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PERSONAL DATA

Place of Birth New York, NY
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Office Contact CUNY/Kingsborough Community College
 Department of History, Philosophy and Political Science
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EDUCATION

 CUNY/GRADUATE SCHOOL
2005 PHD IN PHILOSOPHY
 Dissertation: title: The Metacausal Theory of Autonomy
 Topic: Metacognitive practices increase autonomy
 Committee: Harry Frankfurt, Galen Strawson, John Greenwood
 (chair), Stephen Grover, Michael Levin (advisor)

2003 M.PHIL. IN PHILOSOPHY
 Area of specialization: Philosophy of Language

1989 CUNY/BROOKLYN COLLEGE
 B.A. IN PHILOSOPHY (*Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude*)

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

 CUNY/KINGSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE: DEPT. OF
 HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY & POLITICAL SCIENCE
2016 – Professor
2013 – 2016 Associate Professor
2006 – 2013 Assistant Professor

2004 – 2006 Instructor (f/t)
2003 – 2004 Substitute Lecturer (f/t)
1996 – 2000 Adjunct Instructor (p/t)

VASSAR COLLEGE: EXPLORING TRANSFER PROGRAM
2008 Visiting Lecturer: Global Ethics and Identity
2007 Visiting Lecturer: Engaged Ethics: Integrating Contemplative Practice and Social Justice

CUNY/BROOKLYN COLLEGE: PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT
1991 – 2003 Adjunct / Graduate Teaching Fellow
1998 – 1999 Deputy Chair, summers

1998 – 1999 **CUNY/LAGUARDIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT
Adjunct Instructor

NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2024 – present **AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION**
ACADEMY & INSTITUTE
Faculty

2022 – present **KNOWLEDGECOIN.IO**
Chief Philosophy Officer

2020 – present **AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION**
Faculty

2017 – present **PHILOSOPHICAL COUNSELOR**
Self-employed

1999 – 2020 **NATURAL BALANCE WELLNESS CENTER**
Yoga and Meditation Instructor

NON-ACADEMIC PRO BONO POSITIONS

2023 – present **AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION**
Board of Directors / Vice President

Co-Chair, Board of Examiners
International Editorial Board

2023 – present **VERVAEKE FOUNDATION**
Meditation Instructor
Facilitator, Starter of Ecology of Practices

2023 – present **PHILOSOPHICAL PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA**
Faculty

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

- 2022 *The Routledge Handbook on the Philosophy of Meditation*. Ed. R. Repetti.
London: Routledge
- 2019 *Buddhism, Meditation, and Free Will: A Buddhist Theory of Mental
Freedom*. London: Routledge
- 2017 *Buddhist Perspectives on Free Will: Agentless Agency?* Ed. R. Repetti.
London: Routledge
- 2010 *The Counterfactual Theory of Free Will: A Genuinely Deterministic Form
of Soft Determinism*. LAP Lambert Academic

PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES

- 2023 “A Sampling of Philosophical Counseling Frameworks, Tools, and
Practices”. *Interdisciplinary Research in Counseling Ethics and
Philosophy*, 3(8): 136-195.
- 2020 “A Defense of *Buddhism, Meditation, and Free Will: A Theory of Mental
Freedom*,” *Zygon* 55 (2): 540-564.
- 2020 “Meditation.” *Palgrave Encyclopedia of the Possible*, 1-9.
- 2020 “Existential Digestion: Philosophical Counseling during the Pandemic,”
Philosophical Practice 15 (2-3): 2508-2515
- 2019 “Freedom of the Mind: Buddhist Soft Compatibilism,” *Philosophy East
and West* 70 (1): 174-195.
- 2018 “Symposium on *Buddhist Perspectives on Free Will: Agentless Agency?*”,
Journal of Buddhist Ethics 25, 635-662.
- 2018 “It Wasn’t Us: Reply to Michael Brent”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 25,
839-855.
- 2018 “It Wasn’t Me: Replies to Karin Meyers”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 25,
855-886.
- 2016 “If God Didn’t Satisfice, We Could Still Exist”, *Science, Religion &
Culture* 2:4 (March 2016), 115-24 (invited by editor)
- 2015 “Buddhist Meditation and the Possibility of Freedom”, *Science, Religion*

- & *Culture* 2:2 (May 2015), 81-98 (invited by editor)
- 2014 “Recent Buddhist Theories of Free Will: Compatibilism, Incompatibilism, and Beyond”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 21 (March 13, 2014), 279-352
- 2012 “Buddhist Hard Determinism: No Self, No Free Will, No Responsibility”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 19 (April 19, 2012), 130-97 (invited by editor)
- 2012 “Buddhist Reductionism and Free Will: Paleo-compatibilism”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 19 (April 11, 2012), 33-95 (invited by editor)
- 2010 “Earlier Buddhist Theories of Free Will: Compatibilism”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 17 (December 21, 2010), 279-310
- 2010 “Meditation and Mental Freedom: A Buddhist Theory of Free Will”, *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 17 (July 15, 2010), 166-212
- 2010 “The Case for a Contemplative Philosophy of Education”, *New Directions for Community Colleges* 151 (Fall 2010), 5-15 (invited)
- 2004 “Reply to Steven Cahn’s ‘The Ethics of Teaching: A Puzzle,’” *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy* 3:2 (Spring 2004), 18-19

PUBLICATIONS: CHAPTERS

- 2022 “Selfhood and Resentment.” In *Reasons and Empty Persons: Mind, Metaphysics, and Morality. Essays in Honor of Mark Siderits*. Ed. C. Coseru. Springer.
- 2022 “Introduction”. In *Essays on Philosophy, Praxis and Culture: An Eclectic, Provocative and Prescient Collection*. Ed. L. Marinoff. New York: Anthem Press.
- 2021 “Is Anything We Do Ever Really Up To Us? Western and Buddhist Philosophical Perspectives on Free Will.” In *Philosophy’s Perennial Questions: Comparing Buddhist and Western Approaches*. Ed. Steven Emmanuel. Columbia University Press.
- 2018 “I Could Have Done Otherwise, Had I Wanted To.” In *Clarity and Vision: An Introduction to Philosophy* 2d ed., eds. Ben Abelson, Marie Friquegnon, and Raziel Abelson, ch. 6. Kendall Hunt Publishing.
- 2017 “What Do Buddhists Think about Free Will?” In *A Mirror Is for Reflection: Understanding Buddhist Ethics*, edited by Jake Davis, ch. 14. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2016 “Meditation Matters: Replies to the Anti-McMindfulness Bandwagon!” In *Handbook of Mindfulness: Culture, Context and Social Engagement*, eds. Ron Purser, David Forbes, and Adam Burke, 473-493. Springer.

