



UNIVERSITY OF GUAM
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Board of Regents

Resolution No. 21-02

RELATIVE TO AWARDING EMERITUS PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY STATUS
TO DR. KIM SKOOG

WHEREAS, the University of Guam (UOG) is the primary U.S. Land Grant institution accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission serving the post-secondary needs of the people of Guam and the Western Pacific region;

WHEREAS, the authority to bestow the title of Emeritus Professor is vested in the Board of Regents (BOR) resolution 1987 and the criteria and procedures were revised by BOR resolutions in 1999, 2001, and 2019;

WHEREAS, the faculty of the Division of Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences (CLASS) has unanimously nominated Dr. Kim Skoog for the title of Emeritus Professor;

WHEREAS, the *Rules, Regulations, and Procedures Manual*, Article V, Chapter A. Faculty Input, Section 13. Emeritus(a) Professor provides the criteria for Professors Emeritus, to include 15 years of service as a faculty member, attainment of tenure at the Associate Professor or Professor rank; and significant contribution to the University of Guam in one endeavor of the Comprehensive Faculty Evaluation System;

WHEREAS, Dr. Skoog has 27 years of service as a faculty member at UOG;

WHEREAS, Dr. Skoog attained the rank of tenured, full Professor;

WHEREAS, Dr. Skoog has distinguished himself by excelling in all three areas of academic endeavor and left his mark indubitably on the UOG philosophy program, within the Division of Humanities, and in the effort to make both critical thinking and cultural sensitivity a central part of the UOG curriculum;

WHEREAS, the enclosed nomination was endorsed by the CLASS Dean, the Nineteenth Faculty Senate; and was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Senior Vice President & Provost and the President; and

WHEREAS, the Academic, Personnel and Tenure Committee has reviewed the enclosed nomination and recommends to the BOR to award the title of Emeritus Professor of Philosophy to Dr. Skoog.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOR hereby bestows the title of Emeritus Professor of Philosophy to Dr. Kim Skoog.

Adopted this 18th day of February 2021.

ATTESTED:

Thomas W. Krise, Ph.D., Executive Secretary

Jerold W. Filush, Chairperson

University of Guam

Request for Official Action on a Policy or Regulation

1. **Date of this request:** 1/12/2021
2. **Destination of request:** (as per governance guidance or manual)
 Board of Regents President SVP&P VPAF/CBO Other _____
 BOR Committee: Academic, Personnel, and Tenure Budget, Finance, Investments, and Audit
 Physical Facilities Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree
3. **Originating organizational unit:** College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
4. **Action proponent name:** Dr. William Jeffery email: jefferyw@triton.uog.edu phone: 671-483-1630; 671-735-2809
5. **Action requested:** Approval of Nomination of Dr. Kim Skoog as Emeritus Professor of Philosophy.
6. **Justification supporting action request:** See attached letter from Nominator.
7. **Requested effective date of action, if approved:** ___/___/___

8. **Manual or document to be altered:**

<input type="checkbox"/> BOR Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Academics <input type="checkbox"/> Auxiliary Services _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Business Office _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Enrollment Management & Student Success <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities Maintenance & Services <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources Office	<input type="checkbox"/> RFK Library or MARC <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Information Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Marketing & Communications <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Research & Sponsored Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Safety & Security <input type="checkbox"/> Triton Athletics <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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Location of proposed alteration in manual: _____ **Version dated:** ___/___/___

9. **Attach:**
 - a. Proposed Procedure, Regulation, or Policy language (*in unlocked finalized Word file only, no PDFs*).
 - b. Documentation showing reason and appropriate consultation with advisory and/or governance committees has been done.
 - c. Documentation of a public hearing, as applicable.

