

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

B.A. University of Notre Dame, 1958

M.A. Yale University, 1960

Ph.D. Yale University, 1962
Dissertation title: "Lesniewski, Language, and Logic"
Advisor: Alan Ross Anderson
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Secondary Schooling: Champaign High School, Champaign, IL

Military:

Two years (1962-64) U. S. Army; achieved rank of 1st Lieutenant

Academic Positions:

Research Associate, Training Research Laboratory, Psychology Department, University of Illinois,
March-August 1964

Positions at SUNY/Buffalo:

Assistant Professor, September 1964-September 1969

Associate Professor, September 1969-June 1978

Professor, June 1978-December 2017

Chair of Philosophy Department, September 1994-August 2003, September 2007-August 2010

Emeritus Professor, SUNY/Buffalo, January 2018 -

Societies and Professional Organizations:

American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division

Association for Symbolic Logic

Cognitive Science Society

Linguistic Society of America

Academic Honors:

Yale University, Graduate School:

Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, 1958-59

Wilson-University Fellowship, 1959-60

University Fellowship, 1960-61

McCormick Fellowship, 1961-62

Summer grants from State University of New York:

“The Development of Combinatory Logic to Provide a Basis for Representing and Analyzing Temporal Processes”, 1966

“Studies in Combinatory Logic with Discriminators”, 1970

“A Formalization of Combinatory Logic with Discriminators”, 1972

Publications

Textbooks:

Deductive Logic, A Programed Introduction, New Century: New York, 1969 (Prentice-Hall), 463 pages

The Principles of Deductive Logic, SUNY Press, 1987, 471 pages

Books:

Using Language: The Structures of Speech Acts, SUNY Press, 1984, 457 pages

Reconceiving Experience, A Solution to a Problem Inherited from Descartes, SUNY Press, 1996, 474 pages.

Articles:

1. “Quantifiers and Universal Validity,” *Logique et Analyse*, n.s. 35-36 (1966), 298-309.
2. “The Contribution of Lesniewski,” *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 8 (1967), 61-93.
3. “Sameness or Similarity?,” *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 29 (1968), 105-115.
4. “A Universally Valid System of Predicate Calculus with no Existential Presuppositions,” *Logique et Analyse*, n.s. 43 (1968), 367-389.
5. “The Logical Concept of Existence,” *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 9 (1968), 313-324.
6. “Comments on ‘God and the Philosophers,’ a paper by Joseph Blau,” in *The Idea of God, Philosophical Perspectives*, edited by E. H. Madden, R. Handy, and M. Farber. Charles C. Thomas; Springfield, IL, 1968, 164-168.
7. “Two Views of Variables,” *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 10 (1969), 163-180.
8. “Combinatory Logic with Discriminators,” *The Journal of Symbolic Logic* 34 (1969), 561-575.

9. "Substance and Time," *The Journal of Philosophy* 67 (1979), 277-289.
10. "Some Remarks Prompted by Van Fraassen's Paper," in *The Paradox of the Liar*, edited by Robert Martin. Yale University Press; New Haven, 1970, 47-58.
11. "The Completeness of Combinatory Logic with Discriminators," *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 14 (1973), 323-330.
12. "Vagueness and Failing Sentences," *Logique et Analyse*, n.s. 67-68 (1974), 301-315.
13. "Sentences and Propositions," in *The Logical Enterprise*, edited by Alan Anderson, Richard Martin, and Ruth Marcus. Yale University Press; New Haven, 1975, 61-84.
14. "Aristotelian Quantifiers," in *Contributed Papers to the Fifth International Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science*, London, Ontario, 1975, section XII, 25-26.
15. "Denoting and Referring, Some Steps Toward a New Paradigm," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 37 (1976), 79-100.
16. "The Logic of Calculation," *Zeitschrift für Mathematische Logik und Grundlagen der Mathematik*, Bd 23 (1977), 45-58.
17. "Three Substitution-Instance Interpretations," *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 19 (1978), 331-354.
18. "A Strong Completeness Theorem for Kleene's Three-Valued Logic," *Zeitschrift für Mathematische Logik und Grundlagen der Mathematik*, Bd 25 (1979), 61-68.
19. "Intuitionist Logic, a Logic of Justification," *Studia Logica*, 37 (1978), 243-260.
20. "A Little More Like English," *Logique et Analyse*, n.s. 87 (1979), 353-368.
21. "Fully Explicit Deductive Systems," in *To H. B. Curry: Essays in Combinatory Logic, Lambda-Calculus, and Formalism*, edited by Roger Hindley and Jonathan P. Seldin, Academic Press; London, 1980.
22. "Modal Semantics Without Possible Worlds," *The Journal of Symbolic Logic* 46 (1981), 77-86.
23. "A More Satisfactory Description of the Semantics of Justification," *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 22 (1981), 109-119.