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK REVIEWS

- 2022 *How Things Are: An Introduction to Buddhist Metaphysics*. By Mark

- Siderits. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2022. Pp. vi + 204. Paperback \$29.95, ISBN 978-0-19-760691-9. *Philosophy East & West* 72(4):1-5.
- 2021 Peter Boghossian and James Lindsay, *How to Have Impossible Conversations: A Very Practical Guide* (New York: Lifelong Books, 2019). 248pp. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0738285320 (paperback). *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy* 21:1 (Fall 2021), 3-5.
- 2015 Jay L. Garfield, *Engaging Buddhism: Why It Matters to Philosophy*, Oxford University Press, 2015, 400pp., \$29.95, ISBN 978-0-19-020434-1 (paperback). *Science, Religion & Culture* 2:2 (May 2015), 1-6.
- 2015 Christian Coseru. *Perceiving Reality: Consciousness, Intentionality, and Cognition in Buddhist Philosophy*. Oxford University Press 2012. 384 pp. \$78.00 USD (Hardcover ISBN 9780199843381); \$29.95 USD (Paperback ISBN 9780190253110). *Philosophy in Review* 35:4 (August 2015), 191-193.
- 2014 Peter Boghossian, *A Manual for Creating Atheists*, Pitchstone Publishing, 2013, 280pp., \$14.95, ISBN 978-1939578099 (paperback). Foreword by Michael Shermer. *Science, Religion & Culture* 1:2 (August 2014), 93-96.

WORKS IN PRESS

- 2024 “Awareness”. In *Transformative Philosophy*. Ed. Lydia Amir. New York: Lexington Books.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- 2025/6 *Soft Compatibilism: A Buddhism-based Counterfactual Analysis of Agential Causal Efficacy in the Absence of a Substantive Self*. Monograph. (Tentative: Lexington Books)
- 2025/6 *Philosophical Therapy*. Anthology
- 2024/5 *Indian Philosophy for Everyday Life*. Monograph
- 2024/5 *Meditation as Philosophy: A Guide for Philosophy as a Way of Life*. Monograph (Tentative: Wisdom Publications)
- 2024 “An Argument for Philosophical Therapy”. *Philosophical Practice*.
- 2024 “Why There Is and Ought To Be a Philosophy of Meditation: A Reply to Evan Thompson”. Tentative: *Philosophy East and West*.
- 2024 “Case Studies in Philosophical Therapy”. *Philosophical Practice*.
- 2024 “Self-forming, Self-Unforming, and Self-Transcending Aspirational Practices: A Response to Galen Strawson’s Paradox of Self-Transformation”. Rick Repetti and John Vervaeke.
- 2024 *The Philosophy of Meditation: The Spoken Tao*. Monograph (Tentative: Oxford University Press)

PUBLICATIONS: NON-ACADEMIC

August 14, 2019 “Steel Men and Viewpoint Manicheanism,” *Quillette*.
<https://quillette.com/2019/08/14/straw-men-and-viewpoint-manicheanism/>

EDITORIAL WORK

2024 – present *Philosophical Practice*, International Editorial Board
2022 – present *Philosophy East & West*, Reviewer
2019 – present *Publons*, Reviewer
2018 *Journal of Buddhist Ethics*, Special Issue Guest Editor
2017 – present *Journal of Buddhist Ethics*, Associate Editor and Reviewer
2014 – 2022 *APA Newsletter on Philosophy in Two-Year Colleges*, Editorial Board
2014 – 2019 *Science, Religion & Culture*, Editorial Board and Reviewer
2014 *Southwest Philosophy Review*, Reviewer
2013 – present *Buddhist Studies Review*, Reviewer
2013 *Journal of Cognitive Science*, Reviewer

OTHER PHILOSOPHICAL WORK

2024 – present *UTOK (Unified Theory of Knowledge) Matrix*, Member
2024 – present *American Philosophical Practitioners Association*, Faculty
2023 – present *Victor Lange Dissertation on Mindfulness*, Expert Advisor
2022 – present *X-Phi Research Project on Buddhism and Free Will*, Expert Advisor
2022 – present *Knowledgecoin.io*, Chief Philosophy Officer

INVITED PRESENTATIONS / PAPERS / PODCAST INTERVIEWS

June 2024 “An Argument for Philosophical Therapy”. Paper Presentation. Annual Meeting, American Philosophical Practitioners Association.
May 2024 “The Concept and Experience of God from Ancient Indian Philosophical and Metamodern Perspectives”. Lecture and Practice Workshop. Metamodern Spirituality Retreat. Sky Meadow Retreat Center. Greensboro Bend, VT
April 2024 “What Is Justification and Can It Be Framed as a Virtue? A Dialectic to Dialogos”. Panel Discussion, with Ryan Barton, Robert Gray, and Martin Chikilian. UTOK Consilience Conference.
April 2024 “What Is Wisdom and How Can It Be Cultivated?”. Panel presentation with Iris Stammberger and Michael Mascolo. UTOK Consilience Conference.