10. **Consultation Record** (as per governance guidance, manual, or courtesy)

Committee	Position	Name / Signature (use BLUE ink)	Date
Originating Unit AAC <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__
Appropriate Dean/Director/ Admin <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Dean	Dr. James D. Sellmann / See Nomination Form	___/___/20__
AD HOC Committee <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__
Student Gov Association <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__
Staff Council <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__
Administrative Council <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__
Faculty Senate <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__
Faculty Union <input type="checkbox"/> NA	_____	_____ / _____	___/___/20__

11. **Administration Approvals** (as applicable)

Dr. Anita Borja Enriquez, SVP&P		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved	<u>1/13/2021</u>
_____, VPAF/CBO	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved	___/___/20__
Dr. Thomas W. Krise, UOG President		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved	<u>1/15/2021</u>
Leslie Leon Guerrero, Chair, BOR Comm	See Comm Minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved	___/___/20__
Jerold Filush, Chair, Board of Regents	See BOR Minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved	___/___/20__



Emeritus Professor Nomination Form

Please refer to the University of Guam (UOG) Board of Regent's Bylaws Booklet of Appendices for full criteria, deadlines, and processes. A current curriculum vitae describing nominee's endeavors in research, teaching, and/or community service **must** be submitted with this form.

Nominee Information

Name of Nominee: Dr. Kim Skoog

Title (at Retirement): Professor of Philosophy Unit: Humanities

Faculty Start date: 08/20/1990 Date of Retirement: 08/21/2017

Mailing Address: P O Box 5032 UOG Station, Mangilao, Guam 96923

Email address: skoogman@gmail.com Contact Number(s): 425-242-0198

Emergency Contact or Next of Kin Information

Name: Andrea Skoog

Mailing Address: 13516 95th Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98034

Email address: askoogy@hotmail.com Contact Number(s): 425-242-0198

Nominator Information

(Complete this section only if you are not the nominee.)

In addition to self-nominations, a nomination must originate from any full-time faculty member, the Dean or Director of the Unit, or a member of the Society of Emeritus Professors and Retired Scholars (SEPRS).

Name of Nominator: Dr. William Jeffery, Associate Professor of Archaeology and Micronesian Studies

Relationship to the Nominee: Colleague

Email address: jefferyw@triton.uog.edu Contact Number(s): 671-483-1630; 671-735-2809

Criteria for Emeritus(a) Professor

(Nominee *must* meet all three (3) criteria for eligibility)

1. Tenured faculty at the minimum rank of Associate Professor/Extension Agent IV or Professor/Extension Specialist at UOG at the time of retirement.
2. Has at least fifteen (15) years of service as a full-time faculty member or a combination of said years of service as a full-time faculty and academic administrator at UOG.
3. Has been reviewed using the following procedures to confirm that he/she has made significant contributions to UOG

Nomination Procedures for Emeritus(a) Professor

1. The faculty nomination process for the status of Emeritus(a) Professor may begin during the last year of employment prior to retirement from UOG, provided that said status, if granted before retirement, shall only become effective the day after the date of official retirement from the University.
2. Nominations for Emeritus(a) Professor status may originate from any full-time faculty member, the individual being nominated, the Dean or Director of the Unit, or a member of the Society of Emeritus Professors and Retired Scholars (SEPRS)
3. Nominations for the titled status of Professor Emeritus(a) shall begin with the submission of the nomination form, with a current curriculum vitae (CV) attached, to the Dean or Director of the Unit from which the nominee is serving or has retired.
4. Dean or Director Review. Upon receipt of the nomination form and the current CV, the Dean or Director may notify and solicit remarks from the college or unit concerning the nominee. The recommendation of the Dean or Director and all the documents pertaining thereto, shall be forwarded within ten (10) business days from receipt of the nomination package to the Senior Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs (SVP-ASA). In the event that a Dean or Director does not take action by the specified deadline for review, the nomination shall proceed forward to the next stage of review with the nominator or nominee providing the SVP-ASA with a copy of the nomination package.
5. SVP-ASA Review. The SVP-ASA shall have fifteen (15) business days to review the nomination package. Upon receipt of the nomination package, the SVP-ASA will notify the President of SEPRS of an application under review. During this review period, the SVP-ASA may notify and solicit remarks from the university community concerning the nominee. The recommendation of the SVP-ASA and all documents pertaining thereto, shall be forwarded to the President. In the event that the SVP-ASA does not take action by the specified deadline for review, the nomination shall proceed forward to the next stage of review with the nominator or nominee providing the President a copy of the nomination package.
6. UOG President Review. The President shall have up to ten (10) business days from the recommendation receipt date to review and submit a recommendation for approval, if applicable, to the appropriate BOR committee before submission to the BOR for action.