24. "Commentary on 'Naturalizing Epistemology,' by Robert G. Meyers," *Naturalism and Rationality*, Edited by Newton Garver and Peter H. Hare, Prometheus Books, Buffalo, NY, 1986, 155-157.
25. "Lesniewski's Strategy and Modal Logic," *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 30 (1989), 291-307.
26. "Meaning: The Semantic Structure of Speech Acts," in *Foundations of Speech Act Theory*, edited by S.L. Tsohatzidis, Routledge, London, 1994, 50-79.
27. "The Nonrepresentational Use of Language," *Verdad, logica, representacion y mundo*, Cursos e Congresos da Universidade de Santiago de Compostela, No. 88, Santiago de Compostela, Spain, 1996, 323-332.
28. "Thinking Machines: Some Fundamental Confusions," *Minds and Machines* 7 (1997), 269-287.
29. "The Logic of Conditional Statements," Technical Report 96-3, Center for Cognitive Science, State University of New York at Buffalo, 1996.
30. "Propositional Logic of Supposition and Assertion," *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* 38 (1997), 325-349.
31. "Representing," *Truth in Perspective, Recent Issues in Logic, Representation and Ontology*, edited by C. Martinez, U. Rivas and L. Villegas-Forero, Ashgate Publishing Limited, Aldershot, England, 1998, 237-252.
32. "Representing and Referring," Technical Report 98-3, Center for Cognitive Science, State University of New York at Buffalo, 1998.
33. "An Illocutionary Logical Explanation of the Surprise Execution," *History and Philosophy of Logic* 20 (2000), 195-214.
34. "A Full System of Illocutionary Propositional Logic," Technical Report 99-2, Center for Cognitive Science, University at Buffalo, the State University of New York, 1999.
35. "The Rationality of Reasoning: Commitment and Coherence," *Rationality and Irrationality, Contributions of the Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society*, volume 8 (1), (2000), 226-231.

36. "La Intencionalidad Irreductible del Calcular," *Mentes reales, La ciencia cognitiva y la naturalización de la mente*, edited by Juan Botero, Jaime Ramos, and Alejandro Rosas. Biblioteca Universitaria, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia, 2000, 137-153. This is a Spanish translation of an expanded version of the paper "The Irreducible Intentionality of Calculation," delivered at the conference *La Naturalization de la mente, Simposio Internacional de Ciencia Cognitiva*, Departamento de filosofía, Universidad Nacional, Bogotá, Colombia, March 5-7, 1998.
37. "The Rationality of Reasoning: Commitment and Coherence," *Rationality and Irrationality, Proceedings of the 23rd International Wittgenstein-Symposium, Kirchberg-am-Wechsel (Austria) 2001*, ed. by Berit Brogaard and Barry Smith, 192-198. This is an expanded version of 35, which is the paper read at the symposium.
38. "Logic is the Study of a Human Activity," *The Logica Yearbook 2001*, T. Childers and O. Majer eds., Filosofia, Prague, 2002, 101-110.
39. "The Logic of Coherent Fiction," *The Logica Yearbook 2002*, T. Childers and O. Majer eds., Filosofia, Prague, 2003, 133-146.
40. "Elementary Systems of Ontology," in *The Lvov-Warsaw School – The New Generation (Poznan Studies in the Philosophy of the Sciences and Humanities, vol. 89)*, J. Pasniczek and J. Jadaki eds., Amsterdam/ New York, NY, Rodopi, 2006, 87-112.
41. "An Illocutionary Analysis of Conditional Assertions," *The Logica Yearbook 2003*, L. Běhounek ed., Filosofia, Prague, 2004, 159-169.
42. "An Enlarged Conception of the Subject Matter of Logic," *Ideas y Valores* 126 (2004), 57-74.
43. "Russell's Epistemic Understanding of Logic," *Teorema* 24(2005), 115-131.
44. "The Logical Difference between Knowledge and Justified Belief," *The Logica Yearbook 2005*, M. Bilkova and O Tomala eds., Filosofia, Prague, 101-112.
45. "Conditional Assertion, Denial, and Supposition as Illocutionary Acts," *Linguistics and Philosophy* 29 (2006), 455-485.
46. "An Illocutionary Logical Explanation of the Liar Paradox," *History and Philosophy of Logic* 28 (2007), 31-66.
47. "Recapturing the Epistemic Dimension of Logic," *The Logica Yearbook 2006*, O. Tomala and R. Honzík eds., Filosofia, Prague, 105-116.
48. "Illocutionary Origins of Familiar Logical Operators," *The Logica Yearbook 2007*. Michal Peliš ed., Filosofia, Prague, 55-66.

