

Curriculum Vitae of Joshua Rasmussen
Ph.D. (University of Notre Dame)

SPECIALIZATION

Metaphysics (analytic)

EMPLOYMENT

Azusa Pacific University, Assistant Professor (fall 2013–present)
Research Fellow, University of Notre Dame (fall 2012–spring 2013)

RESEARCH

Books

1. *Necessary Existence* (with Alex Pruss), Oxford University Press (forthcoming: 2015)
2. *Defending the Correspondence Theory of Truth*, Cambridge University Press (forthcoming: 2014)

Articles

1. “Modal Continuity as a Guide to Possibility,” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).
2. “Problems with Plurals,” (with Alex Pruss) *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* (forthcoming)
3. “From Necessary Truth to Necessary Existence,” *Polish Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming)
4. “About Aboutness,” *Metaphysica* (forthcoming)
5. “Time without Creation” (with Alex Pruss), *Faith and Philosophy* (forthcoming)
6. “On the Value of the Freedom to do Evil,” *Faith and Philosophy* (forthcoming)
7. “Explaining Counterfactuals,” (with Alex Pruss) *Religious Studies* (forthcoming)
8. “How Truth Relates to Reality,” *American Philosophical Quarterly* (2013)
9. “Grounding and Omniscience,” (with D. H. Snyder and A. Cullison) *Faith and Philosophy* (2013)
10. “Presentists May Say Goodbye to A-Properties,” *Analysis* (2012)
11. “No Pairing Problem” (with L. van Horn and A. Bailey), *Philosophical Studies* (2011)
12. “Freedom vs. Destiny,” in *Zelda and Theology*, ed. Jonny Walls (2011)
13. “From States of Affairs to a Necessary Being,” *Philosophical Studies* (2010)
14. “A New Argument for a Necessary Being,” *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (2010)
15. “Cosmological Arguments from Contingency,” *Philosophy Compass* (2010)
16. “Necessary Being to God,” *International Journal of Philosophy of Religion* (2009)
17. “On Creating Worlds without Evil,” *Religious Studies* (2004)
18. “Hume and the Kalâm Cosmological Argument” (with Garrett Deweese), in *In Defense of Natural Theology: A Post-Humean Reassessment*, ed. Douglas Groothuis and James Sennett (2004)
19. “Why is there Anything?” (with Weaver) in *Two Dozen Arguments: New Essays*, ed. T. Dougherty and J. Walls (forthcoming)

Review & Reference

1. "Truth: Its Nature, Criteria and Conditions," *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2012)
2. "Pairing Problem" (with Andrew Bailey), *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, 3rd Edition (forthcoming).
3. "The Puzzle of Existence: Why Is There Something Rather Than Nothing?" *European Journal of Philosophy* (invited, forthcoming)

SELECTED TALKS

1. "Why is There Anything?" (invited), UCLA, 2014.
2. "The Puppet Argument," *American Philosophical Association* (Eastern Division), December 2013.
3. "Moral Realism and the Problem of Self-Defeat," *American Philosophical Association* (Pacific Division), March 2013.
4. "Against Spatial Propositions," *Midsouth Philosophy Conference*, February 2013.
5. "Mind Over Matter", with Jerry Walls.
Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference (underground paper), July 2012.
The Annual HBU Philosophy Conference, March 2013.
6. "Are People Puppets of their Parts?" with A. Bailey, *63rd Northwest Philosophy Conference*, October 2011.
7. "A Theory of Correspondence," *62nd Northwest Philosophy Conference*, October 2010.
8. "Propositions Are Not in Your Head, on Paper, or Anywhere Else," *American Philosophical Association* (Central Division), February 2010.
9. "What We See in Dreams," *61st Northwest Philosophy Conference*, October 2009.
10. "A Swift Cosmological Argument," *Yale & UConn Graduate Conference*, February 2009.
11. "What's so Good about Moral Freedom—a Reply to Wes Morriston," University of California Riverside, October 2008.
12. "A Cantorian Cost of Mind-Brain Identity"
American Philosophical Association (Pacific Division), December 2007.
58th Northwest Philosophy Conference, November 2006.
Words, Objects, and Metaphysics Conference at the University of Texas at Austin, March 2006.
12. "A Scotistic Cosmological Argument"
Rutgers Philosophy of Religion Conference, January 2007.
59th Northwest Philosophy Conference, October 2007.
12. "Kalâm Calamity," Biola University, February 2004.
13. "The Cardinality of Possible Persons," University of Arizona, February 2003.
14. "Theological Values of Randomness" with Jordan Wessling, *Randomness and Divine Providence*, Calvin College, June 2013

RESEARCH AWARDS

- o \$47,000: Grant, with Jordan Wessling, projects on randomness, present.
- o \$60,000: Research Fellow, University of Notre Dame, fall 2012–spring 2013.

- o Stipend Award, *St. Thomas Summer Seminar* (2010 & 2014).
- o Edward Sorin Fellowship (a humanities wide fellowship), University of Notre Dame, June 2010: selected by College of Arts and Letters and the Graduate School; research advisor: Alvin Plantinga.

TEACHING

Assignments at Azusa Pacific University:

- Introduction to Philosophy*, fall 2013 (3 sections)
- Philosophy of Religion*, fall 2013 (1 section)
- Introduction to Philosophy*, spring 2014 (3 sections)
- Free Will*, spring 2014 (1 section)

Courses taught at Notre Dame:

- Minds, Brains, and Persons*, fall 2011, spring 2012
- Free Will and Determinism* (upper-level, two sections), spring 2010
- Minds, Brains, and Persons* (upper-level), fall 2010
- Introduction to Philosophy*, 2009-2010

Teaching Development Workshops:

- Striving for Excellence in Teaching Certificate, October 2011

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Undergraduate philosophy conference organizer (with Adam Green), hosted at APU, spring 2014.
- Student scholarship research organizer (at APU).
- Interviewee for documentary on science and faith, with *the Pond and Beyond* (forthcoming).
- Referee: *Philosophical Studies*, *American Philosophical Quarterly*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Synthese*, *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*, *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, *Polish Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Quarterly of Israel*, *Journal of Student Research*, Notre Dame/Northwestern Joint Epistemology Conference
- Author Meets Critics. Invited to review Alexander Pruss' book, *Actuality, Possibility, and Worlds*, October 2011.
- Graduate Student Council Representative, fall 2006 – spring 2007.
- Contributor for *Matters of Substance*, academic metaphysics blog.

REFERENCES

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