7. The BOR shall have the final determination concerning the granting of the Emeritus(a) status. It is the responsibility of the Executive Secretary of the BOR to notify both the newly granted Emeritus(a) Professor and the President of the SEPRS of the conferred status. The newly granted Emeritus(a) Professor shall be presented with a certificate of recognition of status by the UOG President.
8. Emeritus(a) Professor status is permanent. Emeritus Professors who are deceased shall have their name in the Catalog and Bulletin in perpetuity. However, the BOR shall have the authority to withdraw the Emeritus(a) Professors status with just cause.
9. It is the responsibility of the Emeritus(a) Professor to maintain contact on at least a yearly basis with SEPRS. The President of SEPRS will submit an annual report of activities to the SVP-ASA. This annual report will be distributed to the UOG President, BOR, deans, directors, and university community.

Nomination Letter

01/04/2021

TO: Dean James Sellmann, CLASS

FROM: William Jeffery, Associate Professor, Humanities

RE: Professor Emeritus(a) Nomination for Dr. Kim Skoog

When I arrived at the University of Guam (UOG), Dr. Kim Skoog was chair of our division and remained so for the time we shared in the Humanities Division. The following remarks in this nomination letter have been prepared to explain how he distinguished himself in satisfying the criteria for Emeritus Professor over the twenty-seven years he taught at the University of Guam.

Dr. Skoog began his employment in the fall of 1990, the philosophy program had a minor with no students, all classes except Introduction to Philosophy were cancelled (due to non-enrollment); it was a service program with a single faculty member teaching four or more sections of Introduction to Philosophy to meet the philosophy general education requirement. Within three years, Dr. Skoog (and a second newly-hired philosophy faculty) had totally revised and updated the philosophy program to contemporary standards and created a philosophy major. By the time he retired, the philosophy program had fifteen majors (respectable for a UOG humanities program) and completed WASC paperwork to add a complete online philosophy major—it would have been the first UOG undergraduate program to offer an online B.A.

Dr. Skoog expanded the philosophy program to include both an Ethics and Asia-Pacific curriculum path within the major; the philosophy program also serviced other programs i.e., Micronesian Studies (Micronesia Religion), Nursing (Death and Dying), Biology (Biomedical ethics), Environmental Studies (Environmental Ethics), History (History of Western Philosophy I & II), Japanese Language (Japanese Philosophy). Many of these courses were *required* courses for majors in these programs. Kim created and taught (12 times) a travel studies course enrolled by UOG students and interested community members. Locations included India, Thailand, Cambodia, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Nepal, China, Tibet, and Mongolia.

Within the first five years of his hire, Dr. Skoog received a college-wide teaching award, echoing his recognition of excellence in teaching award at his previous position at Frostburg State. In addition to his college teaching award, Dr. Skoog also received college awards in both service and assessment. Besides serving as Chair of the Humanities Division for nearly a third of the years he taught at UOG, he served on numerous college and university wide committees, e.g., promotion & tenure, salary committee, tech committee, countless search committees, CLASS academic affairs committee, and chaired the distant education committee for three years. He secured funding for bringing out renown American-Japanese artist, Roger Shimamura, as well as two professors from Clemson University, and set up a large UOG public presentation by these three professors as well as assorted presentations and public gatherings throughout Guam. Kim gave public lectures himself both on-campus and in the community several times yearly for the whole time he was employed by UOG. He frequently gave guest lectures in classes in many different divisions yearly. His presentation on assessment through the use of a

critical thinking test within the philosophy program (during faculty development day) led to a university wide use of this assessment instrument.