49. "An Illocutionary Conception of Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics," *Studies in Logic* 2, (2009), published by Sun Yat-sen University and the Chinese Association of Logic, 1-19.
50. "Using Illocutionary Logic to Understand Vagueness," *Logique & Analyse* 207, (2009), 219-238.
51. "What is Natural about Natural Deduction," *The Logica Yearbook 2009*. Michal Peliš ed., College Publications, London, 121-132.
52. "Affirmation and Denial, Judgments of Composition and Division," *The Logica Yearbook 2010*. Michal Peliš, Vit Punčochář eds., College Publications, London, 113-123.
53. "Two Concepts of Opposition, Multiple Squares," *Around and Beyond the Square of Opposition*. J-Y Beziau, D. Jacquette eds., Birkhäuser, Basel, 2012, 119-127.
54. "Logics of Fact and Fiction, Where do Possible Worlds Belong?," *The Logica Yearbook 2011*. Michal Peliš, Vit Punčochář eds., College Publications, London, 97-106.
55. "First-Person Logical Theories and Third-Person Logical Theories," *The Logica Yearbook 2013*, Vit Punčochář ed., College Publications, London, 77-90.
56. "The Larger Logical Picture," *The Logica Yearbook 2015*, Pavel Arazim and Michal Dančák eds., College Publications, London, 107-116.
57. "Coherence and Contradiction," *Soyons Logiques*, Amirouche Moktefi ed., College Publications, London, 2016, 117-128.
58. "Logic and Ontology," *Cosmos + Taxis* 4, (2017), 19-24.
59. "I asked you to mail that letter, not burn it,' An illocutionary logical analysis of directive acts and arguments," to appear in *The Logica Yearbook 2017*

Miscellaneous Publications:

Review of *The Problem of Meaning in Indian Philosophy*, by R. C. Pandeya, in *Philosophy East and West*, vol. 15 (1965), 291-293.

Review of *Indian Theories of Meaning*, by K. Kunjanni Raja, in *Philosophy East and West*, vol. 18 (1968), 104-105.

28 Abstracts of books for the *International Bibliography of Philosophy*.

More than 75 abstracts of articles for *Zentralblatt für Mathematik*.

A review of *The Logical Systems of Lesniewski*, by E. C. Luschei, *The Journal of Symbolic Logic* 38 (1973), 147-148.

A review of *Combinatory Logic*, vol. II, by H. B. Curry and others, *Zentralblatt fur mathematik*, 242 (1973), 22-23.

A review of *Truth, Probability, and Paradox. Studies in Philosophical Logic*, by J. L. Mackie, *The Journal of Symbolic Logic* 46 (1981), 174-175.

A review of *Ontological Economy: Substitutional Quantification and Mathematics*, by Dale Gottlieb, *International Studies in Philosophy*, 1981.

A review of *Categorical Grammar and the Logical Form of Quantification*, by Harold D. Levin, *The Philosophical Review* 95 (1986), 127-129.