- April 2024 “Q&A with John Vervaeke and Rick Repetti”. Podcast. John Vervaeke’s Patreon channel.
- April 2024 “Life of Rick Repetti”. Episode #5, Soul Makers podcast.
https://open.substack.com/pub/soulmakers/p/soulmakers-5-a-life-of-rick-repetti?r=o93n&utm_medium=ios
- April 2024 “Philosophy and Mental Health, with Rick Repetti and Mark Pellegrino”. Podcast.
https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=UljYMfMAIO4&fbclid=IwAR26v0S5B9RLAkMRb5T-i0qItrWd3jMADnAPYIx5mvWct1zsYAR55NCEKU0_aem_AcbGCpeM54IWwfmtRwKUg-JRwqE64TX6AwDUUoBUIt6VVCGLGAJUeMxQv4XVtFI8
- March 2024 “Integrating Science with Contemplative Practice | Philosophy of Meditation #7 with Mark Miller”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/JF1DERVUc1M?si=KGPcTFW8ZX6zxyOA>
- February 2024 “Ancient Wisdom, Modern Insights | Philosophy of Meditation #6 with Massimo Pigliucci”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/bm5ybQOGWXI?si=RypIAtfDOoc9M7gG>
- February 2024 “Bridging Mindfulness and Philosophical | Philosophy of Meditation #5 with Evan Thompson”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/Gos-K8Lstbk?si=ji9eZg68EhPHc6Jq>
- February 2024 “Zen, Awareness and American Spirituality | Philosophy of Meditation #4 with Thomas Metzinger”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/dxfmX4QkEyw?si=C5nE0vrKEVTMd3Ta>
- February 2024 “Meditation in Practical Philosophy | Philosophy of Meditation #3 with Lou Marinoff”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/eaBrbjAueF8?si=TxE6NH2geeGlg5Hx>
- January 2024 “Unveiling the Self | Philosophy of Meditation #2 with Pierre Grimes”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/LBID1be2BPk?si=CdeQ79yevqYa9zC>
- January 2024 “The Journey to Philosophical Wisdom | Philosophy of Meditation #1 with Rick Repetti”. Podcast. Voices with Vervaeke. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/JC3NpMEhGKQ?si=gAWZpijCDMngAh-e>
- November 2023 “UTOKing with Rick Repetti: Determined to Be Free”. Podcast Interview. Gregg Henriques’s UTOK: Unified Theory of Knowledge. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ux0k_4_mhQ4.
- June 2023 “A Sampling of Philosophical Counseling Frameworks, Tools, and Practices”. Paper presentation. 17th International Conference on Philosophical Practice. Timisoara, Romania.
- June 2023 “Practicum on Philosophical Practices”. Workshop. 17th International Conference on Philosophical Practice. Timisoara, Romania
- May 2023 “Yoga from a Metamodern Breathwork Perspective”. Workshop.

- Metamodern Spirituality Retreat. Sky Meadow Retreat Center.
Greensboro Bend, VT
- March 2023 “Knowledgecoin: Building a Knowledge Commons in the Digital Age”.
Symposium: Symposium: Lawful, Propositional, and Sapiential
Consilience. Online conference: Consilience: Unifying Knowledge and
Orienting Toward a Wisdom Commons.
- January 2023 “Meditation as Philosophy: Arguments Pro and Con”. Panel: Meditation
As Philosophy? International Society for Buddhist Philosophy. American
Philosophical Association, Eastern Division. 119th Annual Meeting.
Montreal, Quebec.
- December 2022 “INSIDE UTOK with Rick Repetti”. Podcast Interview. UTOK: Unified
Theory of Knowledge, Gregg Henriques.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DoEEiDIIdU7s>.
- October 2022 “Philosophy of Meditation”. Podcast Interview: Natural Awakening, with
Wystan T. Bryant-Scott. [https://anchor.fm/wystan-t-bryant-
scott/episodes/Rick-Repetti-Philosophy-of-Meditation-e1p3n9d/a-a8lv6lt](https://anchor.fm/wystan-t-bryant-scott/episodes/Rick-Repetti-Philosophy-of-Meditation-e1p3n9d/a-a8lv6lt).
- October 2022 “Contemporary Perspectives on the Philosophy of Meditation”.
International Webinar. Lady Keane College. Shillong, India
- October 2022 “Philosophy of Meditation and the Self-Transformation Paradox”. Podcast
Interview: Voices with Vervaeke
- October 2022 “Essays on Philosophy, Praxis and Culture, Anthem Press 2022. The Book
Launch!” Online. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Xtp7FIUhg0>.
- September 2022 “Essays on Philosophy, Praxis, and Culture”. International Webinar. Lady
Keane College. Shillong, India
- September 2022 “Spinoza’s *Ethics*.” Guest Lecturer, Modern Philosophy Study Group,
Hindu College, University of New Delhi (Zoom), Delhi, India
- September, 2022 “Lou Marinoff’s *Essays on Philosophy, Praxis and Culture: An Eclectic,
Provocative and Prescient Collection*.” Invited speaker. Truth in Action:
Karma Yoga and Satyagraha – New Dimensions in Gandhian Pragmatics.
International webinar. Lady Keane College, Shillong, India
- September 2022 “Descartes’s *Discourse on Method* and *Meditations on First Philosophy*.”
Guest lecturer. Modern Philosophy Study Group, Hindu College,
University of New Delhi (Zoom), Delhi, India
- August 2022 “Experiences of Meditation”. Podcast Interview. The Integral Stage.
<https://youtu.be/ZvmRliGdnYo>
- June 2022 “Freedom of the Mind: A Buddhist Argument for Soft Compatibilism”.
Keynote. Beyond Free Will: Variety in Understanding of Choice, Luck,
and Necessity. Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania.
- June 2022 “Typologies of Meditation”. Podcast Interview. The Integral Stage.
<https://youtu.be/cv3iqu-Bm5U>
- June 2022 “Talk’N deep with Rick Repetti...” Podcast interview. Circling Dia-Logos
with Guy Sengstock. <https://youtu.be/4Pqhtsw1PrA>
- May 2022 “Rick Repetti: Inviting Creativity into Personal Growth Practices”.