In addition to giving frequent public talks both off and on campus on Guam, he presented research papers several times a year off-island in the US, Asia, and Europe—and continues to do so even after retiring from UOG in 2017. In reference to Kim's CV, I count 60 different papers presented, some papers presented multiple times at different conferences. Recently he was scheduled to give several new papers, but conferences were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Further, he has had 22 articles published in refereed journals and books. Over the last half of his career at UOG, his academic recognition rose dramatically, as he became one of the top US scholars in the field of Jain Studies (one of the three principal traditions in India, others being Hinduism and Buddhism). He was selected to give a paper at Harvard University dealing with religions and ecology. As a follow-up, he was invited to serve on a panel at the UN in New York, representing Jainism and Ecology. Further, he served as guest editor for a special issue of *Philosophy East and West*, a premiere journal in the field of Asian and Comparative Philosophy. For a number of years, he was invited to serve on key panels dealing with Jainism at academic conferences in all parts of the world, and a number of panel papers were incorporated into books.

I would like to conclude by giving my unreserved endorsement of Dr. Skoog's bid to the awarded Emeritus status. He has excelled in all three areas of academic endeavor and left his mark indubitably on the UOG philosophy program, within the Division of Humanities, and in the effort to make both critical thinking and cultural sensitivity a central part of the UOG curriculum.

Dean/Director Recommendation

Nominee's Name: _____ Dr. Kim Skoog, Professor of Philosophy _____

Based on the attached nomination form and current curriculum vitae, the applicant has distinguished himself/herself by making significant contributions to the UOG in research, teaching, and/or service.

YES NO

Therefore, awarding the status of Emeritus(a) Professor to this nominee is:

RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED

James D. Sellmann

James D. Sellmann
Dean

01/12/21
Date

Comments:

I recommend approval of Dr Skoog's application for Professor Emeritus. As the recommendation notes in detail, he served the University well in all three endeavors.

Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs (SVP-ASA) Recommendation

Nominee's Name: _____ Dr. Kim Skoog, Professor of Philosophy _____

The President of SEPRS was notified of this application. Date: 1/12/2021

Based on the attached nomination form and current curriculum vitae, the applicant has distinguished himself/herself by making significant contributions to UOG in research, teaching, and/or service.

YES NO

Awarding the status of Emeritus(a) Professor to this nominee is:

RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED



Anita Berja Enriquez
SVP & PROVOST ASA

1/12/2021
Date

Comments:

President's Recommendation to the Board of Regents


Nominee's Name: _____ Dr. Kim Skoog, Professor of Philosophy _____

Based on the attached nomination form and current curriculum vitae, the applicant has distinguished himself/herself by making significant contributions to UOG in research, teaching, and/or service.

YES [] NO

Awarding the status of Emeritus(a) Professor to this nominee is:

RECOMMENDED [] NOT RECOMMENDED



President

1/ 15/ 21/
Date

Comments:

Kim Skoog

CURRICULUM VITAE (Jan. 2021)

CURRENT ADDRESS:

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EDUCATION:

University of Hawaii, Ph.D. 1986, Comparative Philosophy
University of Washington, MA 1977, Philosophy
University of Minnesota, BA 1974, Religion Studies/Philosophy (Dual Major)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Indian (Jaina, Hindu, Buddhist) Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Ethics
(Theoretical and Applied), Philosophy of Death, Philosophy of Religion

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

History of Philosophy and Religion, Chinese and Japanese Philosophy/Religion,
Religions of the Pacific Islands, Aesthetics, Logic and Critical Thinking

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Professor, University of Guam, Mangilao, Guam 2004-2017
Associate Professor, University of Guam, Mangilao, Guam 1993-2003
Assistant Professor, University of Guam, Mangilao, Guam 1990-1993
Adjunct Professor, University of Maryland University College, Guam 1990-2017
Assistant Professor, Frostburg State University, Frostburg, Maryland, 1988-1990
Adjunct Professor (Full Load), College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Illinois, 1987-1988

PAPER PRESENTATIONS:

Is the *jivanmukti* state possible? The perspective of Ramanuja,” read at the American Academy of Religion (AAR) Annual Meeting, (November, 1989).