Papers Presented:

Commentary on “God and the Philosophers,” by Joseph Blau. Presented at a symposium on the Idea of God, State University of New York at Buffalo, October 1967. Published; entry number 6 under “Articles”.

“Sentences and Propositions,” read at the annual meeting of the Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association in 1967. An abstract was published in *The Journal of Philosophy* 64 (1967), 739-740.

“In Defense of a Picture Theory of Language,” Philosophy Symposium, Fordham University, Spring 1968.

“The Sense of a Proper Name,” Fall meeting of the Creighton Club (New York State Philosophical Association), October 1972.

“A Formal Language for Subjunctive Conditionals,” meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic, March 1973, Seattle. An abstract appeared in the *Journal of Symbolic Logic*.

“Denoting and Referring,” Philosophy Colloquium, Temple University, Fall, 1973.

“Denoting and Referring,” Philosophy Colloquium, University of Notre Dame, Fall 1974.

“What is Combinatory Logic Really About?” conference on combinatory logic and the calculus of lambda-conversion, Pennsylvania State University, Spring, 1975.

“Aristotelian Quantifiers,” Fifth International Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science, London, Ontario, August 27-September 2, 1975. This paper was published; it is entry 14 under “Articles”.

“A Little More Like English,” Philosophy Colloquium, Western Michigan University, Fall 1975.

“A Logical Language More Like English,” 1976 Linguistics Institute, State University of New York College at Oswego.

“A Logical Language More Like English,” Philosophy Colloquium, Purdue University, Fall 1976.

“A Semantics Based on Justification Rather Than Truth,” Association for Symbolic Logic, Chicago, April 1977.

“Justification as a Replacement for Truth,” Philosophy Colloquium, Kent State University, Fall 1977.

“Modal Semantics Without Possible Worlds,” Philosophy Colloquium, University of Notre Dame, Fall 1978.

“Modal Semantics Without Possible Worlds,” meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic in Biloxi, MS, January 1979. An abstract was published in *The Journal of Symbolic Logic*.

“Modal Semantics Without Possible Worlds,” Philosophy Colloquium, Western Michigan University, Fall 1980.

“The Structures of Intentional Acts,” Philosophy Colloquium, Purdue University, Fall 1981.

“The Structures of Intentional Acts,” Philosophy Colloquium, Kent State University, Fall 1982.

“The Structure of Intentional Acts,” Philosophy Colloquium, Western Michigan University, Fall 1983.

“Commentary on ‘Naturalizing Epistemic Terms,’ by Robert G. Meyers,” presented at a conference “Naturalism and Rationality,” held at the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1985. This paper was published; it appears as item 24 under “Articles.”

Comments on ‘Believing in Possibility’ by Brian MacPherson, the annual meeting of the Eastern Division of the APA, December 1990.

“Representing and Representation,” Philosophy Colloquium, Kent State University, Fall 1993.

“Representing,” Philosophy Colloquium, Western Michigan University, Fall 1994.

“Understanding Descartes’ Problem,” Philosophy Colloquium, Western Michigan University, Fall 1994.

Comments on ‘A Description Theory of Proper Names and Kripke’s Puzzle’ by JeeLoo Liu, Tri-State Philosophical Association, April 1995.