- May 2022 Podcast Interview. Move with Seth. <https://youtu.be/XDp3pdoJKXQ>
 “Ineffable Spiritual Experience, Secular Denialism, and Lineage Institutions with Rick Repetti”. Podcast Interview. Paul Vanderklay. <https://youtu.be/PgJvEfcS45M>.
- May 2022 “Free will, agency, and autopoiesis w/ Rick Repetti”, Podcast Interview. Voices with Vervaeke. https://youtu.be/JpMpEU9_wv4
- April 2022 “The Philosophy of Meditation”. Podcast interview. The Integral Stage. <https://youtu.be/QsceON6mFT8>
- April 2022 “Philosophical Writing”. *Panathenae*: The Annual Fest of the Department of Philosophy. Online, Hindu College, University of Delhi. Delhi, India
- March 2022 “Begging for More(ness). Episode 2, Part 2”. Podcast Interview. The Meditating Philosopher. <https://youtu.be/TjB467gry9A>
- March 2022 “Begging for More(ness). Episode 2, Part 1”. Podcast Interview. The Meditating Philosopher. https://youtu.be/NxytapB_jq4
- March 2022 “Begging for More(ness) /w Rick Repetti – Part 3”. Podcast Interview. The Meditating Philosopher. <https://youtu.be/U7Wp2uXn3nE>
- February 2022 “Practice, anti-practice, and meta-practice cycles: reincarnation within a lifetime”. Podcast Interview. Voices with Vervaeke. <https://youtu.be/onv2Xlcv5tQ>
- February 2022 “Begging for More(ness) /w Rick Repetti: Inquiry into the Meaning Crisis, Part 2”. Podcast Interview. The Meditating Philosopher. <https://youtu.be/pMZVikI0ri0>
- February 2022 “Begging for More(ness) /w Rick Repetti: Inquiring into John Vervaeke and The Meaning Crisis”. Podcast Interview. The Meditating Philosopher. <https://youtu.be/h8JHUNNIGRU>
- January 2022 “Relative Merits of Philosophical Counseling”. International Conference on Philosophical Counseling. Online, University of Delhi. Delhi, India
- December 2021 “Transformative experience and philosophical counselling w/ Rick Repetti”. Podcast Interview. Voices with Vervaeke. https://youtu.be/FVSVUT_DeBk
- December 2021 “The philosophy of meditation, transformative experience, etc., w/Rick Repetti”. Podcast Interview. Voices with Vervaeke. https://youtu.be/VSURwG1f_U8
- August 2019 “Episode 315: Rick Repetti: Buddhism, Meditation, and Free Will: A Theory of Mental Freedom”. Podcast interview. The Secular Buddhist. Secular Buddhist Association. <https://player.fm/series/the-secular-buddhist/episode-315-rick-repetti-buddhism-meditation-and-free-will-a-theory-of-mental-freedom>
- July 2019 “How Do We Know What Is True? A Look at Objectivist Epistemology: A Chat with Rick Repetti.” APEX Level To Power Podcast # LTP 037, <https://leveltopower.com/index.php/2019/07/29/ltp-037-how-do-we-know-what-is-true-a-look-at-objectivist-epistemology-a-chat-with-rick-repetti/>
- July 2019 “How to Win an Online Argument Using Reason: The Case of the

- Tattoo.” APEX Level To Power Podcast # LTP 035,
<https://leveltopower.com/index.php/2019/07/29/ltp-035-how-to-win-an-online-argument-the-case-of-the-tattoo-taboo-a-chat-with-rick-repetti/>
- January 2019 “A Defense of *Buddhism, Meditation, and Free Will: A Theory of Mental Freedom*,” APA Author Meets Critics Panel Discussion (of my monograph). Ethics in Indian and Tibetan Buddhist Philosophy. APA Eastern Division Annual Convention. New York City.
- January 2019 “Two Truths about Buddhist Agency: From the Personal to the Impersonal?” Panel Discussion: Ethics in Indian and Tibetan Buddhist Philosophy. APA Eastern Division Annual Convention. New York City.
- May 2018 “Philosophy: Who Needs It Series, Part 2. How To build A Stronger Foundation - A Chat with Rick Repetti.” APEX LTP Podcast #33,
<https://leveltopower.com/index.php/2018/05/13/ltp-033-philosophy-who-needs-it-series-part-2-how-to-build-a-stronger-foundation-a-chat-with-rick-repetti>
- May 2018 “Philosophy: Who Needs It Series. How To build A Stronger Foundation - A Chat with Rick Repetti.” APEX Level to Power Podcast #32,
<https://leveltopower.com/index.php/2018/05/13/ltp-032-philosophy-who-needs-it-series-how-to-build-a-stronger-foundation-a-chat-with-rick-repetti>
- January 2018 Author Meets Critics. Panel discussing my edited collection, *Buddhist Perspectives on Free Will*. APA Eastern Division Annual Convention. Savannah, GA.
- January 2018 Panel Discussion: Ethics in Indian and Tibetan Buddhist Philosophy. APA Eastern Division Annual Convention. Savannah, GA.
- January 2018 Panel Discussion. Committee of Philosophy in Two-Year Colleges. APA Eastern Division Annual Convention. Savannah, GA.
- February 2017 “Buddhist Meditation, Mental Freedom, and Free Will”. Lecture and book signing, Gotham Philosophical Society. Cornelia Street Cafe, NYC
- January 2017 “Applying the Indo-Tibetan Causal Criterion for Ontological Substantiality to the Issue of Agency”. Panel. APA Eastern Division.
- October 2016 “Episode 261: Rick Repetti: Buddhist Perspectives on Free Will”, Podcast interview. The Secular Buddhist. Secular Buddhist Association.
<https://player.fm/series/the-secular-buddhist/episode-261-rick-repetti-buddhist-perspectives-on-free-will>
- October 2016 “Applying the Indo-Tibetan Causal Criterion for Ontological Substantiality to the Issue of Agency”. Panel. Philosophical Foundations of the Tantra. Joint Meeting of Society for the Study of Indian and Tibetan Buddhist Philosophy, Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, and Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science. Fordham University, NYC
- April 2016 “Philosophical Conceptions of Happiness”. Panel. 1st Liberal Arts Symposium, CUNY/Kingsborough