“Authority and Freedom: A Relation of Polarity,” read at the Fall 1989 meeting of the West Virginia Philosophical Society as well as the AAR Midwest Regional Annual Meeting, located in Western Michigan University, March 31-April 1, 1990.

“Mystical Experience: Some Epistemological Considerations,” read as the keynote paper at the Spring meeting of the West Virginia Philosophical Society (March, 1990).

Samkara's account of empirical knowledge in light of contemporary epistemological theory," read at the Second International Congress of Vedanta, held April 5-8, 1990 at Miami University of Ohio.

"Schools who oppose the *jivanmukti state*," read at the Indian Philosophical Congress, December 28-30, 1990 in Madras, India. This paper was also presented at the Radhakrishnan Centre for the Advanced Study of Philosophy at the University of Madras.

"Liberation, Death, and the Afterlife: A Comparative Study of Vedanta Schools," read at the Fourth International Congress of Vedanta that was held at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, April 1-5, 1992. A similar version of this paper was read at the West Virginia Philosophical Society Spring meeting, which was held on the campus of the University of West Virginia on March 22-23, 1992

"Workshop: Ways to Encourage Critical Thinking in The Medical Ethics Classes" conducted by Domina "Nina" Callaghan (UOG School of Nursing and Allied Health) and myself at the 13th Annual Conference on Critical Thinking, held August 1-4, 1993 on the campus of Sonoma State University, Sonoma, California.

"A Cross-Cultural Study of the Interplay between Reason, Revelation, and Realization" presented at the 13th Annual Conference on Critical Thinking, held August 1-4, 1993 on the campus of Sonoma State University, Sonoma, California.

"A Reassessment of Sri Aurobindo's Epistemological Thought: Toward a Holistic Model of Knowledge," presented at the Fifth International Congress of Vedanta, held on August 10-14, 1994 on the campus of Miami University.

"Toward a Holistic Model of Knowledge: Understanding the Interplay between Reason, Revelation, and Realization," presented at the 14th International Conference on Critical Thinking and Education Reform on July 31st to August 3rd, on the campus of Sonoma State University. An alternative version of this paper was also presented at the Sixth International Conference on Thinking held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) on July 17th-22nd, 1994.

"*Sallekhana*, Hari Kari, and Suicide," was presented at the Eighth International Congress of Vedanta, held on October 31st to November 3rd, 1996 on the campus of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. A later version of this paper was presented at the CAS Conference, March, 1997.

"The Morality of Suicide: A Comparative Study," was presented at the Ninth International Congress of Vedanta, held in Rishikesh, India, July 23-27, 1997.

"*Ahimsa* as the Categorical Imperative: A Jaina Response to Kant," was presented at the East-West Philosophers Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii, January 7-12, 1998.

"*Ahimsa* and Environmental Concern" was presented at the Jainism and Ecology Conference held at Harvard University, July 8-12, 1998.

“Teaching Ethics in a Multicultural Environment” at the Philosophical Issues in Ethics Across the Curriculum meeting at Rochester Institute of Technology, October 14-17, 1999.

“Creative Thinking as a Foundation for Ethical Decision Making Within Different Cultural Perspectives,” was presented at the Fourth International Conference on Creative Thinking, held in Malta on July 24-25, 2000.

“Doing the Right Thing: Do Culture and Religion Play a Role in Ethical Decision Making?” Micronesia Studies Seminar Series, March 23, 2001.

“Ahimsa as a guide to human sexuality: A comparative analysis,” was presented at the International Seminar on Mahavira and Ahimsa in the 21st Century, in New Delhi, India on April 10-12, 2001.

“The Jaina Response to Terrorism,” presented at the Jaina conference entitled, The Lessons of Ahimsa and Anekanta for Contemporary Life, held at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, California on January 19-20, 2002.