- “Logic and Speech Acts,” Philosophy Colloquium, Kent State University, Fall 1995.
- “Representing,” invited lecture at conference “Verdad, logica, representacion y mundo” (“Truth, Logic, Representation, and World”), January, 1996, the University of Santiago de Compostela in Spain.
- “Comments on ‘Deflating Truth: Pragmatism vs. Minimalism’ by Cheryl Misak,” at conference “Can Epistemology be Unified?,” held at SUNY/Buffalo, fall 1996.
- “The Irreducible Intentionality of Calculation,” *La Naturalization de la mente, Simposio Internacional de Ciencia Cognitiva*, Departamento de filosofia, Universidad Nacional, Bogotá, Colombia, March 5-7, 1998.
- “Logic, An Empirical Study of A Priori Truths,” World Congress of Philosophy, Boston, August 1998.
- Comments on “Speech Act Classification” by Insu Kim, Creighton Club, spring 1999.
- “An Illocutionary Investigation of the Norms Governing Actual Cognitive Practices,” *11th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*, Cracow, Poland, August 1999. An abstract was published in the *Volume of Abstracts*, edited by Jacek Cachro and Katarzyna Kijania-Placek, p. 116.
- “The Priority of Denial to Negation,” *2000 Annual Meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic*, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, June 3-7, 2000. An abstract appears in *The Bulletin of Symbolic Logic* 6 (2000), 383-384.
- “The Rationality of Reasoning: Commitment and Coherence,” *23rd International Wittgenstein Symposium*, Kirchberg am Wechsel, August 2000. This paper was also printed, and is listed as 35 under “Articles.”
- “The Surprise Execution,” Philosophy Colloquium, Kent State University, fall 2000.
- “Logic is the Study of a Human Activity,” *Logica 2001*, June 2001, Zahradky Castle, Czech Republic. A longer version appears in the *Logica 2001 Yearbook*.
- “The Logic of Coherent Fiction,” *Logica 2002*, June 2002, Zahradky Castle, Czech Republic. A longer version appears in the *Logica 2002 Yearbook*.
- “Foundations of Illocutionary Logic,” Institut für Logik und Wissenschaftstheorie and the Institute for Formal Ontology and Medical Information Science, Leipzig, June 2002.
- “Denying the Liar, An Application of Illocutionary Logic,” *Recent Thoughts About the Liar*, University at Buffalo, October 2002.

Seminar on the logic of fiction, given at a seminar devoted to the topic of mathematics understood as fiction, Wayne State University, February 2003

“An Illocutionary Analysis of Conditional Assertions,” Wayne State University, February 2003.

“An Illocutionary Analysis of Conditional Assertions,” *Logica 2003*, Kravsko Chateau, Czech Republic, June 2003. A longer version appears in the *Logica 2003 Yearbook*.

“An Illocutionary Logical Analysis of Conditional Assertions,” *12th International Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science*, Oviedo, Spain, August 2003. An abstract appears in the *Volume of Abstracts* for the Congress, on p. 105.

“The Logical Difference between Knowledge and Justified Belief,” *Logica 2005*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2005. A longer version appears in the *Logica 2005 Yearbook*.

“Deduction and Cognition,” Conference on Logic and Cognition, Institute of Logic and Cognition, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China, May 2006. A longer version of this paper appears in the *Conference Proceedings*, but some of the symbols are printed incorrectly.

“Recapturing the Epistemic Dimension of Logic,” *Logica 2006*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2006. A longer version appears in the *Logica 2006 Yearbook*.

“Illocutionary Origins of Familiar Logical Operators,” *Logica 2007*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2007. A longer version appears in the *Logica 2007 Yearbook*.

“An Illocutionary Logical Approach to two Fundamental Paradoxes of Modern Logic,” *13th International Congress for Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*, Beijing, China, August 2007

“An Illocutionary Conception of Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics, with an Application to the Sorites Paradox,” Philosophy Dept., University of Calgary, April 2008.

“Two Dimensions of Logical Theory: Commitment and Truth,” presented at the *International Conference on Philosophy*, sponsored by the Philosophy Research Unit of the Athens Institute for Education and Research (AT.IN.E.R.), in June, 2009 in Athens, Greece.

“What is Natural about Natural Deduction,” *Logica 2009*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June, 2009. A longer version appears in the *Logica Yearbook 2009*.

“Logic and Fiction,” Philosophy Department colloquium, Universidad Nacional, Bogotá, Colombia, November, 2009.

“Natural and Unnatural Deduction,” *First Colombian Congress on Logic, Epistemology, and Philosophy of Science*, November, 2009, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia.

“Two Concepts of Opposition,” *Second World Conference on the Square of Opposition*, Corte, Corsica, June 2010.

“Affirmation and Denial, Judgments of Composition and Division,” *Logica 2010*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2010. A longer version appears in *The Logica Yearbook 2010*.

“Logics of Truth and Fiction, Where Do Possible Worlds Belong?,” *Logica 2011*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2011. A longer version appears in *The Logica Yearbook 2011*.