- March 2016 “Animal Rights”. Panel. Ethics and Animals, CUNY/Kingsborough
- February 2016 “Jobs and Rewards: Teaching Philosophy at Community Colleges”. Panel. APA Committee on Philosophy in Two-Year Colleges, 112th Annual Meeting of the APA, Central Division, Chicago, IL
- January 2016 “Jobs and Rewards: Teaching Philosophy at Community Colleges”. Panel. APA Committee on Philosophy in Two-Year Colleges, 112th Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division, Washington, D.C.
- February 2015 “How Do I Obtain and Keep a Full-Time Community College Faculty Position?” Panel. APA Committee Session, 111th Annual Meeting of the APA, Central Division, St. Louis, Missouri
- October 2014 “Born-again Buddhists: On the Buddhist Necessity of Belief in Reincarnation.” Panel. Indian and Tibetan Buddhist Philosophy: Rebirth, 32nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy and the Society for the Study of Islamic Philosophy and Science, Fordham University, NYC
- December 2013 “Author Meets Critics: Charles Goodman, Consequences of Compassion.” Panel. International Society for Buddhist Philosophy, 100th Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division, Baltimore, MD
- June 2013 “Visiting Sacred Spaces: Experiencing ‘The Other,’ Up Close and Personal.” Panel. Civic Engagement Projects. “21st Century Citizens: Building Bridges, Solving Problems.” 2013 Meeting of the American Democracy Project and The Democracy Commitment. Denver, CO
- February 2013 “Buddha, Not Prozac: Meditation, Free Will, and Mental Freedom.” Philosophy Department Colloquium, William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ
- December 2012 “The *Dharma*-responsive Theory of Free Will: Enough ‘Freedom to’ to Attain ‘Freedom from.’” Paper. Columbia Society for Comparative Philosophy, Columbia University, NYC
- November 2012 Response to Owen Flanagan’s “Buddhist Quietism about Free Will.” Columbia Society for Comparative Philosophy, Columbia University, NYC
- October 2011 “Free-Will-Possessing and Enlightened Buddhist Brains in Vats.” Panel Five: Freedom & Responsibility. Contemporary Perspectives on Buddhist Ethics, conference, Columbia University, NYC.
http://www.cbs.columbia.edu/buddhist_ethics/panel-five.html
- April 2009 “Socrates, Meet Buddha: On the Use of Mindfulness Meditation in the Philosophy Class.” Paper. 2nd Mindful Learners Conference: Classroom Practices and Faculty Conversations, CUNY Graduate Center, NYC
- April 2009 “Mindfulness Meditation and Autonomy: A Buddhist Theory of Free Will.” Paper. Asian American / Asian Research Institute, CUNY, NYC.
https://youtu.be/kaaz_liRKjI
- May 2008 “Opening the Circle.” Interactive workshop. 4th Annual General Education

May 6, 2008	Conference, CUNY/Baruch College, NYC “Reflective Practices.” Faculty development seminar. Teaching Learning Center, CUNY/Borough of Manhattan Community College, NYC
May 2007	“The Knower and the Known: Contemplative Practice in Teaching.” Interactive workshop. 3 rd Annual CUNY General Education Conference, CUNY/Queens College, Queens, NY
March 2007	“Creating Space for Silence: Interdisciplinary Contemplations on Identity.” Chair. Conference on College Composition and Communication, NYC
March 2007	“Philosophical Contemplations on the Self, from the Self.” Panel. Conference on College Composition and Communication, NYC
October 2006	“The DaVinci Code: A Discussion.” Lead discussion. Italian Heritage and Culture Month. CUNY/Kingsborough, Brooklyn, NY
October 2006	“African Philosophy in the Philosophy Curriculum?” Panel. Philosophy & African Diaspora Culture. 5 th Work in Progress at CUNY on the African Diaspora Interdisciplinary Conference, CUNY Graduate Center, NYC
August 2006	“Interactive Workshop on Contemplative Practices in Philosophy Class.” Workshop. 16th Biennial International Workshop Conference of American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Washington & Jefferson College, Pittsburgh, PA
August 2006	“Workshop on the Double Use of Multiple Choice Quizzes.” Workshop. 16th Biennial International Workshop Conference of the American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Washington & Jefferson College, Pittsburgh, PA
August 2006	“Interactive Workshop on the Use of the Student's Own Philosophical Beliefs.” Workshop. 16th Biennial International Workshop Conference of the American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Washington and Jefferson College, Pittsburgh, PA
July, 2006	“Inner and Outer Peace.” Meditation. CUNY/Kingsborough Community College. “Meditation on Peace” event, Brooklyn, NY
April 2006	“Contemplative Studies.” Panel. Mindful Learners: Uses of Contemplative Practice in the Classroom Conference, CUNY Graduate Center, sponsored by the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society, NYC
March 2006	“The Spirit of Robert's Rules of Order.” Paper. 2 nd Annual International Convention of the Student World Assembly, McGill University, Montreal, CA
March 2006	“Global Democracy.” Panel. 2 nd Annual International Convention of the Student World Assembly, McGill University, Montreal, CA

GRANTS / AWARDS AT CUNY/KINGSBOROUGH

2022	Mindfulness Meditation Training Pilot Program (\$900), Promoting Student’s Sense of Belonging, a Kingsborough Community College
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	initiative.
2016	President's Grant for Scholarly and Applied Research – course release to work on formal book proposal for Buddhism and Free Will monograph
2010/2011	PSC-CUNY PSCREG-41-167 Research Award for “Buddhism and Free Will” – \$1,928.50
2009/2010	PSC-CUNY PSCREG-40-225 Research Award for “A Genuinely Deterministic Theory of Soft Determinism” – \$2,660.00
2009/2010	Faculty Fellowship Publication Program – course release
2008/2009	PSC-CUNY PSCREG-39-253 Research Award for “Mindfulness Meditation and Free Will” – \$3,990.00
2007/2008	PSC-CUNY PSCREG -38-109 Research Award for “Does Mindfulness Meditation Enhance Philosophical Engagement” – \$1,000.00
2006	CUNY Faculty Development Grant for “Reflective Practice: Medium & Message”, a learning community exploring use of contemplative practices in Classical Philosophy, English, Speech, and Student Development courses, with Kate Garretson and Holly Krech Thomas - \$10,000.00
2006	Kingsborough Community College “President's Innovative Pedagogy Award” for contemplative pedagogy course, “Reflective Practice: Medium & Message”, shared with Kate Garretson and Holly Krech Thomas

DISTINCTIONS AT CUNY/GRADUATE SCHOOL

1990 – 2003	Awarded Graduate University Tuition Scholarships and Graduate University Tuition Fellowships (several times for each type)
1996 – 2000	Awarded 3-year Graduate Teaching Fellowship (twice)
1990 – 1993	Awarded three Graduate Research Assistantships, assigned to Distinguished Professor of Philosophy Jerry Katz

DISTINCTIONS AT CUNY/BROOKLYN COLLEGE

1989	<i>Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, Alpha Sigma Lambda, Alpha Sigma Lambda Award, Departmental Honors in Philosophy, Philosophy Department Senior Scholarship, College Senior Award, Mangione Memorial Award, Gold Pen (Journalism) Award, Howard Hintz (refereed) Essay Award: “Critique of Nozick's Entitlement Theory”</i>
1988	Howard Hintz Essay Award: “Locke's Proviso and the Minimal State”, Hirsch Scholarship
1987	Howard Hintz Essay Award: “Lifeboat Ethics: The Singer-Hardin Debate”, Saul Lyons Scholarship
1986	Dean's List

DISTINCTIONS AT CUNY/LEHMAN COLLEGE

1985 - 1986 Lehman Scholar

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Fall 2023 Dialectic to Dialogos. 12-week professional development training. Online. Vervaeke Foundation.