“The Centrality of Coherence in Ethics,” presented at the International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum: Cases and Codes, held at the University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida on January 31-February 3, 2002.

“A Moral Roadmap of the Cyber Highway’s Sexual Landscape,” presented at the International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum, held at Clemson University, Greenville, South Carolina, October 24-27, 2002.

“A Jaina Response to Terrorism: A Matter of Optimum Violence” presented at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Conference entitled, “Comparative Philosophy in Times of Terror,” held on Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, California, May 27-30, 2003.

“Moral Gradations of Suicide” was presented at the NEH Summer Seminar on Ethics at the End of Life, held at the University of Utah, June 30—August 1, 2003. While attending the five week seminar I made a PowerPoint presentation of this paper,

“Classroom Use of the “PINCUP” Methodology for Complete Ethical Analysis,” presented at the 5th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum, St. Edwards University, Austin, Texas, October 23-26, 2003.

“Of Maniacs and Martyrs: A Pilgrim’s Annotated Guide to Paths Leading to World Tranquility and Ecological Wholeness,” given at International Conference on World Peace, held at Gujarat University, (India) December 29, 2003 to January 2nd, 2004.

“Six Models of Consciousness: a comparative and interdisciplinary study,” presented at the Indian Interdisciplinary Philosophy and Religion Conference entitled, “Language, Consciousness, and Culture: East West Perspective,” in Calcutta, India, January 3-6, 2004.

“Discussing differences in practices of self-death (suicide): A New Typology of Moral Gradations of Suicide,” given at the 6th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum at Oregon State University, October 14-16, 2004.

“Moral Gradations of Suicide: A moral analysis of acts of self-death in East Asia traditions” presented at the Pacific American Philosophical Association meeting held in San Francisco, California, March 24-27, 2005.

“Can salvation be had without compromising justice? Sorting out the relation between justice, grace, asceticism, ritual, and punishment” presented at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Conference entitled, *“Self-Other Relations: Immanent-Transcendent?”* held at the Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, California, October 20-23, 2005. A variant of this same paper was presented at the Sixteenth International Congress of Vedanta, Orlando, Florida, October 13-16, 2005.

“Beyond the Artistic Product Paradigm: Liberation of Art in the 21st Century,” presented at the 7th Annual International Conference for the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum held at the Ringing School of Art and Design, Sarasota, Florida, November 17-19, 2005.

“Cyber Ethics in the 21st Century: Beyond the Creative ‘Product’ Paradigm,” given at the 10th World Multi-Conference on Systemics, Cybernetics, and Informatics, held July 16-19, 2006 in Orlando, Florida.

“A Pilgrim’s Guide to Stem Cell Research: Sorting out the Religious Rhetoric over the Use of Embryonic Stem Cells for Therapeutic Applications,” 8th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, November 17-18, 2006.

“The Torture Question: Ethical Justification and Parameters of Torture,” 8th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, November 17-18, 2006.

“How to Avoid Paying for One’s Sins Without Bankrupting the Amasser of Justice,” presented at Eight-First Annual Meeting of the American Philosophical Association Pacific Meeting held at the Westin S. Francis Hotel, San Francisco, California, April 3-8, 2007.

“Karma: Is it truly the means of ‘justice for all?’” read at the Seventeenth International Congress of Vedanta, held September 20-23rd, 2007 on the campus of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

“The Lytico-Bodig Research Project on the Chamorros of Guam: A Case Study on the Ethics of Genetic-Research on Indigenous Populations,” presented at the 9th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum at Milltown Institute, National University of Ireland, Dublin, Ireland, November 15-17, 2007.

“Varying views on the nature of the self: the gradual and immediate models and their social implications on family and social customs throughout the world,” to be given at the

10th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum, Towson University, Towson, Maryland on November 14-16, 2008.

“Ecology and Culture” presented at the CLASS Conference 2009, Mangilao, Guam on March 10, 2009.