“Negative Acts and Negative Characters: Declining, Preventing, Refusing, and Failing,” *The Logic of Opposition*, a symposium affiliated with the *14th Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science*, Nancy, France, July 2011.

“Why Blame Aristotle? Rational Coherence and the Principle of Contradiction,” the *14th Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science*, Nancy, France, July 2011.

“Logic and Philosophy,” *Philosophers’ Rally*, Gdansk, Poland, June 2012.

“First-Person Logical Theories and Third-Person Logical Theories,” *Logica 2013*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2013. A longer version appears in *The Logica Yearbook, 2013*.

“The Larger Logical Picture,” *Logica 2015*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2014. A longer version appears in *The Logica Yearbook, 2015*.

“Illocutionary Acts and Arguments,” the *15th Congress of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science*, Helsinki, Finland, August 2015.

“‘I asked you to mail that letter, not burn it,’ An illocutionary logical analysis of directive acts and arguments,” *Logica 2017*, Hejnice, Czech Republic, June 2017. A longer version will appear in *The Logica Yearbook*.

Papers Presented Locally:

“What is Combinatory Logic?,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1972.

Participant in Symposium “What is Logic?,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1972.

Discussion Leader on Combinatory Logic, symposium on The Nature of Logic, Conversations in the Disciplines, Spring 1973.

“Lesniewski's Ontology,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1974.

“A Little More Like English I” and “A Little More Like English II,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1976.

“The Very Best Semantics for Intuitionist Logic,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1976.

“Modal Semantics Without Possible Worlds,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1978.

“Illocutionary Logic,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1979.

“Speech Acts and Syntactic Structure,” presented at Linguistics Colloquium, Spring 1981. (Jointly sponsored by the Buffalo Logic Colloquium.)

“Modal Semantics Without Possible Worlds,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1982.

“Some New Problems with Material Implication,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1983.

“Epistemic Illocutionary Logic,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1985.

“What Have Speech Acts Got to do with Syntactic Structure?,” presented at Colloquium on the History and Philosophy of Science, Fall 1986.

“Myhill and Philosophy of Mathematics,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1988.

“Tarski's Original Sin,” presented at meeting jointly sponsored by the Philosophy Department and the Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1990.

“The Church-Turing Theses,” presented as one of a group of three papers to the Cognitive Science Colloquium, Fall 1991.

“Logic and Speech Acts,” presented at Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1994.

“Speech-Act Logic,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Fall 1995.

Remembering Alonzo Church and Alfred Tarski, a discussion held by the Buffalo Logic Colloquium, Spring 1996.

“Deductive Standards for Arguments,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, spring 1997.

“Logic, An Empirical Study of A Priori Principles,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, fall 1998.

“The Surprise Execution,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, spring 1999.

“Statements, the Bearers of Truth,” Buffalo Socratic Society, spring 1999.

“Conditional Assertions,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, fall 1999.

“Universal Assertions,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, fall 2000.

“The Logic of Coherent Fiction,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, spring 2001.

“Philosophy of Logic: A Speech Act Perspective,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, fall 2001

“An Introduction to Leśniewski’s Logic,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, spring 2003

“An Improved Introduction to the Logic of Speech Acts,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, spring 2004

“Russell’s 1905 ‘On Denoting’,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, July 2005.

“The Epistemic Character of Deduction: A Speech-Act Approach,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, July 2006.

“Restoring the Balance in Logic,” Cognitive Science Colloquium, November 2006.

“Natural and Unnatural Deduction, with an Application to Denial and Negation,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, December 2009.

“Logic, Ontology and Epistemology: Truth and Commitment,” IGERT program, Geography Dept., April 2010.

“Coherence and Contradiction,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, November 2011.

“Logic and Philosophy,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, November 2012.

“Designing a More User-Friendly Form of First-Order Logic,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, October 2014.

“Locutionary and Illocutionary, Acts and Arguments,” Buffalo Logic Colloquium, October 2015.

