguistics, Discourse

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Ethics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind.

"Against Moral Dilemmas," The Philosophical Review, 1982; "Evidentialism," (co-authored with Richard Feldman) Philosophical Studies, 1985; "Evident, but Rationally Unacceptable," The Australasian Journal of Philosophy, 1987; "The Basic Nature of Epistemic Justification," The Monist, 1988; "The Possibility of Power Beyond Possibility," Philosophical Perspectives V, 1991; "Phenomenal Knowledge," The Australasian Journal of Philosophy, 1994; "The Generality Problem for Reliabilism" (co-authored with Richard Feldman) Philosophical Studies, 1998; "Metaphysics and the Morality of Abortion" Mind, 1999; "Heeding Misleading Evidence," Philosophical Studies, 2001; "Friendship and Consequentialism", The Australasian Journal of Philosophy, 2001; Evidentialism (with Richard Feldman), Oxford University Press, 2004; "Internalism, Externalism, and Skepticism", Philosophical Issues, 2004; Riddles of Existence (with Ted Sider), Oxford University Press, 2005; "Contextualism Contested" and "Contextualism Contested Some More", Contemporary Debates in Epistemology, Blackwell, 2005; "Dispositions Toward Counterfactuals in Ethics", The Good, The Right, Life and Death, K. McDaniel, J. Raibley, R. Feldman, and M. Zimmerman editors, Ashgate, 2006, "Externally Enhanced Internalism", in Internalism and Externalism in Semantics and Epistemology, S. Goldberg editor, Oxford, 2007, "Evidence" (with Richard Feldman), in Epistemology, Quentin Smith ed., Oxford, forthcoming, "Disjunctivism and Anti-Skepticism", Philosophical Issues, 2007, "Peerage", Episteme 2009, "Rational Disagreement Defended", in Disagreement, Rich Feldman and Ted Warfield eds., Oxford, 2011, "Self-Support", Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, forthcoming.

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Ethics, Legal & Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Education, History of Philosophy.

Books: Aristotle on the Necessity of Public Education (Rowman & Littlefield, 2000); coauthor, Ethical Standards of the AERA: Cases and Commentary, 2002; ed., A Companion to the Philosophy of Education (Blackwell, 2003; 2006); ed., Philosophy of Education: An Anthology (Blackwell, 2007); Education for Sustainable Development: A Philosophical Assessment (PESGB, 2009). Journal Editor (with Harry Brighouse): Theory and Research in Education. Articles: "The Contribution of Nicomachean Ethics iii 5 to Aristotle's Theory of Responsibility," History of Philosophy Quarterly, 1989; "Justice and the Threshold of Educational Equality," Philosophy of Education 1994, reprinted in The Ethics of Teaching, 2005; "Punishment and Inclusion," The Canadian Journal of Law and Jurisprudence, 1995, reprinted in Radical Critiques of the Law, 1997; "Coercion and the Ethics of Grading and Testing," Educational Theory, 1995, reprinted in Philosophy of Education: Major Themes in the Analytic Tradition, 1998, Ethics in Education, 1999, and Critique & Humanism, 2008; "Education, Philosophy of" and "Education, History of Philosophy of," Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy, 1998; "Cultivating the Intellectual and Moral Virtues," in Virtue Ethics and Moral Education, 1999; "Moral Education and Juvenile Crime," in NOMOS XLIII, 2002; "Educational Measurement and Knowledge of Other Minds," Theory and Research in Education, 2004; "Philosophy of Education, Ethical and Political Issues in," in Encyclopedia of Philosophy, 2nd ed., Macmillan, 2005; "Connected Learning and the Foundations of Psychometrics: A Rejoinder," Journal of Philosophy of Education, 2006; "Cardinal Virtues of Academic Administration," in Ethics of Academic Administration, 2009; "Academic Standards and Constitutive Luck," A Teacher's Life: Essays for Steven Cahn, 2009; "Education as a Social Right in a Diverse Society," Journal of Philosophy of Education, 2009, published in Spanish as, "La educación como un derecho social en una sociedad plural," in Educación, conocimiento y justicia (2009); "Pragmatist Philosophy of Education," in The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Education, 2009; "Aristotle's Educational Politics and the Aristotelian Renaissance in Philosophy of Education," Oxford Educational Review, 2010; "The *Prima Facie* Case Against Homeschooling," Public Affairs Quarterly, 2011.

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Medical Ethics, Public Health Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy, History of Moral and Political Philosophy

Book: *Trust and Toleration*, Routledge, 2004;

Selected articles: "Hume and the Contexts of Politics," *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 30, 1992, pp. 219-42; "Living with Contextualism," *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* 24, 1994, pp. 243-260; "Moral Conversions," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 56, 1996, pp. 531-50; "Hume on the Characters of Virtue," *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 35, 1997, pp. 45-64; "Trust and the Rationality of Toleration," *Nous* 32, 1998, pp. 82-98; "Establishing Toleration," *Political Theory* 27, 1999, pp. 667-93. "Morality above Metaphysics: Friendship and Philo's Stance in *Dialogue* XII," *Hume Studies* 28, 2002, pp. 131-47; "Moral Ambiguity in a Black-and-White Universe," in *Star Wars and Philosophy: More Powerful Than You Can Possibly Imagine*, ed. Kevin Decker and Jason Eberl (Open Court Press, 2005), 39-53; "'The Paradoxical Principle and Salutary Practice': Hume on Toleration," *Hume Studies* 31 (2005): 145-64; "Better Brains, Better Selves?: The Ethics of Neuroenhancements," *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal* 17 (2007): 375-99. "The Bond of Friendship and Trust: Liberal Societies in the Face of Evil," *The Modern Schoolman* 85 (2007): 71-87; "'One of the Finest and Most Subtle Inventions': Hume on Government," in *Blackwell Companion to Hume*, ed. Elizabeth Radcliffe (Blackwell Publishing, 2008), 388-405; "Of Socinians and Homosexuals: Trust and the Limits of Toleration," in *Toleration on Trial*, ed. Ingrid Creppell, Russell Hardin, and Stephen Macedo (Rowman and Littlefield, 2008), 85-109; "KidneyMatch.com: The Ethics of Solicited Organ Donations" (with Eric Singer), *Journal of Clinical Ethics* 19 (2008); with Jennifer Kwon, "Pediatric Screening and the Public Good," *Cerebrum* 2009, ed. Dan Gordon (New York: Dana Press, 2009), pp. 121-29; with Ronnie Guillet, "Will My Baby Walk?" *Neurology* 76 (2011): 2048-49.

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Epistemology, Metaphysics.

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Metaethics, Normative Ethics, Bioethics, Philosophy of Biology.

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Kant, History of Early Modern Philosophy, Aesthetics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Religion.
"Apperception and Objectivity," Southern Journal of Philosophy, 1987; "Kant's Functionalism," in Historical Foundations of Cognitive Science, 1989; "The Singularity of Pure Judgements of Taste," in Kant's Aesthetics, 1998; "Kant," in Blackwell's Companion to the Philosophers, 1999; "The Legacy of Lewis White Beck," Kant-Studien, 1999; "Which Freedom?," in Kant's Legacy, 2001; "R. Stern's Transcendental Arguments," in Kant-Studien, 2004.

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Aristotle, History of Ancient Philosophy.
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Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Physics.
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Philosophy of Science, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind
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Philosophy of Religion, Metaphysics
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