October 2023 Nelsonian Socratic Dialogue Training. Three-day professional development training. Online. American Philosophical Practitioners Association.

May 2023 “More Wise: How to Practice Wisdom”. 3-day professional development training. Respond Network.

December 2022 “The Wisdom Project. Seven-week professional development workshop. Online, with Iris Stammberger.

October 2022 Philosophical Consulting (Dilemma) Training. Two-day professional development training. Online. American Philosophical Practitioners Association

June 2022 Dialectic to Dialogos. Two-day retreat, online. The Circling Institute. California

February 2018 Certification: Mindfulness Practitioner Levels 1, 2, 3, and Master. Udemy Certification Program

December 2017 Certification: Life Coach. Udemy Certification Program

October 2017 Certification: Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Practitioner. Udemy Certification Program

July 2017 Certification: Philosophical Counselor. Philosophical Practitioner Certification Training Program. American Philosophy Practitioners Association, NYC

October 2011 Contemporary Perspectives on Buddhist Ethics Conference
Columbia University, NYC

2003 – 2005 Gestalt Center for Psychotherapy and Training, New York, NY
Training towards certification for QGT (Qualified Gestalt Therapist)
Gestalt Psychotherapist in Training
Two years training
One-year of client counseling, under supervision

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES / CONFERENCES

March 2024 Annual Meeting of the APA, Pacific Division, Portland, Oregon. 4-day conference.

January 2024 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division, New York, NY. 4-day

conference.

June 2023 International Conference on Philosophical Practice. Timisoara, Romania. 4-day conference.

March 2023 Consilience: Unifying Knowledge and Orienting Toward a Wisdom Commons. Three-day online conference.

January 2023 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division, Montreal, Quebec. 4-day conference.

November 2022 Śāntideva: Utilitarian or Eudaimonist? Charles Goodman and Amod Lele Center for Culture, Society and Religion. Princeton University, NJ

Sept/Oct 2022 Buddhist Ethics 3.0. Invited
Three-day conference, invitation only.
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

July 2022 Board of Directors Retreat
American Philosophical Practitioners Association. Three-day retreat, Monroe, NY

January 2019 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division
Three-day philosophy conference, NYC

February 2017 Readings of the *Bodhicaryāvatāra*
Conference
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

January 2017 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division
Three-day philosophy conference, Baltimore, MD

Summer 2016 Conference on Buddhist Ethics. Three-day philosophy conference, by invitation only. Dickinson College, PA

May 2016 Peace Building through Intercultural Dialogue
7th Annual Friendship Dinner, Turkish Cultural Center, Baku Palace, Brooklyn, NY

April 2016 Global Citizenship Alliance
8-day global citizenship seminar, Salzburg Austria

March 2016 Annual Meeting of the APA, Central Division
Three-day philosophy conference, Chicago, IL

January 2016 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division
Three-day philosophy conference, Washington, DC

December 2014 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division
Three-day philosophy conference, Philadelphia, PA

December 2013 Annual Meeting of the APA, Eastern Division
Three-day philosophy conference, Baltimore, Maryland

June 2013 The Democracy Commitment & the American Democracy Project
2013 Joint National Meeting
Three-day conference, “21st Century Citizens: Building Bridges, Solving Problems.” Denver, Colorado

July/August 2012 Bridging Cultures Summer Institute
Six-day curriculum and faculty development project, supported by a grant

from the National Endowment for the Humanities: “Bridging Cultures to Form a Nation: Difference, Community, and Democratic Thinking.”
University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

May 2009 American Philosophy Practitioners Association
Annual Meeting, CUNY/City College, NYC

May 2008 Making It Work and Making It Matter
4th Annual CUNY General Education Conference, CUNY/ Baruch College, NYC

May 2007 Professing Liberal Education: What Do We Need to Know? What Do We Need to Do?
3rd Annual CUNY General Education Conference, CUNY/Queens College, NYC

April 2007 Salzburg Global Studies Program
9-day Global Citizenship Seminar, Salzburg, Austria

March 2007 Conference on College Composition and Communication
Three-day pedagogy conference, NYC

February 2007 The Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative
Human Research Protections Training Program, CUNY

January 2007 Designing & Publishing Classroom-Based Research: Winter Seminar
Four-day workshop, Kingsborough Center for Teaching & Learning’s Scholarship of Teaching & Learning (SoTL), facilitated by Connie Schroeder (U. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee) in support of SoTL research pilot, “The Effects of Mindfulness Meditation Sessions in the Philosophy Classroom”

October 2006 The Fifth Work in Progress at CUNY on the African Diaspora
Interdisciplinary Conference
Conference on African philosophy, CUNY Graduate Center

August 2006 Biennial International Workshop Conference
Four-day workshop conference of The American Association of Philosophy Teachers, on philosophy pedagogy, Washington and Jefferson College, Pittsburgh, PA

2003 – 2005 The Free Will Circle
CUNY Graduate Center, NYC
Founder/organizer: Weekly free will reading/discussion group

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: GENERAL

2023 – present Meditation Instructor
Vervaeke Foundation
Online

2023 – present Facilitator, Starter Ecology of Practices (SEoP)
Awaken to Meaning
Online

2022 – present	Vice President, American Philosophical Practitioners Association, NY
2021 – present	Board of Directors, American Philosophical Practitioners Association, NY
2017 – present	Philosophical Practitioner, Life Coach, CBT Practitioner, Brooklyn, NY and online. Private practice
2020 – present	Meditation Instructor Natural Balance Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY
2000 – 2020	Meditation & Yoga Instructor Natural Balance Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY
2007 – 2008	Paradocs, New York, NY, copyeditor
2002 – 2003	Gestalt Psychotherapist, under supervision. Gestalt Center for Psychotherapy and Training, New York, NY
1990 – 1998	Freelancer, copy edited several books and/or journal articles for Jerry Katz (CUNY Graduate School), Professors Beth Singer and Gertrude Ezorsky (Brooklyn College)
1996 – 1998	Mitchell Madison Group, New York, NY Copyeditor, consulting firm
1986 – 1996	Proskauer Rose Goetz & Mendelsohn, LLP, New York, NY Litigation paralegal/legal proofreader, corporate law firm (extensive analytic and organization skills)

INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGY

2019 - present	<i>Introduction to Philosophical Problems and Ancient Philosophy.</i> Designed, fully online courses
2013 - 2017	<i>Philosophy of Religion</i> , web-enhanced, linked with English Composition II, Integrative Studies Program, Learning Community
2010 - 2017	<i>Problems in Philosophy</i> , designed, web-enhanced, hybrid, and/or linked with English Composition I
2007 - 2017	<i>Honors Global Ethics</i> , designed, hybrid, linked with Salzburg Seminar International Studies Program and Global Citizenship Alliance
2012 - 2014	<i>Philosophy in Asian Traditions</i> , web-enhanced, linked with English Composition II, Advanced Learning Community
2007 - 2012	<i>History of Philosophy: The Classical Philosophers</i> , web-enhanced, linked with English Composition I, Open Doors Learning Community
2009	<i>Ethics</i> , web-enhanced, linked with English Composition II, Advanced Learning Community
2009	<i>Honors History of Philosophy: The Classical Philosophers</i> , hybrid
2008	<i>Global Ethics and Identity</i> , Vassar College
2007	<i>Engaged Ethics: Integrating Contemplative Practice & Social Justice</i> , Vassar College

CONTEMPLATIVE DISCUSSION GROUPS

- 2016 – present Buddhist Philosophy and Practice Discussion Group, Facebook, moderator,
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BuddhistPhilosophyPractice/>
- 2016 – present Buddhism and Free Will Discussion Group, Facebook, founder/administrator,
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/620183721485783/>
- 2012 – present Rockaway Meditation Group, Facebook, founder/administrator,
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/496565260387501/>
- 2011 – present KCTL Contemplative Practices Meditation Group, Facebook, founder/administrator,
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/209051622606199/>
- 2007 – present CUNY Contemplatives Network, Facebook, founder/administrator,
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/189993227719128/>
- 2005 – present CUNY Contemplatives Network, PBworks wiki, founder/administrator,
<http://cunycontemplatives.pbworks.com/>
- 2009 – 2012 Association for Contemplative Mind in Higher Education, blog facilitator,
www.achme.org

CONTEMPLATIVE EXPERIENCE: GENERAL

- 2022 Meditation as Practical Wisdom
Day retreat
Natural Balance Massage & Wellness Center
Brooklyn, NY
- 2022 The Wisdom Project, with Iris Stammberger
Seven week program, weekly two-hour workshops
Online sapiential / self-transformation workshop series
- 2022 Buddhist Ethics 3.0
Private three day conference, invitation only
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
- 2022 Circling Dialogos, with John Vervaeke, Guy Sengstock, and Christopher Mastropietro
Two-day retreat
Online sapiential / self-transformation workshop series
- 2022 *Tripurārahasya*, by Ācārya Sthaneshwar Timalsina
Online course, Vimarsha Foundation
- 2021 *Yoga Vashishta*, by Sthaneshwar Timalsina
Online course, Vimarsha Foundation
- 2007 – present Contemplative Practices Faculty Interest Group
Kingsborough Center for Teaching and Learning
CUNY/Kingsborough Community College, Brooklyn, NY
Lead weekly, year-round meditation and contemplative studies group for faculty, staff and students

2006 – present	CUNY Contemplatives Network Co-founder/administrator
2000 – present	Natural Balance Massage & Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY Provide meditation workshops, yoga classes, and yoga therapy
2020	Meditation Day Retreat, Natural Balance Massage & Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY
2019	Meditation Half-Day Retreat, Natural Balance Massage & Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY
2019	Meditation Day Retreat, Natural Balance Massage & Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY
2018	Meditation as Philosophy, 4-week series, Natural Balance Massage & Wellness Center, Brooklyn, NY
June 2016	Buddhist Ethics Private 3-day conference, invitation only Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA
April 2016	Contemplative Community Building Retreat 4-day Fellows retreat, The Center for Contemplative Mind in Society Fetzer Institute’s Seasons Retreat Center, Kalamazoo, MI
2012 – 2103	Rockaway Meditation Group Founder, lead meditations in Rockaway yoga community in the wake of Hurricane Sandy
May/June 2012	National Endowment for the Humanities: Summer Institute Two-week institute, “Investigating Consciousness: Buddhist and Contemporary Perspectives”, College of Charleston, Charleston, SC
2011 – 2014	CUNY Fall Mindfulness Lecture Series CUNY Graduate Center, NYC Co-organizer, monthly colloquia inviting Dharma teachers, philosophers, neuroscientists, and other leading intellectuals to lecture/discuss mindfulness meditation
May 2010	3-day Retreat with His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Teaching on Nagarjuna’s <i>Commentary on Bodhicitta</i> , and Shantideva’s <i>A Guide to the Bodhisattva’s Way of Life</i> , Radio City Music Hall, NYC
April 2009	The Contemplative Heart of Higher Education Association for Contemplative Mind in Higher Education Amherst College, Amherst, MA Three-day contemplative pedagogy convention
April 2009	Classroom Practices and Faculty Conversations 2 nd Mindful Learners Conference CUNY/Graduate Center, NYC Organizer, led meditation, panel presentation
November 2007	Retreat for Academics Center for Contemplative Mind in Society

	Trinity Conference Center West Cornwall, CT
August 2006	Four-day contemplative pedagogy retreat Summer Session on Contemplative Pedagogy Center for Contemplative Mind in Society, held at Smith College, Northampton, MA
April 2006	Five-day contemplative pedagogy training program, Mindful Learners: Uses of Contemplative Practice in the Classroom CUNY/Graduate Center, NYC Sponsored by Center for Contemplative Mind in Society
Oct. 2003-May 2005	Organizer, led meditation, panel presentation, break-out workshop leader Gestalt Center for Psychotherapy and Training NYC and West Cornwall, CT Two-year full-time post-graduate Gestalt psychotherapy training program Four three-day retreats 64 Continuing Education Units (CEUs)
August 2003	Insight Meditation Society Barre, MA
2001 – 2003	Three-day mindfulness meditation training retreat with Dhamma Dena Yoga and Meditation Instructor Teach yoga and meditation in several Community Centers Brooklyn, NY
2000 - 2002	South Shore H.S., Brooklyn, NY Continuing Adult Education Program Teach yoga and meditation courses
2001	CUNY/Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY Continuing Adult Education Program Teach yoga course
2000	Integral Yoga Ashram Yogaville, Virginia Three-day yoga training retreat