Editorial Position:

Editor of series in Logic and Language for SUNY Press, 1985 - 2000. Books in the series:

The Argument of the Tractatus, Richard M. McDonough, 1986

Convention, Translation, and Understanding, Robert Feleppa, 1988

Wittgenstein's Later Philosophy, Oswald Hanfling, 1989

On the Logic of Ordinary Conditionals, Robert N. McLaughlin, 1990.

Essentialism, A Wittgensteinian Critique, Garth L. Hallett, 1991.

Rationalized Epistemology, Albert A. Johnstone, 1991.

Wittgenstein, An Introduction, Joachim Schulte, translated by William H. Brenner and John F. Holley, 1992.

Commitment in Dialogue, Basic Concepts of Interpersonal Reasoning, Douglas N. Walton and Erik C. W. Krabbe, 1995.

Reconceiving Experience, A Solution to a Problem Inherited from Descartes, John T. Kearns, 1996.

Appeal to Pity, Argumentum ad Misericordiam, Douglas Walton, 1997.

One-Sided Arguments, Douglas Walton, 1999.

Acts of Arguing, A Rhetorical Model of Argument, Christopher W. Tindale, 1999.

PhDs Directed

1975, Joseph Burgess, *Analyticity and Arithmetic: A Study of Kant and Frege*

1982, Scott Roberts, *Is Seeing Believing? A Critical Examination of the Direct Realist Theory of Perception of David Malet Armstrong*

1986, Shashi Motilal, *An Analysis of Searle's Theory of the Intentionality of Speech Acts*

1988, Emelie Kenny, *Discovery on the Threshold: The Recognition and Acceptance of Complex Numbers*

1999, Aaron Lercher, *Progress in Mathematics: Descartes's Geometry*

2000, Jaime Ramos Arenas, *A Critical Study of the Language of Thought Hypothesis*

2001, Richard Main, *On Negative Facts*

2004, Chien-chih Chi, *An Analysis of the Problem of the Irreducibility of the Mind*

2004, Chris Pacyga, *Kripke's Semantic Paradox and Semantic Normativity*

2004, Leonard Jacuzzo, *The Pedagogy of Logic*

2007, Valerie Franks, *Empirical Idealism: A Modern Foundation for the Science of Mind*

2007, Youngjae Jee, *Referring*

University Service

Graduate School Executive Committee, Spring 1985

CAS APT Committee, 2003, Fall 2006-Fall 2007

Departmental Service

Assistant Chair, 1968-70

Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee, Chair, 1980-81; 1987-88; 2004-05

Logic and Philosophy of Science Program Committee, 1969-70; 1971-72

Graduate Progress and Evaluation Committee, Chair, 1972-73; 1974-75; 1986-87, 1989-90; 1990-91; 1993-94

Colloquium Committee, Chair, 1971-72; 1973-74

Search Committee (for new faculty), Chair, 1969-70; Chair, 1980-81; Chair, 2003-04

Executive Committee, 1974-75; 1982-85; 1988-90; 2003-05, 2011-

Associate Chair, Director of Undergraduate Studies, 1976-78

Placement Committee, Chair, 1981-82

Director of Graduate Studies, 1983-85

Perry Prize Committee, Chair, 1991-92; 1992-93; 1993-94

Chair of Department, 1994-2003, 2007-2010

Other:

Coordinator, Buffalo Logic Colloquium, for many different academic years, and most recently in 2016-2017.

Co-chair, *Conference on the Philosophy of Logic*, sponsored by the Niagara Linguistics Society and the Philosophy Departments at Buffalo State College and State University of New York at Buffalo, held at Buffalo State College in Spring 1977

Member of the Editorial Board for SUNY Press, Fall 1988-Spring 1991

Chair of the organizing committee for a conference “Cognition and Representation,” held in April 1992, and sponsored by Philosophy Department, Center for Cognitive Science, Computer Science Department, Linguistics Department, and Psychology Department

Planning committee for the First International Summer Institute in Cognitive Science, held at SUNY Buffalo in July 1994

Organized conference *Recent Thoughts About the Liar*, held at the University at Buffalo in October 2002. Main speakers were Matti Eklund, Patrick Greenough, Anil Gupta, John Kearns, Robert Martin, Gorän Sundholm.