“Plotting a course of civility in the growing global economic crisis: where lies our obligations in helping the poor vs. ourselves?” presented at the 11th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum at Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), Rochester, New York, November 4-7, 2009.

“Jaina views on environmental responsibility” read at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Conference Annual Meeting 2010 held in Asilomar, California, June 12-15, 2010.

“The efficacy and morality of using race, ethnicity, and genes in biomedical research and epidemiology,” presented at the 12th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum, Union College, Schenectady, New York, October 7-9, 2010.

“Capitalism without Capitalists: An Examination of Alternative Economic Practices that work within a laissez-faire, free market economic and political system” given at the 10th East West Philosophers Conference, University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii, May 16-24, 2011.

*“Plotting a course of civility in the growing global economic crisis: where lies our obligations in helping the poor vs. ourselves?” given at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Annual Conference 2011, Honolulu, Hawaii, May 25-28, 2011.

“Regulating Hate Speech: An Analysis of the Effects of Words on Others” presented at the 13th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum held in St. Louis, Missouri, November 3-5, 2011.

“The Ethics of Intrusion: From Tibet to the Amazon, the art of mindfulness when encountering peoples of differing cultures” presented at the 14th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 4-6, 2012.

“Martyrdom: A comparative and critical study of self-inflicted-death” given at the American Philosophical Association Pacific Meeting, March 18-22, 2013.

“Assessing Martyrdom: A comparative and critical study of self-inflicted-death,” presented at the 15th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum held at Corvallis, Oregon, October 3-5, 2013.

“The Jaina doctrine of multi-perspectivism: A means to sustain the simultaneity of universality and particularity” presented at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy 49th Annual Conference, June 19-22, 2014, SUNY Binghamton, New York.

“The Jain Perspective on World Peace,” at The World Alliance for Religions: Peace Summit 2014 in Seoul, South Korea on September 17-18, 2014.

“Jaina Views on Environmental Responsibility” given at the Anuvrat International Conference, New Delhi, India, September 26-28, 2014.

“Censorship of Pornography: Is the Battle Over?” read at the 16th International Conference on Ethics across the Curriculum, Scottsdale, Arizona, October 2-4, 2014.

“Is Philosophical Pluralism the Future of Comparative Philosophy?” presented at the 47th Annual Conference for the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy held in Monterey, California, October 1-4, 2015.

“The Jaina doctrine of multi-perspectivism: a means to alleviate dilemmas and dichotomies,” keynote presentation Jain Vishva Bharati University, September 12, 2015.

“The Role of Religions in Environmental Sustainability” was given at the 17th International Conference on Ethics across the Curriculum sponsored by Clemson University Greenville, South Carolina, October 8-10, 2015.

“Is Morality Tied to Place or Self? Revisitation of an Old Problem with a comparative Approach,” presented May 27th in the Imin Conference Center at the 11th East-West Philosopher’s Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, May 24-31, 2016.

“The many shades of non-maleficence and their applications in ethical judgements,” presented at the 48th Annual Conference for the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2-4, 2016.

“Jaina Views on Environmental Responsibility,” was given at the International Conference on Science and Jain Philosophy held at the Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai, India, January 8-10, 2016.

“The many shades of non-maleficence and their applications in seeking social justice in medicine,” delivered at the 18th International Conference on Ethics across the Curriculum sponsored by Utah Valley State University, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 12-14, 2016.

“Karma Creations: The role of karmas in creativity within life,” to be presented at the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, 50th Annual Conference, June 8-11th, 2018 held at Pedagogical University of Cracow, Krakow, Poland.

“The Ethics of Intrusion: A Possible Justification for Wall Building?” to be presented at “The 12th East-West Philosophers’ Conference” originally scheduled for May 2020, then May 2021, but now rescheduled for May 20-27, 2022 due to the Corona virus pandemic.

“World Religions and Environmental Responsibility” accepted to be given at the 21st Annual Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum scheduled to take place October 10-12, 2020 at the Colorado School of Mines but was postponed due to Corona pandemic.

PUBLICATIONS:

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