COURSES TAUGHT: CUNY/KINGSBOROUGH

- *Philosophy in Asian Traditions*
- *Philosophy of Religion*
- *Problems in Philosophy: God, Humanity, and Nature*
- *History of Philosophy: The Modern Philosophers*
- *History of Philosophy: The Classical Philosophers*
- *Introduction to Philosophical Problems*
- *Global Ethics*
- *Honors Global Ethics*
- *Ethics*

- *Bioethics*
- *Logic*

COURSES TAUGHT: VASSAR

- *Engaged Ethics: Integrating Contemplative Practice and Social Justice*
- *Global Ethics and Identity*

COURSES TAUGHT: CUNY/BROOKLYN

- *Knowledge, Existence, Value (Core)*
- *Ethics and Society*
- *Ethical Theory*
- *Ethical Issues in Business*
- *Yoga* (in the Continuing Adult Education program)

COURSE TAUGHT: CUNY/LAGUARDIA

- *Introduction to Philosophy*

COURSES TAUGHT: CONTINUING ED PROGRAM/South Shore H.S.

- *Meditation*
- *Yoga*

SERVICE AT CUNY/KINGSBOROUGH

2020 – present	PSC-CUNY Grievance Counselor (Kingsborough)
2020 – present	University Faculty Senate (CUNY), senator
2019 – present	PSC-CUNY Delegate Assembly (Kingsborough/CUNY)
2015 – present	College Council Delegate at Large, Instructional Committee
2014 – present	Departmental Personnel & Budget Committee
2014 – present	College Now (early college) Course Coordinator
2006 – present	Kingsborough Center for Teaching and Learning Advisory Board
2006 – present	Contemplative Practices Faculty Interest Group facilitator
2016 – 2022	College Council, Chair of Instructional Committee
2014 – 2018	Ethics Assessment Team Leader
2006 – 2018	Student World Assembly, Faculty Advisor
2007 – 2017	Vassar College Exploring Transfer Program, Campus Coordinator

2006 – 2017	Salzburg / Global Citizenship Alliance Seminar campus coordinator
2006 – 2016	Learning Communities participant
2006 – 2016	Philosophy Club, Faculty Advisor
2014 – 2015	Philosophy Search Committee, Chair
2014 – 2015	Liberal Arts Advisory Board
2014	College Council, Legislative Committee
2013 – 2014	Presidential Search Subcommittee Chair
2006 – 2014	Department Curriculum Committee

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS / ACTIVITIES

2022 – present	<i>Knowledgecoin.io</i> , Chief Philosophy Officer
2022 – present	<i>American Philosophy Practitioners Association</i> , Vice President
2021 – present	<i>American Philosophy Practitioners Association</i> , Board of Directors
2018 – present	<i>American Philosophy Practitioners Association</i> , Faculty
2016 – present	<i>American Philosophy Practitioners Association</i> , Member
2016 – present	<i>Center for Contemplative Mind in Society</i> , Fellow
2014 – present	Gotham Philosophical Society, Attendee & Presenter
2009 – present	<i>Association for Contemplative Mind in Higher Education</i> , Member
2009 – present	<i>American Philosophy Practitioners Association</i> , Member
2007 – present	Columbia Society for Comparative Philosophy, Attendee & Presenter
2006 – present	<i>Center for Contemplative Mind in Society</i> , Member
2005 – present	<i>CUNY Contemplatives Network</i> , Founding Member
2005 – present	<i>American Association of Philosophy Teachers</i> , Member
1990 – present	<i>American Philosophical Association</i> , Member and Presenter
2016 – 2017	<i>APA Committee on Two-Year Colleges</i> , Chair
2003 – 2017	CUNY Cognitive Science Speaker Series
1991 – 2017	CUNY Graduate School Philosophy Colloquia, Attendee
2014 – 2016	<i>APA Committee on Two-Year Colleges</i> , Associate Chair

PERSONAL

I have been practicing Buddhist, Hindu, and Daoist meditation and yoga techniques for five decades, and teaching them in the college and the larger community for 24 years. My research program is the development of the discipline of the philosophy of meditation in Western philosophy and its potential to both increase agency and increase our understanding of agency, as well as to bring this practical philosophical wisdom into the realm of public philosophy. I'm also a committed certified Philosophical Counselor with clients across the US (Florida, Arkansas, Ohio, New York, California, etc.) and all over the world (Taiwan, Japan, Uganda, Denmark, etc.), with certifications in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Mindfulness Meditation, and Life Coaching, and with two years training and one year client supervision in Gestalt Psychotherapy, all of which I construe as elements of philosophy as a way of life. I am currently working with

cognitive scientist John Vervaeke on our overlapping research programs, which include his initiative to create a “religion that is not a religion”, as a remedial response to the contemporary meaning crisis, and we are about to launch a co-hosted podcast series, The Philosophy of Meditation. I’ve been on about two dozen podcasts in the last year discussing philosophy and meditation, including Voices with Vervaeke, which has upwards of 100,000 followers. I’m also the chief philosophy officer for a tech start-up company designing a decentralized knowledge validation platform on the blockchain, Knowledgecoin.io, devoted to reducing misinformation in the domain of public discourse. As an athlete and a yogi, I exercise, meditate, and practice yoga and related meditative and contemplative practices daily. I am continually engaged in an ecology of self-transformational and related sapiential practices, including philosophical fellowship, deep philosophy, and related psychotechnologies. I lead a weekly meditation group for the college community, and I’m involved in a presently informal attempt to develop a CUNY-wide Center for Contemplative Studies at CUNY. I’ve also competed as a distance runner, completed nine marathons, and hold the rank of 4th degree black belt in Shotokan karate (5th being the highest degree in my style, pre-JKA Shotokan).

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